



ROSEBURG ELECTION INFORMATION

May 17, 2022, Primary Election

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General Information

Welcome to the 2022 City of Roseburg Election Information pamphlet. This pamphlet is meant to provide voters with valuable information about candidates and measures that will appear on the ballot in Roseburg, Oregon. Printed copies of the City of Roseburg Election Information pamphlet are available at the Roseburg City Hall Lobby finance window, 900 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg Public Library, 1409 NE Diamond Lake Blvd., and Roseburg Public Safety Center, 700 SE Douglas Ave.

Candidates

Candidates for the Roseburg Mayor and City Council, Roseburg Public Schools Board, Roseburg Urban Sanitary Authority (RUSA) Board, Umpqua Community College (UCC) Board, and Douglas Education Service District (ESD) Board may submit information for the City of Roseburg Election Information pamphlet. No other candidates will be included in the pamphlet.

Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The City does not correct punctuation, grammar, syntax errors or inaccurate information. The City may, but is not required, to correct spelling errors.

Measures

Measures, as well as arguments for or against measures, for the City of Roseburg, Roseburg Public Schools, Roseburg Urban Sanitary Authority (RUSA), Umpqua Community College (UCC), and Douglas Education Service District (ESD) may be submitted for inclusion in the City of Roseburg Election Information pamphlet. No other measures will be included in the pamphlet.

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Registering to Vote

You may register to vote online at [State of Oregon: Voting - Oregon Online Voter Registration](#) or you can get a voter registration card at Douglas County Elections, the City Recorder's Office, the DMV, or other locations around the city. Your voter registration card must be postmarked no later than 21 days before the election at which you intend to vote. In order to register to vote in Oregon, you must be at least 16 years old, a resident of Oregon and a citizen of the United States. If you are 16 years old, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday. For the May 17, 2022 Primary Election, your completed voter registration card must be either:

- Postmarked by Tuesday, April 26, 2022.
- Delivered to a county elections office by Tuesday, April 26, 2022.
- Delivered to any voter registration agency (e.g. DMV) by Tuesday, April 26, 2022.

If you register to vote online (with a valid Oregon Drivers' License or State issued ID card), your registration must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2022. To check on the status of your voter registration or ballot, go to [MyVote](#). To find out more about how and where to register to vote, go to [State of Oregon: Elections - Voting in Oregon](#)

Voter Information

In Oregon, elections are all vote-by-mail. Registered voters are mailed a ballot approximately two weeks before an election. To vote, follow the instructions on the official ballot. Your return identification envelope must include your signature. Return your ballot by mail to any official ballot drop site location or by mail to Douglas County Elections, 1036 SE Douglas Avenue, Room CH124, Roseburg, OR 97470. Ballots must be postmarked or received at an official drop site location by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, May 17, 2022. A list of drop site locations is included with your ballot material. Drop site locations in Roseburg include:

Douglas County Clerk's Office

1036 SE Douglas Ave., Rooms CH124 & Hallway Slot

- Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Election Day: 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Douglas County Courthouse, Front Lawn

1036 SE Douglas Ave.

- Walk-up: 24 hours per day
- Election Day: until 8:00 p.m.

East of Library, Corner of Fowler St & Diamond Lake Blvd.

- Drive-Up: 24 hours per day
- Election Day: until 8:00 p.m.

Umpqua Community College, Admin Bldg. Drop Slot

1140 Umpqua College Road

- Drive-Up: 24 hours per day
- Election Day: until 8:00 p.m.

Roseburg West, 1381 NW Garden Valley Blvd., East Side of Bi-Mart Parking Lot

- Drive-Up: 24 hours per day
- Election Day: until 8:00 p.m.

Resources

Oregon Secretary of State: www.oregonvotes.gov or call 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683)

City Recorder's Office: For information about the City of Roseburg Election Information pamphlet, contact the City Recorder at 900 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg (541-492-6866 or asowa@cityofroseburg.org). Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Douglas County Elections: For information about your ballot and local voting processes, contact Douglas County Elections at 541-440-3636 or visit their website at <http://www.co.douglas.or.us/clerk/elections.asp>.

Public office hours at Douglas County Elections are 8:00 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Roseburg School District

Measure 10-187

Roseburg Public Schools Bond Levy

CAPTION:

Bonds to increase safety; repair, update schools, improve learning spaces.

QUESTION:

Shall District increase safety, accessibility, repair, update schools, improve learning spaces, job training; issue \$154,000,000 in bonds; with citizen oversight? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY:

Roseburg School District proposes a bond measure in a principal amount not to exceed \$154,000,000; will receive state matching funds of \$5,836,083 if bonds are approved.

Bond would finance capital costs to fund projects that:

Improve Health & Safety:

- Air quality improvements; filtration, heating, cooling
- Emergency generators
- Secure entrances throughout district

Update, Repair Aging Schools:

- Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, plumbing
- Playground improvements at elementary schools, middle school track replacements and turf fields

Expand Student Opportunities:

- Learning space improvements at all elementary, middle schools
- Career and technical education/vocational education spaces
- Multipurpose facilities at elementary schools

Honoring Past, Building for Future:

- Replacement of Old Main at Roseburg High with modern educational facility that maintains, honors historical architectural elements

Additional capital costs including site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment, and bond issuance costs.

Citizen oversight committee, audits required.

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 20 years from issuance. Estimated tax rate is \$1.85 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

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Explanatory Statement

Roseburg School District serves 5600 students in 9 elementary, 2 middle, 1 high school and 1 charter school in the communities of Roseburg, Green, Melrose and Winchester in Douglas County, Oregon.

Although well maintained, Roseburg schools face challenges:

- **Health, Safety and Security**

- School health, safety and security requirements have changed and approximately 80% of classrooms in the district lack air handling systems that provide temperature control during extreme heat or cold and air filtration during wildfire seasons.

- **Aging buildings**

- The average age of Roseburg schools is 73 years. Facilities at one elementary school are over 100 years old. Buildings across the district have electrical, heating, and plumbing systems that are inefficient, out-of-date and in some cases so old the district cannot find replacement parts.

- **Lack of modern learning spaces**

- Facilities across the district lack the infrastructure and capacity to support modern learning standards.

- **1926 Building in Need of Replacement, Planning for the Future**

- The Old Main at Roseburg High was built in 1926. The building does not meet seismic or modern educational standards, and the cost of a major remodel is the equivalent or more than replacement.

Community identified priorities: In 2021 after the completion of an independent school facility evaluation, the district formed a citizen-led bond committee that gathered public input on the needs of school buildings. The bond committee then made a recommendation to the school board.

The citizens' committee proposed a bond measure to fund the following capital projects:

Address health & safety needs

- Air exchange and filtration systems district-wide to improve air quality
- Emergency generators
- Secure entrances
- Elementary school playground improvements and replacements
- Drop-off safety improvements at elementary schools

Repair & update aging school buildings

- Upgrade and install HVAC systems district-wide to improve air quality and provide temperature control during extreme hot and cold weather
- New plumbing, roofing, and electrical systems
- Replace middle school tracks and install new synthetic turf fields
- Make accessibility updates district-wide

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Honor the past, build for the future

- Replace the Old Main at Roseburg High School with a modern educational facility that maintains, honors historical architectural elements

Expand student opportunities

- Learning space improvements at all schools
- Career and technical education/vocational education investments
- Multipurpose facilities at 5 elementary schools that would also serve as community event spaces and emergency shelters

Financials: Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 20 years from issuance. Estimated tax rate is \$1.85 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

Bond to leverage state matching funds: Roseburg School District will receive state matching funds of \$5,836,083 if bonds are approved.

Bond funds can only be used for voter-approved projects: The principal amount cannot exceed \$154 million. Law prohibits the use of bond funds for any expense not listed on the ballot.

Citizen Oversight and Accountability

An independent, citizen-led Bond Oversight Committee will be established to oversee the use of bond funds.

Learn More at www.RoseburgSchoolBond.org

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE ROSEBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Roseburg School District
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Argument in Favor

The proponents of this bond are asking for a vote to improve our schools in a thoughtful and affordable way. The bond is a necessity if our Roseburg community expects to compete with other communities in the next few decades.

Since 1857, the Roseburg community has stepped up to the task when education needs arose either from necessity or disaster. From the danger presented by the first school's structural inadequacies through the two eras of growth at the turn of the century and after World War II, to the Blast's destruction of Central Junior in 1959, we have always met the call for adequate housing for our school children.

On May 17, our community will once again be asked to simply meet the educational needs of our 21st century children by approving a bond to repair, remodel, or replace our buildings that average 73 years in age.

A Community Bond Committee met for 4 months this fall to determine the building needs of our District. The Committee carefully and systematically determined the most important structural needs for the safety, security, and educational advancement of our children.

With necessity, affordability, and strategic planning at the forefront of their decisions, the Board of Directors took the advice of our community members and are presenting a \$154 million bond for community approval.

This bond embraces a no nonsense, bare bones plan to update our aging buildings. It is both affordable and necessary for our entire community, and includes plans for every school, safe access to school facilities for every member of our community, and healthy buildings for every student.

Please, VOTE YES For Schools!

Details about this bond can be accessed at roseburgschoolbond.org and voteyesforroseburgschools.com

Alex Palm and Lance Colley
Co-Chairs, Yes for Roseburg PAC

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY YES FOR ROSEBURG PAC

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Argument in Favor

The 2022 Roseburg Public Schools bond measure is critical to address the basic needs of our aging school system. With an average building age of 73 years, many of our facilities lack the health, safety, and security features that we take for granted in our everyday lives. The proposed bond will address simple needs such as being able to monitor who comes on campus, having the capability to regulate classroom temperature, and improving building air quality during wildfire season. Deferred maintenance of roofing, electrical and plumbing systems will be addressed with this bond and learning spaces will receive critical upgrades to bring our facilities up to current standards.

The proposed \$154 million dollar bond equates to \$1.85 per \$1000 of assessed value for every property owner in the district. At the Roseburg median property value of \$203,158, this would equate to \$376 per year, or about \$1 per day. Importantly, the Roseburg Public School District has NO outstanding bond, having paid off the last bond that passed over 20 years ago. If passed, the current bond would still rank our district below most others in the state of Oregon in regards to a bond obligation.

The health of a community is directly tied to the health of its education system. Professionals moving to Roseburg want to know their children will receive a great education and have every opportunity that students in more urban areas receive. We will not be able to continue to attract qualified doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and other critical healthcare staff to our community unless our schools meet modern standards.

Our students deserve to learn in an environment that will help them reach their potential. To help assure this happens, please join me in May with a YES vote for the Roseburg Public Schools 2022 bond proposal.

Aric Groshong
Mercy Medical Center Physician

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ARIC GROSHONG.

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Argument in Favor

My family and I have, after 6 years, become a part of this community. As a physician at Mercy, a board member for Roseburg Public Schools, and as a father of 4 children in RPS, I have a unique perspective on the needs and hopes for our schools.

With so many great things to love about this community, the lack of modern infrastructure in most of our RPS buildings is not one of them. The buildings that have decades of use that are visible on the inside and the outside. Does our community realize the oldest school currently in use, Melrose Elementary, was built in 1909, while the newest elementary school, Sunnyslope Elementary, was built in 1980?

It is shocking we are still using buildings designed over a century ago, and in some buildings the interior systems such as the electrical, plumbing, lighting, and heating systems have not changed in decades.

Physicians thinking about practicing here, always ask about our schools, the facilities and the ratings. We have lost physicians and specialists and because of the status of our school buildings. We need those specialists and other professionals. Voting for this school bond will help our community in the long run.

These schools have served our community well, but we need to address the issues that plague our schools head-on; it is time to repair, remodel, and retire for the safety and security of our children.

Our community needs to rally around our schools, our staff and teachers, and our students. They deserve better. Help our RPS staff and teachers and help our students. Please vote Yes on the Roseburg Public School Bond.

Brandon Bishop
Mercy Medical Center Physician
Roseburg Public Schools Board Member
Father of 4 children in Roseburg Public Schools

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BRANDON BISHOP.

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Argument in Favor

I am a proud 2002 Roseburg High School graduate who has returned to our community to raise my children with the values this community instilled in me, resiliency, resolve, and respect. It is out of these values that I joined the Community Bond Committee to help determine the repairs, renovations, and rebuilding our schools need to face this century.

Together, we worked hard and smart to assess the areas where necessity and affordability would both be met to achieve a smart plan for Roseburg, a plan everyone could get behind.

Our committee consisted of members representing almost every segment of our community: timber, small business owners, medicine, tech, accounting, education, and more. We brainstormed, discussed, and studied the plethora of needs in our aging school buildings: from the inadequate ventilation, heating and cooling systems to the extremely old lighting and plumbing systems, to the entrances in buildings that have minimal security clearance, to the lack of proper physical education facilities. When we finished with the physical needs of the district, we discussed the issue of affordability, as we knew this would be paramount in voters' decisions.

Roseburg Public Schools' permanent tax rate is lower than all other districts in Douglas County as well as most districts in neighboring counties. With the addition of the bond rate, the district's tax rate would remain lower than most similarly sized districts in the state of Oregon. Not only can we afford this, we must meet this need.

I have seen this community rise up on countless occasions when a need was essential. Last year I saw the community respond to the Archie Creek Fire that was devastating and do so with resolve. We must do the same for our school buildings and students, not to mention our community that depends on education and growth to approach such disasters as last summer's fire.

Vote YES for Schools, YES for Roseburg!

Joe Newton

Lone Rock Timber Lands Manager,
Community volunteer

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY JOE NEWTON.

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Argument in Favor

As a concerned teacher, I agree with the assessment of the Community Bond Committee that our aging buildings need renovation, repair, and rebuilding for the safety and security of school children. For this, there is no doubt.

What many do not understand, however, is that the bond projects are also essential to the educational process. I have been asked many times how this bond will impact the main objective of schools: the teaching and the learning.

As someone in “the trenches” of learning, I must say the health and safety of our students is essential for learning. If the air a student breathes is unhealthy, if the room is too hot or too cold, the attention of the student for math, or English, or science is diminished.

When a young person spends 6-7 hours every day with the objective to learn, their physical comfort and safety should be a necessity.

This bond updates every aspect of the conditions a child needs to learn. It provides updated heating/cooling and ventilation systems. It updates electrical systems to meet today’s technology demands. The bond will improve the space required for adequate physical education instruction and provide expanded CTE opportunities at the high school, as well as at the middle schools. Plumbing in aging buildings will be renovated, and secure vestibules and school grounds will be implemented.

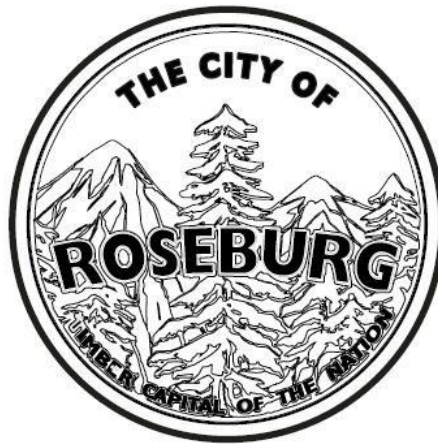
Doesn’t it seem like common sense to say the more comfortable and engaging a classroom is, the learning becomes easier too?

Our schools serve as centers for our community. We need spaces for adults and kids’ to play. Currently there is limited space on fields and in gyms. A YES vote would give the community more opportunities to access facilities for that purpose.

Please vote YES for this bond. It will improve all aspects of our students’ lives: their safety, their security, their learning, their playing, and their futures.

Jordan Humphreys
Roseburg High School Teacher
Roseburg Boys Basketball Coach

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY JORDAN HUMPHREYS.





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