

# Seaside: Seaside School District serves 1,550 students

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If approved by district voters on in November, the campus would be built on portions of the 80 acres east of Seaside Heights Elementary School donated by Weyerhaeuser Co.

"It shows the current Seaside Heights Elementary School and new addition, middle school and high school complexes, and the roads," Seaside School District Superintendent-emeritus Doug Dougherty said Wednesday. "Other than that, the actual work that goes into drawings of classrooms or interior pieces won't be done until after the bond because they are so expensive to purchase from the architect."

Buildings will be either two or three stories, Dougherty said. Utilities and other infrastructure details will not be developed until after the bond is decided.

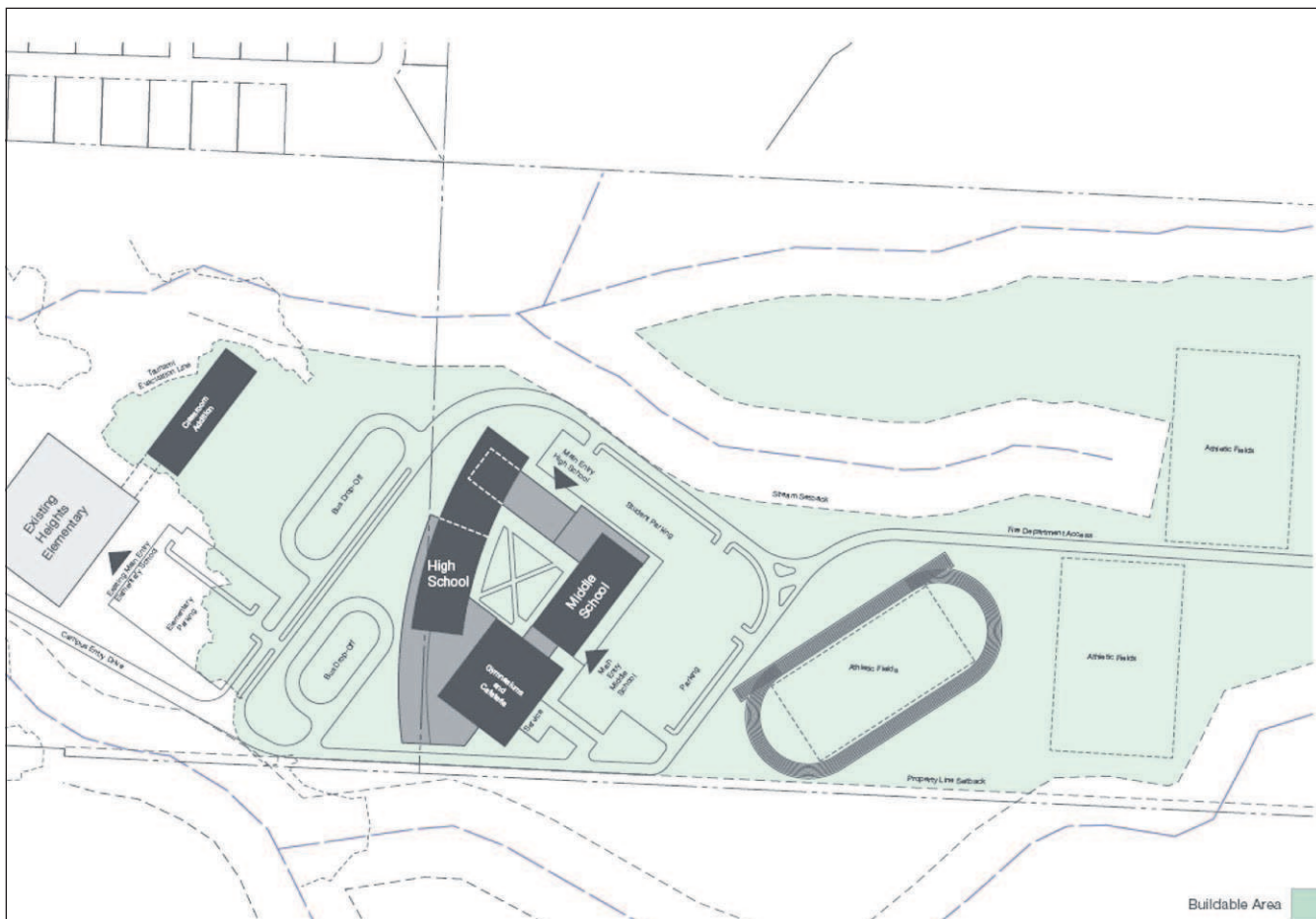
Seaside School District serves 1,550 students from communities across south Clatsop County. Gearhart Elementary School, Broadway Middle School and Seaside High

School are located near sea level, endangering all students and school staff in the event of a tsunami. The buildings are rated by the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries as having a high probability of catastrophic collapse in an earthquake.

The new campus could be used for the general public as well as students in an emergency, Dougherty said. Because of the slope, \$2.75 million of the total budget must cover the cost of engineered pier foundations.

In a fact sheet presented by Vote Yes for Local Schools, supporters of the bond said the major areas removed from the 2013 bond include replacement of Seaside Heights Elementary School, an auditorium, varsity football field, varsity boys and girls soccer fields, varsity baseball fields, a covered bleachers and locker room complex and all but the emergency shelter components that are required by law.

Will there be add-ons? "We have no other plans at this point," Dougherty said. "That's all we can afford, unfortunately."



New Seaside School District campus as rendered by architects Dull Olson Weekes.

# Debate: Brown, Pierce are expected to debate again four more times

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Brown said, summarizing a key difference in messaging between the two campaigns.

Brown reiterated her support for Ballot Measure 97, the proposed tax on certain corporate gross sales receipts, saying that additional investment was needed in basic services, while Pierce said more broadly that promoting prosperous rural economies would have ripple effects in areas such as education and healthcare.

In her opening statement, Brown said her vision for the state encompassed improving educational outcomes, investing in infrastructure and preserving "the beauty and bounty of Oregon."

She touted her administration's "progress" in the past year and a half in implementing automatic voter registration and passing legislation to convert Oregon from coal to clean sources of energy.

Pierce's criticism of Brown began with his opening statement, in which he said Brown was "distant from the people" and seldom visited rural areas. He said he also wanted to address education, and also said improving mental healthcare, the state's rural economies and homelessness were central to his platform.

## The economy

The first third of the debate focused around the economy.

Brown, in response to a question about the effects of the increased minimum wage on rural business, defended the state's mandated minimum wage increases, which will vary by area, saying she would not apologize for advocating for "working families."

Pierce, asked about recreational marijuana, said the state's law legalizing recreational marijuana was "well-crafted," and that he supported local control over regulations. He also said he wished to bring the industry into mainstream banking, saying that a cash-only system was open to corruption.

Brown, in an interview with Oregon Public Broadcasting last month, acknowledged consumers in Oregon would bear some of the burden should the measure pass. But in Saturday's debate she said the measure was the only viable option to remedy the state's projected budget \$1.35 billion shortfall. Measure 97 is projected to pull in an additional \$6 billion in revenue per budget biennium.

In a rebuttal, Pierce disagreed, citing figures from the Legislative Revenue Office estimating that the average family would pay \$600 more annually in costs.

Brown said she sought to

improve education and infrastructure in rural areas, and touted the state's recent investment in "innovative technologies," citing cross-laminated timber and unmanned aerial vehicles.

In response to a question about shrinking rural economies and populations, Pierce said he wanted to renew natural resource industries in rural areas and support entrepreneurs through incentives such as tax credits or enterprise zones.

## Land use

In the second part of the debate, which centered on land use, Brown was asked to clarify her stance on the proposed designation of the Owyhee Canyonlands in Eastern Oregon as a national monument.

The incumbent said she supported collaboration in coming to a decision.

Asked to expand on her answer, Brown maintained a "process" needed to be in place for taking public input. She would not say explicitly whether she was for or against the designation.

Pierce rebutted that the community around the proposed monument opposes the designation.

"The people who lived on the lands overwhelmingly said no," Pierce said, and said he opposed what he character-

ized as an additional layer of bureaucracy.

Pierce and Brown also disagreed more broadly about the federal government's management of public lands in Oregon. Pierce said that he supported a gradual transfer of federal public lands to state and local agencies, a move Brown called unrealistic.

"I think there's a third way," Brown said. She said the state was already cooperating with the federal government, and cited the state's "good neighbor agreement" with the U.S. Forest Service regarding forest management.

## Urban-rural divide

While Pierce said that employment and basic healthcare can improve individual health, Brown said Pierce would "kick people off the Oregon Health Plan" and that she sought to remove barriers to healthcare.

"Every time we have a budget cut in this state, we cut people or we cut services," Brown said.

Pierce objected, noting he was in favor of the recent Medicaid expansion in the state, but that rural communities suffered from a lack of affordable health insurance.

"All the great words in the world from the governor will not provide affordable insur-

ance," Pierce said.

He said that both health and educational outcomes could be bolstered by improved rural economies.

"If we have prosperity in rural areas, prosperous families can take care of their children," Pierce said, arguing that rural areas have been neglected by Brown's administration.

He also emphasized his background as a private citizen in contrast to Brown's 25 years in state government and said her record was poor in those years.

But Brown said the state needed to continue investing in education to improve outcomes, citing the state's comparatively short school years and large class sizes. She pointed to her appointment of an education innovation officer, whom she said would provide school districts sufficient resources to allow graduates to have a "plan."

She criticized Republicans' response to the state's low-carbon fuel standard.

"We put on the table an exemption for rural Oregon, but Republican legislators chose to align with the petroleum industry" and did not heed the wishes of constituents, Brown said.

Asked about how she would balance healthy natural environments in rural communities while allowing rural communi-

ties to capitalize on their natural resources, Brown said that climate change was the most significant issue, and that it was "imperative" that the Oregon Department of Forestry and other state agencies have adequate resources to collect data.

Pierce called Brown's response a "non-answer" and agreed that while climate change was an issue, he supported a "triple aim" of lower carbon emissions, reliable supply of energy and lower costs.

He said he wanted to help industries that rely on water thrive, but also encourage more "judicious use of water."

Brown, in a counter-response, also called Pierce's response a non-answer and said that she wanted to preserve the state for future generations.

"I don't think we want to look like Idaho," Brown said. "I want us to keep Oregon green."

Saturday's debate was moderated by the Oregon chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, with questions offered by representatives of the East Oregonian, KTVZ-TV, Jefferson Public Radio and the Bend Bulletin.

Brown and Pierce are expected to debate again four more times before the Nov. 8 election: On Sept. 30, they will square off before the City Club of Portland.

# Queener: 'I'm trying to teach these kids competitiveness, work ethic ...'

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started listening to them. I looked into the profession and gathered as much information as I could about it, and found that law enforcement was everything I wanted in a career.

"It only took three weeks of chemistry for me to start exploring other options."

## Result of reinvention

Queener has had to "reinvent" himself a few times already. When he was a freshman at NHS, Queener was a lanky 6-foot-1, 210-pounder, and he saw limited playing time. Then he discovered the weight room, and it changed his playing career.

"After that season, I found my way into the weight room and really started pushing myself to become the strongest and biggest I could be," he said. The hard work started to pay off, and he received first-team league defense honors that next season. He was second-team all-league the following year on both sides of the line, followed by first team on both sides his senior year. But one "smaller" honor foreshadowed the next change in Queener's life, when prior to his senior year, he won the bench-press competition at the Camp Rilea football training camp in Warrenton.

"I'm 6-foot-4, 271 pounds

today — exact same height and weight as my senior year of football," he said. "I'm quite a bit stronger and faster now than I was in the glory days."

Queener's football dreams nearly went up in smoke just two months prior to his senior year when he tore his ACL, MCL and meniscus in his right knee. He had to make a choice. If he had surgery done right away he would miss his entire senior season.

"I went to physical therapy religiously that summer and was able to get back on the field in time for (the start of) practice," he said, praising the work of his physical therapist Nathan Nagy of Astoria.

"After so many years of training for high school football, training to try and walk-on in college, training in the weight room had become so routine I couldn't imagine ever not training. It's as much a part of my day now as eating or sleeping."

He now can squat 575 pounds, deadlift 700 pounds and bench press 455 pounds.

## Making milestones

Queener was on the sideline, with his Comets jersey on under his jacket, when NHS played Wahkiakum for the KM Trophy in Week 1. Standing there prior to the start of the game Queener was probably thinking about his times

playing for the trophy.

"The KM trophy games will always have a special place," he said. "The game we won the trophy in 2009 was my first victory as a starter, and the game we defended the trophy in 2011 was my last high school victory."

And though his job at the Youth Camp is temporary, Queener doesn't mind.

"I am so thankful for the opportunity. It is close to home, pays well, and puts me in yet another opportunity to mentor young men and hopefully positively impact their lives," he said. "I'm a patient guy, and I'm enjoying everything that's going on in life in the meantime."

With the possibility of another job in local law enforcement in the future, Queener will be around the valley for a while.

"My goal is to teach the kids the fundamentals of the game, like blocking, tackling, running, throwing and catching, as well as introducing them to the philosophies used by the high school so that they're ready to contribute to (that) team (in the future)."

"More importantly though, I'm trying to teach these kids competitiveness, work ethic, drive and self-motivation. Those skills will help them the most in football, and in life. I can personally vouch for that."

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