



# ABOUT THE **UPCOMING** **Bond & Levy**



**ELECTION  
DATE:  
February 13,  
2018**



## **What will bond & levy taxes look like for a median household with an assessed value of \$171,900?**

	2018	2019
<b>Bond Rate</b>	<b>\$1.79/thousand</b>	<b>\$1.79/thousand</b>
Total Bond Tax for a Median Household	\$307.70	\$307.70
<b>Levy Rate</b>	<b>\$3.23/thousand</b>	<b>\$1.50/thousand</b>
Total Levy Tax for a Median Household	\$555.24	\$257.85

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# About the Construction Bond

## On February 13, 2018

Central Valley voters will be asked to consider approval of a **\$129.9 million school construction bond**.



## learn more...

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## we listened...

Over the past few years our Facilities Planning and High School Planning committees have collected more than 9,000 collective community thoughts on district facility needs, a third comprehensive high school as a solution to overcrowding, and most recently the desired programming for each high school. These thoughts have guided the decision making on a bond package to solve our district's most urgent needs—without raising the tax rate.

**You wanted a new high school to address overcrowding—but not raise the tax rate.**

- ♦ The timing of this bond is such that it does not increase the tax rate. It is a renewal of the investment that voters made when they approved a prior facilities construction bond.
- ♦ We will receive \$27.4 million in state match funding for these projects.

To view all of the thoughts from you or your neighbors, go to [cvsd.thoughtexchange.com](http://cvsd.thoughtexchange.com)

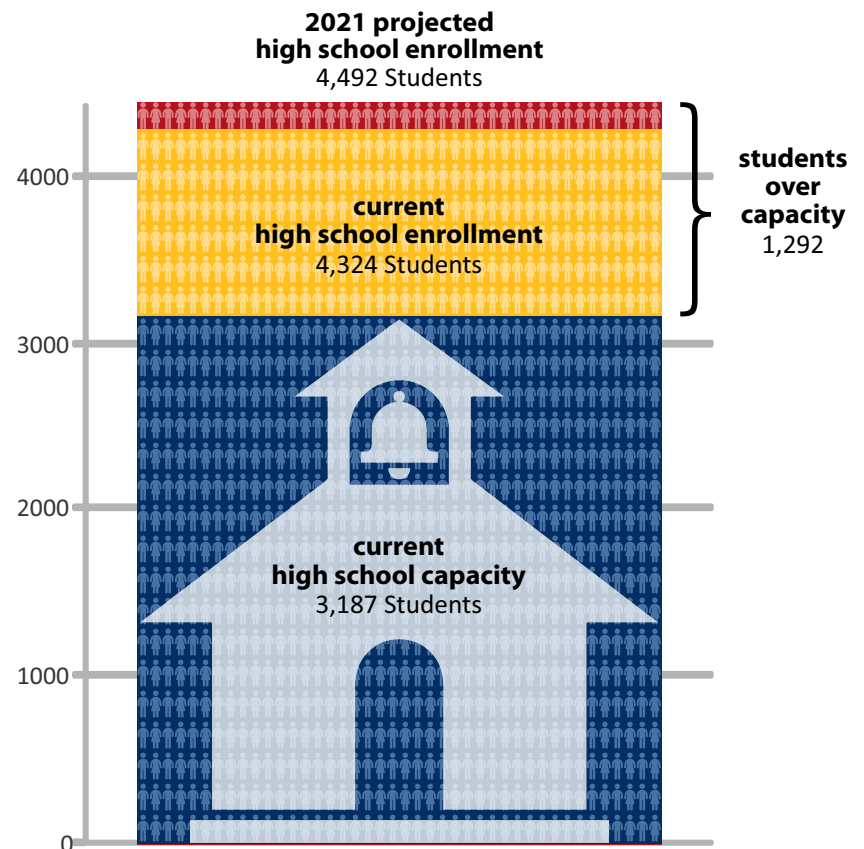
## current students, current capacity & projected enrollment\*

### we're a growing district!

We currently serve nearly 14,000 students in 26 schools and learning centers across 80 square miles.

- ♦ The current high schools were each built for 1,600 students and projected enrollment for 2021 is 4,492—1,292 students more than the current capacity (see graph).
- ♦ Projected middle school enrollment in the fall of 2020 is 3,580 students. The current capacity is 3,145 students—435 students more than the current space.

\*Enrollment projections by FLO Analytics, 2017





## 2018 bond projects

- 1 New comprehensive high school**  
Build a new high school, expanding capacity by 1,600 students at the 16th and Henry site, which was purchased for this purpose in 1980.
- 2 Horizon Middle School renovation**  
Renovate & expand the original 1980 building, increasing student capacity from 480 to 600, and upgrading it to current codes and safety standards.
- 3 New middle school**  
Build a new middle school, expanding capacity by 600 students in the Telido Station area (near the HUB).
- 4 Upgrade to HVAC systems**  
Upgrade to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems at Broadway, Progress, and University elementary schools as well as Summit.



## questions & answers

### Q. Why not just add more portables?

A. Portable classrooms are a temporary solution already in place with 30 classrooms at multiple Central Valley schools, including 12 at Central Valley High School and four at University High School. Portables are costly to purchase and install – up to \$300,000 each. And, they are less secure than housing students inside school buildings.

### Q. What is the timeline if voters approve the bond?

A. School design will begin immediately following voter approval. The new and renovated middle schools would likely be complete by 2020 and the new high school by 2021.

### Q. What will the new boundaries be?

A. Because our population will grow between now and fall of 2021 when a new high school would open, boundaries would be set in 2020. However, a high school phased-in student transition plan has been adopted by the board to allow various options for existing students. Go to [cvsd.org](http://cvsd.org) for the full plan.

### Q. What will you do to address traffic congestion?

A. Traffic would be reduced at the existing high schools. For the new site at 16th and Henry, the district is proactively facilitating traffic improvements by working with City and County offices as well as purchasing property for this purpose.

## dollars & cents...

Total bond amount:

**\$129.9 million**

That will bring a state match of:

**\$27.4 million**

## Voter approval will not raise the tax rate.

A prior voter-approved bond will be paid off. The bond rate will be maintained at \$1.79 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

## did you know?

**Voter registration forms are available** in schools, libraries and online at [www.spokanecounty.org/elections](http://www.spokanecounty.org/elections). Register to vote in person no later than February 5 at the Spokane County Elections Office, 1033 W. Gardner Ave. Call 477-2320.

**Senior citizens may be exempt.** Senior and disabled citizens who meet certain income requirements may be exempt from part or all of local school taxes. For more information, call the Spokane County Assessor's Office at 477-5754.

# About the School Programs & Operations Replacement Levy

## On February 13, 2018

Central Valley voters will be asked to consider approval of a **three-year School Programs & Operations Replacement Levy**.

**Voter approval will not raise the levy tax rate.**

## proposed levy amounts & estimated tax rate:

### Levy approved by voters on 2015 ballot:

Collection Year	Levy Amount	Levy Tax Rate
2018	\$26,314,600	\$3.23/thousand

### Levy on February 13, 2018 ballot:

Collection Year	Levy Amount	Levy Tax Rate*
2019	\$13,646,750	\$1.50/thousand*
2020	\$14,738,500	\$1.50/thousand*
2021	\$15,915,500	\$1.50/thousand*

\*Maximum levy tax rate of \$1.50 per thousand of assessed property valuation allowed with new levy limits. Growth in property values allows the levy tax rate to remain unchanged while the levy amount increases with growth in student enrollment.



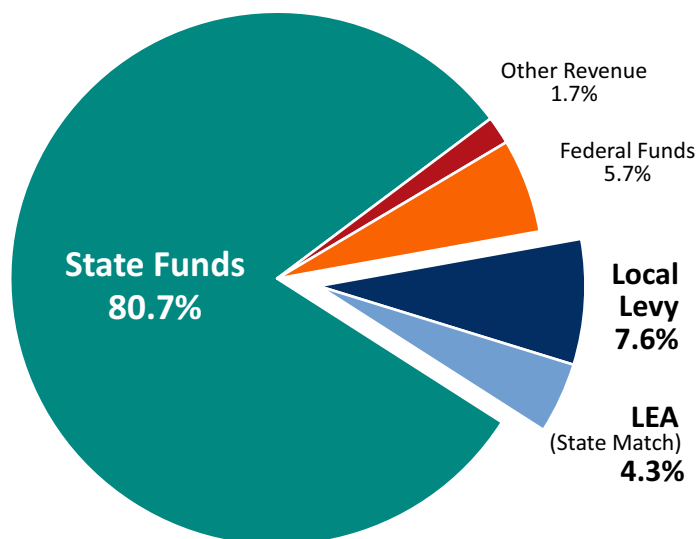
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## students in every school benefit from each levy dollar

Nearly 12% of the school district's annual budget comes from a voter-approved levy, including state matching funds.

An approved local levy brings state matching funds to CVSD through Local Effort Assistance (LEA). In 2019 an approved local levy amount of \$13.65 million would bring an additional \$7.65 million from the state.



## preserving quality education...

Exceptional levels of student achievement are directly tied to school programs paid for by the levy. To maintain these programs, voters must approve renewal of the expiring School Programs and Operations Levy approved by voters in 2015.

### Engaging our students

- ◆ Music, drama, debate, athletics and after-school activities are among the many levy-funded extracurricular activities that keep students engaged in school.
- ◆ Technology, STEM programs, special education, programs for struggling and academically advanced students, and lower class sizes are all paid for with levy dollars.
- ◆ The levy also pays for textbooks, teaching supplies, support staff, professional development, utilities, insurance & transportation.

### Ensuring student safety and security

- ◆ School resource deputies in our high schools and school resource officers serving our elementary and middle schools are made possible with levy funding, along with security cameras in all schools.
- ◆ Crossing guards, playground supervisors and hall monitors are levy-funded positions intended to enhance student safety.

### Sustaining current programs

- ◆ Fills the gap between state and federal funding with the dollars needed to sustain essential educational programs and activities
- ◆ Levy amounts are set to meet growing student enrollment needs without raising the levy tax rate.