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# Marion County Voters' Pamphlet Explanatory Statement (MCVP-05)

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Use this form when filing a Marion County Voters' Pamphlet Explanatory Statement with the Marion County Clerk's office. Please note that some counties choose not to produce a Voters' Pamphlet. If the jurisdiction or district is located in more than one county, a separate form (prescribed by that county) must be filed and the filing fee paid in each county where the Candidate Statement is to be printed. Explanatory Statement text may be attached separately to a signed copy of this form.

**Filing Information:**

Measure No. 24-524 Election Date: May 19, 2026

**Explanatory Statement:**

See Attached

Total Words: 414 (Important: Statement may NOT exceed 500 words)

Authorized Signature: Signature Redacted Title: Director of Communications

Printed Name: Gregg Koskela

Government Unit: Cascade School District No. 5

## Marion County Voters' Pamphlet Explanatory Statement Instructions

1. The Explanatory Statement must be in English only and typed.
2. The word total must not exceed 500 words and must be indicated on the filed statement.
3. If the Explanatory Statement exceeds the 500 word limit, the county clerk shall end the statement at 500 words.  
The Explanatory Statement shall be signed by the person responsible for the content of the statement and the name of
4. the governing body that person represents. Please also print or type the person's name.
5. The Explanatory Statement shall be filed with the county clerk of the county in which the administrative office of the electoral district is located.
6. If a governing body refers a measure, the Explanatory Statement must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on the deadline for filing the notice of election.

**NOTE:** No explanatory statement is required on an initiative measure or a referendum by petition.

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This measure would authorize Cascade School District to issue \$30 million in general obligation bonds to fund school facility repairs and upgrades.

### **Purpose of the Measure**

If approved, the bonds would fund repairs, infrastructure replacements, and learning environment upgrades across Cascade School District schools. Project needs were identified through recent facilities assessments and reviewed by a community-based Facilities Committee, with a focus on maintaining safe, functional, and accessible school buildings for students and community use.

### **Projects to Be Funded**

Bond proceeds would finance capital costs, expected to include:

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#### **District-wide Building Preservation**

- Repair or replacement of aging roofs
- Upgrades to heating, ventilation, and cooling systems
- Improvements to flooring, siding, ceilings, and interior finishes
- Upgrades to outdated plumbing and electrical systems
- Septic system improvements serving the junior high and high school campus
- Bathroom renovations and related infrastructure improvements

#### **Safety and Accessibility Improvements**

- Improvements to building access and circulation
- Updates to safety and accessibility features across campuses
- Elevator additions where most needed to improve accessibility

#### **School-Specific Improvements**

- **Aumsville Elementary:** Renovation and modernization of the 3–5 grade building
- **Cloverdale Elementary:** Construction of a new cafeteria and kitchen to replace facilities that no longer meet current enrollment needs
- **Turner Elementary:** Construction of a new kitchen and expanded cafeteria designed to support current use and future enrollment
- **Cascade Junior High / High School Campus:** Renovation of physical education and activity spaces, including resurfacing the track and renovation of the upper gym

### **Estimated Cost to Taxpayers**

Because the District's existing bonds will mature before it levies for this measure, these bonds are projected to maintain the current bond tax rate.

The estimated rate is \$1.09 per \$1,000 of assessed value over the bond term.

The estimated average annual cost is approximately \$259.32 for a home with an assessed value of \$233,622. Actual rates may vary depending on interest rates and changes in assessed value.

### **\$10.2 Million in State Matching Funds**

If the measure is approved, Cascade School District would qualify for approximately \$10.2 million in state matching funds through the Oregon School Capital Improvement Matching Program. Combined with the local bonds, this would result in a total investment of approximately \$40.2 million in school facilities.

If the measure does not pass, the proposed projects would not proceed, and the state matching funds would be awarded to another eligible school district.

### **Additional Information**

Bond funds may be used only for voter-approved capital projects and may not be used for school operations. Independent audits and oversight committee would be required.

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