Factual Information about UPSD Propositions #1 and #2
2021/22 Enrollment Data

5,590 Students (v. 5,626 last year)

- 5,418 in-person, full time
- 172 fully online (this year only- parent request)

Enrollment has a significant impact on all funding sources- including levies.
More UPSD Student Information. . .

- 35.9% meet “low income” criteria
- 10.7% qualify for special services
- 5.5% are *English Language Learners* (ELL)
- 50+ languages spoken in UPSD homes
- 6.0% are “military connected”
- 1.0% qualify as homeless
UPSD Student Demographics 2021

- American Indian/Alaskan Native: 0.42%
- Asian: 9.24%
- Black/African American: 9.40%
- Hispanic/Latino of any race(s): 16.44%
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: 16.95%
- Two or More Races: 1.27%
- White: 46.27%
Outstanding public schools are created with outstanding local support

UP SCHOOLS GET OUTSTANDING RESULTS FOR KIDS. . .
High Achievement in Mathematics - 2019

SBA Math 2019 - Pierce County Districts (Gr. 3-8, 10)
SBA ELA 2019 - Pierce County Districts (Gr. 3-8, 10)
# AWARD WINNING SCHOOLS

*Intermediate, Junior & Senior High*

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| **Drum**        | 2012, 2015, 2016  
2016 National Title I Distinguished School Award  
2021 #2 Middle School in Pierce County (Niche.com ) |
| **Narrows View**| 2015, 2016, 2019  
2021 Best (#1) Middle School in Pierce County (Niche.com )  
2021 Center for Ed Effectiveness Positive Outlier School (Top 2% in WA) |
2021 #4 Middle School in Pierce County (Niche.com ) |
| **Curtis Sr. High** | 2015 Best High School in Pierce County (#6 in WA) US News & W.R.  
2021 Best High School in Pierce County (Niche.com ) |
# Award Winning Schools

## Primary Schools

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| University Place (UPP)  | 2015, 2016  
2016 WA State School of Distinction  
2019 National Blue Ribbon School  
2021 Best Elementary School in Pierce County (niche.com)  
2021 Center for Ed Effectiveness Positive Outlier School (Top 2% in WA) |
Per-Pupil Cost Comparison - 2019

Pierce County Districts - Reported by OSPI

UPSD gets excellent results at costs below those of many other districts in the state and county.
Per-Pupil Cost Comparison - 2019
Like-Size Districts - Reported by OSPI

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10 Things Every Citizen Should Know About Propositions #1 and #2

LOCAL LEVY SUPPORT IS NECESSARY FOR THE DISTRICT TO CONTINUE ITS RECORD OF EXCELLENCE.
#1 - Local school levies are still a common, basic funding source for schools in WA.

Local levy funds account for about 15% of total revenue. 98% of school districts in Washington (289 of 295) rely on levies as a key funding source.
#2 - School levies help all kids in UPSD.

Levy dollars are used at all 8 schools to provide programs and services in grades Preschool through 12\textsuperscript{th} grade.
#3 - Both Propositions 1 & 2 replace expiring levies and are not new taxes.

Voters approved both levies by large margins in 2014 & 2018.

The 2018 levies expire in 2022.
#4 - Both Propositions 1 & 2 would provide funding for **four more years**, 2023-2026.

The two levies approved by voters in 2018 provided funding for years 2019-2022.
#5 - The Educational Programs and Operations Levy (Proposition #1) funds key programs

- Teachers & Teaching Support
- Safety & Security Personnel
- Music & Performing Arts
- Athletics & Aquatic Programs
- Counselors & Support Staff
- Nurses & Health Services
- Student Support & Summer School
- Staff Training
Goal: Continue current programs and staffing levels and
  - Provide for Intermediate and Primary after school programs/athletics
  - Provide for enhanced counselor support 5-12

Key Considerations:
Anticipated cost of these programs over four years (inflation, new state requirements, increasing labor costs, etc.)
Anticipated loss of other revenues over four years (loss of state & federal funds)
Proposition #1- Educational Programs

**Estimated tax rate** is $2.50 per $1,000 of assessed value annually.

Same rate approved by voters in 2018.

UPSĐ historically “rolls back” some voter approved funds. The full, voter approved amount is rarely collected, but additional budget authority protects the district’s budget from unexpected changes.

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Projects include improvements to HVAC systems, safety, electrical and plumbing systems, repairs to roofs, floors, grounds, fields and outdoor facilities.

Also funds upgrades to technology infrastructure, student computers and instructional technology.
Determining Levy Amounts for Prop #2

**Goal:** Maintain/improve facilities & technology for student learning and safety; protect community assets

**Key Factors:**
- Technology Updates & Needs
- Planned repairs and replacements
- Unanticipated repairs and replacements
- Improvements (i.e., Chemistry Labs, Fields, etc.)
Proposition #2- Safety, Tech & Capital Levy

Estimated tax rate is $0.50 per $1,000 of assessed value.

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Past projects funded by the expiring levy include:

- Replaced **HVAC system** at Narrows View Intermediate
- Purchased **Chromebooks** for students as the district moves towards a 1:1 learning environment
- Upgraded internal and external **security cameras** throughout the district
- Upgraded **access controls** to limit entry at all schools
- Remodeled and modernized **two chemistry classrooms** at Curtis High School
- Repaired **sky bridges** at Curtis High School
- Repaired **elevator** at Curtis High School
**Future Prop #2 funded projects** include:

- Replace **HVAC system** at Evergreen Primary and CHS Building 100 & 400
- **Flat roof repairs** at CJH and other sites
- Replace **fire panel** at CHS 100 Building
- Replace **boilers** at Aquatic Center
- Replace **teacher computers & presentation systems** in all classrooms
- Upgrade **network infrastructure** for technology use (dark fiber installation)
- Install **field turf** at CJH and other field & grounds improvements

*All projects costing more than $75,000 must be pre-approved by the Board of Directors.*
#7 – Combined tax rates are the same as those approved by voters in 2018- $3.00/$1000 TAV.
#8 – Per-student expenditures are lower than most Pierce County districts.
#9 – School levy collections are limited in 3 ways

Districts limited to the **LESSE**R of . . .

**Limits set in law:**
- $2.50/$1,000 rate or
- $2,741* per student

**Limits set by voters:**
- "Amount" noted on ballots.

*Increases annually with inflation*
UPSD Total Assessed Value- 2022
5,426,000,000

A rate of $2.50 per $1,000 = $13,281,000

$2,741 per student (5,590) = $15,322,000

Voter-approved for 2022 = $13,258,000

Levy Collection Limit for 2022- Lesser of three options.
#10 - Voters may submit absentee ballots on or before **February 8, 2022**.

Ballots will be mailed to all registered voters in late January.

[Voter registration materials are available online at:](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/6572/Register-to-Vote)