

# Voters' Pamphlet

## Dates and deadlines

**April 18** - Deadline to receive new voter registrations and voter updates online and by mail. **April 26** - 8:00 PM deadline for in-person voter registration and voter updates.

## Getting registered to vote

### To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington State.
- At least 18 years old by General Election Day.
- Not currently serving a Department of Corrections sentence in total confinement.

### Three ways to register and obtain a ballot:

- By Mail
- Online - [VoteWA.gov](http://VoteWA.gov)
- Call us at 509-775-5225 ext. 1139 or email us at [delections@co.ferry.wa.us](mailto:delections@co.ferry.wa.us) and we will assist you.
- In person - Ferry County Elections Office 350 E Delaware Ave Stop 2, Republic WA 99166

### Participating Jurisdiction:

- Republic School District No. 309

## Questions?

Ferry County Elections Office Online:  
[www.ferrycountyauditor.com](http://www.ferrycountyauditor.com)  
Email: [delections@co.ferry.wa.us](mailto:delections@co.ferry.wa.us)  
Phone: 509-775-5225 ext. 1139

## Returning your ballot

### By mail

Postage is prepaid - no stamp is needed. Ballots must be postmarked on or before election day, April 26, 2022 in order to be counted.

### In a ballot drop box

Ballot Drop Boxes are available April 8 through 8:00 p.m. Election Day - April 26, 2022:

- Ferry County Auditor's Office - 350 E Delaware Ave
- Republic City Hall - 987 S Clark Ave

## Voter Service Center

Voters may drop off ballots, get replacement ballots, use an Accessible Voting Unit or receive other assistance as needed at the Voter Service Center:

### Ferry County Elections Office

350 E Delaware Ave Stop 2 Republic WA 99166  
Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Election Day, April 26: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## FAQ's

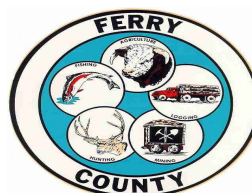
What is an explanatory statement?

*An explanatory statement is prepared by the district's attorney; it outlines the effect the ballot measure would have if it is passed by the voters.*

How are committees in favor of or in opposition to a measure formed?

*Districts that choose to participate in the local voters' pamphlet are responsible for appointing committee members who agree to write the statements. The statements are a way to persuade voters to vote for or against a measure. The Elections Office does not check statements for factual or grammatical accuracy.*

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov).



**Election Day is Tuesday.  
April 26, 2022**

# Republic School District Proposition No. 1

## Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

see complete resolution test at  
[www.ferrycountyauditor.com](http://www.ferrycountyauditor.com)

### Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of Republic School District No. 309 adopted Resolution No. 2022-02-01, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation 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 educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State (including music, athletics and early childhood learning):

Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000		
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$1.48	\$495,000
2024	\$1.46	\$495,000
2025	\$1.45	\$495,000
2026	\$1.44	\$495,000
all as provided in Resolution No. 2022-02-01. Should this proposition be approved?		
Levy Yes		Levy No

### Explanatory Statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Republic School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation that are not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, music, athletics and early childhood learning. Further information is available at the District's website <https://www.republic309.org/>.

The proposed four-year replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$495,000 each year from 2023 through and including 2026. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$1.48 in 2023, \$1.46 in 2024, \$1.45 in 2025 and \$1.44 in 2026 (estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value). The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners, call the Ferry County Assessor at (509) 775-5225 or Okanogan County Assessor at (509) 422-7190.

Prepared by: Foster Garvey P.C.

### Statement For

Strong schools are essential to the foundation of strong communities and a thriving society. Washington State school funding is based on a theory of 'shared responsibility,' that involves both state and local communities contributing to every student's access to a well-rounded education. This Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy, not a new tax but a continuation of an existing levy, fulfills our local community's obligation. Voting YES is not voting for a new tax or a tax increase, even for those facing increased property assessments. Voting YES is simply guaranteeing that our students can continue to have access to existing opportunities.

Voting YES for this replacement levy is a vote to continue the daily operation of our school's existing programs. Levy monies will be used to fund student materials and supplies, class electives, maintenance and operation supplies, transportation fuel, substitute teachers and educational support staff. Additional programs funded by this levy include K-12 music, after school and summer school programs, junior high and high school athletics and educational field trips.

While the state has increased its financial support of public schools, it still does not fully fund the state educational system. Vote YES to close the gap and show that we value and take pride in the cornerstone of our community, our students and education system.

Written by Nancy Giddings, Patty Slagle, and Melissa Rose

### Statement Against

No against committee was formed.