



# BUTLER ACRES ELEMENTARY

**BUILDING  
STRONG  
FOUNDATIONS**



**Year Built: 1955**  
**Year Renovated: 1984**  
**Capacity: 198%**  
**Function Score: 68 (poor)**  
**Condition Score: 80 (fair)**

## Proposed Improvements



» Provide security cameras/access control system



» Replace asphalt in parking and playground areas



» Upgrade façade and remove sunscreens

» Replace windows



» Provide new addressable fire alarm system

» Replace galvanized steel domestic water piping with copper tubing

» Replace boiler and hydronic piping

» Replace pneumatic controls with DDC controls

» Improve parking/circulation

» Repair drainage issues

» Build four new classrooms

» Replace phone system

## Proposed Budget

**\$7,692,000**

Proposed plan for Butler Acres Elementary classroom additions.

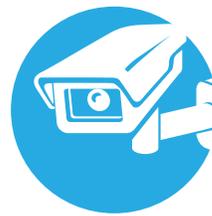


# Why do we need this bond?



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**We're overcrowded**, enrollment continues to grow, and there have been mandatory reductions in class sizes. **We simply need more space to educate Kelso's kids.**



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**The safety and security** of our students and staff is paramount to a positive, productive learning environment.



3

**Our schools are aging.** Some to the point that replacing them is more cost efficient than renovating their deteriorating infrastructure to comply with current building codes.



4

The world is advancing, and **our schools are becoming educationally outdated.** Replacing and renovating them will improve learning opportunities for students.



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**State assistance of nearly \$40 million will be provided** (the equivalent of almost 1.5 of the new elementary schools) to build and renovate schools should Kelso voters pass this bond measure.

## About the replacement levy



What's the difference? **BONDS build buildings** and **LEVIES are for learning.**

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### **This is a replacement levy.**

It replaces the current levy that expires at the end of 2018.

### **It is not a new tax.**

It will continue funding of basic education programs and services for the years 2019-2020.

2

### **Levy dollars are used for essential**

**educational programs**, maintenance and general district operations not funded by the state or federal government.



Instructional materials and technology



School safety programs, staff training, and professional development.



Teachers, counselors, instructional aides, nurses, and other staff the state does not fully fund.



Extracurricular activities such as clubs, band and athletics.



Maintenance of facilities, grounds, and playfields.

3

Even if you don't have children in the schools, this issue is important to you because the quality of a community increases when the quality of schools increase.

**PLEASE VOTE!**

Ballots due by February 13.

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**Our schools need your support**