Proposition No. 3
School Bus Levy
The Board of Directors of Issaquah School District approved Resolution No. 1180 authorizing a levy for school buses. This levy funds new and replacement school buses and authorizes the following excess levy on all taxable property within the District:

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<td>$0.07</td>
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all as provided in Resolution No. 1180. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes
No

No statement submitted.

Explanatory statement
Passage of Proposition No. 3 would allow for the levy of $3,000,000 in property taxes within Issaquah School District for collection in 2023. In accordance with Resolution No. 1180 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the Issaquah School District's Transportation Vehicle Fund to pay part of the costs of acquiring new school buses to meet projected population growth and allow for the retirement of older and more costly to operate buses of the District. If authorized by the voters, such property taxes would be collected at a rate estimated to be $0.07 per $1,000 of assessed valuation in 2023. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

For questions about this measure, contact Martin Turney, Executive Director of Finance & Support Services, 425/837-7011, turneym@issaquah.wednet.edu

Statement in favor
This levy is necessary to ensure that all students in the Issaquah School District are able to travel to and from school safely. The 1-year transportation levy will replace old buses making and afternoon. The 1-year transportation levy will replace old buses with new more efficient models that align with the state's safety standards and replacement cycle.

An efficient transportation fleet helps with fuel savings & lower maintenance costs, which means more dollars go into the classroom for our students. It is also part of the School District's efforts to make its fleet as green friendly as possible.

We are asking you to vote for this levy to ensure that all the students in the district are able to fully participate in school and to help the district in its efforts to run an efficient transportation system.

Statement in opposition
No statement submitted.

Statement in favor
Submitted by: Dawn Peschek, Wright Noel, wwwuali.gov

Statement in opposition
Submitted by: Jeff Heckathorn

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Proposition No. 1
Replacement for Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Issaquah School District adopted Resolution No. 1178 concerning a proposition to support school programs and daily operations. This proposition authorizes the District to levy taxes on all taxable property within the District to maintain educational programs not funded by the state and support the District’s General Fund programming, daily operations, teaching, classroom materials, extracurricular activities, and transportation.

Explanatory statement
Passage of Proposition No. 1 would replace an expiring levy and allow the levy of $70,000,000 for collection in 2023, the levy of $64,000,000 for collection in 2024, the levy of $67,000,000 for collection in 2025, and the levy of $70,000,000 for collection in 2026. In accordance with Resolution #1178 approving this proposition, these taxes would pay part of the general expenses of operating the District that are not funded by the state. General expenses of the District include employee costs (such as salaries), instructional materials, special programs, activities and sports, technology systems operation and depreciation costs, maintenance of facilities and other non-capital expenses of operating the District, including district-wide programs. If the levy is approved by the voters and if authorized by the voters, it is estimated that assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per $1,000 of assessed value would be $1.43 (2023 collection), $1.43 (2024 collection), $1.42 (2025 collection), and $1.42 (2026 collection). The exact levy collection will be subject to the legal limits at the time of the levy and the rate will be adjusted based upon the actual property tax rate certified and the assessed value of the property within the District at the time of levy.

If the District receives state COVID relief funding in excess of $20,000,000 the 2023 levy collection shall be based on actual student enrollment rather than pre-pandemic enrollment, which may further reduce 2023 levy collections.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

Statement in favor
Your vote for this renewal levy allows the Issaquah School District (ISD) to continue its reputation for excellence. The Educational Programs & Operations Levy (EP&O) provides 15.4% of our district's operating budget. Local levy dollars are needed to fund essential programs not fully funded by the State, such as mental health counselors, nurses, safety/security, special education programs, substitute teachers, and employee compensation.

For questions about this measure, contact Martin Turney, Executive Director of Finance & Support Services, mturneym@issaquah.wednet.edu.

Statement in opposition
Even though the McClean Decision pumped $17,000,000 in additional dollars into the public school system, school districts incessantly demand more. There should be more than $400 million in new revenue levies, period. Also, this levy is a 4% tax hike over the previous - hardly a "Replacement". The State School Property tax category (which goes to the Issaquah SD in total) just rose 4% this year and has risen 30% in just the last 3 years. 67% of your property taxes (renters pay in their rent) now goes to the ISD, up from 66% a few years ago and heading higher.

This levy pays for blooped compensations. The median grade district administration compensation is over $160,000 with a high of over $420K. Per pupil expenditures including capital outlays and interest on debt are now at $22.7K. That is more expensive than most private schools and more than tuition costs at UW Other districts in WA have comparable costs and this is why the ISD and others are driving the state to McClean 2.0

The districts $70MM debt is back loaded - required tax collections are scheduled to increase sharply from 2026-2032. This is irresponsible. For an honest, accurate financial report: LevyNo.com

Rebuttal of statement in opposition
Contrary to the opposition statement, here are the facts: (1) McClean does not fund the education Issaquah deserves with nurses and counselors, special education, or security; (2) the district has the lowest administrative compensation with 19 consecutive years of clean state audits and the lowest per-pupil compensation in the state. (3) salaries are in line with neighboring districts and needed to keep talent; (4) the tax rate is stable and funding is needed for our students.

Yes
No

Statement in favor
If approved, the EP&O Levy will pump $17,000,000 in additional dollars into the public school system each year. This money will fund the additional 23 nurses needed to provide the education Issaquah desires with nurses and counselors, critical repairs, school remodeling, completion of High School #4, and upping for safety, security, and efficiency, and authorize the following excesses on all taxable property within the District:

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all as provided in Resolution No. 1179. If this proposition be approved?
Yes
No

Statement in opposition
Your "No" vote will make the District create an affordable plan that is better for students and teachers, community and environment. The District come back with a responsible proposal consistent with taxpayers’ needs and priorities. Contact us at care@8027.com

Rebuttal of statement in opposition
We all know that our School District’s officials need to be more responsive to parents, teachers, and the community. Nearly all the Capital Levy will be spent on a high school project that hasn’t started yet, but already has massive cost overruns. We need a public vote to support other educational priorities to this ill-conceived plan.

Your "No" vote will make the District create an affordable plan that is better for students, teachers, community and environment.

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