

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE AND MEASURE ELECTION

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a ballot title for a measure referred by Scappoose School District 1J has been filed with the Columbia County Clerk on August, 3rd, 2023. The measure election will be conducted by mail and will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

The ballot title caption is: Bonds to Increase Safety, Repair Schools; Replace Scappoose Middle School.

Caption

Bonds to Increase Safety, Repair Schools; Replace Scappoose Middle School.

Question

Shall district increase safety, receive state matching funds; replace middle school; issue \$110 million in GO bonds; audits required? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary

Scappoose School District proposes a bond not exceeding \$110 million; eligible for \$4 million state grant if approved.

Bonds would finance capital costs to fund projects that:

- Replace 92 year old Scappoose Middle School with new safe & modern school campus adjacent to Scappoose High
- Improve Safety and Security:
 - Secure entrances, alarms, cameras
 - Fire, Intercom improvements
 - Remove asbestos
 - Improve accessibility to meet ADA requirements
- Update & Repair Aging Schools:
 - Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, insulation, siding, windows, boilers
 - New HVAC to improve air quality
 - Replace deteriorating sidewalks, parking lots
- Expand Student Opportunities:
 - Remodeled career and technical/vocational education spaces
 - Additional classrooms at high school for science, band
 - Improved access to band, math & CTE programs for middle school students
- Site improvements, athletic fields, demolition, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs

Citizen oversight committee, audits required.

Bonds may be issued in multiple series maturing within 31 years from issuance. Estimated increase over FY 2023 bond tax rate is \$1.22 per \$1,000 assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. August 14th, 2023 (which is the 7th business day after receipt.) ORS 255.155. This notice is published pursuant to ORS 255.145(5) by Debbie Klug, Columbia County Clerk.
