

1. If approved by voters, this levy would supplement the education and operations levy passed in 2019.
2. This levy would maintain current levels of programs and services in VPS.
3. This levy would pay for locally funded teacher positions that enable smaller class sizes.
4. All schools in the district would benefit from this levy.
5. This levy would help schools continue to improve student achievement and graduation rates.
6. Without revenue provided by this levy, the district would face shortfalls that require budget cuts and layoffs.
7. Supplemental levy collection would begin in 2021.
8. The estimated rates per \$1,000 of assessed property value are:



9. If voters approve this levy, the 2021 rate combined with the current education and operations levy would be \$1.95 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

**This supplemental levy will appear on the ballot in the special election on Feb. 11, 2020.**

# BUDGET UPDATE

A supplemental levy is needed to maintain current levels of programs and services.

## HOW WE GOT HERE



1 Even after the McCleary lawsuit, Washington state continues to underfund basic education.



2 The VPS levy passed in 2019 was capped by the state. The state raised the cap later in 2019.



3 VPS asks voters to consider a supplemental levy.



per \$1,000 of property valuation



4 If voters approve this levy, the 2021 rate combined with the current levy would be \$1.95\* (per \$1,000 of property valuation).

*\*Not inclusive of all levies and bonds.*



5 The levy would pay for locally funded teacher positions that enable smaller class sizes.



6 The levy would help schools continue to improve graduation rates and student achievement.



**Special election**  
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The supplemental levy would return the projected 2021 total school tax rate, both state and local, to the pre-McCleary 2017 rate of \$6.45.