



# Mandatory Resolution Cover Sheet

It is the submitter's responsibility to ensure that the documentation is presented no later than 4:30 pm on the resolution deadline date. Contact person or persons shall have the authority and be available to answer questions. Call (509)422-7240 with questions about a resolution or completing this form. Please complete entire form.

## Election Information

Election Date: February 13, 2024

Type of Measure: Proposition No. 1-Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy  
(Levy, Bond, Levy Lid Lift, etc)

Pass/Fail Requirements: Simple Majority  
(Simple Majority, 60% plus minimum turnout, etc)

## District Information

District Name: Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington

District Address: 520 W. Main St., Brewster, WA 98812

**Contact Person 1** Lynnette Blackburn,  
Superintendent and Secretary  
to the Board  
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phone & email

**Contact Person 2** Juan J. Hernandez,  
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**Attorney Information**  
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Name  
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phone & email

**Was the ballot resolution prepared by your Attorney?**  
 Yes  No

## Have you:

- Attached a signed Copy of the resolution?  Yes  No
- Attached the Explanatory Statement (not to exceed 200 words) for the Local Voters' Pamphlet, prepared by your attorney?  Yes  No
- Attached the Pro/Con Committee Appointment Form?  Yes  No
- Sent electronic copies of all the attached documents to the Auditors office? (Cover Sheet & Pro/Con Committee Appointment Form (PDF) --- Resolution & Explanatory Statement (Word))  Yes  No

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Name

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Was the ballot measure prepared by your attorney?

Yes

No

### Have you:

Attached a signed copy of the resolution?

Yes

No

Attached the Explanatory Statement (not to exceed 200 words) for the Local Voters' Pamphlet, prepared by your attorney?

Yes

No

Attached the "For" and "Against" Committee Appointment Forms?

Yes

No

Completed this cover sheet?

Yes

No

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BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J  
OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING EDUCATIONAL  
PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2-23/24

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 13, 2024, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for four years commencing in 2024 for collection in 2025 of \$1,598,039, in 2025 for collection in 2026 of \$1,661,961, in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$1,728,439, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$1,797,577, for the District's General Fund to pay expenses of educational programs and operation; designating the Secretary to the Board and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Okanogan County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

ADOPTED: NOVEMBER 27, 2023

*This document prepared by:*

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BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J  
OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2-23/24

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J, OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) Calendar year 2024 is the last year of collection of the District's current four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 03-19/20, adopted by the Board on November 25, 2019, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 11, 2020.

(b) With the expiration of the District's current four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's General Fund for the school years 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 will be insufficient to permit the District to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington, all as more particularly set forth in Section 3 of this resolution, during such school years, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$1,598,039 be made in 2024 for collection in 2025, \$1,661,961 be made in 2025 for collection in 2026, \$1,728,439 be made in 2026 for collection in 2027, and \$1,797,577 be made in 2027 for collection in 2028 for the District's General Fund to provide the money required to meet those expenses.

(c) The District's proposed four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy authorized in this resolution provides for approximately the same educational programs and operation purposes as the District's expiring four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy.

(d) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election,

for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of (*i.e.*, to pay or finance) educational programs and operation expenses.

(e) The District has received approval of its educational programs and operation tax levy expenditure plan from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction under RCW 28A.505.240 as required by RCW 84.52.053(4), a copy of which is on file with the District.

Section 2. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Okanogan County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the “Auditor”), and the proper officer of the county to which the District belongs pursuant to chapter 28A.323 RCW, is requested to call and conduct a special election in the manner provided by law to be held in the District on February 13, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the District’s voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for four years commencing in 2024 for collection in 2025 of \$1,598,039, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value, in 2025 for collection in 2026 of \$1,661,961, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value, in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$1,728,439, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$1,797,577, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by law at the time of the tax levy.

Section 3. Use of Taxes. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes up to the amounts provided in this resolution to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington during the school years 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

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Section 4. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Okanogan County Prosecuting Attorney, as the county prosecuting attorney of the county within which the majority area of the District is located, is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J

REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Brewster School District No. 111/203J adopted Resolution No. 2-23/24, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to meet the educational needs of its students by levying the following excess taxes, replacing the expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2025	\$2.25	\$1,598,039
2026	\$2.25	\$1,661,961
2027	\$2.25	\$1,728,439
2028	\$2.25	\$1,797,577

all as provided in Resolution No. 2-23/24. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY ... YES

LEVY ... NO

Section 5. Authorization to Deliver Resolution to Auditor and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The Secretary to the Board (the "Secretary") or the Secretary's designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor, and the Auditor of Okanogan County, Washington (the "Okanogan County Auditor"), no later than December 15, 2023; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District's voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy excess property taxes for support of educational programs and operation expenses.

Section 6. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates: (a) the Secretary (Lynnette Blackburn), telephone: (509) 689-3418; email: [lblackburn@brewsterbears.org](mailto:lblackburn@brewsterbears.org); and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Jim McNeill), telephone: 509.777.1602; email: [jim.mcneill@foster.com](mailto:jim.mcneill@foster.com) as the individuals to whom the Auditor and the Okanogan County Auditor shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, determined necessary by the Auditor or the Okanogan County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 7. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the Chair of the Board (the "Chair"), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Secretary, the District's Business Manager, the Chair, and the District's special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are hereby further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

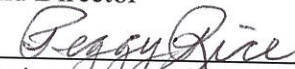
Section 8. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution, or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

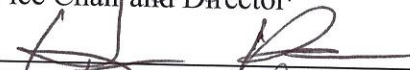
Section 9. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.


ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J  
OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES,  
WASHINGTON


  
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Chair and Director

  
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Vice Chair and Director

  
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Director

ATTEST:  
  
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LYNNETTE BLACKBURN  
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, LYNNETTE BLACKBURN, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2-23/24 (the "Resolution") is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") held at its regular meeting place on November 27, 2023 (the "Meeting"), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and

2. The Meeting was duly convened, held and included an opportunity for public comment, in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J  
OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES,  
WASHINGTON



LYNNETTE BLACKBURN

Secretary to the Board of Directors

BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111/203J  
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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS  
AND OPERATION LEVY

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Brewster School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that expires at the end of 2024. Taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded or fully funded by the State, including: athletics and extracurricular activities, class size reduction, staff, after school programs, transportation, summer school, maintenance and operations, technology, nutrition services, and special education. Taxes collected by the proposed levy will provide approximately 11.91% of the District's General Fund budget. Further information is available on the District's website at <https://www.brewsterbears.org/>.

The proposed four-year replacement levy would authorize the collection of taxes to provide up to \$1,598,039 in 2025, \$1,661,961 in 2026, \$1,728,439 in 2027 and \$1,797,577 in 2028. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call your county assessor for more information.

(200 words – 200 allowed)

# Committee Member Appointment Form

Name of Jurisdiction: Brewster School District

Jurisdiction Contact Name: Julio Talavera

Email: Julio.a.talavera@gmail.com Phone: 1-509-645-6005



## Jurisdiction's Responsibilities:

1. Email completed form to Elections@co.okanogan.wa.us with your completed Resolution Packet.
2. Provide committee members with statement submission requirements and deadlines (See Jurisdiction Manual online at <https://www.okanogancounty.org/government/auditor/elections>). Committees are solely responsible for submitting voters' pamphlet statements to the Elections Department in accordance with the specified time line for that election.

Questions? Okanogan County Elections Department: 509-422-7240 or Elections@co.okanogan.wa.us  
 Note: Committee Members must be a Registered Voter of Okanogan County or a Registered Voter of the Jurisdiction submitting the Resolution is a joint district with an adjacent county.

## For Committee

3 Committee  
 Member Max

## Against Committee

Committee Spokesperson

Name\* Jennifer Reynolds

One form of committee contact is required below for print in the local voters' pamphlet.

Email (required):  
jreynolds@brewsterbears.org

Publish in Voters' Pamphlet?  
 Check if Yes

Phone (optional): 1-509-844-3895

Publish in Voters' Pamphlet?  
 Check if Yes

Website (Published in Voters Pamphlet)  
www.brewsterbears.org

Committee Name (Published in Voters Pamphlet)

Committee Spokesperson

Name\*

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Email (required):

Publish in Voters' Pamphlet?  
 Check if Yes

Phone (optional)

Publish in Voters' Pamphlet?  
 Check if Yes

Website (Published in Voters Pamphlet)

Committee Name (Published in Voters Pamphlet)

## 2nd Committee Member

Name: Maricar Najera

Email (optional) mnajera@brewsterbears.org

## 2nd Committee Member

Name:

Email (optional)

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Name:

Email (optional)

## 2nd Committee Member

Name:

Email (optional)

If jurisdiction is not appointing a "For" committee, check box to confirm.

If jurisdiction is not appointing an "Against" committee, check box to confirm.

\*Committee Spokesperson is required to provide name and email for correspondence with Voters' Pamphlet Coordinator

# BREWSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT Levy

For Committee Members:  
Julio Talavera, Jurisdiction Contact  
Jennifer Reynolds, Spokesperson  
Maricar Najera, Committee Member

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December 1, 2023

To whom it may concern:

Below please see our For the Levy Statement:

A "YES" vote for the Brewster School District Replacement Levy invests in a high-quality education for our students. This crucial funding sustains our enrichment programs, athletics, band, robotics, and other diverse clubs, including college in the classroom—the very essence of a well-rounded education. Moreover, levy monies provide crucial general education, and special education support staff, allows us to maintain smaller class sizes, fostering an environment where every student can flourish. Voting "YES" represents an investment in the future, empowering the next generation with the tools needed for academic success and meaningful contributions to society. A "YES" vote contributes to a collective effort to shape a brighter, stronger, future for both our students and the community. Join us in saying "YES" for our students' future successes!

Respectfully submitted,

Maricar Najera, Jenny Reynolds, Julio Talavera