

Sedro-Woolley School District

2012 Replacement Educational Programs & Operations Levy



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Election – February 14, 2012 (Ballots mailed January 25)

Two -Year Replacement Levy for Educational Programs
& Operations

2013 - \$9,900,000

2014 - \$9,900,000

What Will It Cost (estimates)

2013: \$4.09 per \$1,000 Property Valuation

2014: \$4.09 per \$1,000 Property Valuation

\$200,000 Assessed Home Value

\$818.00 per year (2013 & 2014)*

\$ 68.17 per month*

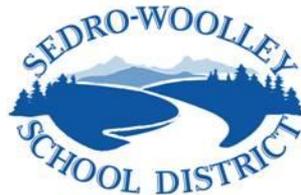
\$ 2.24 per day*

*estimated costs



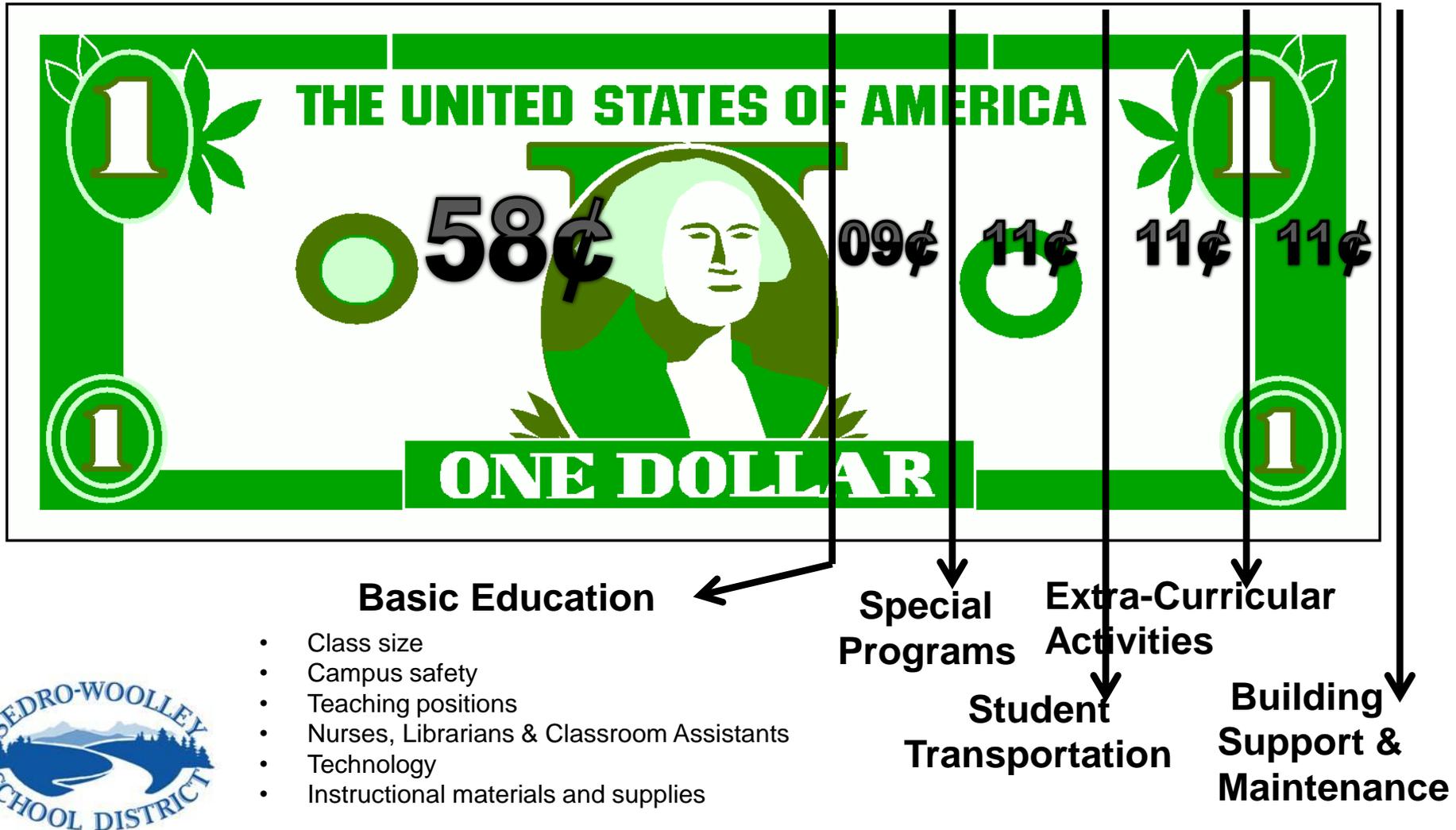
Replacement Levy Facts

- **Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy** is used to pay for the day-to-day expenses of the District that are not funded by the State.
- Once a levy amount is set by the voters, the District cannot collect any more than the total levy amount, no matter what happens to assessed valuation.

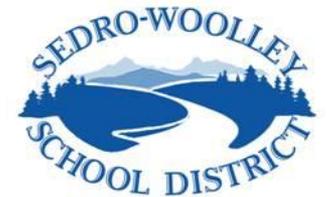
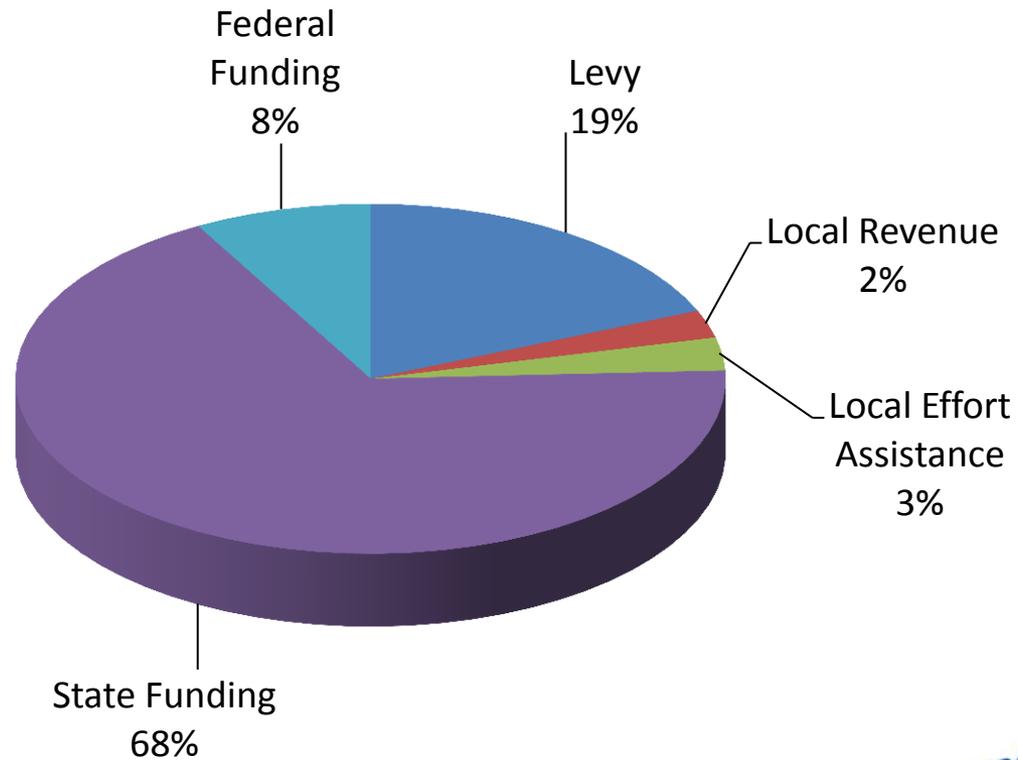


Sedro-Woolley School District #101

How Do We Spend Your Levy Dollar?



2011-12 Budgeted Revenue



What a Levy gives Back to our Kids & our Community

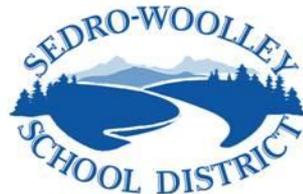
Academic Improvement & Graduation Rates

- Four “Schools of Distinction” (Evergreen, Big Lake, Samish & Lyman)
- Reading: 6th Grade increase of 14% over five years (MSP* Trend Data)
- Math: 6th Grade increase of 17% over five years (MSP* Trend Data)
- 95.2% SWSD extended graduation rate (5-year Cohort)
- 80.7% State extended graduation rate (5-year Cohort)

Community

- Sedro-Woolley School District employs 527 people
- 100% of your levy dollars are used to support SW School District programs
- School District & community partnership
- Opportunities for local community service projects by students

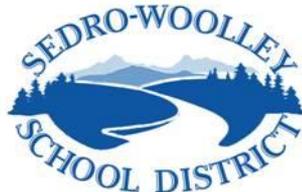
*Measures of Student Progress



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Educational Opportunities

- Eleven schools, educating over 4,000 students – four “Schools of Distinction” (top 5% schools in WA State)
- State Street /Job Corps Golden Apple Award Recipients
- Class sizes at 24-27 (District average/elementary only)
- Eight AP (Advanced Placement) classes at SWHS
- 7th – 12th grade AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)
- 7th – 12th grade fine arts (band, orchestra, choir, drama, art)
- 6th grade band program



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Extracurricular Activities & Athletics

National Competitors

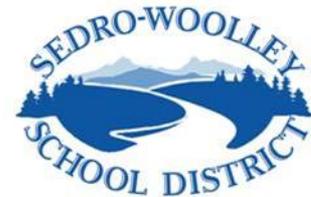
- FFA Nursery Landscaping Team
- Math Team

State Champions

- Boys' & Girls' Wrestling
- Fastpitch
- FFA Nursery Landscaping
- FFA Trap Shooting
- Loggerodeo
- Speech/Debate

State Academic Champions

- Girls' Swim
- Girls' Wrestling
- Girls' Soccer
- Fastpitch
- Boys' Golf

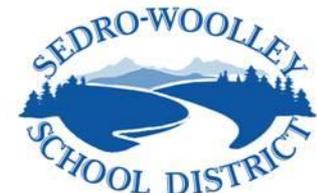


Replacement Educational Programs & Operations Levy Facts

How Does Sedro-Woolley School District Compare

<u>School Districts</u>	<u>2011 Levy</u>	<u>Students**</u>	<u>Amount Per Student</u>
Conway	\$1,200,000	434	\$2,765
Anacortes	\$6,820,000	2,687	\$2,538
Concrete	\$1,455,000	575	\$2,530
LaConner	\$1,530,000	631	\$2,425
Burlington	\$7,000,000	3,823	\$1,831
MV	\$11,110,584	6,501	\$1,709
S-W	\$7,150,000	4,186	\$1,708

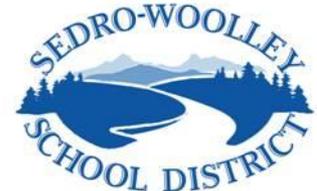
** Student Enrollment is October 2011 Headcount



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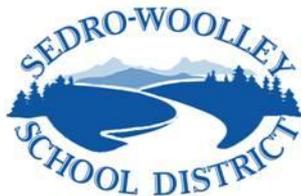
Key Points

- Not a new tax....This Levy **replaces** the current Levy passed in 2010 that expires December 31, 2012.
- Levy is about 19% of the total operating budget.
- Levy will help maintain educational services, class sizes, teaching staff, and Sedro-Woolley School District standards.
- Provides funding for transportation (school buses) & extra-curricular activities.
- Committee of 30 set the recommended Levy amounts.
- Of the seven Skagit County districts, S-W receives the least amount per student, \$1,708.
- SW has only one ballot measure, compared two ballot measures for the other Skagit County school districts running levy elections.
- Since 2008, the state has reduced money to the district by approximately \$4 million, and we anticipate a \$1.2 million loss in future Local Effort Assistance dollars.
- 50% plus one (1) yes vote are required to pass the election.



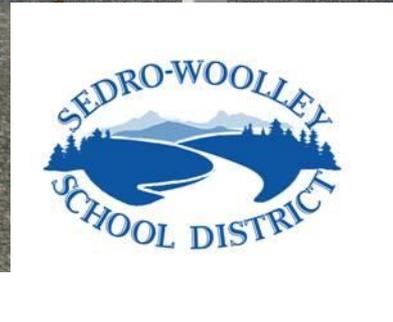
Special Levy Exemption

- * If you are a senior citizen or disabled, you may be exempt from paying special levies. For more information please call the Skagit County Assessor's Office at 336-9370.**



SW Drop-Off Ballot Box

111 Woodworth Street, Sedro-Woolley Post Office



**Final Ballot Pick-Up is 8:00 p.m. Election Day (February 14)
by the Auditor's Office Staff**

Sedro-Woolley School District

Graduating Class of 2015



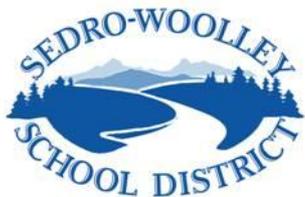
2nd Grade at
Evergreen

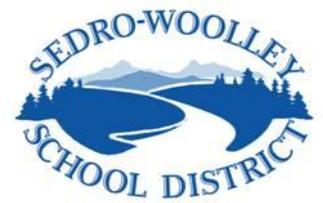


9th Grade at SWHS



7th Grade at CMS





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Please Remember to Vote!