



Resolution Cover Sheet

This form is mandatory and must accompany each resolution.

Name of District:

Boistfort School District

District Address:

983 Boistfort Rd.

Date of Election:

February 10th, 2026

Contact Person:

Neil Varble

Title:

Superintendent

Contact Phone:

(360) 245-3343

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NVarble@boistfort.k12.wa.us

2nd Contact Person:

Kristin Clark

Title:

HR Business Manager

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Attorney for District:

Cynthia Weed

Attorney Phone:

(206) 618-6050

Attorney Email:

cynthia.weed@kigates.com

Type of Election (levy, bond, lid lift, sales tax, etc.):

Levy

Pass/Fail requirement for this measure as determined by your legal counsel:



Simple majority or majority 50% +1



Supermajority or 60%

Applicable statutory reference as determined by legal counsel:

Validation requirement as determined by your legal counsel. The minimum number of voters "required" to turnout (cast a ballot) in an excess levy or bond election.

This issue requires validation:



Yes



No

This form must accompany each resolution filed with Lewis County Elections. The contact person or persons should have the authority to do so and be available to answer questions.

BOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 234
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2025/2026-01

- A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Boistfort School District No. 234, Lewis County, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the District at a special election to be held therein on February 10, 2026, of the proposition of whether excess taxes should be levied of \$250,000 in 2026 for collection in 2027, and \$250,000 in 2027 for collection in 2028, said excess taxes to pay part of the cost of educational programs and operations support of the District.

ADOPTED NOVEMBER 17, 2025

PREPARED BY:

K&L GATES LLP
Seattle, Washington

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WHEREAS, Boistfort School District No. 234, Lewis County, Washington, (the "District"), for the past two years has had in effect an educational programs and operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for its educational programs and services, including teaching, school supplies, athletics, buildings and transportation not funded or fully funded by the State; and

WHEREAS, the current school programs and operations levy expires this year; and

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of the District during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028, and 2028-2029 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, the existing authority for the imposition of local tax levies and use of local revenues (including the proceeds of tax levies) has been modified most recently by Chapter 410, Laws of 2019 (66th Legislature, 2019 Regular Session) and may be modified in the future by the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for such educational programs and operations and such educational needs, the Board of Directors of the District deems it necessary to levy the following taxes upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

- A. A levy in the amount of up to \$250,000, said levy to be made in 2026 for collection in 2027; and
- B. A levy in the amount of up to \$250,000, said levy to be made in 2027 for collection in 2028; and

WHEREAS, prior to the time the ballot proposition authorized in this resolution is submitted to the voters, the District will have received approval of its educational programs and operations/enrichment tax levy expenditure plan from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required under RCW 84.52.053(4); and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 234, LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. The following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

- A. A levy in the amount of up to \$250,000, said levy to be made in 2026 for collection in 2027; and
- B. A levy in the amount of up to \$250,000, said levy to be made in 2027 for collection in 2028.

The estimated levy rate depends on the limitations of state law. At this time, based on state law, the estimated levy rate for the 2026 levy is \$0.87 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation and the estimated levy rate for the 2027 levy is \$0.87 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate and amount shall be adjusted based upon the legal levy limits and the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy. Upon approval by the

voters of the proposition substantially in the form set forth below, the District may use the proceeds of said levies during the 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 school years by incurring an indebtedness by the issuance of short term obligations against the General Fund of the District, as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW, and may expend the proceeds of said levies to pay such part of the general expenses of educational programs and operations of the District during such school years as may be authorized or allowed by law for the use of local levy funds.

Section 2. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 10, 2026.

The Lewis County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Lewis County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition to the Lewis County Auditor substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

BOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Boistfort School District adopted Resolution No. 2025/2026-01 concerning a replacement levy for education. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy to support the District's educational programs and operations which are not funded or not fully funded by the State:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	\$0.87	\$250,000
2028	\$0.87	\$ 250,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES

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NO

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The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Lewis County Auditor.

Section 3. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Superintendent, (Neil Varble), telephone: 360.245.3343; email: nvarble@boistfort.k12.wa.us; and (b) special counsel, K&L Gates LLP, (Cynthia Weed) telephone: 206.618.6050; email: cynthia.weed@klgates.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Superintendent is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 4. Pursuant to authority granted by RCW 29A.32.220, the Board of Directors hereby confirms the District's participation in the local voters' pamphlet for the February 10, 2026, election which shall be prepared and published by the Lewis County Auditor, including, but not limited to, an explanatory statement reviewed and approved by the District's attorney, and, if available, a Statement For and a Statement Against. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters' pamphlet.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Boistfort School District No. 234, Lewis County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 17th day of November, 2025.

BOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 234,
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By _____
Chair and Director

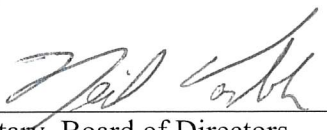
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ATTEST:

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Secretary, Board of Directors

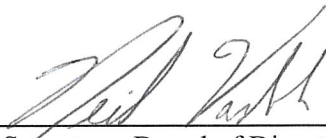
CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Boistfort School District No. 234, Lewis County, Washington, (the "District") and keeper of the records of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2025/2026-01 of the Board (the "Resolution"), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 17th day of November, 2025.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of the Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of November, 2025.



Secretary, Board of Directors

OFFICIAL BALLOTBOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 234
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

February 10, 2026

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote in favor of the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "YES"; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "NO."

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Should this proposition be approved?

YES

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NO

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

BOISTFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 234
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 10, 2026, a special election will be held in the abovenamed school district for the submission to the qualified electors of said school district of the following proposition:

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Should this proposition be approved?

YES

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NO

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Lewis County Auditor

Election Date: February 10, 2026

Name of Jurisdiction Submitting Measure: Boistfort School District No. 234, Lewis County, Washington

Contact Name: Cynthia Weed

Daytime Contact Phone Number: 206.618.6050

Word count: 219

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - PROPOSITION NO. 1

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the levy of \$250,000 in property taxes within Boistfort School District No. 234 for collection in the calendar years 2027 and 2028 to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District's educational programs and operations. In accordance with Resolution No. 2025/2026-01 approving this proposition, these taxes would be collected for two years and deposited in the District's General Fund to pay part of the educational programs and operations support, including teaching, school supplies, athletics, buildings and transportation not funded or fully funded by the State. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, the estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.87 (for 2027 collection) and the estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.87 (for 2028 collection). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy. In the event that a program is implemented that would increase State funding to the District, the District would, therefore, review and determine the need to roll back the levies.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Lewis County Assessor at (360) 740-1392.



For/Against Committee Member Appointment Form

Name of District: Boistfort School District
 District Contact Name: Neil Varble, Superintendent
 Email Address: NVarble@Boistfort.k12.wa.us Phone: (360) 245-3343

Jurisdiction's responsibility:

1. Email completed form to elections@lewiscountywa.gov by the resolution submittal deadline.
2. Provide committee members with statement submission requirements and deadlines. Committees are solely responsible for submitting voters' pamphlet statements to the Elections Division.

Deadlines are on page **13** of the administrative rules. Questions? Contact the Elections Department at: elections@lewiscountywa.gov or call 360.740.1278 or 360.740.1164

Information for inclusion in voters' pamphlet:

"For" Committee (1-3 members):

Committee Name: Dave Fenn
 Phone: _____ Email: Fennfarms@centurytel.net Web: _____
 Committee Member #1: _____ Email: _____
 Committee Member #2: _____ Email: _____
 Committee Member #3: _____ Email: _____

"Against" Committee (1-3 members):

Committee Name: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____ Web: _____
 Committee Member #1: _____ Email: _____
 Committee Member #2: _____ Email: _____
 Committee Member #3: _____ Email: _____