



Volunteers for Issaquah Schools

What is VIS?

Volunteers for Issaquah Schools (VIS) was formed in 1977. It is a non-profit 501(c)4 organization that works to promote the passage of Issaquah School District bonds and levies.

- School districts are prohibited by law from actively promoting the passage of bonds and levies. Financial resources of school districts can only be used to provide information and facts related to the ballot measures. VIS runs campaigns in Issaquah to pass our bonds and levies.
- Under Washington State law, bonds require a super majority vote (60% + 1) and levies a simple majority vote (50% + 1) to pass.

How important are Bonds & Levies to Educators in Issaquah?

- Levies fund a variety of enrichment programs.
- Provides for technology infrastructure, including hardware, software and technology, and professional development.
- Capital funds provide excellent learning environment and help ensure that space is adequate for reasonable class sizes.

What are contributions to VIS used for?

- Bond and levy campaigns for schools are costly. Most campaign costs are related to delivering information about the ballot proposals and to increase overall voter turnout.
- Costs including printing/postage for campaign literature, newspaper advertisements, yard signs, marketing materials and voter registration.
- Levy & Bond campaigns that are successful are supported financially by community members who understand the vital role of quality public education for the overall well-being of the community.
- All donations and expenditures are reported to the Public Disclosure Commission in Olympia. Records are available for inspection upon request.

What can you do to help?

- Please support Volunteers for Issaquah Schools. By providing a monthly payroll deduction or flat donation to VIS you can help provide funds to get the information out to our local voters.
- It helps the community contribute and support our efforts when they know that our outstanding Issaquah school staff also contribute to VIS campaigns...community and staff partnering together for our schools!
- Be an advocate for public education within the Issaquah Schools community. In addition to making financial contributions, opportunities exist for volunteers to help with campaign strategy, fundraising, voter registration, mailings, yard signs and honk & wave. Visit www.visvote.org for more information!

Payroll Deduction Form



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Please help us support the quality of your work environment and students' education by contributing to Volunteers for Issaquah Schools (VIS).

It's as easy as checking the boxes below! **Consider...** if each employee gave just \$1 a month, that would provide VIS with \$36,000 a year and enough funds to run a levy or bond campaign every two years!
Would you please consider making a \$2.00 or \$5.00 monthly donation to VIS to help?

- Derona Burkholder, President, Issaquah Education Association
- Dawn Peschek, President, Volunteers for Issaquah Schools

Personal information

Name: _____ Work Site: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone _____ Home Phone: _____

Position: Certificated employee Classified employee Administrator

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Please check the appropriate box(es):

\$5.00 \$10.00 Other: \$_____ payroll deduction per month for **VIS**
or one-time payroll deduction donation: \$25 \$50 \$100 Other: \$_____

Thank you for your support!

VIS is the all-volunteer organization that runs the District's levy and bond campaigns because the District is legally not allowed to do so. Among other items, levies and bonds pay for enrichment, new construction, all technology, and critical facilities repairs. It cost VIS between \$50-\$75,000 to reach District voters during previous campaigns.

Questions? Contact: www.visvote.org • Volunteers for Issaquah Schools, P.O. Box 1401, Issaquah, WA 98027.

I hereby authorize the above payroll deduction(s) from my salary for contributions. This authorization shall be effective from date of receipt unless revoked by me in writing.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Please complete this form and return to the IEA President at your meeting.
Forms will be submitted to ISD for processing. Thank you so much for your support!**