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Portland Public Schools 2020 School Bond Renewal

Proposed Bond Renewal Option	
BONDS TO IMPROVE HEALTH, SAFETY, LEARNING BY MODERNIZING, REPAIRING SCHOOLS <i>Shall Portland Public Schools repair, modernize schools; replace technology, and update curriculum; by issuing bonds estimated to maintain current tax rate?</i>	
Educational & Accessibility Improvements:	\$228.8M
Curriculum	53.4M
Technology	128.2M
Special Education Classrooms and ADA Accessibility	47.2M
Health & Safety Projects	\$183.8M
Roofs	65.7M
Mechanical	75.0M
Security	25.9M
Seismic	17.2M
Modernizations & Rebuilds:	\$639.0M
Jefferson High School: Modernization	311.0M
Center for Black Student Excellence: Planning, Design, Pre-Construction	60.0M
Cleveland/Wilson High Schools: Planning, Design, Pre-Construction	40.0M
Benson Polytechnic High School: Completion	152.0M
Multiple Pathways to Graduation: Facility Construction	64.0M
Capacity/Enrollment/Design	12.0M
Management (6%):	63.0M
Program Contingency excluding Curriculum and Technology (10%):	93.3M
Total	\$1.208B

The proposed bond is expected to maintain a rate of \$2.50, which is the same rate that was estimated in 2017, with a plan to return to voters for another renewal at the same rate in 2024.

As currently proposed, the 2020 School Bond Renewal includes the following investments:

Proposed Educational & Accessibility Investments

- \$53.4 million to adopt comprehensive, culturally relevant and current curriculum and instructional resources and materials, across core subject areas, including language arts, math, science, the arts and social emotional learning. This investment would provide students with high-quality, standards-based instructional materials, would allow for a return to the Oregon textbook adoption cycle, and would support more innovative PPS vision-oriented courses of study (e.g. climate justice, ethnic studies, middle school redesign, experiential education and portfolios, computer science).

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- \$128.2 million to provide equitable access to technology, including replacement of tablets or Chromebook laptops for students, and updates PPS' core technology infrastructure.
- \$13.4 million to improve and modify more than 82 special education classrooms across the district to provide flexible, adaptive, distraction-free spaces with visual and acoustic mitigation to support both the instructional requirements of special education staff and the sensory-needs of our students and \$33.8 million to remove barriers to accessibility, and remove barriers at the main level District-wide.

Proposed Health & Safety Investments

- \$65.7 million to repair or replace leaking or deteriorating school roofs at up to 12 sites.
- \$75 million to replace or repair approximately 15 highest priority mechanical systems—which heat and cool buildings—with additional funding available for smaller mechanical projects.
- \$25.9 million to upgrade all classroom door locks to current district standard, install additional security camera systems, and upgrade or replace intrusion alarm systems in schools that have not been modernized.
- \$17.2 million to retrofit up to 3 of the smallest schools on the City of Portland Unreinforced Masonry database, in coordination with full roof replacement.

Proposed Modernizations & Rebuilds

- \$311 million to modernize Jefferson High School in line with a recent master plan concept design.
- \$60 million to fund additional master planning, design and initial implementation, including focused investments in the neighborhood schools surrounding Jefferson High School, toward a community vision of a Center for Black Student Excellence.
- \$40 million for intensive design and pre-construction planning for modernization of Cleveland and Wilson High Schools. Voters could be asked to approve funding for construction in 2024 for Cleveland and Wilson, keeping both high schools on track for modernization.
- \$152 million to complete the modernization of Benson Polytechnic High School—a historic building that will cost more to modernize than was originally estimated in the 2017 bond.
- \$64 million to build a new Multiple Pathways to Graduation programs facility on the Benson campus, providing space to support the diverse and specific needs of students with programs like Alliance at Benson and Meek, DART/Clinton, Teen Parent Childcare, and Reconnection Services & Program.
- \$2 million to support the design planning for the Roosevelt High School final phase to meet 1700 student capacity.