

# Benton County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

April 28, 2026 Special Election

## Registration Deadlines:

These deadlines apply to new registrations & voter updates!

Mail: April 20

Online: April 20

In-Person: April 28

Military & Overseas Ballots Mailed:

March 25

Ballots Mailed: April 8

## Additional Resources:

Local Election Information

[www.bentoncountywa.gov/elections](http://www.bentoncountywa.gov/elections)

County Information

[www.bentoncountywa.gov/elections](http://www.bentoncountywa.gov/elections)

State Election Information

[www.sos.wa.gov](http://www.sos.wa.gov)

Campaign Finance Information

[www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)

## Ballot Drop Box locations for this election:

### Benton County Courthouse

620 Market St., Prosser

### Benton County Elections Center

7122 W. Okanogan Pl. Bldg. F, Kennewick

### Benton County Campus (Drive up)

7122 W. Okanogan Pl. Bldg. E, Kennewick

If you choose to use the mail to return your completed ballot, the USPS recommends that you mail your completed ballot at least one week prior to Election Day (April 28).



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## Paterson School District No. 50 | Proposition No. 1

### PROPOSITION NO. 1

### PATERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50

### REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Paterson School District No. 50 adopted Resolution No. 04-2025-26, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	\$0.78	\$483,200
2028	\$0.78	\$495,280
2029	\$0.78	\$507,662

all as provided in Resolution No. 04-2025-26.

Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY ... YES  LEVY ... NO

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

### PROPOSITION NO. 1 - REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Paterson School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that expires at the end of 2026. The replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, which include, but are not limited to: maintaining class size to provide one teacher per grade; Sports/Activity bus for Paterson students for both middle school and high school students so that they can be involved in academic and extracurricular activities through Housel Middle School and Prosser High School (our non-high servicing district); classified and certificated salaries; salaries for activities, such as Adventure Fridays, summer school, and outside activities and programs; basic transportation; technology; nutrition services; professional development; student elective programs; educational support personnel; and safety measures for students and staff. Further information is available at: [www.patersonschool.org](http://www.patersonschool.org).

The proposed replacement levy would authorize collection of up to \$483,200 in 2027, \$495,280 in 2028, and \$507,662 in 2029. The levy rate required to produce these amounts is estimated to be \$0.78 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Exemptions from taxes may be available, contact the Benton County Assessor 509-786-2046.

### Pro/Con Committee Information

After repeated recruitment attempts, no volunteers in the district came forward to write a statement for or against the ballot measure.