

**For this election, there are 19 ballot drop boxes open 24 hours a day starting January 21. They close promptly at 8:00 p.m. on February 8, 2022 Election Night.**

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Woodland Retirement & Assisted Living.....4532 Intelco Lp SE

**Olympia Area**

Church of the Good Shepherd.....1601 North St SE  
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Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.....1515 Harrison Ave NW  
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Olympia City Hall.....601 4th Ave E  
The Evergreen State College.....2700 McCann Plaza Dr NW  
Thurston County Courthouse.....2000 Lakeridge Dr SW  
South Puget Sound Community College.....2011 Mottman Rd SW

**Tumwater Area**

McLane Black Lake Fire Station 95.....5911 Black Lake Blvd SW  
Tumwater Timberland Library.....7023 New Market St SW  
Tumwater School Administration.....621 Linwood Ave SW

**South County Area**

Bucoda.....103 S Main St  
Tenino School District Administration.....301 Old Hwy 99 N

**Southwest County**

Littlerock Fire 11.....10828 Littlerock Rd SW, Olympia

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Griffin Fire 13, Station 1.....3707 Steamboat Lp NW, Olympia

**North County**

South Bay Fire 8,  
Station 81.....3506 Shincke Rd NE, Olympia  
South Bay Fire 8,  
Station 83.....5046 Boston Harbor Rd NE, Olympia

For questions about the ballot measure,  
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at 360.866.5908

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**Voting Center & ExpressVote™ Location, Dates & Times**

**Thurston County Elections\***

2400 Evergreen Park Dr SW  
January 21 - February 7, 2022  
(Monday - Friday) 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
February 8 (Election Day)  
8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\* The Auditor's Office is a voting center beginning January 21 for the February 8, Special Election. This is the only location that issues paper ballots or hosts the ExpressVote™ accessible voting machine.

*Official Thurston County Local Voters' Pamphlet*  
**Griffin School District No. 324**  
**February 8, 2022 Special Election**



Dear Thurston County Voter,

Your vote matters in every election. This is especially true in smaller local elections. One vote can determine the outcome.

To ensure you can educate yourself and make informed decisions, we continue printing local voters' pamphlets every election. Your Auditor is committed to bridging the gap between local government and citizens and making voting as accessible as possible.

We are fortunate to vote-by-mail. Ours is a national model. For example, we check every single envelope signature against the signature we have on file to protect against fraud.

Our mission is to run transparent, accessible and open elections. We want you to vote with confidence in the security of your ballot. I invite you to observe our Ballot Processing Center where you can see how ballots are processed. Your vote is secret. If you would like to take a closer look at how we conduct our elections, more information is available at ThurstonVotes.org. You can also email elections@co.thurston.wa.us or give us a call at 360.786.5408 if you have any questions or concerns.

Election disinformation is the biggest problem we face as election administrators. It will take all of us to combat this threat to democracy. If you see election disinformation, please email us at disinfo@co.thurston.wa.us

Warmly,

*Diana Benson*

Diana Benson  
Thurston County Chief Deputy Auditor

## Introduction to Local Measure

For the measure in the Local Voters' Pamphlet the jurisdiction is required to formally appoint committees to prepare statements advocating the approval and rejection of the measure. If the jurisdiction is unable to make such appointments the Thurston

County Auditor advertises for such appointments. The Auditor's Office encourages you to review all statements and seek additional information from the jurisdictions, the appointed citizens' committees and local media.

## Griffin School District No. 324

### Proposition No. 1 Property Improvements, Capital Projects and Technology Replacement Levy

#### Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of Griffin School District No. 324 adopted Resolution No. 21-22-02 concerning a school property improvements, capital projects and technology levy. The proposition authorizes continued modernization of facilities by implementing property, technology, school, and facilities improvements including application and infrastructure improvements for technology systems, safety, operations and instruction, and payments to Olympia School District for high school capital improvements; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$0.4494	\$750,000
2024	\$0.4342	\$750,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 21-22-02.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

## Explanatory Statement

The Griffin School District seeks voter approval to authorize a Property Improvements, Capital Projects and Technology Replacement Levy as adopted in Resolution 21-22-02 by the Board of Directors. The District seeks to continue completing operational and structural improvements, and enhancing its educational technology plan. As a non-high school district, Griffin is required to pay Olympia SD for costs related to the continued education of Griffin high school students attending a high school in the Olympia SD. Such payments for capital and technological improvements are required as current and future projects take place within the Olympia SD.

Current sources of revenue are not sufficient to allow for these expenditures. Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the levy of \$750,000 in property taxes for collection in 2023 and 2024. Estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.4494 (2023 collection) and \$0.4342 (2024 collection). Exact levy rates shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property at the time of the levy.

## Voter Registration Information



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## Statement For

Griffin students/staff are seeking your continued support with this proposed replacement levy. Levy proceeds will support improvements to Griffin's facilities, as well as provide students and staff with continued access to vital technology. In addition to capital improvements and technology at Griffin, this replacement levy is essential for Griffin School District to continue to support community high school students.

Griffin was remodeled in 2004 and the building is in need of improvements to operate safely and accommodate the need for more space brought about by the physical distancing requirements of the pandemic. Griffin values their educational technology plan and considers technology essential for all Griffin students. Finally, as a non-high school district, Griffin is required to cover ongoing educational/operational costs from capital improvements being done in the Olympia School District. These substantial payments occur each year and include Griffin's share of the costs for capital projects, technology and other improvements at Capital High School (the new performing arts center at CHS is an example).

The ongoing goal for the Griffin School District is to keep the tax rate as even or close to the same as their expiring levy. This levy's rate per thousand will actually be less than the expiring levy. The rate per thousand for this replacement levy would be \$0.4494 (collection in 2023) and \$0.4343 (collection in 2024).

Your continued support for this replacement levy is vital for Griffin students, staff and community. Vote Yes for Griffin School District's Property Improvements, Capital Projects and Technology Replacement Levy.

Statement submitted by: "Yes for Griffin Kids", Allison Barker and Megan Pennington (Allisonleighbarker@gmail.com)

## Statement Against

No against committee was formed.

### Statement Disclaimer:

Statements For and Against are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for factual or grammatical accuracy by the Auditor's Office.

**Election Day is Tuesday,  
February 8, 2022**

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