The 2019 Portland Teachers Levy renews the current local option levy that has funded an average of 825 teaching positions a year in Portland Public Schools at the same tax rate.

Levy Facts

Maintains Over 800 Teaching Positions
Teachers are the heart of our schools Renewal of the levy funds over 800 high quality teaching positions across the District that help the children in our community thrive. A third of all teaching positions in Portland Public Schools are funded by the Levy.

Funding Programs for a Comprehensive Education
Levy funds help support a well-rounded program, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students.

Maintains Current Tax Rate
This levy is a renewal. Meaning taxpayers would continue paying the same local option tax rate of $1.99 per $1,000 assessed value they pay today.

Independent Oversight
The levy renewal requires independent oversight to ensure tax dollars are used for purposes approved by voters. The Citizen Budget Review Committee will continue to provide this oversight and all levy funds will be placed in a separate account for transparent reporting.

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