

Tribal Council encourages all Tribal members living within the Willamina School District to vote "yes" on the upcoming bond.



Willamina Schools Bond Facts: Ballot Measure 27-94

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School Board proposes construction bond to add space, renovate and update District facilities

The Willamina School Board used recommendations from a community Bond Planning Committee as the basis for a November bond proposal, Ballot Measure 27-94.

The committee identified current and projected facility needs and set the following goals for facility improvements: accommodate student enrollment growth, make improvements to enhance student learning and improve operational efficiency.

Ballot Measure 27-94 would provide funds to:

- Renovate, upgrade, furnish, equip the old high school building to accommodate 7th and 8th grades, including gym and auditorium facilities. designed to include:
New, energy efficient heating/ventilation, plumbing and electrical systems • Classroom technology for updated student learning; and
- Allowing district to increase instructional time, decrease transportation costs.

Consolidating all educational services in Willamina at the Oaken Hills Complex and old high school would

reduce transportation and operating costs and allow the district to increase instructional time for 7th and 8th graders by approximately 90 hours a year.

- Upgrade, expand, furnish, equip additional classrooms and shop facilities at existing elementary school and high school with:
New, up-to-date shop facilities for high school students; • Space for all Willamina K-6 and high school students in the same locations to reduce transportation and operating costs.

- Make site improvements, pay demolition costs and fees associated with issuing bonds.

The estimated tax rate increase for an \$8.5 million bond would be approximately \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value per year, or \$150 per year more for each \$100,000 of assessed property value. The bonds would mature in 26 years or less from date of issuance. The actual rate could vary depending on interest rates, changes in the District's total assessed value and other factors.

Election date: Ballots will be mailed to voters starting on October 17. They must be returned to the Elections Office by 8 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Voter Registration Deadline: October 14. Forms are available in schools or online at www.oregonvotes.org.

Bond Amount: \$8.5 million

Bond Term: 26 years

Please remember to vote on Nov. 4, 2008

For more information about Ballot Measure 27-94, call Superintendent Gus Forster, 503-876-1500

26% of the students attending Willamina Schools are Native and a large number of them are Grand Ronde Tribal members

If you live in Tribal housing, the bond measure will have no financial impact on you so a yes vote is easy and important