

## February 10, 2026 Special Election

What's on your ballot?

Voters within the Easton, Kittitas, Ellensburg and Thorp School Districts are receiving a ballot for the February Special Election.

Your ballot will only contain the district that you are eligible to vote on.

To be eligible to vote, a voter must be a resident and registered voter within the district.

You can track the status of your ballot at [www.votewa.gov](http://www.votewa.gov)

Your status will update as your ballot is received and processed.

Feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions at 509-962-7503 or [elections@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.kittitas.wa.us)

## Ballots:

If your ballot is lost or damaged or you did not receive a ballot, you can go online to get a replacement ballot: [www.votewa.gov](http://www.votewa.gov)

You can also stop in the office for a replacement ballot, or call us to request one be mailed to you: (509) 962-7503

### Secure Drop Box Locations open for this Special Election:

Kittitas County Courthouse . . . . . 205 W 5th Ave, Ellensburg

Kittitas County Auditor's Office . . . . Inside Courthouse Building

CWU SURC . . . . . 1007 N Chestnut St, Ellensburg

Thorp Fire Station . . . . . 10700 Thorp Hwy N, Thorp

Easton Fire Station . . . . . 180 Cabin Creek Rd, Easton

Kittitas City Hall Alley . . . . . 207 Main Street, Kittitas

Ballots need to be postmarked by 2/10/26, or deposited in a ballot drop box by 8pm 2/10/26. No postage is required.

**Drop Boxes close at 8:00pm sharp on Election Day 2/10/26.**

## How & When to Register to Vote

### Anytime:

You can register online: [www.votewa.gov](http://www.votewa.gov)

By mail or in-person at: 205 W. 5th Ave, Suite 105, Ellensburg, WA 98926

### For this election:

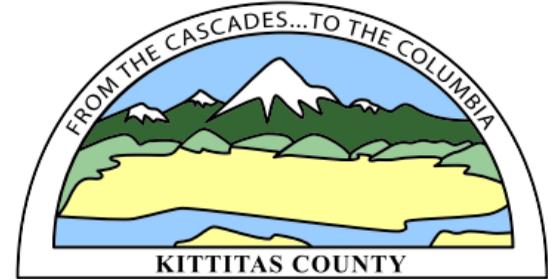
Online & Mail-in must be received by 2/2/26. If you need to update or register between 2/3/26 – 2/10/26, you must appear in person at the Auditor's Office.

### Who can Register?

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A United States citizen
- A Washington state resident that meets the requirements for voting mandated by state law
- At least 16 years old but not voting in a special or general election until 18 years old
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order
- Not serving a sentence of total confinement under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections for a Washington felony conviction or currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction

**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN YOUR BALLOT ENVELOPE.**  
Your signature on the declaration will be compared to the signature(s) in your voter registration file.



## Kittitas County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

## Special Election: February 10, 2026



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**Easton School District No. 28  
Proposition No. 1  
Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy**

The Board of Directors of Easton School District No. 28 adopted Resolution No. 5-2025.26, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operational expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to meet the educational needs of its students by levying the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District’s educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$0.24	\$330,000
2028	\$0.24	\$338,000
2029	\$0.24	\$347,000
2030	\$0.24	\$355,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 5-2025.26. Should this proposition be approved?

Levy . . . Yes

Levy . . . No

**Explanatory Statement—Proposition No. 1—Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy**

Proposition 1 allows Easton School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that expires at the end of 2026. The replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, pre-school class, nurse, full-time school counselor, campus safety upgrades, graduation readiness, technology updates, athletics, extracurricular activities program, expansion of career and technical education (CTE) classes/programs, and outdoor education program. Further information at [www.easton.wednet.edu](http://www.easton.wednet.edu).

The proposed replacement levy would authorize collection of up to \$330,000 in 2027, \$338,000 in 2028, \$347,000 in 2029, and \$355,000 in 2030. The levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value required to produce these amounts is estimated to be \$0.24 in 2027, \$0.24 in 2028, \$0.24 in 2029, and \$0.24 in 2030. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners, contact Kittitas County Assessor 509-962-7501.

Explanatory Statement Prepared by: Foster Garvy P.C.

**Easton School District No. 28  
Proposition No. 2  
Capital Levy To Improve School Facilities**

The Board of Directors of Easton School District No. 28 adopted Resolution No. 6-2025.26, concerning a proposition to improve school facilities. This proposition would authorize the District to: make health, safety and accessibility improvements at the gym (replacing 60-year-old flooring and bleachers; replacing scoreboard; installing moveable basketball hoops to accommodate other athletic activities, including volleyball); and levy the following excess taxes on all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$0.25	\$357,377
2028	\$0.25	\$366,304
2029	\$0.25	\$375,455
2030	\$0.25	\$384,834
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all as provided in Resolution No. 6-2025.26 Should this proposition be approved?

Levy . . . Yes

Levy . . . No

**Explanatory Statement—Proposition No. 2—Capital Levy To Improve School Facilities**

Proposition 2 allows Easton School District to implement a capital levy over a four-year period to make health, safety and accessibility improvements at the gym, including, but not limited to: (1) removing and replacing 60-year old flooring, including remediating asbestos; (2) removing and replacing 60-year-old spectator bleachers to improve accessibility and for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance; (3) removing and replacing the scoreboard; and (4) upgrading and installing moveable basketball hoops to accommodate other athletic uses, including volleyball matches. Further information at [www.easton.wednet.edu](http://www.easton.wednet.edu).

The proposed levy would authorize collection of \$357,377 in 2027, \$366,304 in 2028, \$375,455 in 2029, and \$384,834 in 2030. The levy rate required to produce these amounts is estimated to be \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners, contact Kittitas County Assessor 509-962-7501.

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**Statements in Favor**

**PRO Levy Educational Programs and Operations EP and O**

4 Year Replacement Levy

Easton School District relies on local levies to maintain current programs, services, and staff that are essential to student learning. This measure replaces an expiring Educational Programs and Operations levy and enables the district to continue offering the quality educational experience our students deserve.

State funding does not fully cover the actual cost of providing education. This levy allows voters to fill the gap between state funding and what it costs to operate our school, helping retain teachers and staff, maintain class sizes, support essential programs including special education, electives, and extracurriculars, and provide a safe and equitable learning environment for all students.

At 0.49 per 1,000 dollars of assessed property value, Easton will remain the lowest taxed district in Central Washington and one of the lowest in the State of Washington, demonstrating fiscal responsibility while protecting our small rural-school community.

A Yes vote on this measure helps ensure continuity of educational services, supports student success, and maintains the staff and programs that families value.

Committee to Support Easton School Levies  
Carrie Cotter

**PRO Levy Capital Projects Levy**

Gym Improvements

This Capital Projects Levy funds important improvements to the Easton School gymnasium, a space used daily by students and regularly by the community for sports, assemblies, and events.

The projects include modernizing the gym floor to improve safety and performance, replacing non-ADA compliant seating to ensure accessibility for all, updating the scoreboard, and installing movable basketball backboards so the gym can serve a wider range of activities. These upgrades create a safer, more accessible, and more versatile facility for students, families, and community members.

Investing in these improvements now protects a key school asset and enhances equity and access for everyone who uses the gym. The measure reflects careful planning and local control of funds for capital needs that are not covered by state funding.

A Yes vote on this levy supports student well-being, safety, and community engagement, while preserving an important facility that strengthens both our schools and our town.

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**Against Statement:**

No person in the jurisdiction contacted the auditor to provide a statement against. To get involved in future committees, contact your local jurisdiction.