

voters' pamphlet



Oregon Vote-by-Mail Special District Election | **May 20, 2025**

Dear Yamhill County Voter:

This is your May 20, 2025, Special District Election Voters' Pamphlet. It has been prepared to provide impartial information and educate voters about local candidates and measures within the boundaries of Yamhill County. All candidate statements, ballot measures, and arguments that appear in this pamphlet were submitted along with the applicable filing fees. Candidates are not required to submit a picture and statement regarding their candidacy. Not all candidates chose to appear in this pamphlet.

Ballots will be mailed beginning April 30, 2025, to each registered voter. Here are a few things you should know:

- Voters' pamphlets are mailed to each household in Yamhill County regardless of registration status. Not all candidates or measures will be on your ballot. Your official ballot will only include those candidates and measures for which you are eligible to vote, based on your residence address.
- Candidate names on your ballot will appear in random alphabetical order. In accordance with ORS 254.155, random ordering of the letters is conducted by the Secretary of State's Office prior to each election.
- Vote-by-Mail ballots cannot be forwarded. Visit oregonvotes.gov/myvote or in person at the Yamhill County Clerk's Office at 414 NE Evans St, McMinnville, OR 97128, to verify or update your address. If a ballot was delivered to your residence for someone who should no longer be receiving a ballot at your address, please write "RETURN" on the envelope and place it back in your mailbox or drop it in one of our Official Ballot Drop Boxes.
- **Remember to sign your ballot return envelope.** The signature on each voter's ballot return envelope is verified against the voter's signature on file. The signature must match before a ballot can be accepted and counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.
- Postmarks count! Mail your voted ballot in your postage-paid return envelope by **8:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, 2025**. Ballots mailed on or before Election Day must have a postmark (or USPS indicator) and must arrive by the 7th day after Election Day. Ballots may also be placed in an Official Ballot Drop Box or returned to the Yamhill County Clerk's Office. A complete list of Official Ballot Drop Sites is included in this pamphlet. Visit our website at yamhillcounty.gov for locations nearest you.

Keri Hinton
Yamhill County Clerk

Translation Information

Selected portions of this county voters' pamphlet are available in Simplified Chinese, German, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese. These translations can be found online at oregonvotes.gov/YamhillVP

本县选民手册的部分内容提供简体中文版本。可以访问 oregonvotes.gov/YamhillVP 获取译本。

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In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Voter Language Access Bill (HB 3021) requiring the Secretary of State to translate portions of state and county voters' pamphlets in Oregon's and the county's most spoken languages. The law seeks to remove barriers to voting for those who are not fully proficient in English. The bill's requirements were implemented for the first time in the 2022 General Election.

To help in this effort, the Translation Advisory Council was created. The Council is made up of volunteer community members who represent the ethnic, linguistic, and cultural diversity of Oregon voters. Council members make sure state and county translations are accurate and retain the original tone and meaning in a culturally appropriate manner.

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Voting Information

REGISTERING TO VOTE

To be eligible to vote in the May 20, 2025 Special District Election, a completed voter registration card must be received at the Yamhill County Clerk's Office or postmarked by April 29, 2025.

To register to vote in Oregon, you must be:

- A resident of Oregon
- A United States citizen
- At least 18 years of age by Election Day

Update your registration if:

- Your residence or mailing address changes
- Your name or signature changes
- You wish to change your party affiliation

You may **register to vote** or **update your registration** at www.oregonvotes.gov

VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES

If you need assistance with voting or casting your ballot, call the Yamhill County Elections Office at (503) 434-7518 or (503) 554-7850 (Newberg toll-free) or TTY (800) 735-2900. We will provide staff to assist you in voting. You may authorize a friend, family member, or other trusted person, who is not affiliated with your employer or union, to assist you. (ORS 254.445)

REQUESTING A REPLACEMENT BALLOT

If you make a mistake on your ballot, spoil it in any way, or lose it, please contact the Yamhill County Clerk's Office at (503) 434-7518 or (503) 554-7850 (Newberg toll-free) to request a replacement ballot.

Original ballot packets are prepared 30 days before the election. Any registration changes (address, name, party affiliation) that occur after the original ballot packet is prepared will inactivate the original ballot packet, and a new ballot packet will be issued. The new ballot packet will have the word "reissued" or "replacement" printed on the ballot return envelope between the barcodes above the address. Always vote the most recent ballot packet you receive. All inactivated ballot packets will be rejected.

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Examine your ballot packet to ensure it contains the following items:

- Printed ballot
 - Postage-paid, purple-trimmed envelope to be signed and returned with your voted ballot
- Don't forget to sign the ballot return envelope!**

Prepare to return your voted ballot:

- Insert your ballot in the postage-paid ballot return envelope that includes the secrecy weave. Election staff will ensure the secrecy of your ballot.
- Remember to **sign** your ballot return envelope. Read the voter's statement on the return envelope and sign in the signature box. Your ballot will not be counted if the ballot return envelope is not signed. Every signature is verified against the voter's signature on file, and the signature must match for the ballot to be counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.
- Return your voted ballot by mail (no stamp required) or to any Official Ballot Drop Site no later than 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Ballots that are mailed and postmarked by the United States Postal Service (USPS) by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day must be received by the Clerk's Office within seven days.

Track your ballot:

- To track the status of your ballot you can sign up for Ballottrax at: <https://yamhillcounty.ballottrax.net/voter/> or you can access this information through My Vote at: <https://sos.oregon.gov/voting/pages/myvote.aspx?lang=en>

How To Cast Your Vote

Complete your ballot

To vote, completely fill in the box next to your choice with a pen (blue or black ink). Do not use a felt tip pen.

To vote for a person not on the ballot, fill in the box next to the “write-in” line, then neatly write the name of the person on the line provided.

You do not have to vote on all contests. Contests you do vote on will still count.

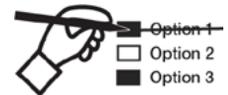


Check for errors

If you vote for more options than are allowed, your vote **will not count** for that contest.

If you would like to change your choice on a contest, draw a solid line through your original choice, then make your next selection.

If you think you made a mistake, call the Yamhill County Elections Office.



Sign your ballot

You must sign your ballot return envelope or your vote **will not count**.

We verify every signature on every envelope against the voter files.

Insert your ballot into the ballot return envelope (not another person’s ballot). If we receive an envelope with more than one ballot inside, all ballots enclosed will be rejected.



Return your ballot

- By mail in the prepaid postage ballot return envelope (no stamp required)
- Postmarks can count! Ballots mailed on or before Election Day must have a postmark (or USPS indicator) and must arrive by the 7th day after Election Day to be processed.
- To any Official Ballot Drop Site
- To the Yamhill County Clerk's Office at 414 NE Evans St., McMinnville

Official Ballot Drop Site Locations

All Ballot Drop Sites **Open** 24 hours a day – 7 days a week
Starting Wednesday, April 30, 2025

All Ballot Drop Sites **Close** at **8:00 pm** on Election Day,
Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Don't Delay, Vote Today!

Find a Drop Site Near You: <https://yamhillcounty.gov/407/ballot-drop-sites>

Amity

Amity City Library
Parking Lot
307 S Trade Street

Carlton

Carlton Civic Center
191 E Main Street

Dayton

Dayton City Hall
416 Ferry Street

Dundee

Dundee City Hall
620 SW 5th Street

Lafayette

Lafayette City Hall
486 3rd Street (99W)

McMinnville

Chemeketa - McMinnville Campus
288 NE Norton Lane

Courthouse (Inside lobby)
535 NE 5th Street
Accessible during normal business hours

Courthouse Drive-Through Drop Box
(East end of Courthouse parking lot,
enter on 5th and Ford Streets)

McMinnville Library
225 NW Adams Street

Yamhill County Clerk's Office
(Ballot box located outside and inside lobby)
414 NE Evans Street

Newberg

Newberg Public Safety
401 E 3rd Street

Jaquith Park – West
1215 N Main Street

PCC - Newberg Center
135 Werth Boulevard

Sheridan

Sheridan City Hall
120 SW Mill Street

Willamina

Willamina City Hall
411 NE C Street

Yamhill

Yamhill City Hall
205 S Maple Street

Postmarks can count!

As of January 1, 2022, an Oregon Elections Official can accept and process a ballot that arrives at their office via the USPS if the envelope was postmarked by Election Day.

- Ballot envelopes must be signed
- The envelope must have a Postmark (or USPS indicator) on or before Election Day
- The envelope must arrive by the 7th day after Election Day

Track your ballot with ballottrax^{***}

Sign up today to receive Ballot Status Alerts!

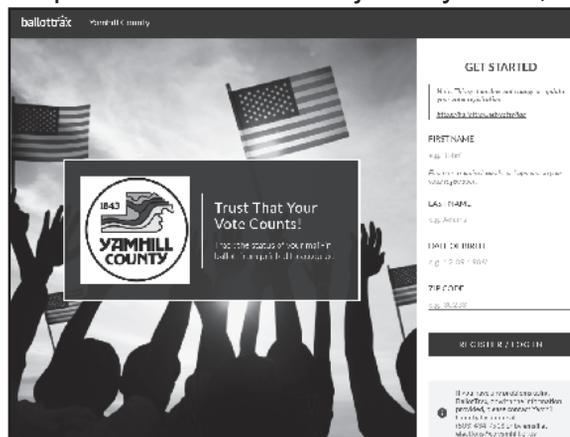
Would you like to receive a text or e-mail message when your ballot has been received by our office?

The Yamhill County Clerk, in partnership with i3Logix, offers Yamhill County voters a service that provides notifications regarding their ballot status.

Participating voters will receive alerts at different points on their ballot's journey. Text, e-mail, or voice alerts will notify voters when the Yamhill County Elections Office has mailed their ballot and when a voted ballot has been received.

Alerts will indicate that your ballot has been accepted, or whether it has a non-matching signature or another defect that requires further action by you, the voter.

There is no charge to Yamhill County voters to sign up for this service. Voters will have the option of receiving text, e-mail, or voice alerts. Sign up today to begin receiving messages. *Text message charges from your phone service carrier may apply.*



To sign up for this service visit:

<https://yamhillcounty.ballottrax.net/voter/>

(link is external)

If you have any questions about this service, please call Yamhill County Elections at (503) 434-7518 or (503) 554-7850 (Newberg toll-free), TTY (800) 735-2900 or e-mail: elections@yamhillcounty.gov

Scan this QR code to sign up today!



Measure 36-236 Sheridan School District 48J

Ballot Title

36-236

BONDS FOR SAFETY, SECURITY, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS

QUESTION: Shall Sheridan School District issue up to \$6,000,000 in principal amount of bonds for improvements to school buildings?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: The District has been awarded a \$6,000,000 State grant that will be available only if bonds are approved.

If approved, bonds would finance capital costs, expected to include:

- Safety & Security Improvements
 - Paging/clocks/intercom devices
 - Access control
 - Security cameras and systems
 - Exterior lighting
- Sheridan High School
 - Secured entry
 - Replace asbestos flooring
 - Roof repair and replacement
 - Update interior lighting
 - Interior updates
 - Paving and parking lot improvements and expansion
 - Exterior lighting
 - Update science lab
- Faulconer-Chapman School
 - HVAC System
- Faulconer-Chapman Old Gym
 - Update music classrooms, gym, locker rooms, bathrooms and storage areas
 - Roof restoration
- Site improvements, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs.

The District would establish a citizen oversight committee to ensure proceeds are used for purposes indicated.

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 25 years from issuance. The estimated annual tax rate would be \$0.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Actual levy rate may differ due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value.

Explanatory Statement

The Sheridan School District is proposing a \$6 million general obligation bond to finance safety, security and capital improvements to its educational facilities. Approval of this measure would also secure a \$6 million matching grant from the State of Oregon, resulting in \$12 million for school safety and facility upgrades.

Background

The District's previous school bond expired in 2023. There is no current bond levy rate on residents' property taxes for District bonds. A comprehensive facilities assessment was used to identify projects to be funded if measure passes. Projects are expected to include:

Planned Projects

Safety and Security Upgrades:

- Paging systems, clocks, and intercom devices.
- Access control mechanisms.
- Security cameras and systems.
- Exterior lighting.

Sheridan High School Upgrades:

- Secured entryway.
- Replace asbestos flooring.
- Repair and replace roofing.
- Interior lighting.
- Interior updates.
- Paving and parking.
- Exterior lighting.
- Science laboratory.

Faulconer-Chapman School Upgrades:

- HVAC system.

Faulconer-Chapman Old Gym Upgrades:

- Renovate music classrooms, gymnasium, locker rooms, bathrooms, and storage areas.
- Restore the roof.

Additional projects include site improvements, and the acquisition of furnishings and equipment. Bond proceeds may also cover issuance costs.

Financial Details

If approved, the bonds may be issued in multiple series, each maturing within 25 years from their issuance date. The estimated annual tax rate for this bond is \$0.80 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. However, the actual levy rate may differ depending on final interest rates and changes in assessed property values.

Oversight

District would establish a citizen oversight committee. This committee will monitor the expenditure of bond proceeds and project commitments.

Conclusion

Approval of this bond measure will allow the Sheridan School District to improve facilities and upgrade educational environments, safety and security.

(This information furnished by Sheridan School District.)

**NO ARGUMENTS
WERE FILED IN
SUPPORT OF OR IN
OPPOSITION TO THIS
MEASURE**

Measure 24-513 Chemeketa Community College

Ballot Title

24-513

Bonds to Upgrade and Enhance CTE, Technology, Facilities, and Safety

QUESTION: Shall Chemeketa issue up to \$140,000,000 in bonds to improve career technical education spaces and upgrade technology, facilities, and safety? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: Chemeketa Community College proposes a bond measure in a principal amount not to exceed \$140,000,000 which would allow the College to leverage an \$8,000,000 state grant. The bonds are expected to finance capital costs, including:

- Expanded Career and Technical Education; Improved Teaching/Learning Spaces:
 - Creation of new Trades Center for skilled trades
 - Increase CTE capacity in health care, behavioral health, emergency services, health and fitness
 - Woodburn campus science lab
 - Brooks campus first responder expansion
 - Classroom and learning space improvement
- Building/Infrastructure Improvements:
 - Extend useful life of buildings, HVAC, roofs, elevators, interior renovations
 - Modernize technology
 - Leverage \$8 million state grant for a community disaster resource site with seismic improvements, student center, health facility
 - Community athletic fields
 - ADA compliance
- Improved Safety
 - Cameras, lighting, parking lot improvements to enhance safety
- Site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 21 years from issuance. Bonds are estimated to cost \$0.27 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Actual levy rate may differ due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value.

Explanatory Statement

Chemeketa Community College's bond measure aims to expand career and technical education (CTE) programs, upgrade aging facilities to preserve building life, and improve safety across the College's campuses.

Expanding Career and Technical Education Opportunities

Chemeketa serves over 17,000 students annually across seven locations, providing education and career training. This bond measure will allow the College to:

- **Dedicate Bond Funds to CTE.** These funds will upgrade classrooms, labs, and hands-on learning spaces for high-demand career fields.
- **Establish a New CTE Trades Center:** Address the region's workforce needs by training workers in skilled trades essential to local industries, including HVAC, Sheet Metal, and other apprenticeship programs.
- **Create a Community Health Education Center & Resource Site:** Renovate and modernize Building 7 on Salem Campus

to meet contemporary health education needs. Bond funding would leverage an additional \$8 million in state grants to additionally upgrade Building 7 to function as a community resource and command site during disasters, such as the wildfires of 2020.

- **Enhance Facilities Outside of Salem:** Renovate existing spaces in Woodburn for a science laboratory; in Brooks and Yamhill County for emergency services training; and in Polk and Yamhill counties to improve career teaching and learning spaces.

Promoting Student Preparation and Safety

Chemeketa intends to use bond proceeds to improve safety and provide educational and workforce training that will prepare students for careers now and in the future.

- **Modernize Technology and Classroom Facilities:** Ensure that students have access to updated learning environments that will allow them to interact and use modern technology in the workforce.
- **Improve Safety:** Upgrade interior and exterior lighting, improve parking lot and sidewalk accessibility, and enhance campus security including cameras and access controls for doors.

Preserving and Extending Useful Life of College Facilities

The bond will fund facility improvements to preserve the community's investment in College infrastructure by:

- **Extending Building Lifespans:** Renew outdated heating and cooling systems, enhance energy conservation, upgrade elevators, and replace roofs.
- **Aging Infrastructure Upgrades:** Keep College buildings functional and safe through targeted building repairs.
- **Renovate Community Athletic Fields:** Extend useful life of existing fields, including installation of lighting, to increase availability and usage for the community.
- **Maximize Existing Resources** by renovating, rather than replacing, aging buildings to save on operational costs and lower energy costs.

Maintains Average Tax Rate from Prior 10 Years

If approved, the measure is estimated to cost property taxpayers approximately 27 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value (not real market value), which continues the average tax rate from the last decade.

For a residence assessed at \$300,000, the annual cost would be approximately \$81. Note that assessed value is generally lower than the real market value of a property. Actual levy rate may differ due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value. Bonds will be repaid in a period not to exceed 21 years.

(This information furnished by Chemeketa Community College.)

**NO ARGUMENTS
WERE FILED IN
OPPOSITION TO THIS
MEASURE**

Measure 24-513 Arguments

Argument in Favor

Support Skilled Workforce Training and Family Wage Jobs

The construction industry relies on skilled tradespeople to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our communities strong. We understand how critical it is to have highly trained workers in fields like HVAC, plumbing, and electrical work—industries that are essential to our region's success. For decades, Chemeketa Community College has been at the forefront of providing the training that students need to enter the trades, and working professionals need to continue to grow in their professions.

We strongly support Measure 24-513 because it has a unique focus on training future building trades workers we so separately need. In short, it builds our local workforce without raising taxes.

With a new Skilled Trades Center contained in the bond, Chemeketa will expand its training programs to allow even more students the opportunity to gain the in-demand skills needed to succeed in construction and skilled trade jobs.

Measure 24-513 will help provide state-of-the-art facilities and equipment to prepare the future workforce of tradespeople who will power our local economy. It's an investment in the future, ensuring Chemeketa has the resources to meet the growing demand for skilled labor and continues to offer high-quality training for local employers.

A YES vote on Measure 24-513 is a vote for job training and investing in the workforce that drives our community's success, without raising taxes. We encourage everyone to support this bond and help build our local workforce.

Kim Parker-Llerenas
Willamette Workforce Partnership

Patrick Rooney
HVAC Joint Apprenticeship Committee

Brooks Gladow
Salem Heating & Sheet Metal

Darrin Combs
Sheet Metal Joint Apprenticeship Committee

(This information furnished by JL Wilson, Friends of Chemeketa PAC.)

Argument in Favor

Support Chemeketa Bond Renewal to Prepare Our Future Healthcare Workforce

As local hospitals and healthcare providers, we rely on highly skilled nurses, medical assistants, and other healthcare professionals to care for our community. Chemeketa Community College plays a vital role in training our next generation of healthcare workers, providing students with the education and hands-on experience they need to enter and excel in critical, high-demand careers in our respective medical facilities.

Across the country, there is a growing shortage of nurses and medical support staff, and our community is no exception. We all depend on a strong local pipeline of trained professionals to meet the increasing demand for healthcare services. Chemeketa's career and technical education programs are essential to ensuring our area has the workforce necessary to provide quality care now and in the future.

Voters have an opportunity to support our local healthcare workforce by approving Measure 24-513. This will allow Chemeketa to expand and enhance healthcare training programs, ensuring students have access to modern learning spaces, updated labs and equipment, and hands-on training that prepares them to enter the field. By investing in Chemeketa, we are investing in a stronger healthcare system ready to serve our entire community.

This bond renewal is a responsible investment that will expand critical health care workforce training — all without increasing property tax rates. We urge you to vote YES for Measure 24-513 to support the Chemeketa career and technical education bond.

Cheryl Nester Wolfe, President & CEO
Salem Health Hospitals & Clinics

Dewane Pace, CEO
Willamette Valley Medical Center

Maggie Hudson, CEO
Santiam Hospital & Clinics

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Measure 24-513 Arguments

Argument in Favor

A Stronger Workforce, A Stronger Economy – Without Raising Property Tax Rates

As Yamhill-Polk business organizations, we know that a strong local economy depends on a skilled and well-trained workforce. Our businesses need quality employees.

Chemeketa Community College plays a critical role in preparing our community for in-demand careers, ensuring local businesses have access to job-ready employees. By passing Measure 24-513, we can expand workforce training opportunities, strengthen career and technical education programs, and support economic growth—without increasing the property tax rate.

The career and technical education bond will dedicate 65% of funds to improving classrooms, labs, and hands-on learning spaces for high-demand fields like healthcare, manufacturing, public safety, and the skilled trades. It will also fund the construction of a new Trades Center, expanding training and certification programs for electricians, plumbers, and other essential building trades professionals—industries that produce high paying jobs for our community.

In addition to workforce development, this measure protects our community's long-standing investment in Chemeketa with necessary facility repairs, ensuring that Chemeketa remains a high-quality, reliable training hub for years to come.

Measure 24-513 - which is a continuation of the Chemeketa bond originally passed in 2008 - is a smart and responsible investment in job creation, local industry growth, and the long-term economic vitality of our region.

We urge you to vote YES on Measure 24-513 to build our local workforce and strengthen our local economy - [all without raising property tax rates.](#)

John Olson
McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce

Patty Herzog
McMinnville Economic Development Partnership

Erik Andersson
SEDCOR

Mackenzie Newland
Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce

Gary Brooks
Willamina Coastal Hills Chamber of Commerce

Tara Townley
Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce

(This information furnished by JL Wilson, Friends of Chemeketa PAC.)

Argument in Favor

Vote YES for the Chemeketa Career and Technical Education Bond to Invest in Our Future Workforce and Protect Our Investments in Our Community College

As students and staff of Chemeketa Community College, we see firsthand the impact this institution has on our lives, our careers, and our communities. Chemeketa prepares students for essential jobs — from the firefighter or EMT who responds in an emergency, to the mechanic who keeps our vehicles running. Chemeketa's Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs provide the training and skills that help fuel our region's economy.

Every year, nearly 18,000 students from Marion, Polk, Yamhill, and Linn counties rely on Chemeketa to access affordable education and career training. **Measure 24-513 is not a tax increase** - it simply renews the Chemeketa bond that voters passed in 2008. The bond maintains the same property tax rate while making much-needed investments to keep Chemeketa's facilities safe, secure, and up-to-date for current and future students.

With this bond, Chemeketa will be able to **expand and enhance CTE programs**, providing students with improved labs, classrooms, and hands-on learning spaces for high-demand fields like healthcare, industrial trades, public safety, and business. It also supports critical building improvements — from HVAC systems to roofing and structural upgrades — extending the life of our campuses for years to come.

Finally, it supports some needed safety improvements on our campuses with repaired parking lots, better lighting and security cameras.

We're proud to be part of a community college that creates so many opportunities for students of all ages, backgrounds, and career paths. Voting **YES on Measure 24-513** means investing in our community college and the future of our students — all **without raising taxes.**

Learn more about the bond at YesforChemeketa.com.

Lillian Anderson
Associated Students of Chemeketa

Angela Archer
Chemeketa Exempt Association

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Measure 24-513 Arguments

Argument in Favor

Investing in Job Opportunities, Workforce Development, and a Stronger Region – Vote YES on Measure 24-513

As Yamhill-Polk elected officials, we are proud to support smart investments that strengthen our communities, grow our workforce, and expand opportunities for students and workers—especially when we can do it without increasing property tax rates.

The Chemeketa Career and Technical Education Bond will improve career training programs, enhance the safety of our students, and maintain critical infrastructure, ensuring that Chemeketa continues to serve as a high-quality, accessible pathway to success.

Here is why we support Measure 24-513:

- Expand and enhance career and technical education programs - 65% of bond funds will improve classrooms, labs, and hands-on learning spaces for high-demand career fields.
- Build a new Trades Center - This new facility will provide specialized training and certification opportunities to grow our local skilled workforce in the high-demand building trades.
- Fund \$30 million in facility improvements - Repairs to parking lots, HVAC systems, roofs, and aging interiors will extend the life of Chemeketa's buildings.
- No increase in property tax rates - This bond is a renewal of the 2008 measure passed by local voters and will maintain the current 27-cent per \$1,000 assessed value property tax rate.

Beyond workforce training, Chemeketa provides an affordable and accessible education for thousands of students each year. Whether recent high school graduates, adults changing careers, or workers gaining new skills, our communities rely on Chemeketa to provide high-quality education that leads to real opportunities. Vote YES on Measure 24-513.

Kit Johnston
Yamhill County Commissioner
(Bubba) David King
Yamhill County Commissioner
Craig Pope
Polk County Commissioner
Jeremy Gordon
Polk County Commissioner
Lyle Mordhorst
Polk County Commissioner
Lucetta Elmer
State Representative
Paul Evans
State Representative, HD 20

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Argument in Favor

Vote Yes on Measure 24-513 to Strengthen Public Safety and Invest in Future First Responders

Every day, first responders and public safety professionals work to protect our communities. From firefighters and EMTs to law enforcement officers, these dedicated individuals rely on the training they receive at Chemeketa Community College to ensure they are prepared to serve.

Measure 24-513 is a major key to ensuring that our next generation of first responders is trained and ready to protect our community.

It is important to understand that the Chemeketa bond renewal is not a tax increase - it continues the 2008 bond at the same tax rate. It will support the expansion of Chemeketa's training programs, including law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services, ensuring that our region continues to produce highly trained, ready professionals.

Locally, both the sheriffs' departments and fire departments struggle to fill vital positions with skilled applicants. These agencies rely on Chemeketa to provide them with well-trained candidates. With this bond, Chemeketa will enhance its public safety programs and create even more opportunities for people to gain the training and certifications needed to serve our community.

In addition to supporting training, the bond also provides essential upgrades to Chemeketa's facilities, including improvements that will ensure the college can serve as a central command center in the event of a natural disaster. As we saw during recent wildfires, Chemeketa's role as a disaster response hub is vital to keeping our communities safe during emergencies.

We encourage you to vote YES on Measure 24-513 for public safety job training, improving disaster preparedness, and investing in the skilled workers who keep our communities secure—all without raising property tax rates.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Nick Hunter, Marion County

Scotty Nowning, President, Salem Police Employees Union

Adam D. Garvin, McMinnville Fire District Board President

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Measure 24-513 Arguments

Argument in Favor

Vote YES on Measure 24-513 to Invest in Chemeketa, Our Workforce, and Our Community

Chemeketa Community College plays a critical role in our region—educating students, strengthening our workforce, and serving our communities. From training nurses and first responders to preparing skilled tradespeople, Chemeketa fuels our local economy.

Voters approved a bond in 2008 to improve learning spaces and expand programs. Chemeketa delivered on those promises, and now it's time to reinvest for the next 20 years. This bond continues the 2008 bond at the same rate (27 cents per \$1,000 assessed value) to expand Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and invest in campus safety and infrastructure.

Nearly 65% of the bond funds will be used to improve classrooms, labs, and training spaces for high-demand careers like healthcare, law enforcement, emergency response, and skilled trades. It will also fund a new Career and Technical Education Trades Center to meet the growing demand for electricians, welders, and other essential workers.

Beyond workforce training, this bond improves safety and infrastructure, protecting the investments our community has made in our community college. Improvements include better lighting, security cameras, safer parking areas, and critical facility repairs.

Additionally, Chemeketa serves as a regional disaster response hub, playing a key role in times of crisis, such as the recent wildfires. This bond will provide funding to strengthen Chemeketa's ability to support local emergency response needs.

For decades, Chemeketa has provided affordable education and career opportunities for students of all ages. A YES vote keeps Chemeketa strong—supporting students, businesses, and our community.

Vote YES on Measure 24-513 by May 20th to renew this critical investment—without increasing tax rates.

Chemeketa Board of Education Members

Ken Hector, Chair	Jackie Franke
Iton Udosenata	Diane Watson
Ron Pittman	Betsy Earls
Neva Hutchinson	

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Chemeketa Community College Director, Zone 2



Birgitte Ryslinge

Occupation: Semi-Retired, Part-time Educational Consultant

Occupational Background: Community College President, Vice-President, Dean, and Faculty; Small Business Owner

Christmas Tree Farm and Commercial Nursery; IT Support Consultant for Small Business

Educational Background: Alliant International University, Organizational Psychology, Ph.D.; University of Pacific, Psychology, MA, Business, BS; University of California Berkeley, Strategic Planning, MBA

Prior Governmental Experience: President Oregon Coast Community College; Board Member Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County; Member, Governor's Taskforce on Maritime Sector Workforce; NorthWest Oregon Works Board of Directors; School Board President; Frequent Legislative testimonies advocating for rural education and workforce needs; Oregon Community College Association Board Member. Frequent service as Chair or leadership with many of these groups.

During my 25-year career in community colleges, I have seen firsthand how these institutions transform lives and strengthen communities. They open doors to higher education, career training, and well-paying jobs for people of all ages. Community colleges fuel local economies by providing a highly skilled workforce that meets the needs of regional industries. We are fortunate that Chemeketa's Yamhill Valley Campus is located in McMinnville and is a full-service resource for our county.

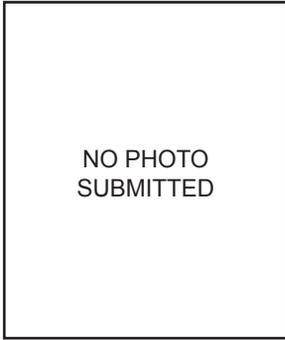
If elected as Yamhill County's representative on the Chemeketa Community College Board, I will support and advocate for programs that prepare students for in-demand careers, including nursing, welding, apprenticeships, and professions in viticulture, hospitality, and agriculture. I will support Chemeketa's other educational opportunities: an affordable start to a bachelor's degree, extensive low-cost and no-cost early college options for high school students, and vital support for small businesses through the Small Business Development Center.

I am committed to ensuring that Yamhill County's students, families, and businesses have a strong voice in the college's future. If elected, I will bring my experience and dedication to serve as an active and engaged advocate for our community. I would be honored to have your support.

(This information furnished by Birgitte Ryslinge.)

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**Amity School District 4J
Director, Position 1**



**Ryan
Jones**

Occupation: Owner. Select Seed LLC

Occupational Background: Farm Manage for Select Seed 2008-2019

Educational Background:

Chemeketa CC, General; Amity high School, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Amity School Board 2017-2025. Amity Planning Commission 2008-present. Amity Pioneer cemetery board of directors 2010 present. Yamhill County Farm Bureau board of directors 2007 present.

I grew up in the Amity School District, where I attended kindergarten through twelfth grade. In high school, I was very active in the FFA programs. I competed in many events including ag mechanics, soils judging, parliamentary procedure, ag sales, and public speaking at the district and state levels. My senior year, I served as president of the Amity FFA chapter and also earned the State FFA Degree.

I have been fortunate to have the time to volunteer in the Amity School District since my children started school. Being elected to the school board has allowed me to continue to be involved in the school district. Primary goals have included facilitating the growth of our educational programs in the areas of science, math, writing and technology. These subjects are key to enabling our students to be prepared for college and a career in an increasingly competitive job market. A broad range of courses including agriculture, drama, arts, band, and other options help to create a diversified student. Serving on the school board would give me the opportunity to give back to the Amity community, which has done so much for me.

(This information furnished by Ryan Jones.)

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**Amity School District 4J
Director, Position 4**



**Amanda
Grove**

Occupation: Personal Trainer; Coach

Occupational Background: NA

Educational Background: Amity High School, Diploma;

Chemeketa Community, Asc Degree

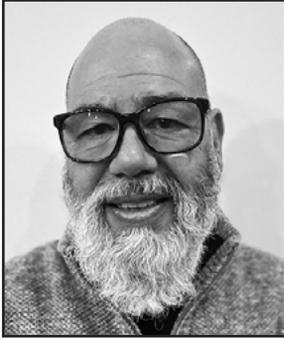
Prior Governmental Experience: Amity School Board Position 4

My name is Amanda Grove, and I am running for the Amity School Board Position 4. This is a position that I have held for the last 6 years. I am committed to our district and our community, to help have a positive place for students to learn and parents to feel comfortable sending their students. My husband and I are both graduates of Amity High School, and when we started our family chose to have all three of our children in the Amity School District. I have also coached in the district at all levels for the past 23 years and have loved being involved. I hope I can continue to serve our community and district after this spring election.

(This information furnished by Amanda Grove.)

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**Dayton School District 8
Director, Position 1**



**Marty
Palacios**

Occupation: Retired Educator and Part-Time University Supervisor for Linfield University

Occupational Background: Dean of Education and Associate Professor of Education, Warner Pacific University; Middle School Administrator, McMinnville School District; Elementary Classroom Teacher, McMinnville School District; Instructional Assistant, McMinnville School District

Educational Background: George Fox University, Educational Leadership, Doctor of Education; George Fox University, School Administration Certificate; Portland State University, ESOL Certificate; Western Oregon College, M.S.; Linfield College, B.A.; West Valley College, A.A

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Education Matters

Oregon’s public schools are a critical part of our community. They provide foundations for lifelong learning and opportunity—a promise for something more for our children. It is a vital part of our civic duty to advocate for our schools.

As a member of our community, a lifelong educator and parent, I am running to serve Dayton as a school board member.

I have lived in Yamhill County since 1986 and moved to Dayton in 2017. I’ve had the privilege of serving kids and families for over thirty one years as a teacher and administrator. I retired from K-12 schools in 2020, but have continued to look for ways to invest in education and support students, families and teachers. I believe in the power of education to provide a better future for our kids, a hub to support families and bring people together in our common commitment to the future of our community through supporting our schools.

My five children all attended school in Yamhill County and are successful adults, well served by their K-12 education. I was involved in PTA, supported after school and community sports and the arts as my kids participated through their school. My children learned the importance of service to the community watching their parents serve. I’m not done serving and ask you to vote for me for Dayton School Board as a knowledgeable, committed and service minded candidate to represent you.

Education Matters

(This information furnished by Marty Palacios.)

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**Dayton School District 8
Director, Position 1**



**Kraig
Albright**

Occupation: Facilities Manager, Rivermark Credit Union, Oregon City OR, 2017-present

Occupational Background: Director, Dayton Little Guy Football, Dayton OR; Facilities Manager, Hazelnut Growers of Oregon, Cornelius OR; Facilities Manager, Grey & Company, Dayton OR; Team Lead, Daimler Trucks North America, Portland OR

Educational Background: Chemeketa CC, General studies, AA; George Fox University, Business Project Management, BS

Prior Governmental Experience: Dayton School District, Board of Directors, position 1; Oregon School Board Association, Board of Directors, position 13 Yamhill/Polk region

I am running for a position on the school board to continue my commitment to enhancing our educational system. With prior experience serving on the school board, I have a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities within our schools. My tenure has been marked by a dedication to improving educational outcomes, fostering a supportive environment for students and staff, and ensuring that our schools are equipped to meet the needs of every child.

My involvement in the community has been extensive and impactful. I have actively participated in local events, volunteered with various organizations, and worked closely with parents, teachers, and students to understand their concerns and aspirations. This hands-on approach has allowed me to advocate effectively for initiatives that resonate with our community’s values and needs.

One of my core principles is accountability. I believe that transparency and responsibility are essential for the success of our educational system. During my previous term on the school board, I pushed for rigorous oversight, ensuring that resources were used efficiently and effectively. I also championed policies that promote ethical conduct and decision-making, holding all stakeholders to the highest standards.

If elected, I will continue to prioritize these values. I will advocate for innovative programs that prepare our children for the future, support our educators, and engage our community in meaningful ways.

Together, we can build a brighter future for our children. I humbly ask for your support and vote in the upcoming election.

Thank you,

(This information furnished by Kraig Albright.)

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**Dayton School District 8
Director, Position 4**



**Larry
Ringnalda**

Occupation: West Coast and Pacific Northwest Dispatcher for Propane N.W.

Occupational Background: N/A

Educational Background:

Dayton High School, Diploma; Mt. Hood Community College, Communications

Prior Governmental Experience: Dayton School Board 2020-Present; City of Dayton Budget Committee -2 Terms

As a longtime resident of Dayton, growing up my family farmed hazelnuts in rural Dayton and I attended and graduated from the Dayton School District. My wife and I have raised three daughters in Dayton, who also attended and graduated from Dayton School District. I truly believe that it takes a "village" to raise a child.

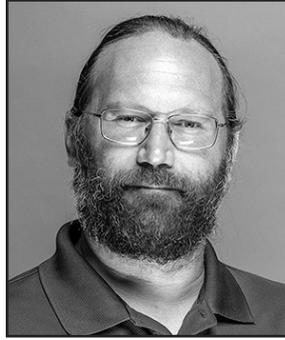
As a community we need to make sure that our school district is open and honest, a safe and happy place to learn and work. To serve our students best, our schools need to provide a balance of some college prep classes as well as career pathways through CTE programs so the students have plenty of choices in front of them as they walk through their scholastic journey. The pandemic deprived our students of a stable environment for a couple years, and it is now our job to make them feel things are back to normal and they can count on us to provide the best education possible for them. We need to attract the best possible candidates for our teaching positions, to make sure our children learn from the best. This means competitive salaries and good benefits for our staff, continuing our high graduation rate and cultivate good parent, student and teacher relations.

I would like to continue to serve on the Dayton School Board and would appreciate your vote!

(This information furnished by Larry Ringnalda.)

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**Dayton School District 8
Director, Position 7**



**Roger
Webb**

Occupation: Software Engineer

Occupational Background: Business Intelligence Analysis, Farmer, Soccer Coach

Educational Background: University of Missouri, Computer Science, Bachelor; Wentworth Military Academy, Associate of the Arts

Prior Governmental Experience: Dayton School District, Budget Committee Member, 2019-Present; City of Lafayette, Planning Commissioner, 2024-Present

As a parent of three Dayton students, I want the best possible education for my children and yours. Unfortunately, our District's State Report Card was clear, we are experiencing a crisis in academic performance. I am committed to ensuring our schools have the resources needed to reverse this trend.

RESPONSIBLE BUDGETING MEANS MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR KIDS.

Serving on the Dayton School District's Budget Committee, I focused on implementing both the letter and spirit of Oregon's Local Government Budgeting Law. With changing state funding and uncertain federal support, careful budgeting is more important than ever. As a school board member, I will use my skills and experience in business analysis, where I track and optimize budgets for our clients, to ensure our district staff have the resources they need to help students achieve their best.

Como padre de tres estudiantes en Dayton, quiero la mejor educación posible para mis hijos y para los suyos. Desafortunadamente, la tarjeta de puntuación estatal de nuestro distrito fue claro: estamos enfrentando una crisis en el rendimiento académico. Estoy comprometido a asegurar que nuestras escuelas tengan los recursos necesarios para revertir esta tendencia.

UN PRESUPUESTO RESPONSABLE SIGNIFICA MÁS OPORTUNIDADES PARA NUESTROS HIJOS.

Mi objetivo como miembro del Comité de Presupuesto fue implementar la letra y el espíritu de la Ley de Presupuesto de Oregon. Con los cambios en la financiación estatal e incertidumbre en la financiación federal, un presupuesto cuidadoso es más importante que nunca. Como miembro de la junta escolar, utilizaré mis habilidades y experiencia como analista de negocios, donde optimicé el presupuesto de nuestros clientes, para asegurar que el personal del distrito tenga los recursos necesarios para ayudar a los estudiantes a alcanzar su máximo potencial.

(This information furnished by Roger Webb.)

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**Dayton School District 8
Director, Position 7**



**Terri
Paysinger**

Occupation: Secretary / Treasurer

Occupational Background: Paysinger Corporation, Secretary/Treasurer, 2024 to 2025; Blue Water Drilling Company, Secretary/Treasurer, 2000 to

2024; Dayton Fire District, Secretary/Treasurer, 2008 to 2022 (part-time); AT&T, Account Manager/Contract Manager, 1985 to 2000

Educational Background: Dayton High School, College Prep., Diploma; Oregon State University, Business Administration, Bachelor of Science Degree

Prior Governmental Experience: Dayton School Board, 18 Years, 4 Years Board Chair

I believe in a quality education for all students with academic options that allow each student to meet their individual needs. Everyone has a right to an education delivered in a safe, supportive environment that encourages all students to learn and be prepared for life after graduation. It is the responsibility of the Dayton School Board to establish goals and priorities to successfully guide the district's instructional practices and ensure sound financial management. I graduated from Dayton, we have raised our children in Dayton, and we owned and operated a business in Dayton for 25 years. I am committed to the Dayton community and to the students of the Dayton School District. I served on the school board from 2003 to 2015 and I am proud of what we accomplished during those years. When an opening on the board occurred in late 2019 I knew my previous board experience would be an asset to the team and I have continued to serve on the board again for the last six years. I am honored to be asking for your vote to continue serving the community and students of the Dayton School District.

(This information furnished by Terri Paysinger.)

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**Gaston School District 511J
Director, Position 3**



**Kathe
Welch**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Middle school art teacher, high school art teacher

Educational Background: Art Institute of Seattle, Visual Communications, Associate

of Arts (AA); California State University, Stanislaus, Art Studio, Bachelor of Arts (BA); California State University, Stanislaus, Teaching Credential

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I am a retired middle and high school art teacher and spent my career advocating for students. I think time spent in the classroom provides a good background for a school board member. It taught me that public education is essential and must be equally accessible to all students and that their learning environment must be safe and conducive to student growth.

Now I live on a farm in Gaston. It is a wonderful community and I hope to serve it as a school board member working to improve educational outcomes for our students. I would be honored to receive your vote.

Endorsed by:

Washington County Democrats
Oregon Working Families Party

(This information furnished by Kathe Welch.)

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**McMinnville School District 40
Director, Position 1**



**Jason M
Bizon**

Occupation: General Manager, Bailey Nursery, West Coast

Occupational Background: Sales Manager, Bailey Nursery, West Coast; National Sales Manager, Carlton Plants Nursery

Educational Background: McMinnville High School; Oregon State University, Agriculture Business/Horticulture, Bachelor of Science

Prior Governmental Experience: McMinnville School Board 2021-2025; McMinnville School Board Chair 2023-2025

Hello voters,

It has been my privilege to serve the last four years on the McMinnville School Board, two of those years as board chair. There has been so much good work done and there is more to do. There are important and complex issues to consider currently and in our future. I am asking you to allow me to represent you to the best of my ability for another four years.

- I have an established professional skill set to incorporate the consensus, needs, and priorities of the community into strong policy.
- I have a strong background in setting budgets, goals, and evaluating progress.
- I am familiar with this community. My wife and I grew up attending these same schools. We chose to move back to this great town of McMinnville to raise our children in.
- I am motivated to help McMinnville School District continue to be the best that it can be for my children and for all of yours.

Sincerely,

Jason M. Bizon

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**McMinnville School District 40
Director, Position 2**



**Abbie
Warmbier**

Occupation: Nutrition Educator at OSU extension

Occupational Background: Middle School math and science teacher; McMinnville Playschool board president; 4-H of Yamhill County Program Coordinator

Educational Background: Linfield College, General Science BS; American University, Education Policy and Leadership, M.ED

Prior Governmental Experience: School Board Director since July 2021

I am running for re-election to the McMinnville School Board of Directors to support our public schools. I have devoted my career to education. I am the proud parent to two children who attend Grandhaven. I have volunteered time on school field trips, survival swim, and taught nutrition lessons in several schools.

In my first four year term, I have learned so much about the McMinnville School District and its leaders. I have visited all nine schools in my adopt-a-school role and gotten to know principals. I served on the budget committee all four years as we started with an abundance of funds from Covid relief to the funding shortfalls we now face. I have also contributed to the Policy subcommittee (2021-23 & 24), Curriculum and Instruction subcommittee (22-23), Long-range planning subcommittee (21-22 & 24-25), Finance subcommittee (2023-25). My passion for education policy led me to join the Oregon School Board Association's Legislative Policy Committee in 2024. I have also studied Oregon education law and finance in the past four years.

I want to continue using my deep understanding of McMinnville schools and Oregon education to invest my time in my community to do what is best for all children's learning. I will continue to work to encourage meaningful, productive, and inclusive community participation.

Endorsements:

Stand for Children

Please vote for me in May!

(This information furnished by Abbie Warmbier.)

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McMinnville School District 40
Director, Position 3



Christine Bader

Occupation: Adjunct faculty, Linfield School of Business; McMinnville School Board member; volunteer coach, Valley Panthers Girls Rugby

Occupational Background: Director, social responsibility, Amazon; freelance writer & consultant; policy manager, BP; City Year corps member

Educational Background: Yale University, MBA; Amherst College, BA

Prior Governmental Experience: McMinnville School Board; McMinnville Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee; NYC Mayor's Office

Mom. Coach. Teacher. Kids First.
Mamá. Entrenadora. Maestra. Los Niños Primero.

I'm the proud mom of twins at Duniway and head coach of the girls high school rugby club. As a parent, school volunteer, and coach, I see our district's strengths and needs—which led me to start attending school board and budget committee meetings in 2023. I've served on the school board since 2024.

In all of my roles, I work to instill in kids pride, joy, respect, and awareness of the opportunities available to them. But individual efforts of teachers, staff, and volunteers aren't enough: We also need strong systems and governance.

We face big challenges, including a budget deficit, and our choices affect our entire community. I will continue to advocate for transparency; listen carefully; ask questions; seek solutions; and put kids first in every decision.

Soy la orgullosa madre de gemelos en Duniway y entrenadora del club de rugby femenino. Como madre, voluntaria y entrenadora, veo las fortalezas y necesidades de nuestro distrito, lo que me llevó a comenzar a asistir a las reuniones de la junta escolar y del comité de presupuesto en 2023. He formado parte de la junta escolar desde 2024.

En todos mis roles, trabajo para inculcar en los niños orgullo, alegría, respeto y conciencia de las oportunidades que tienen a su disposición. Pero los esfuerzos individuales de maestros, personal y voluntarios no son suficientes: también necesitamos sistemas y una gobernanza sólidos.

Enfrentamos grandes desafíos, incluyendo un déficit presupuestario, y nuestras decisiones afectan a toda nuestra comunidad. Seguiré abogando por la transparencia; escuchando atentamente; haciendo preguntas; buscando soluciones; y priorizando a los niños en cada decisión.

(This information furnished by Christine Bader.)

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Newberg School District 29J
Director, Zone 1



David Russ

Occupation: Accountant, Consultant

Occupational Background: Real Estate, Manufacturing, Accounting, Television Production, Farm Management

Educational Background: Eastern Washington University, RTV Operations & Management, Bachelor

Prior Governmental Experience: Mayor, Dundee OR – 10yr; Yamhill County Parkway Committee – 10yr; Yamhill County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council – 1 yr; Dundee City Council – 1yr

David Russ – A Proven Leader

Public Service, Parental Rights, and Academic Excellence
Our Children deserve an education that prioritizes:

Academic Excellence

Strong fundamentals in math, reading, history, and science

Workforce Readiness

Pathways to college, trade schools, and skilled labor careers

Leadership That Delivers Results

10 Years – Mayor of Dundee

Budgeting, policy management, parliamentary procedure

40 Years – Small Business Leadership

Finance, Real Estate, Manufacturing, Farming

30 Years – Corporate Executive Leadership

Government Compliance, Systems Development

MY PRIORITIES FOR OUR SCHOOLS:

Parental Rights & Transparency

Parents should know what's being taught and have a voice in decisions.

Back to Basics in Education

Schools must focus on academics, not political agendas.

Workforce & Career Readiness

Expand trade programs, apprenticeships, and real-world job skills.

Fiscally Responsible Leadership

Smart budgeting and Oversight to ensure taxpayer dollars are used wisely.

Parents are the final say in their children's lives, and their voice must be heard! Education is the Cornerstone of Society and Board policies must be rooted in family values and student success. Public Education is for Our Children, Not Politics.

An Unbiased Education is the most fertile soil for innovation.

Endorsed By:

- Mary Starrett, Yamhill County Commissioner
- Kit Johnston, Commissioner Yamhill County Oregon
- Bill Rosacker, Mayor Newberg Oregon
- Robyn Wheatley Newberg City Councilor
- Alex Chiper, City Councilor Dundee Oregon

Prioritize Students, Defend Parental Rights, and Strengthen

Our Community. Vote David Russ on May 20, 2025

#RussIsForUS

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**Newberg School District 29J
Director, Zone 1**



**Andy
Byerley**

Occupation: Education Specialist, Oregon Department of Education

Occupational Background: Math and Science Teacher, Instructional Coach, STEAM Coordinator, Application Engineer

Educational Background: George Fox University, Teaching & Administrative Leadership, MAT & Ed.S.; Seattle University, Physics & Mathematics, B.S.; McKay High School (Salem, OR), Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Mountain View Middle School Site Council (2024-25); Mountain View Middle School Parent Group (2020-24); Newberg-Dundee Public Schools Bond Oversight Committee (2012-13)

I believe in upholding community values and prioritizing academics over politics. Our community expects and deserves accountability, transparency, and responsible decision-making from their public schools. I will make decisions with students, families, and taxpayers in mind and am committed to ensuring our schools provide high-quality education while being good stewards of taxpayer dollars.

I will bring informed leadership to the School Board. I have spent nearly 20 years in public education. I understand the challenges facing our schools—both in the classroom and at the district level. I am well-versed in the budgeting, policies, laws, and regulations that govern public education. As a former Newberg educator, I know firsthand what students and teachers need to succeed.

I am committed to strong schools that prepare students for a successful future. I know and value the role schools play in the lives of our children, families, and community. As a resident of the Newberg-Dundee community for more than two decades and a proud father of two children attending Newberg Public Schools, I am committed to a rigorous educational program that provides opportunities and ignites passions in our young people. I would be honored to have your vote.

It All Adds Up: Academics + Families = Strong Schools

Learn more at www.voteandybyerley.com

Endorsements:

Dr. Paula A. Radich
Terry McElligott
Claudia Stewart
C. Diane Ragsdale
Polly & Brent Peterson
Dan Busch
Karen & Doug Pugsley
Mikey & Bethany Caruso
Elise Yarnell Hollamon
Jim McMaster
Korie & Brandon Buerkle
Deb Bridges
Sol Allen
Aubrey Nichols
Oregon CARES PAC
Stand for Children
Newberg Education Association

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**Newberg School District 29J
Director, Zone 4**



**Celeste
Jones**

Occupation: Psychologist & Behavioral Health Director

Occupational Background: Associate Professor and Program Director, George Fox University

Educational Background: Oregon City High School; Oregon State University, (BS); George Fox University (PsyD)

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Community Service: Chair, Oregon Board of Psychology For Schools That Work!

I have called Newberg home for the past nine years, and both of my children attend schools in the Newberg-Dundee School District. As a child psychologist and pediatric behavioral health director, my work centers on helping children and families thrive. I have served in leadership roles in higher education and state boards. I'm running for school board because I believe our district needs level-headed leadership.

We need to continue focusing on student achievement and ensuring schools that work by prioritizing learning, innovation, and opportunity!

It's time to move past the nonsense and bring stability, collaboration, and experienced leadership, keeping our district on the path to recovery! Schools should be places where students are challenged, supported, and prepared for the future. I want to see our district put resources where they belong: robust academics, well-funded programs, and evidence-based behavioral supports that set kids up for success.

Strengthening Academics:

Every student deserves access to a high-quality education, preparing them for future success. I will advocate for curriculum innovation, support for teachers, and well-rounded learning opportunities that engage and challenge students.

Financial Responsibility:

Our district must be strategic in funding decisions, maximizing resources for students and educators. I will push for continued budget transparency and sustainable investments directly supporting classroom learning and student services.

Behavioral Support:

Academic success goes hand in hand with emotional and behavioral support. I will work to expand evidence-based programs promoting student mental health, reducing barriers to learning, and creating effective school environments.

Endorsed by

Newberg Educational Association
Shawn Daley, VP Strategic Development, GFU
Mary Peterson
Justin Dillingham, Board Member, TVF&R
Paula Radich
Claudia Stewart
Terry McElligott
Diane Ragsdale
Deb Bridges
Nancy Woodward
Polly Peterson
Oregon CARES PAC

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Newberg School District 29J
Director, Zone 5



Aubrey Nichols

Occupation: PreK-8 School Administrator

Occupational Background: Educator, Non-profit Director, Small Business Owner

Educational Background:

Pacific University, Master of Arts in Teaching; Oregon State University, Spanish, Public Health, BA

Prior Governmental Experience: Newberg-Dundee School District Board of Directors

I have had the honor to serve the Newberg-Dundee community as a School Board Director since June 2024. As an educator in Oregon since 2010 as well as a parent with children in Newberg schools, I am deeply invested in the success of all students and the future of our district.

As a Director, I've focused on supporting students, families, and educators by prioritizing transparency, listening to concerns, and making informed decisions with input from the community. I am proud of the progress the School Board has made and remain committed to ensuring our schools provide a high-quality education that supports the high achievement of all learners.

PRIORITIES:

Fiscal Responsibility

We must vigorously monitor the financial health of our district through oversight and communication between the Superintendent, Finance Director, Budget Committee, and the School Board.

Academic Achievement

Student achievement depends on rigorous curriculum, proper staffing, retaining, and attracting skilled educators. Data analysis and strategic improvements are essential, alongside intentional professional development.

Special Education Services

I am committed to asking questions and listening to the concerns of parents, students, and educators to recommend and support policies to meet the needs of all learners.

Unique Programs

Programs that enhance student engagement must be retained and continuously improved. Dual Language, Chehalem Online Academy, Catalyst Alternative High School, career and technical education, arts, athletics and more must be supported and celebrated.

I ask for your vote to continue focusing on what matters most for students, families, and our community.

ENDORSED BY:

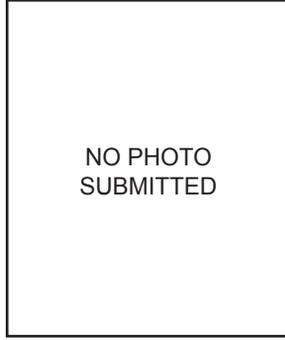
Dr. Paula Radich, Deb Bridges, Nancy Woodward, James Wolfer, Sol Allen, Jeremy Hayden, Andy Byerley, Terry McElligott, Claudia Stewart, Diane Ragsdale, Jim McMaster, Elise Yarnell Hollamon, Jeri Turgesen, Allyn Brown, Terry Emery, Polly Peterson, Newberg Education Association, Oregon CARES PAC, Stand for Children

Learn more: NicholsforNewberg.com

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Sheridan School District 48J
Director, Position 2



Jeremy Hutchinson

Occupation: Prototype Machinist

Occupational Background: Production Machinist, 1996-2012; CNC Maintenance Technician, 2012-2020; Prototype Machinist, 2020-Present

Educational Background: Newberg High School Graduate 1995; Lynn-Benton Community College, LME (Limited Maintenance Electrician) Journeyman, 2015

Prior Governmental Experience: Sheridan School District Budget Committee, 2023-Present

Sheridan has been my home since 2004. My wife and I have been together for 23 years, and we are proud parents of two children who attend Faulconer-Chapman School. Since 2016, I have been an active school volunteer because I believe staying informed and involved is essential to supporting our students, teachers, and families.

As a school board member, my priorities will include school safety, teacher and staff support, responsible budgeting, and improving student outcomes. With my background in manufacturing, I am deeply committed to the growth and success of the CTEC program. I believe it is important to equip students with valuable career and technical education opportunities to ensure they are well-prepared for the future.

I am committed to working collaboratively as a parent and community member to support the success of our schools. I would be honored to earn your vote and serve our district.

(This information furnished by Jeremy Hutchinson.)

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Sheridan School District 48J
Director, Position 5



Raymond Watkins

Occupation: Emergency Management Coordinator

Occupational Background: Emergency Management; Firefighter/Paramedic; Security and Asset Protection coordinator

Educational Background:

Grand Canyon University, Homeland Security & Emergency Management, BS; Mid-Plains CC, Emergency Medical Services, AAS; Seaside High School, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Budget Committee - Sheridan School District

Dedicated to Our Schools, Students, and Community

As an experienced emergency services, emergency management professional, with a strong background in leadership, safety, and preparedness, I am eager to serve on the Sheridan School District Board. My career has been centered on planning for the future, problem-solving, and ensuring the well-being of others, skills that directly apply to supporting our students, teachers, and families.

In addition to my professional experience, I currently serve as an assistant coach for an adult women’s football team and have previously coached youth football in Sheridan. These roles have given me the opportunity to mentor and inspire athletes of all ages, reinforcing my belief in teamwork, accountability, and the importance of equipping students with the skills they need to succeed both in the classroom and in life.

My Priorities:

- Enhancing Student Success: Supporting academic excellence, vocational training, and career readiness.
- Ensuring Safe & Supportive Schools: Strengthening emergency preparedness and promoting student well-being.
- Responsible Financial Oversight: Advocating transparency and effective resource allocation.
- Building Strong Community Connections: Encouraging collaboration between parents, educators, and local organizations.

With my professional background and my commitment, I bring a strategic, forward-thinking approach to the school board. I would be honored to earn your support in this election as we work together to strengthen Sheridan schools for the future.

Raymond Watkins

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Sherwood School District 88J
Director, Position 2



Matt Kaufman

Occupation: Accounting Professor, Portland State University

Occupational Background: Certified Public Accountant (OR); Certified Information Systems Auditor; prior work experience in corporate finance, internal audit, and public accounting.

Educational Background: University of Wisconsin (PhD); University of Oregon (MBA); George Fox University (BA)

Prior Governmental Experience: Sherwood City Budget Committee (2019-Present); Sherwood School District Budget Committee (2022-Present); Sherwood School District Audit & Accountability Committee (2023-Present)

I am a nine-year Sherwood resident and proud parent of two Middleton Elementary students. I am a CPA who left corporate finance to teach, currently serving as an Accounting Professor at Portland State University. I’ve volunteered on the city budget committee for the past five years and on the school district budget committee for three.

I’ve learned a lot these past five years about how much work goes into making Sherwood a great place to live. I’m running for Position #2 to make sure Sherwood continues to have the high quality, fiscally accountable schools our kids deserve and our adults expect.

During my time on the budget committee, I worked with district administration to:

- Improve the quality of financial reports provided to the board.
- Increase the frequency of fiscal updates.
- Meet annually with the auditor to discuss potential issues.

If given the opportunity to join the board I would work to ensure SSD continues to:

- Deliver exceptional academic, athletic, and extracurricular outcomes for students.
- Improve fiscal accountability so voters understand how tax dollars are spent and what they receive in return.
- Partner with city leadership on growth, infrastructure, and economic development.

Endorsed by:

Sherwood Mayor: Tim Rosener

Sherwood City Council President: Kim Young

Sherwood City Councilors: Renee Brouse, Taylor Giles,

Keith Mays, Doug Scott, Dan Standke

Sherwood School Board Members: Harmony Carson,

Abby Hawkins, Hans Moller

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**Sherwood School District 88J
Director, Position 3**



**Abby
Hawkins**

Occupation: Office Manager R. Hawkins, Inc., 2007 – Present

Occupational Background: School Counselor 2010; Mental Health Therapist 2007 – 2008

Educational Background:

George Fox, School Counseling License, 2010; George Fox, Mental Health Counseling, Masters of Arts, 2007; Portland State, Psychology and Criminology, Bachelor of Science, 2004

Prior Governmental Experience: Sherwood School Board, 2021-2025

Over the last four years I've had the pleasure of serving the Sherwood community as a member of the School Board. I've learned a tremendous amount about curriculum adoptions, school district budgets, policy updates and the importance of local legislation. I have stood alongside our district through challenging times, including passing the education levy, as well as hiring two superintendents. I have collaborated with community members, students, teachers, administrators and fellow board members to achieve our goals for the district. I'm incredibly proud of the work that has been accomplished, but know there is more work to be done, where I can have a positive impact on moving the district forward for Sherwood students and families.

I have three children attending Sherwood schools (2nd grade, 8th grade, 10th grade) and feel like their span in ages has been a gift with regards to the school board position, as it allows me to have a pulse on events and topics at all levels. It also means that no matter what we are discussing in board meetings, it is relevant to my life and my children's education. **I would love the opportunity to continue to serve this district for one more term and am asking for your vote.**

Accomplishments:

- Sherwood School Board Chair, 2022-2024
- Passed Education Levy in 2023
- 2016 Bond Committee
- Sherwood Education Foundation (7 years)

Endorsements:

- Tim Rosener, Mayor, City of Sherwood
- Kim Young, Sherwood City Council President
- Kevin Barton, Washington County District Attorney
- Harmony Carson, Sherwood School Board Chair
- Hans Moller, Sherwood School Board Director
- Jessica Adamson, Sherwood School Board, 2012-2023
- Matt Kaufman, Sherwood SD Budget Committee Chair

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**Sherwood School District 88J
Director, Position 4**



**Hans
Moller**

Occupation: Orthopedic Surgeon, Providence Medical Group (part-time); Board Member, International Geriatric Fracture Society

Occupational Background: Partner, Orthopedic and Fracture Specialists (1984–2020); Regional Medical Director, Orthopedic Institute, Providence Health Services (2004–2020)

Educational Background: Denison University, Chemistry, BA (1970–1974); Medical College of Ohio at Toledo, MD (1974–1977), Board Certified, Orthopedic Surgery (1986–present)

Educational Background: Denison University, Chemistry, BA (1970–1974); Medical College of Ohio at Toledo, MD (1974–1977), Board Certified, Orthopedic Surgery (1986–present)

Prior Governmental Experience: Sherwood School Board Director (2022–present); U.S. Naval Reserve, Lieutenant Commander (1977–1984)

Serving as a Sherwood School District board director for the past two years has been a privilege and an opportunity to contribute to our student's success and the future of our community. During this time, we've worked collaboratively to strengthen financial stability, foster leadership, and advance student-centered progress.

Some key accomplishments include:

- **Strengthening Financial Stability:** We passed the district's first school levy, securing critical funding to support growth and enhance educational programs.
- **Leadership for the Future:** We hired a new superintendent, whose leadership and vision are already driving positive change.
- **Collaborating with Teachers:** We successfully negotiated a new teacher contract, avoiding disruptions seen in neighboring districts and building mutual trust and respect.
- **Strategic Planning:** We developed a five-year strategic plan to guide district priorities, which will launch in June 2025.

In addition to these milestones, I've worked on initiatives reflecting my passion for supporting students and strengthening our schools. These include mentoring students to build leadership skills, partnering with the Food Services Director to enhance nutrition programs, and attending extracurricular activities—such as band, theater, sports, and FFA events—to engage with students and deepen community connections.

I remain committed to fostering an inclusive, supportive educational environment that prepares all students for success beyond high school. I would be honored to continue serving as your school board director. Visit HansMoller.com to learn more.

Endorsements:

- Courtney Neron, State Representative
- Democratic Party of Clackamas County
- Washington County Democrats
- Dan Standke, Sherwood City Council
- Jessica Adamson, Sue Hekker, Michael Hiland (Former Sherwood School Board Members)
- Abigail Hawkins, Matt Thornton, Harmony Carson (Current Sherwood School Board Members)

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**Yamhill-Carlton School District 1
Director, Position 4**



**JaJetta
Dumdi**

Occupation: Human Resources Director

Occupational Background: 20+ years of experience in Human Resources for various manufacturing companies.

Educational Background: Portland State University, Business, Human Resources Bachelors along with various HR Certifications

Prior Governmental Experience: 2021 to present Yamhill Carlton School Board Member

I am honored to seek reelection for a second term as a Yamhill Carlton School Board Director. Serving on the board for the past four years has been an incredibly rewarding experience. I have thoroughly enjoyed collaborating with our current board members, Superintendent, administrators, dedicated teachers, staff, and students. While I am proud of our accomplishments, there is still much work to be done, and I am eager to continue our progress.

As a long-term community member, a graduate of Yamhill Carlton High School, a mother of two YC students, and a current school board member, I have a deep connection to our district and a comprehensive understanding of the challenges we face. I am passionate about ensuring that the students of Yamhill Carlton School District receive the highest quality education and are well-prepared for success beyond K-12 education.

We are all aware of the significant challenges facing Oregon Public Schools. I am committed to advocating for sustainable funding, strengthening community engagement, and promoting local decision-making that is tailored to the needs of our district. A one-size fits all approach simply doesn't work for us.

I kindly ask for your support and vote to continue serving our community and positively shaping the futures of our students.

Please vote JaJetta Dumdi for YC Schools!

(This information furnished by JaJetta Dumdi.)

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**Amity Fire District
Director, Position 2**



**Amanda
Christensen**

Occupation: HR Director

Occupational Background: N/A

Educational Background: Chemeketa Community College, Fire Prevention, Degree

Prior Governmental Experience: 4 years Amity Fire Board

With 15 years of experience in Fire and EMS and 16 years in public service administration, including roles as an volunteer EMT/Firefighter and Human Resources Director, I bring a deep understanding of both operational and administrative needs. Over the past 4 years, I've served as a Fire Board Member, including 2 years as President.

As a Board Member, my responsibility is to set policies and procedures that empower our firefighters to do their jobs effectively while shaping the future of the department. I have hands-on experience working with policies both within and outside the fire service, and I'm well-versed in establishing and managing line-item budgets.

I would be honored to continue serving as your Fire District Board Member, ensuring our district remains financially stable while providing cost-effective, high-quality training, services, and equipment for our community. Your vote is greatly appreciated.

(This information furnished by Amanda Christensen.)

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**McMinnville Fire District
Director, Position 4**



**Ray
Pratt**

Occupation: (retired) Harbor Master; City of Portland Fire & Rescue

Occupational Background: Buck Ambulance; Clackamas County (EMT 3); Buck Ambulance; Multnomah County

(Paramedic); Salem Fire Department; Firefighter-Paramedic; Portland Fire & Rescue; Firefighter-Paramedic; Fire Inspector; Institutional Fire Inspector; Harbor Master

Educational Background: Chemeketa Community College; Paramedic Certification - 114358 (lapsed); National Fire Academy; Emmitsburg, Md. (Fire Inspector); Numerous District Director specific conferences (Laws, Rules, Ethics, etc.)

Prior Governmental Experience: McMinnville Volunteer Fire Department; 1983-2001; Firefighter; Engineer; Lieutenant; Paramedic; Past Volunteer President; Westhills Estates Homeowners Association; Past President; McMinnville Fire District – Board of Directors (Secretary) July 2023 - Present

As a 46-year resident of McMinnville, a former 18-year volunteer with McMinnville Fire and a retired Firefighter with The City of Portland, plus a two-year term on the McMinnville Fire District Board of Directors, I have seen where the department has been and understand where we need to improve. Thirty-six years of fire service experience spent working with a diverse population, finding solutions to problems, and resolving disputes has prepared me for this board position. While sitting on the Board of Directors we have made positive changes such as increased staffing to a safer level, replaced outdated breathing equipment, and replaced two ambulances and two fire engines. There is more to come as budget allows. We have stopped the revolving door of short-term employees by offering competitive wages, career opportunities, support from the top, and creating hope for the future. Studies show our city has outgrown the need for a single fire station. We have bought the second building at the airport that once remodeled will house emergency responders and are planning another fire station on the west side of town soon, all towards reduced response times. With my understanding of the fire service and experience on the board, I am a strong candidate who cares. I would appreciate your vote.

Endorsements:
Philip and Kathy Loving
Donna G. Nelson
Carl N. and Leslie A. Thompson
McMinnville Professional Firefighters Local 3099

(This information furnished by Ray Pratt.)

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**Sheridan Rural Fire Protection District
Director, Position 4**



**Raymond
Bottenberg**

Occupation: Engineering Manager, Oregon Department of Transportation.

Occupational Background: Mechanical, civil, and structural engineer.

Educational Background: Oregon State University, Mechanical Engineering, Bachelor of Science, 1986; Amity, K-12 Education, 1982; Willamette University, Public Management, Certificate, 2017

Prior Governmental Experience: Amity School District Board of Directors 2007-Present.

Our Fire District is an important example of our community working together to keep each other and our property safe. We are each ultimately responsible for our safety, but some things are hard to handle ourselves – things like fires, car crashes, and medical emergencies. By working together, with our Fire District, we can handle these emergencies.

In 2021 I helped our Fire District withdraw from an attempted consolidation with two of our neighbor districts, and we've been rebuilding to better serve our community ever since. I'm proud of our chief's leadership and the work of our staff and volunteers; and the restored focus on serving our community.

In 2025 our biggest challenges are:

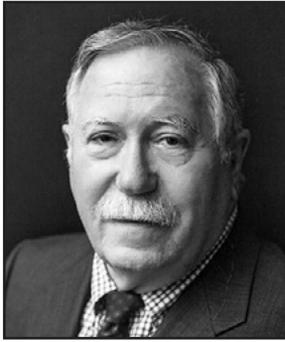
- Reimbursement for Emergency Medical Services is often below the cost of providing the services. This means tax dollars traditionally used to provide fire service now have to be used to support EMS services.
- A difficult labor market.
- Times have changed and while volunteers are more important than ever, both the current training requirements and the trend of residents working outside of our community can be barriers to residents who might consider volunteering.

We need to continue working do what's right for our community in the face of these challenges. I'm asking for your vote, to continue moving forward and to face the challenges ahead of us, to efficiently and effectively serve all of us.

(This information furnished by Raymond Bottenberg.)

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Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District Director, Position 1



**Bob
Wyffels**

Occupation: Retired general contractor

Occupational Background: General contractor specializing in residential remodeling – 23 years; Tektronix – Carpenter – 3 years; Stationary Engineer –

Central plant – 18 years; Corporate buyer – 2 years

Educational Background: Oregon State University; Multnomah College; Portland State University; McMinnville High

Prior Governmental Experience: Tigard Oregon – CPO #1 & #2 – 1982 – 1986; Tualatin Rural Fire District – Budget Committee – 1984 – 1989, Position held – Committee member (citizen representative); Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue – Budget Committee – 1989 – 1996, Positions held – Committee member – Committee Chair; Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue – Board of Directors – 1996 - Present, Position held – Director – Secretary/Treasure – Vice President – President; Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency (911) – 1996 – Present, Positions held – Director & Vice Chair

Proudly endorsed by Professional Firefighters Union Local #1660

Local Tigard Community Involvement

Cub Scout Leader

Boy Scout Troop #299 – Committee Chair & Eagle Scout advisor

Youth soccer coach

I attest the above information to be truthful & accurate

Respectfully submitted.

Robert C Wyffels

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Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District Director, Position 3



**Roy R
Rogers**

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Occupational Background: Accounting

Educational Background: Portland State University, Business, B.S.

Prior Governmental Experience: Tualatin Mayor; Washington County Commissioner; WorkSystems Inc Board Member; Regional and State Committees

ROY IS A:

- Lifelong public servant and local business owner
- Pragmatic, transparent, and bipartisan leader
- Strong relationships with community groups, local governments, and elected officials
- Active community member through the Tualatin Chamber Board, West Side Economic Alliance, and TVF&R Budget Committee

A NEW DIRECTION FOR TVF&R FIRE DISTRICT

Roy's leadership across various local government roles in Washington County has brought economic prosperity and helped our region grow. Roy wants to focus on ensuring that Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue can build the infrastructure needed to serve our growing population and train the vital workforce for the future.

- Build new stations and training facilities for future growth across the TVF&R service area
- Build strong relationships with other government entities
- Strong budgeting and accountability for public funds spent
- Provide excellent training and staff support

COMMUNITY LEADERS STAND WITH ROY:

Tualatin Valley Firefighters IAFF Local 1660

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Board of Directors

Bob Wyffels, TVF&R Board Member; Clark Balfour, TVF&R Board Member; Randy Lauer, TVF&R Board Member; Justin Dillingham, TVF&R Board Member

County Commissioners

Nafisa Fai, County Commissioner; Jerry Willey, Washington County Commissioner and Hillsboro Mayor; Jason Snider, Washington County Commissioner; Andy Duyck, Former Washington County Chair; Paul Savas, Clackamas County Commissioner

District Attorneys & Sheriffs

Kevin Barton, Washington County D.A.; Caprice Massey, Washington County Sheriff

Mayors

Frank Bubenik, Mayor of Tualatin; Tim Rosener, Mayor of Sherwood; John Cook, Former Mayor of Tigard; (Former) Mayor City of Hillsboro Steve Callaway; Peter Truax, Former Mayor of Forest Grove; Lou Ogden, Former Mayor of Tualatin

City Councilors

Kim Young, Sherwood City Council; Keith Mays, Sherwood Council and Former Mayor; Maureen Wolf, Tigard City Council; Yi-Kang Hu, Tigard City Council; Valerie Pratt, Tualatin City Council President; Bridget Brooks, Tualatin City Council

Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Metro Councilor

Bruce Starr, State Senator

For more information, visit RoyforFireCommissioner.com

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Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District Director, Position 3



**Gordon L
Hovies**

Occupation: Retired Lieutenant / EMT, Portland Fire & Rescue

Occupational Background: Volunteer Firefighter Tualatin Rural Fire Protection District, Professional Firefighter Clackamas County Fire District

#54, Professional Firefighter/Officer Portland Fire & Rescue, Communication and Security Business Experience

Educational Background: Eastern Oregon University, Fire Administrative Studies; Portland Community College, AAS Fire Protection Technology; Western Oregon University, Advanced & Basic Fire Institute/Administrators Certificate

Prior Governmental Experience: 2009 to Present: Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Board Member, 2020 to 2022 Vice President of TVF&R Fire Board, 2017 to 2020 Secretary/Treasurer of TVF&R Fire Board, 2015 to 2017 President of TVF&R Fire Board, Member of Clackamas County ALS Consortium.

Understanding-Knowledgeable-Capable

Gordon is asking for your vote to be reelected to his fifth term. Gordon brings in over 45 years of public safety experience. During his period on the Board, Gordon has continued to follow through of being a good steward and diligent in representing the Citizens, Businesses and Property Owner's served by Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) to make conclusive decisions.

Gordon has previously and will continue to make sure TVF&R:

- **Is Financially Prudent and Accountable,**
- **Keep up to date with the latest Technology, Training and Staffing,**
- **Actively Coordinates and Works Jointly with other Fire Departments and Municipal Entities.**

Since the last election Gordon has overseen:

- The Local Option Levy Passage to Secure Operational funding,
- Passing a bond for New Fire Apparatus, Station Remodels of Newberg & King City, Station Relocation of Aloha (district) and Renovate Training Center facilities,
- The Washington County Ambulance Contract to Improve Emergency Medical Response times.

The Next Four years are critical and Gordon will oversee:

- TVF&R Follows through with
 - Adding fire stations in the:
 - Newberg Rural region,
 - West Tigard / Bull Mountain – River Terrace area,
 - Keeping Staffing levels current,
 - Maintaining Emergency Management Preparedness.

Gordon's philosophy is keeping things simple to patch or adjust what is broken and leave alone what works to adopt the Best Practices for TVF&R

Re-Elect Gordon L Hovies to TVF&R Fire Position #3

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Yamhill Fire Protection District Director, Position 1



**Craig
Sauers**

Occupation: Farmer, Meadow Ridge Farms

Occupational Background: Agriculture, Logging, Former Volunteer Firefighter/EMT at Yamhill Fire Protection District and Carlton Fire District.

Educational Background: Chemeketa Community College, EMT; Linn-Benton Community College, Agriculture; Yamhill Carlton High School

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I am a third generation Yamhill resident, living in the district for over 40 years. I grew up here, and spent many years involved in public safety as a volunteer fire-fighter/EMT at both Yamhill and Carlton Fire Districts.

Yamhill Fire Protection District is struggling. The situation has created instability and uncertainty for its volunteers and residents. There are immediate and long-term challenges that need to be addressed.

We must move forward in a financially transparent and accountable manner. Continued community support is critical. Responsible leaders are needed to keep the quality volunteers we have today while recruiting and retaining more.

I take a common-sense approach to challenges and will work with stakeholders to ensure the district is ready and able to serve when needed.

I would appreciate your vote for YFPD Director Position 1 and am ready to get to work. – Craig Sauers

(This information furnished by Craig Sauers.)

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**Yamhill Fire Protection District
Director, Position 1**



**Brian
Woodruff**

Occupation: Program Manager for local homeless shelter

Occupational Background: EMT/Corporate Banking/VA Housing Case Manager

Educational Background:

Yamhill-Carlton High School, Diploma; Portland Community College, EMT Certification; Pioneer Pacific College, Bachelor of Business Management

Prior Governmental Experience: US Army National Guard '97- 11

As a lifelong member of this community and a Yamhill resident since 2016, I am committed to serving on the Yamhill Fire Protection District Board. I'm committed to restoring trust and supporting both our community and the volunteers who protect it.

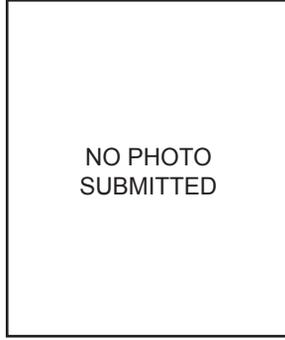
Having worked within the district, I understand the challenges our volunteers face as well as the vital role they play in keeping us safe. I recognize that some in the community have lost faith in our district's ability to serve effectively. As a board member, I will work to rebuild that trust through open communication, and accountability while advocating for our first responders.

I am dedicated to helping the Yamhill Fire Protection District move forward, and I would be honored to earn your support.

(This information furnished by Brian Woodruff.)

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**Yamhill Fire Protection District
Director, Position 1**



**Jon
Peasley**

Occupation: Retired Machinist

Occupational Background: Machinist for 26+ years at A-dec; Volunteer Fire Fighter for 20+ years at Yamhill Fire Protection District; EMT for 5+ years at Yamhill Fire Protection District

Educational Background: Newberg High School, General Studies, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Yamhill Fire Protection District Board Member for 10 years

I have served on the Yamhill Fire Protection Board as a Board of Director for the past 10 years. During my tenure I have taken educational classes thru the SDAO to familiarize myself with Oregon Requirement Laws, Policies, and other Fire District education to benefit our Fire District. Prior to becoming a part of the Yamhill Fire Protection Board, I was a volunteer Fire-fighter for 20+ years. I was also an EMT for 5+ of those years. Allowing me to be serve on the Yamhill Fire Protection Board, means to follow ORS law requirements for all government entities, policies set forth by the district, to be transparent of my actions, to call out when procedures are not being followed and to ensure that the finances are being managed properly.

I look forward to your support in serving on the Yamhill Fire Protection Board.

Thank you

Jon Peasley

(This information furnished by Jon Peasley.)

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**Yamhill Fire Protection District
Director, Position 4**



**Tom
Bernards**

Occupation: Farmer

Occupational Background: Volunteer Fireman Carlton Fire District 2018 – Present; Wild-land Firefighter 2018 – Present; Served Yamhill County Farm Bureau Board 2012 - 2024

Educational Background: Oregon State University, Horticulture Science, Bachelor of Science

Prior Governmental Experience: Appointed Oregon Clover Commission 2012 – 2016; Appointed Yamhill County Forestland Classification Committee 2023 – Present

To Whom it may concern,

My name is Tom Bernards, owner of TJB Farms, LLC. I am a lifelong Yamhill County resident, and have lived in Yamhill's Fire District since 1996. Based on my experience as a business owner, current volunteer firefighter and previous positions on boards I believe I would be a great candidate. If elected as a board member my goals would be public safety and retention of volunteers all while being fiscally responsibility for the taxpayers. I appreciate your vote for Position 4.

Sincerely,

Tom Bernards

(This information furnished by Tom Bernards.)

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**Chehalem Park & Recreation District
Director, At-Large**



**Rob
Smith**

Occupation: Owner & Brewer, Chehalem Valley Brewing Co.

Occupational Background: Retired Corporate Operations and Finance Executive. 30 years of experience working with corporate executives and

entrepreneurs to drive profitable growth across manufacturing, technology, and professional services.

Educational Background: The Pennsylvania State University, Finance and Logistics, MBA; University of California, Riverside, Business Administration, BS

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a husband, father, business owner, and outdoor enthusiast, I understand firsthand the vital role parks and recreation spaces play in our community. Having coached youth sports for over 20 years at recreational, club, and high school levels, I've seen how these spaces shape character, promote health, and bring people together.

Dundee Needs Representation on the CPRD Board

As a resident of Dundee, I am passionate about the Sander Park project as well as Billick Park. We need to break ground and leverage the grant funding we already have and secure more grants for both parks. These parks will be a focal point for residents and visitors.

Our parks, recreation centers, and open spaces belong to all of us. I will work to preserve and enhance them for future generations through **fiscal responsibility, strategic planning, and community-driven decision-making.**

My Priorities:

Fiscal Responsibility – No new taxes, bonds, or system development charges

Improve Park Safety

Implement a Capital Improvement Plan

Create Revenue-Generating Opportunities

This is an exciting time for CPRD, with projects underway that will strengthen our community, serve youth athletes, and create shared spaces for all residents. Let's ensure these efforts are **sustainable, fiscally responsible, and beneficial for everyone.**

Endorsed by:

- Matthew Smith, CPRD Board President
- Gayle Bizeau, CPRD Board
- Jason Fields, CPRD Vice President Board of Directors
- Bob Travers, Co-Chairperson, CPRD Golf Clubhouse Steering Committee
- Mary Starrett, Yamhill County Commissioner
- Robyn Wheatley, Newberg City Councilor
- David Ford, Mayor of Dundee

Vote Robert Smith – The Common-Sense, Fiscally Responsible, and Community-First Candidate.

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Chehalem Park & Recreation District Director, At-Large



**Brandon
Slyter**

Occupation: Founder and President, nonprofit organizational leadership

Occupational Background: Multimedia and Marketing Communications; George Fox University instructor

Educational Background: George Fox University, Multimedia Communications, BA; Board Leadership Academy Certification, Special Districts Association of Oregon

Prior Governmental Experience: CPRD Budget Committee; International relief efforts

Community Involvement:

- CPRD Senior Center and Meals on Wheels Program volunteer
- ESL teacher for Japanese parents of preschoolers
- Edwards Elementary School volunteer
- Advocate for local neighborhood parks

I'm running to serve our community and ensure that our parks, fields, and facilities remain vibrant and accessible for all. As a father of two young children, I understand the importance of well-maintained spaces where families can gather, play, and grow.

My priorities include:

Fields for Families – Expanding and improving sports fields so kids and families have quality places to play.

Maintaining What We Have – Ensuring our parks, trails, and facilities are clean, safe, and well-kept before taking on new projects.

Educating Our Community – Increasing awareness of the valuable services and programs CRPD provides and making sure residents know how to access them.

With nearly a decade of experience leading disaster relief teams and managing complex logistics, I bring a strong track record of leadership, fiscal responsibility, and working together. I believe in transparent decision-making, supporting the dedicated staff, and prioritizing the long-term sustainability of our parks and programs.

Together, we can invest in our community's future while protecting what makes it special. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

**MAKE SURE TO VOTE FOR BRANDON SLYTER,
JIM McMASTER, AND NICK KONEN!**

Endorsements:

Elected Officials: Jim McMaster, Lisa Rogers, Nancy Woodward, Michael P. Caruso, Jeri Turgesen, Aubrey Nichols

Former Elected Officials: Rick Rogers

Business Leaders: Bethany Caruso, Terry Emery, Julie Want, Walter W. Want, Lynn Clauer Yoga

Community Leaders: Fred Robinson, Neal Ninteman, Patricia (White) Belles, Kent L. Thornburg

Oregon CARES PAC

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Chehalem Park & Recreation District Director, At-Large



**Ty
Darby**

Occupation: Fire Marshal

Occupational Background: Deputy Fire Marshal, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue; Fire Inspector, Anaheim, California Fire Department; Sergeant, United States Marine Corps; Oregon Army National Guard

Educational Background: Eastern Oregon University, B.S.

Prior Governmental Experience: Governor's Wildfire Policy Council; House Bill 2522 – Rural Structural Fire Protection Review Task Force; Executive-level experience managing an Oregon Fire Protection District

Focused on Community. Committed to Parks and Recreation.

My wife and I are raising our four boys here because this is a great place to live. CPRD's parks, trails, and youth programs have helped shape our community, and I want to ensure those resources stay strong for the next generation.

With a career in public service—military, fire service, and district leadership—I bring real-world experience managing budgets, solving complex problems, and working with government partners. I know how to prioritize needs, plan for the long term, and make sound financial decisions.

Priorities for CPRD:

Improve Sports Fields and Facilities

Advocating cost-effective upgrades to improve safety, access, and longevity.

Focus on Maintenance and Upkeep

Caring for what we have must come first. I'll support regular maintenance and improvements.

Ensure Fiscal Responsibility

I will protect taxpayer dollars by supporting smart budgets, fair fees, and prioritizing in-district residents.

Strengthen School and Community Partnerships

Partnering with schools and local groups will expand youth opportunities and improve efficiency.

Respect Property Donors and Public Trust

I'll advocate for honoring donor intent and responsible stewardship.

I support the board's progress and will continue pushing for transparency, open communication, and responsible planning.

I will bring leadership, accountability, and practical solutions.

I would be honored to earn your vote.

YOUR PARKS. YOUR VOICE.

-Ty

Endorsed by:

Mary Starrett, Yamhill County Commissioner
Matthew Smith, President of CPRD (Chehalem Parks and Recreation District)

Kit Johnston, Yamhill County Commissioner
Jason Fields, CPRD Vice President Board of Directors

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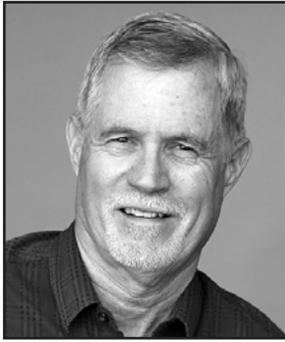
Bob Travers, Vice Chair, Golf Clubhouse Committee

Bill Rosacker, Mayor Newberg Oregon

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Chehalem Park & Recreation District Director, At-Large



**Jim
McMaster**

Occupation: 38+ years as Park Supervisor, Chehalem Park and Recreation District (CPRD) (retired); Newberg High School Water Polo Coach — Led boys and girls teams to a combined 39 state championships.

Occupational Background: Aquatic/Park Supervisor & Project Manager, CPRD

Educational Background: Chico State University, Recreation Administration, Bachelor's Degree; National Recreation and Park Association Maintenance/Management School, Graduate

Prior Governmental Experience: Federal Youth Conservation Corps Member; Environmental Education Intern, Washington State Parks

Re-Elect Jim McMaster: A Lifelong Public Servant of the Newberg-Dundee Community

Community Relationships:

Jim has fostered collaboration and trust within the community since 1980, currently serving as:

- CPRD Board Member
- CPRD Board Liaison for the Pickleball and Golf Course Committees
- Newberg Rotary Club Member
- Newberg City Club Member
- Oregon State Parks and Recreation Local Government Grant Advisory Committee Member

Why Vote to Re-Elect Jim McMaster?

Jim's unwavering dedication to the Newberg-Dundee community has shaped the landscape of local parks, facilities, and recreation programs for over four decades. His leadership, fiscal responsibility, and passion for public service make him the best candidate to continue driving CPRD's mission forward.

•Proven Results: Managed the development and renovation of key community assets like the Chehalem Aquatic Center, Skate Park, Chehalem Cultural Center, and Senior Center.

•Fiscal Stewardship: Secured over **\$1 million** in state grants, private funding, and in-kind donations to enhance community resources without burdening taxpayers.

•Community Connection: Built lasting relationships with local schools, city governments, civic groups, and state agencies to collaboratively improve public spaces and recreation opportunities.

•Passion for Recreation: Believes that well-maintained parks and a variety of recreation programs foster stronger, healthier communities.

Proven Experience and The Leadership We Need — Working Together for a Better Tomorrow

Community Endorsements:

Spike Sumner, Paula Radich, Julie & Walter Want, Dr. Eric Bergquam, Mike McBride, Terry Emery, Nancy Woodward, Allyn Brown, Ann Dolan, Rick & Annie Lee, Gene Howard Piros II, Dennis Lewis, Aubrey Nichols, Tom Tesmer, Michael Caruso, Tim Burke, Mark & Cathy Martin, Loni Parrish, Daniel Roberts, Mike Ragsdale, Oregon CARES PAC

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Chehalem Park & Recreation District Director, At-Large



**Nick
Konen**

Occupation: Director of Operations and Business Development at Forest Hills Farms, Inc.

Occupational Background: Park Technician, Coach, HR & Compliance Manager, Vineyard Manager

Educational Background: Linfield University, Business Management and Sports Management; Chemeketa Community College, Vineyard Management and Winemaking

Prior Governmental Experience: Chair of the Pickleball Advisory Committee, CPRD

Park and Recreation Background: Park Technician, THPRD. Youth Basketball Coach, City of McMinnville. Varsity Tennis Coach, Valley Catholic High School. Assistant Women's Lacrosse Coach, Linfield College. Vice President, Newberg Pickleball Club.

VOTE NICK KONEN

Parks and recreation are at the heart of a strong, connected community, and we are lucky to have such a variety of amenities in our district. Whether it's a place for kids to play, a trail to explore, or a court to compete on, these spaces bring people together, promote health, and enhance our quality of life. I'm running for the Chehalem Park and Recreation Board (CPRD) because I believe everyone should have access to safe, well-maintained, and comprehensive recreational opportunities.

Growing up, public parks and trails were a huge part of my life and my first job was working for a parks district as a park technician. Today, as an active member of our Park and Recreation District I see firsthand how CPRD's parks, programs, and facilities impact people of all ages. I want to ensure that our district continues to serve everyone—families, athletes, outdoor enthusiasts, and future generations.

If elected, I will prioritize:

- **Maintaining the existing parks, amenities, and programs**
- **Ensuring fiscally responsible decision-making**
- **Strategically expanding recreation access for all residents**
- **Engaging the community in shaping CPRD's future**

I'm committed to keeping our parks and programs strong, sustainable, and accessible to all. I would be honored to have your support!

Endorsements

Jim McMaster, CPRD Board Member; Matt Smith, CPRD Board President; Elise Yarnell Hollamon, Newberg City Councilor; Aubrey Nichols, Newberg School Board Member, Oregon CARES PAC, Bethany Caruso, Michael P. Caruso

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