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Ridgefield School District Construction Bond Quick Facts

- Construction of a new high school will alleviate the overcrowding at ALL of our schools. View Ridge will move to the current high school facility, and elementary classes will be housed at the current View Ridge location.
- The new high school building is being designed as a public facility for the entire community of Ridgefield.
- The bond rate is approximately \$1.58 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.
- The proposed plan calls for a fall of 2010 project completion.
- Natural Light and Geothermal designs are included to save energy costs
- A 60% supermajority is required for school bonds to pass.

Funding Overview

\$53 million = construction cost for new Ridgefield High School with grandstand.

\$32 million + \$9 million (state match) = \$41 million for site, off-site, and project development costs.

\$94 million - \$9 million (state match) = \$85 million Bond Total

Local Tax Rates

Clark County School District Tax Rates (Data provided by the Clark County Treasurer's Office) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Camas	\$4.878
Hockinson	\$3.579
La Center	\$3.007
Battle Ground	\$2.497
Ridgefield	\$1.455

Bond = Building

60% yes vote required for approval

Information provided by the Ridgefield School District

Additional Information

- In 2004, Ridgefield residents approved a bond measure to purchase 49.84 acres of land for for a new high school.
- On May 20, 2008, residents will vote on a bond to pay for construction of the new school. The bond amount is \$85 million over 22-23 years.
- Site work includes: water, sewer, storm water storage, grading for land elevation, parking areas, landscape, irrigation, sports fields, and tennis courts.
- Off-site work includes: widening Hillhurst Road, traffic improvements, traffic signals, and sewer lines.

Your feedback is highly valued.

Please send questions and comments to comments@ridge.k12.wa.us or contact the District Office at 360-619-1300

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If approved, what will the proposed bond cost me?

The estimated bond amount is approximately **\$1.58/\$1,000** of assessed valuation

Net Tax Increase from Bonds After Allowing for Income Tax Deduction

Federal Income Tax Bracket

Assessed Value of Property	Gross Yearly Property Tax Increase	Monthly Gross Increase	25%	28%	33%	35%
\$200,000	\$316.20	\$26.35	\$237.15	\$227.66	\$211.85	\$205.53
250,000	395.24	32.94	296.43	284.58	264.81	256.91
300,000	474.29	39.52	355.72	341.49	317.78	308.29
350,000	553.34	46.11	415.01	398.41	370.74	359.67
400,000	632.39	52.70	474.29	455.32	423.70	411.05

Note: Qualified homeowners may apply for a senior exemption. Please contact the Clark County Assessor at 360-397-2391 for details.

PLEASE VOTE!

Election Day is May 20, 2008. Look for ballots in the mail May 3. A 60% supermajority is required for approval of school bond measures. The voter registration deadline for the May 20 election is April 19, 2008.

Voter registration forms are available at the following locations:

- Any Ridgefield School
- Online from the Washington Office of Secretary of State:
<https://wei.secstate.wa.gov/onlinevoterregistration/Registration.aspx>
- Clark County Elections Department, 1408 Franklin St., Vancouver, WA
Phone: 360-397-2345
- Library branches
- Auto License subagencies
- City and town halls
- DMV -- register to vote when you apply for your driver's license