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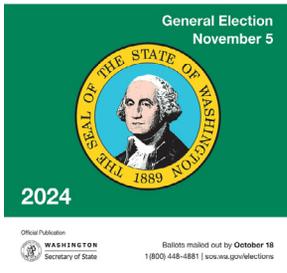
General Election 2024

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

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VOTERS' PAMPHLET

Washington State Elections



Statements by candidates for federal, statewide, legislative and judicial positions, and information about state measures are in the state voters' pamphlet, which is mailed separately.



Ballots will be mailed by October 18

General Election Local Voters' Pamphlet – November 5, 2024

Dear Kitsap County Voters:

Thank you for taking the time to open this pamphlet, which has statements from local candidates, arguments for and against a local measure and general information about this election.

One of the most useful new tools available to you as a Washington voter is the ability to get text messages about the progress of your ballot. The Secretary of State's Office provides this service, which you may sign up for at VoteWA.gov. If you use a drop box to deposit your ballot, you'll usually get a text from the number 868392 within a few days notifying you that your ballot was accepted, or if there was an issue to address.

Regularly updated information for this election is available at www.kitsap.gov/elections. Feel free to reach out to us at the contacts noted in this pamphlet if you have further questions.

Right on time for what we expect to be the largest election we have ever experienced; we moved our elections processing work to a bigger facility.

Our new site is in the Kitsap County Department of Emergency Management building in a complex across Highway 3 from the Bremerton National Airport. The public is invited to watch us work as always, and I believe those who have observed election processing before will readily see how our new facility serves Kitsap County voters today and well into the future. The new site also allows us to provide more cameras, so you can tune in at home to watch live ballot processing work from more points than we have been able to offer before.

Thank you again for your participation in this democratic process.

Sincerely,



Paul Andrews
Kitsap County Auditor

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Election Information

State and Federal Candidates/Measures

The Secretary of State's Office publishes a voters' pamphlet with federal, state and judicial candidates, and statewide measures. That pamphlet will be delivered by the post office to all Kitsap County households and is online at kitsap.gov/elections and VoteWA.gov.

General Election Ballot

Statewide measures appear first on the ballot, followed by countywide measures, then federal, state, county, county judicial, and public utility district candidates. Local measures appear after offices for each district.

If a Primary Election was held, the two candidates who received the most votes and received at least 1 percent of the votes cast for that office appear on the General Election ballot. The candidate who received the most votes in the Primary is listed first. Candidates who did not appear in the Primary are listed in the order determined by lottery draw.

Participating Jurisdictions

Districts participating in this Local Voters' Pamphlet are Kitsap County, Kitsap County Public Utility District No. 1, and North Kitsap School District No. 400. State and federal ballot issues and candidates are in the state voters' pamphlet, delivered separately.

Your Right to Privacy and Election Law

Every voter has the right to vote his or her ballot in secret. Attempting to vote when not qualified, or falsely signing the Voter Declaration, is a felony punishable by up to five years of imprisonment or a maximum fine of \$10,000, or both imprisonment and fine.

Questions or Need a Replacement Ballot?

If you have not received your ballot by **October 24**, or if your ballot is damaged or lost, you may request a replacement ballot by contacting Kitsap County Elections at auditor@kitsap.gov, or 360-337-7128.

Military, Overseas and Early Ballots

If you are a military or overseas voter, or if you believe your ballot will not be received in time to vote, you may request to receive your ballot by email or request an early ballot up to 90 days before an election. Early ballots list only the contests known at the time of the request. To request an email ballot or early ballot, visit: kitsap.gov/elections or contact Kitsap County Elections.

Additional information for military and overseas voters is available from the Federal Voting Assistance Program at: www.fvap.gov.

Write-Ins – Which Votes Can Be Counted

General Election write-in votes can only be counted if the candidate filed a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy, and there are enough write-in votes for a write-in candidate to win.

Candidate and Committee Statements

The Local Voters' Pamphlet includes statements submitted by candidates running for offices and committees supporting or opposing ballot measures. Statements printed in this pamphlet are the opinions of the authors. Kitsap County Elections is not responsible for the content of statements or their factual and grammatical accuracy.

Additional Information Sources

Facebook

www.facebook.com/kitsapcountyauditor

X (formerly Twitter)

www.twitter.com/kitsapauditor

YouTube

www.youtube.com/user/KitsapAuditor

Washington Secretary of State

www.sos.wa.gov/elections

Federal Elections Commission

www.fec.gov

Federal Voting Assistance Program

www.fvap.gov

Register to Vote

Who May Vote

To be eligible to vote, one must register and be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A Washington resident.
- At least 18 years old. In the August Primary a 17-year-old who would be 18 by the November General Election could vote in candidate races, except for PCO races.
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison for a Washington felony conviction.
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order.

Options for Registering

- Online at www.VoteWA.gov.
- Complete a paper registration form available at libraries, city halls, public schools, fire district offices and at the County Auditor's Office.
- When you renew your driver's license.

Name Change

If you have legally changed your name, you must complete a new voter registration application. Your new signature is used to validate your ballot.

Update Your Voter Record if You Move

If you are already registered to vote in Kitsap County, update your voter record:

- Online at: www.VoteWA.gov through October 28.
- By emailing the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division at auditor@kitsap.gov
- By phone at 360-337-7128.

Address Change

Address changes can be made in person until 8 p.m. on Election Day at the Kitsap County Auditor's Office and at the Vote Centers. Dates and locations follow. A new voter registration card will be mailed after your address change is processed.

When to Register

Individuals may register to vote at any time. To vote in the November 5 General Election, the deadlines are:

- **October 28:** Deadline for **mail and online** voter registrations, updates and changes.
- **November 5:** Deadline for **in-person** voter registrations, updates and changes. Citizens may register until 8 p.m. on Election Day by appearing in person at the County Auditor's Office. Registration will also be available the Saturday and Monday before Election Day and on Election Day at the Vote Centers at the Kitsap County Administration Building, the Marvin Williams Recreation Center in Bremerton and the Poulsbo Fire Station.

To Cancel Your Voter Registration

You may sign a form requesting to cancel your registration. In the case of a deceased voter, a registered voter may sign a form authorizing a cancellation. The form is available by contacting the Kitsap County Auditor's Office, online at <https://www.kitsap.gov/auditor/Documents/CancellationForm.pdf> or by using the following QR form:



Vote Centers and Accessible Voting

Federal law requires jurisdictions to provide vote centers with certified accessible voting devices that enable voters with disabilities to cast their ballots independently and in private.

Accessible Voting Units provide all contests in audio and high-contrast text formats and are available beginning 18 days prior to the General Election.

Before Election Day

Oct. 18 through Nov. 1, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.,
Monday through Friday

Kitsap County Auditor's Office
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Vote Centers

Saturday Nov. 2, Monday, Nov. 4,
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5,
7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Kitsap County Administration Building
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Marvin Williams Recreation Center
725 Park Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98337

Poulsbo Fire Station
911 NE Liberty Road, Poulsbo, WA 98370

Online Ballot Access

The State of Washington provides an accessible ballot and a Local Voters' Pamphlet online.

The online access is compatible with commonly used accessibility software such as screen readers and screen magnifiers, and allows for navigation without the use of a mouse and without having to see the cursor on the screen. All candidate video statements include closed captions.

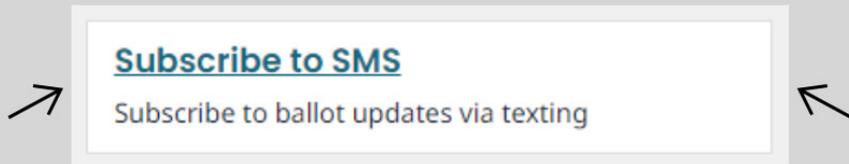
Through Online Ballot Access, you may verify that Kitsap County Elections has received your ballot using the Ballot Tracker feature.

Online Ballot Access is available beginning 18 days prior (October 18) to the General Election at: VoteWA.gov.

Note: This is NOT online voting. The online ballot and declaration must be printed and returned via drop box, mail or in person.

DID YOU KNOW?

Signing up for elections text messages saves you time.



- Log into **VoteWA.gov** and click on the link pictured above to sign yourself up for quick updates about your ballot.
- When your ballot arrives to our office, gets accepted or has a signature challenge, **we send you a text message** letting you know.
- The phone number on your ballot declaration allows us to call you, but does not authorize us to send a text.

Candidate and Political Committee Information

Candidates for Partisan Office

A candidate may state on the ballot a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate may choose to not state a party preference.

A candidate's party preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

The election for President and Vice President is different. Candidates for President and Vice President are the official nominees of their political party.

Major Political Parties

A political party qualifies as a "major" political party when it receives at least 5 percent of the total votes cast in the previous Presidential Election. In 2024 Washington state has two major political parties: Democratic and Republican.

Minor Political Parties

A "minor" political party is any political party in which no candidate for statewide office received at least 5 percent of the total votes cast at the preceding General Election during an even-numbered year.

Contributions to Candidates and Political Committees

- **Contribution Limits** – State law sets contribution limits on donations to legislative, judicial and county candidates as well as bona fide political party and caucus political committees.
- Anyone who donates more than \$100 in monetary and in-kind contributions must be identified by name and full address. For donations of more than \$250, occupation, employer name, city and state of his/her employer are also required.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit **Public Disclosure Commission for Washington State** at www.pdc.wa.gov, or call (360) 753-1111. The PDC also explains filing requirements and contribution limits, laws and rules.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to federal candidates and for rules about contributions in federal races, visit www.fec.gov.

Major Political Party Contact Information

Washington State Democratic Party

P.O. Box 4027
Seattle, WA 98194
(206) 583-0664
www.wa-democrats.org/contact
www.wa-democrats.org

Kitsap County Democratic Central Committee

P.O. Box 27
Silverdale, WA 98383
(360) 698-6833
chair@kitsapdemocrats.org
www.kitsapdemocrats.org

Washington State Republican Party

11811 NE 1st St., Ste. A306
Bellevue, WA 98005
(425) 460-0570
info@wsrp.org
www.wagop.org

Kitsap County Republican Party

6610 Kitsap Way, Ste. 102
Bremerton, WA 98312
(360) 761-1176
chair@kitsaprepublicans.com
www.kitsaprepublicans.com

Mark Your Ballot

How to vote

Use a dark blue or black ink pen to completely fill in the box to the left of your choice.

Do not use pencil.

Mark one choice in each contest.

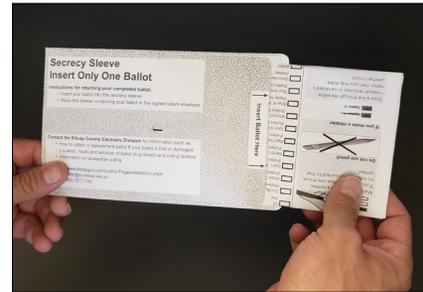
If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.



Secure

Place the voted ballot in the secrecy sleeve.

Place the secrecy sleeve inside the lavender return envelope.



Sign, Date and Seal

Read, sign and date the Voter Declaration on the lavender return envelope.

- You must sign the lavender return envelope in order for your ballot to be counted.
- Sign your name in dark ink.
- Seal the lavender return envelope.



Ballot Marking Tips and Reminders

Ballot marking errors require additional staff review, which slows down ballot processing. Help us improve efficiency by **avoiding** these common errors:

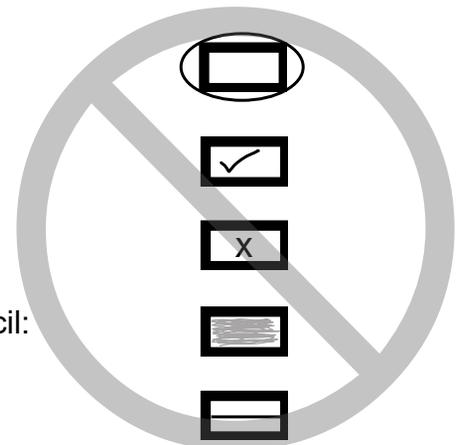
Do not circle:

Do not check:

Do not X:

Do not use pencil:

No single lines:



Sample Ballot Page 1

Sample Ballot
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How to vote this ballot

Use dark blue or black ink to fill in the box to the left of your choice.



Mark **one** choice for a contest. If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.

Do not use pencil



If you make a mistake



Draw a line through the entire measure response, then you may make another choice.

To vote for a candidate **not** listed on the ballot, write in the name in the space provided and fill in the box.

Ballot information is available online at: kitsap.gov/elections

Who donates to campaigns?
 View information on financial contributors for federal candidates:

Federal Election Commission
www.fec.gov
 Toll Free:
 1 (800) 424-9530

View financial contributors for candidates and measures:

Public Disclosure Commission
www.pdc.wa.gov
 Toll Free:
 1 (877) 601-2828

This ballot contains all contests that will appear on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot. Only the ballot issues that apply to the precinct where you are registered to vote will appear on your ballot.

State Measures

Initiative to the People

Initiative Measure No. 2066

Initiative Measure No. 2066 concerns regulating energy services, including natural gas and electrification. This measure would repeal or prohibit certain laws and regulations that discourage natural gas use and/or promote electrification, and require certain utilities and local governments to provide natural gas to eligible customers.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
 No

Initiatives to the Legislature

Initiative Measure No. 2109

Initiative Measure No. 2109 concerns taxes. This measure would repeal an excise tax imposed on the sale or exchange of certain long-term capital assets by individuals who have annual capital gains of over \$250,000. This measure would decrease funding for K-12 education, higher education, school construction, early learning, and childcare.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
 No

Initiative Measure No. 2117

Initiative Measure No. 2117 concerns carbon tax credit trading. This measure would prohibit state agencies from imposing any type of carbon tax credit trading, and repeal legislation establishing a cap and invest program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This measure would decrease funding for investments in transportation, clean air, renewable energy, conservation, and emissions-reduction.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
 No

Initiative Measure No. 2124

Initiative Measure No. 2124 concerns state long term care insurance. This measure would provide that employees and self-employed people must elect to keep coverage under RCW 50B.04 and could opt-out any time. It would also repeal a law governing an exemption for employees. This measure would decrease funding for Washington's public insurance program providing long-term care benefits and services.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
 No

Federal Partisan Offices

President / Vice President of the United States

- Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz**
Democratic Party Nominees
- Donald J. Trump / JD Vance**
Republican Party Nominees
- Robert F. Kennedy Jr. / Nicole Shanahan**
We The People Party Nominees
- Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware**
Green Party Nominees
- Claudia De la Cruz / Karina Garcia**
Socialism and Liberation Party Nominees
- Rachele Fruit / Dennis Richter**
Socialist Workers Party Nominees
- Joseph Kishore / Jerry White**
Socialist Equality Party Nominees
- Chase Oliver / Mike ter Maat**
Libertarian Party Nominees
- Cornel West / Melina Abdullah**
Justice For All Party Nominees
- Shiva Ayyadurai / Crystal Ellis**
Independent Candidates

READ: Each Candidate for President and Vice President is the official nominee of a political party. For other partisan offices, each candidate may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

U.S. Senator

- Maria Cantwell**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Dr Raul Garcia**
(Prefers GOP Party)

Congressional District 6

U.S. Representative

- Emily Randall**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Drew C MacEwen**
(Prefers Republican Party)

State Partisan Offices

Governor

- Bob Ferguson**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Dave Reichert**
(Prefers Republican Party)

Lt. Governor

- Denny Heck**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Dan Matthews**
(Prefers Republican Party)

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Secretary of State

Steve Hobbs
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Dale Whitaker
(Prefers Republican Party)

State Treasurer

Mike Pellicciotti
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Sharon Hanek
(Prefers Republican Party)

State Auditor

Pat (Patrice) McCarthy
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Matt Hawkins
(Prefers Republican Party)

Attorney General

Pete Serrano
(Prefers Republican Party)

Nick Brown
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Commissioner of Public Lands

Jaime Herrera Beutler
(Prefers Republican Party)

Dave Upthegrove
(Prefers Democratic Party)

State Nonpartisan Office

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Chris Reykdal

David Olson

State Partisan Offices

Insurance Commissioner

Patty Kuderer
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Phil Fortunato
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Senator**

Short and full 4-year term

Drew Hansen
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Lance Byrd
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Representative Position 1**

Tarra Simmons
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Kurt Robertson
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Representative Position 2**

Short and full 2-year term

Greg Nance
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Jamie Miles
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 26
State Representative Position 1**

Adison Richards
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Jesse L. Young
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 26
State Representative Position 2**

Michelle Caldier
(Prefers Republican Party)

Tiffany Mitchell
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Legislative District 35
State Representative Position 1**

Dan Griffey
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 35
State Representative Position 2**

Travis Couture
(Prefers Republican Party)

James DeHart
(Prefers Democratic Party)

County Partisan Offices

County Commissioner District 1

Short and full 4-year term

Christine Rolfes
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Scott Henden
(Prefers Independent Party)

County Commissioner District 2

Sean Murphy
(Prefers Republican Party)

Oran Root
(Prefers Republican Party)

Judicial Nonpartisan Offices

Supreme Court Justice Position 2

Sal Mungia

Dave Larson

Supreme Court Justice Position 8

Steve Gonzalez

Supreme Court Justice Position 9

Sheryl Gordon McCloud

**Court of Appeals, Division 2
District 2 - Judge Position 2**

Rebecca Glasgow

Local Measure

**North Kitsap School District No. 400
Proposition No. 1
Facilities and Technology Capital
Projects Levy**

The Board of Directors of North Kitsap School District No. 400 adopted Resolution No. 07-01-24, concerning a proposition for a capital projects levy. This proposition would fund construction, modernization and remodeling of school facilities district-wide to improve health, safety and security and upgrade technology equipment and infrastructure, and authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/ \$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2025	\$0.74	\$10,000,000
2026	\$0.82	\$11,500,000
2027	\$0.17	\$2,500,000
2028	\$0.17	\$2,575,000
2029	\$0.17	\$2,652,250
2030	\$0.17	\$2,732,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 07-01-24. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

County Nonpartisan Office

**Kitsap County
Public Utility District No. 1
Commissioner District 3**

Heather Pauley

Richard Tift

24-Hour Ballot Drop Boxes

Voters are encouraged to use a ballot drop box. Ballot drop boxes provide a safe, secure way for voters to deposit their ballots. Ballot drop boxes are available 24 hours a day beginning October 18, 2024, until 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Bainbridge Island School District 8489 Madison Avenue North Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 (drive-up)	Navy Yard City - West Side Improvement Club 4109 West E Street Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)
Bremerton - Downtown Norm Dicks Government Center 345 6th Street, Bremerton, WA 98337 (drive-up)	Olalla Bay Market & Landing (new location) 13965 Crescent Valley Road SE Olalla, WA 98359
Bremerton - East Kitsap Regional Library, Sylvan Way Branch 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA 98310 (drive-up)	Port Gamble - S'Klallam Tribal Center 31912 Little Boston Road NE Kingston, WA 98346
Bremerton - Marvin Williams Recreation Center 725 Park Avenue Bremerton, WA 98337 (drive-up)	Port Orchard Kitsap County Auditor's Office 619 Division Street Port Orchard, WA 98366
Bremerton National Airport (new location) 8850 SW State Highway 3 Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)	Port Orchard (East) - SKFR Station 8 1974 Fircrest Drive SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 (drive-up)
Burley Store 14972 Bethel-Burley Road SE Port Orchard, WA 98367 (drive-up)	Port Orchard (Glenwood) - SKFR Station 17 7990 McCormick Woods Drive SW Port Orchard, WA 98367
Hansville - Buck Lake County Park (new location) 6959 Buck Lake Road NE Hansville, WA 98340 (drive-up)	Poulsbo Fire Station 911 NE Liberty Road Poulsbo, WA 98370 (drive-up)
Indianola Tennis Courts 20761 Greenwood Street NE Indianola, WA 98342	Seabeck - Green Mountain Elementary School 3860 Boundary Trail NW Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)
Keyport - Central Park 15378 Washington Avenue NE Keyport, WA 98345	Silverdale - Sheriff's Office (new location) 3951 NW Randall Way Silverdale, WA 98383 (drive-up)
Kingston - North Kitsap Fire & Rescue 26642 Miller Bay Road NE Kingston, WA 98346 (drive-up)	Silverdale Rotary Gateway Park (new location) 11601 Silverdale Way NW Silverdale, WA 98383 (drive-up)
Kingston - Village Green Park 10810 NE West Kingston Road Kingston, WA 98346 (drive-up)	Southworth WSF Terminal 11677 SE Southworth Ferry Drive Port Orchard, WA 98366 (near terminal entrance)
Manchester Stormwater Park 2399 Colchester Drive E Port Orchard, WA 98366	Suquamish Tribal Council Bldg. 18490 Suquamish Way NE Suquamish, WA 98392
Naval Base Kitsap - Bangor 2500 Ohio Street NSB Silverdale, WA 98315	Tracyton - Bremerton Elks, Lodge 1181 4131 Pine Road NE Bremerton, WA 98310
Naval Base Kitsap - Bremerton 886 Barclay Street Bremerton, WA 98314	Note: The drop box on the Olympic College Poulsbo campus is no longer available.

Kitsap County Commissioner District 1 – Short and full 4-year term



Christine Rolfes
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Contact information:

Phone: (360) 818-4545

Email: info@electchristine.com

Website: electchristine.com

Elected Experience: State Senator (2011-2023); State Representative (2007-2011); Bainbridge Island City Councilmember (2000-2005)

Other Professional Experience: In 2023, I was appointed to the position of Kitsap County Commissioner and retired from the legislature. Prior to elected office I worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development. I moved here in 1992 to work on land use issues for Kitsap County.

Education: BA Economics, University of Virginia. MPA, University of Washington.

Community Service: I have been involved in our community for three decades, raising two daughters here. As County Commissioner I now serve on various boards and councils, including Kitsap Transit, the Public Health Board, and the Housing Authority.

Statement: It is my honor to have been appointed to serve as your District 1 Kitsap County Commissioner for the past year. During this time my focus has been on providing inclusive and responsive leadership to everyone in our county.

The work of the three Commissioners is especially important as county residents deliberate how we will manage future population growth. We must protect sensitive environmental areas while providing a diversity of affordable housing options in safe and healthy neighborhoods that people love to live in.

Over the coming years I will continue to lead local partnerships with state and federal officials, including the US Navy, to resolve transportation challenges at Gorst, the Hood Canal Bridge, and Highways 104 and 305, and to modernize and expand our access to health care services and behavioral health treatment. In our county-wide decision making, I will continue to champion preservation of our remaining forests, open spaces, and small farms and the protection of Puget Sound, while supporting infrastructure and education advancements that help create job opportunities here.

I will always work to bring neighbors of differing views but common interests together to solve our shared challenges. I would be honored to receive your vote.



Scott Henden
(Prefers Independent Party)

Contact information:

Phone: (360) 297-4433

Email: ElectScott24@gmail.com

Website: ElectScottHenden.com

Elected Experience: North Kitsap School Board Director (2008-2012)

Other Professional Experience: 43 years in construction and electrical industry experience with 39 years of business ownership in Kitsap County. My knowledge and skills have been forged by hard work and honesty, preparing me to address local issues we face.

Education: 4 year Electrical Training Program, Washington Electrical Education Foundation (WEEF). Electrical Journeyman and Administrator License. Yearly continuing education including WAC/RCW Laws and National Electrical Codes (NEC).

Community Service: Over 40 years of service including Board Member and Volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, Little League Coach and Sponsor, Church Youth Leader, and Coffee Oasis Volunteer and Supporter.

Statement: Kitsap County has been my home for 61 years, my four children were raised in Kitsap and my grandchildren now call Kitsap their home. We must feel safe in our own community! As the County continues to grow, Kitsap County deputies have remained stagnant since 2008 and rank in the bottom 10 among Washington Counties for officers per population. Washington State ranks last among all 50 states on this metric. I will support our community's need for more play fields. Commissioners have failed this issue.

I will take action for local businesses and address affordable housing. I have spent a lifetime working in business and housing and have a strong understanding of how this could be improved, including tackling the increased regulations, codes and delays that are working against the goal.

Many families here in Kitsap rely on the ferries as an integral part of the transportation system. The ferry runs have been harmed by the shutting down of the new boat pipeline and loss of experienced state ferry workers. I will advocate for our Ferry System!

I would always strive to put the citizens well being over elected officials' comfort and hope you will see that I was effective!

Kitsap County Commissioner District 2 – 4-year term



Sean Murphy
(Prefers Republican Party)

Contact information:

Phone: (206) 291-5218

Email: Murphy4kitsap@gmail.com

Website: Murphy4Kitsap.com

Elected Experience: Vice Chair, Kitsap County Republican Party, Precinct Committee Officer 270, Delegate to the 2024 Republican County and State Conventions

Professional Experience: Navy Veteran, Insurance Broker, Grocery Industry Management

Education: US Navy Nuclear Power, Submarine, and Missile Technology Schools

Community Service: Organized Kitsap County park clean-up events, assisted Kitsap County Republican Party with campaigns, events, and signature gathering

Statement: After joining The Navy at 18 and getting stationed at Subbase Bangor, I adopted Kitsap County as my forever home.

I believe we must begin by protecting the citizens of our county by supporting law enforcement officers. During the pandemic, my wife and I witnessed the indoctrination of children that was occurring in schools and the damage that lockdowns had on our community. We began building relationships with small businesses and our neighbors all around Kitsap to try to regain our sense of community. We met a Republican Party candidate at an event, and subsequently, joined the KCRP to assist with the events committee. We also need to address the homelessness problem in a caring manner using proven programs.

The government continues to overstep its power with regard to individual property rights. I want to streamline permitting and remove unnecessary regulations that restrict business growth and infringe on private property owners' rights while building a community that values hard work, individual freedoms, family values, and genuine care for our neighbors.

My background in the Navy, as a small business owner, husband, and father of three helps me understand the needs of people in our county. I will listen to you!



Oran Root
(Prefers Republican Party)

Contact information:

Phone: (360) 731-5447

Email: electoran@root4kitsap.com

Website: root4kitsap.com

Elected Experience: Oran has not held public office to date.

Other Professional Experience: USMC Retired (1994-2017), combat veteran, small business owner/leader, land use management, and a continued advocate of professional leadership development.

Education: South Kitsap High School, American Military University-Business Management/Economics, San Diego State University-Arabic, Advanced Joint Military Leadership and Professional Instruction

Community Service: Rotarian, Chamber of Commerce, South Kitsap Fire and Rescue citizens advisory board, domestic violence survivor self-defense instruction, anti-human trafficking advocate, church youth leadership mentor, Little League baseball coach, volunteer firefighter.

Statement: As your next South Kitsap Commissioner, I'm committed to addressing vital issues like public safety, economic development, housing, and streamlining county government. Crime and homelessness must be a priority. I will support our sheriff, police, and courts to combat rising rates, ensuring our neighborhoods remain safe. Mental health resources are crucial for our community's well-being and a priority to assist with homelessness.

As a small business owner and veteran with global experience, born and raised here in Kitsap, I know firsthand the challenges faced by our families and employers. With tested leadership and a collaborative approach, I'm poised to make tough decisions for our children's future. Our quality of life and environmental assets must and can be protected, which will require strong leadership and collaboration with our business, development, environmental and tribal communities.

With your trust, I humbly ask for your vote to serve as your next Kitsap County Commissioner. Together, let's create a safer, more prosperous and balanced community where everyone thrives.

Kitsap County Public Utility District No. 1, Commissioner District 3 – 6-year term (Nonpartisan)



Heather Pauley
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Elected Experience: Elected Kitsap Public Utility District Commissioner in 2018.

Other Professional Experience: My career has included positions in mental health, education, customer experience, and management. Prior to serving on the KPUD board, I was an educator for the Bremerton and Central Kitsap School Districts.

Education: MBA, University of Washington. BS in Psychology, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

Community Service: Current UW Foster H MBA Student Council Member and NoaNet Member Representative. Previous Washington PUD Association Government Relations Committee Chair, Minority Voters League of Washington Board Member and Drive Electric Washington Advisory Committee Member.

Statement: As commissioner, I have prioritized managing our precious resources, ensuring clean and safe drinking water, and promoting internet access for all. I hope to earn your support once more to continue addressing these challenges.

The pandemic proved how vital internet access is. In 2020, KPUD mobilized wireless hotspots across the county, ensuring students could learn remotely. In 2021, we partnered with tribes, ports, and state legislators to pass the Public Broadband Act, paving the way for internet access for all. As a member-representative for NoaNet, I advocate for public broadband access throughout the state, especially in rural communities.

In the coming years, KPUD will need to continue stream gauge monitoring efforts and maintain the health of our aquifers. As your commissioner, I will continue to support the build out of broadband throughout the county and competitively position ourselves to receive federal funding. Every household needs broadband access to thrive in the 21st century.

I am proud to be endorsed by Senators Emily Randall and Drew Hansen, Representative Tarra Simmons, Bremerton Council President Jennifer Chamberlin, and Poulsbo City Council Member, Ed Stern. It has been an honor to serve you for the past six years, and I ask for your vote.



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Elected Experience: No prior elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: Former Executive Director of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, current member of the UW-Tacoma Chancellor's Advisory Board and current vice-chair of the Bremerton Planning Commission, Leadership Kitsap graduate and past president.

Education: A graduate of Central Kitsap High School; Olympic College; University of Washington, BA in Business Administration; and University of Puget Sound MBA, 1984.

Community Service: Former Board member St Michael's Medical Center and Harrison Medical Center. Former member of the Downtown Bremerton Rotary Club and the Olympic Peninsula Navy League. I have also served on various community-oriented groups and initiatives throughout my Shipyard career.

Statement: With more than 19 years of prior service as Executive Director for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard I bring extensive skills and leadership experience to the office of KPUD Commissioner. Kitsap County is projected to see an unprecedented surge in new residents during the next few decades. Planning and preparation for this growth will stress the County's infrastructure and utilities resources. It will be incumbent upon public utilities such as the KPUD to plan for this growth and partner with Federal, State and Local officials to lay the groundwork for the future. The KPUD is vital to making this growth feasible and achievable. I applaud the foresight of the Commissioners and staff to invest in broadband as a public utility and fund the construction of a network backbone. If elected I will support the continued deployment of this utility and explore how the KPUD can partner with others to increase the visibility and affordability of this resource. The counsel and vision of the Commissioners to navigate the coming growth will be challenging and I believe my training and experience can provide great value to this journey. I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you for your support.

Proposition No. 1

Facilities and Technology Capital Projects Levy

Official Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of North Kitsap School District No. 400 adopted Resolution No. 07-01-24, concerning a proposition for a capital projects levy. This proposition would fund construction, modernization and remodeling of school facilities district-wide to improve health, safety and security and upgrade technology equipment and infrastructure, and authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2025	\$0.74	\$10,000,000
2026	\$0.82	\$11,500,000
2027	\$0.17	\$ 2,500,000
2028	\$0.17	\$ 2,575,000
2029	\$0.17	\$ 2,652,250
2030	\$0.17	\$ 2,732,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 07-01-24.
Should this proposition be approved?

- Yes
- No

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

Proposition 1 authorizes a capital levy to support the construction, modernization and remodeling of school facilities district-wide, consistent with priority projects identified by the District’s Facilities Advisory Committee, as well as technology equipment and infrastructure upgrades. Proposition 1 will enhance student and staff health, safety and security, provide equitable learning spaces at elementary schools and extend the useful life of existing school buildings.

Proposition 1 will fund the following projects in North Kitsap School District: (1) improving site accessibility and making Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements; (2) making parking and transportation improvements to improve parent and school bus pick-up and drop-off areas and to provide adequate vehicle circulation, minimize conflicts and relieve congestion; (3) constructing, acquiring and/or installing building security improvements (including secure entry vestibules, cameras and fencing); (4) constructing and/or renovating classroom spaces to reduce the use of portables for instruction; (5) constructing, renovating, replacing and/or installing playgrounds, fields and physical education facilities and buildings; and (6) upgrading mechanical, electrical, plumbing and exterior roofs, walls and systems to extend useful life of existing buildings.

The proposed six-year levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$10,000,000 in 2025, \$11,500,000 in 2026, \$2,500,000 in 2027, \$2,575,000 in 2028, \$2,652,250 in 2029, and \$2,732,000 in 2030. The tax levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$0.74 in 2025, \$0.82 in 2026 and \$0.17 in 2027 through 2030. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Kitsap County Assessor at 360-337-7160.

Argument For the Measure

The Need

Our schools have many outstanding maintenance and capital improvement needs. These include critical safety and security issues, delayed maintenance, failing infrastructure, HVAC systems no longer serviceable, and functional limitations impacting student learning. Mitigating them is crucial to providing safe learning environments that support student success.

Data Driven Process

Recently expanded to enhance community representation, the District's Facility Advisory Committee used a data driven process to develop its recommendations for this measure. This comprehensive process included safety analysis, detailed structural assessments, and consideration of the functional needs of each school. Multiple site visits, staff surveys, and open public forums were conducted to inform the process.

Sustained Funding

Guided by comprehensive planning; this replacement measure supports cost-efficient strategies to maintain and enhance our schools. This measure sustains current tax rates to incrementally stay the course; building on progress from the previous capital levy. This is not a new tax; it replaces one set to expire. This prudent incremental approach, thoughtfully considers taxpayer impact.

Community Investment in schools is vital

As our community grows, so too, have demands on our schools. With forward-looking vision and continued taxpayer support, NK Schools strives to maintain its schools without extravagant spending. This measure will preserve our schools and the vital role they fill. As community members, this is our opportunity to close the gaps and maintain the essential services our schools provide.

A yes vote will sustain current funding to continue essential construction, modernization, and enhancement of our school facilities.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

This is not a new tax! It replaces one that expires this year, using current tax rates to address previously identified projects. Voters spoke and the District listened. They sent the process back to the drawing board with an expanded Facility Advisory Committee; committed to due diligence, comprehensive planning, methodical analysis, transparency, and community engagement. A Yes vote supports *maintaining* current tax rates to fund school safety and security, critical maintenance needs, and functional improvements.

Argument prepared by Eric Quitslund, chair; James Schlachter and Daria Ilgen, committee members, committee for the measure. For more information, email northkitsapschools.yes@yahoo.com.

Argument Against the Measure

This NKSD Levy is a New Additional Tax and Incomplete Plan

This is a new tax! If this proposed Levy is passed, NKSD will, for the very first time, have three Levies running concurrently! This *new tax* will cost owners of \$500,000 homes an additional \$387.00 in 2025 and \$410.00 in 2026, on top of our already \$800.00 annual school levy taxes. NKSD is using this Levy to keep tax rates up for two years until they can determine how to create a Capital Levy and/or Bond by 2026.

History: 2018 to 2023 Taxes provided over \$67 Million for Capital Facilities and Technology

What criteria was used to spend your \$67 Million? How did they prioritize critical issues without a comprehensive plan?

Is this Levy Trustworthy?

How do we trust this Levy? In February, the Pearson school location was not considered feasible for a new school. This Levy proposes a new gymnasium and drop-off/pick-up at Pearson's current site, with *no* comprehensive plan, current designs, or cost breakdowns.

With the 2024 Bond failure, NK Citizens sent a strong message to North Kitsap School District. We expect transparency and financial accountability. This *proposed Levy* fails to meet expectations. The Bond failure can not simply be placed on one person. Many Directors, Administrators, and Consultants were silent or complicit. Many of these same people helped create *this \$31,959,250 Levy*.

Vote No to this NKSD Levy

Please visit www.knownksdlevy.com for more details.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

This Levy creates a *third* Levy Tax! *Not a renewal*; current two Levies not set to expire until December 2026. This *additional* Levy would continue through 2029. A "data driven process" is unreliable without a comprehensive long-term plan. Despite community growth, NKSD lost 700+ students since 2018, lessening demands on schools. Their many words mislead the heart, but *facts justify voting no*. Rebuttal word limit prevents addressing all misinformation. Documentation available at:

www.KnowNKSDlevy.com

Argument prepared by Scott Henden, Chair; Kim Gerlach and Stacie Schmechel; Committee Members; committee against the measure. For more information, call (509) 906-1365, email KnowNKSDlevy@gmail.com or go to www.KnowNKSDlevy.com

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