

# Sedro-Woolley School District #101

## Replacement Educational M & O Levy Facts

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### All Absentee Ballot Election

February 19, 2008	Date of Election
January 30, 2008	Ballots Mailed

### Length of Replacement Levy & Amounts

Two-Year Replacement Levy Taxes Collected  
2009 - \$6,750,000  
2010 - \$7,150,000

### Percentage of Levy Dollars Used in 2007-08

Basic Education – 48%  
Special Programs – 16%  
Transportation – 15%  
Extracurricular – 11%  
Building Support and Maintenance – 10%

### Costs of Replacement Levy (estimated)

2009 - \$2.47 per \$1,000 Property Valuation  
2010 - \$2.54 per \$1,000 Property Valuation

\$494.00 per year for a \$200,000 Home  
\$41.16 per month  
\$ 1.35 per day  
\$134 less per year from 2006 projections

### Increased Expenditure Categories for 2008-09

- Fuel Costs Increase
- Utilities Increase
- State Mandated Salary Increase
- State Mandated Retirement Increase

### Key Points

- The Levy is a replacement Levy for the current Levy passed in 2006.
- Current Levy expires December 31, 2008.
- The M & O Levy makes up about 16% for the district's total operating budget.
- Levy will help the district sustain the present level of educational service to students.
- 24-Community members and staff were involved in setting the Levy amount.
- Our district currently ranks 8<sup>th</sup> out of the eight Skagit County School Districts in the Levy amount per student at \$1,440.14.
- If the replacement Levy is approved by the voters, the State supplements the amount approved by the voters with an additional \$2 million of "Local Effort Assistance" over the next two years.
- 50% plus one. Yes

### Services and Programs that Require Levy Support

- Teachers so that lower class size can be maintained.
- Instructional assistants who work one-on-one or in small groups with students and provide playground supervision.
- Transportation of students to and from school, including bus route in areas where it is unsafe to walk
- Supplemental programs.
- Books, curriculum materials, and student software.
- Training for teachers and instructional assistants.
- Coaching and supervision for extracurricular activities such as sports.
- Maintaining and operating school facilities, including heat and lighting for classrooms.