



Walla Walla Public Schools

WINTER 2024 EDAC UPDATE

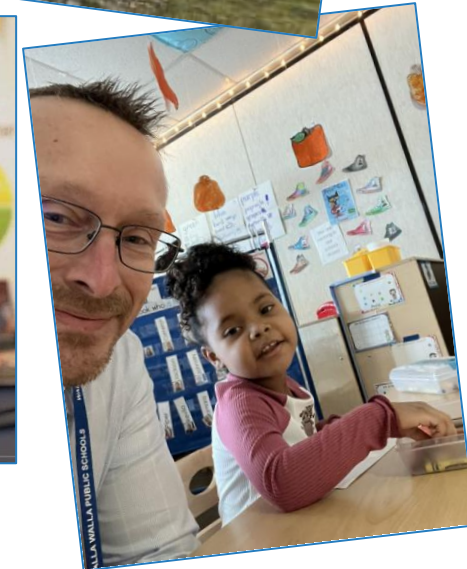


Walla Walla Public Schools

Developing Washington's Most Sought-After Graduates

Agenda

- Our Shifting Demographics
- Schools as Economic Drivers
- Learning Levy Renewal
- Short-term Capital Levy



BEST HIGH SCHOOLS

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2023-2024



HIGH SCHOOL | RENOVATION / ADDITION | CLASSROOMS, COMMONS, MEDIA CENTER, GYMNASIUM, MUSIC, DRAMA, AUDITORIUM, VO-AG, SCIENCE

Walla Walla High School Campus Additions & Modernizations

Walla Walla, WA

Work to renovate the Walla Walla High School Campus was made possible by a successful bond in November 2018 with assistance from Architects West and the Wenaha Group. Further, Architects West and the Wenaha Group assisted Walla Walla Public Schools in petitioning the State of Washington to allow this project to be conducted via the GC/CM delivery method. All work was performed by Jackson Contractor Group under multiple bid packages and multiple phases.

The infrastructure package work occurred first, followed by Phase 1 work for construction of the new 18,000 sf, eight classroom science building. Phase 2 work was the additions and modernizations to seven buildings and campus-wide site work. Work included renovation of eight buildings totaling 37,846 sf of new construction additions and 146,223 sf of modernizations.

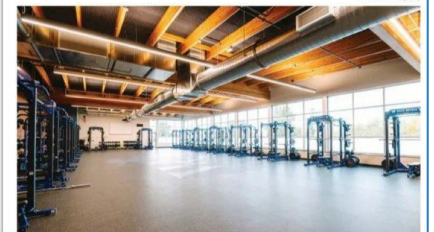
Site work included replacement of aging site and utility infrastructure, frontage improvements, and improvements to parking, traffic circulation, pedestrian circulation, and landscaping. Site work included five new parking lots totaling 629-car parks, bus loops, and a central courtyard core area, and a pedestrian bridge crossing Yellowhawk Creek.



Art Kane Drone Imaging, Nick Osmond



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OWNER/CLIENT
Walla Walla Public Schools
Walla Walla, WA
Wade Smith, Superintendent

KEY STATS
Grades Served: 9-12
Capacity of Students/Occupants: 1,800
Size of Site: 56 acres
Gross Area of Bldg./Space: 164,069 sq ft
Space per Student: 102 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$37,221
Square Foot Cost: \$364
Project Cost: \$66,968,723
Occupation Date: 11/11/2022
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Regional Teacher of the Year for ESD 123

Eric Matson

SEATech Construction Technology Instructor



MEDIUM DISTRICT BOARD OF THE YEAR:

Walla Walla School Board

Walla Walla Public Schools



Lily Franklin

National Merit

SEMI-FINALISTS

2023

Top 1% in WA State

Erin Iverson

WALLA WALLA HIGH SCHOOL





1960's
1 in 10 students
living in poverty

Less than 1 in 10
minority



1980's
2 in 10 students
in poverty

About 2 in 10
minority

Third Grade

Berney Elementary School

Leo's 1987-88



Walla Walla Schools Today

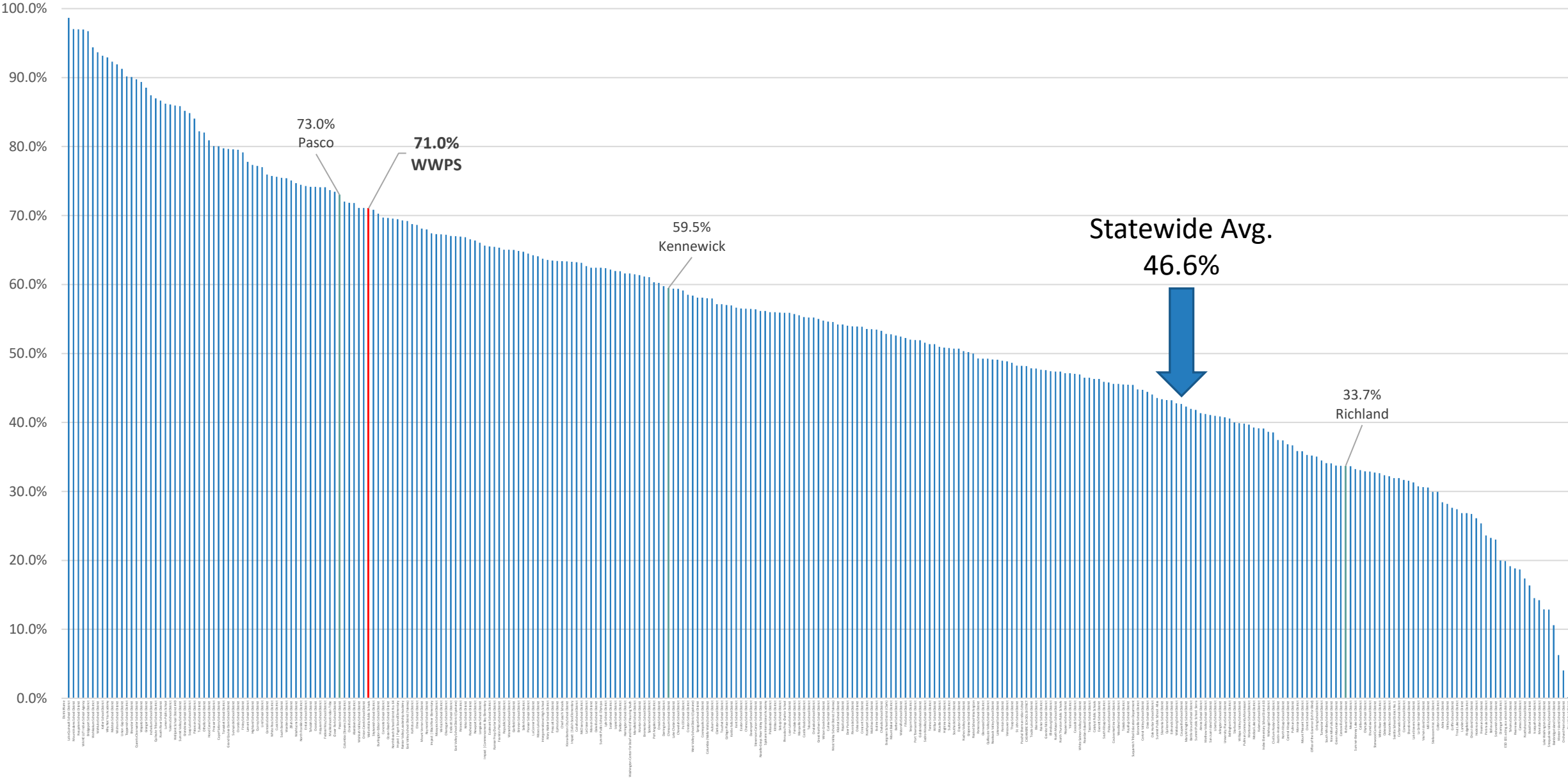
- 7 in 10 in poverty
- 52% minority
- 1 in 6 is a Multi-Language Learner
- 1 in 6 is a Student with a Learning Disability





How Do our
Student Poverty
Statistics
Compare with
the Rest of the
State?

Free and Reduced Lunch Percentage (All 295 Districts)

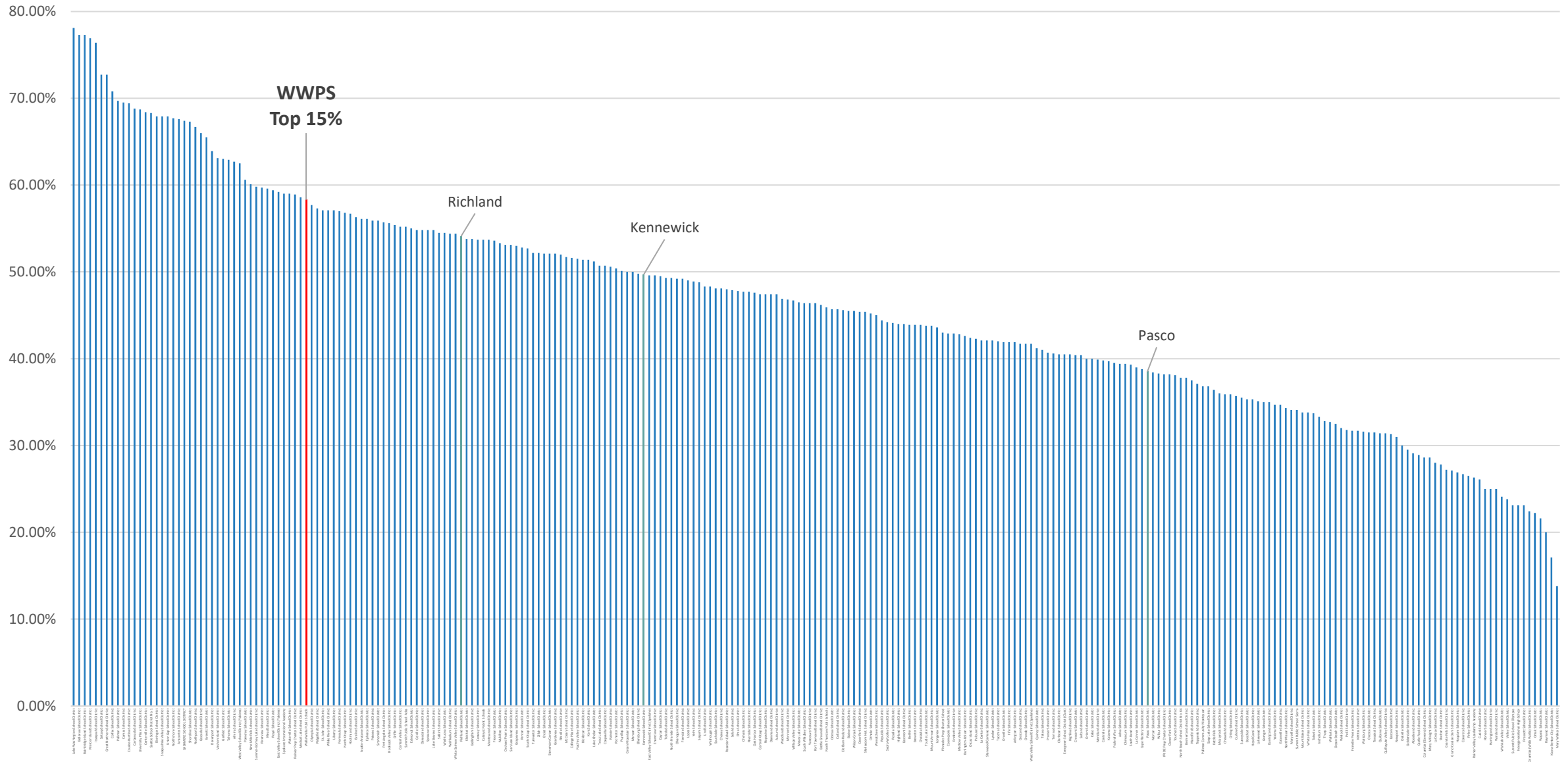


How Do Our Students Not in Poverty Perform Compared to Their Statewide Peers?



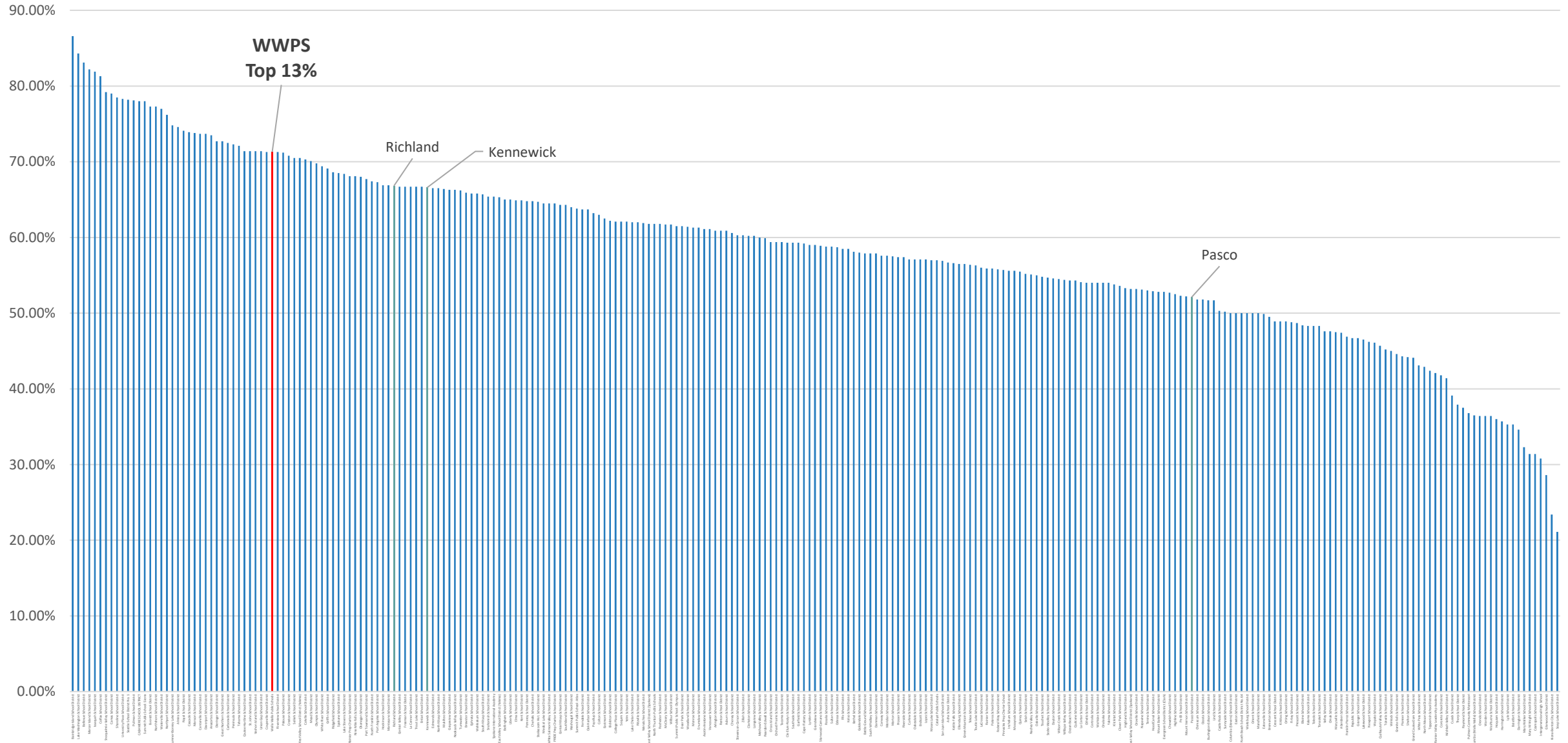
Statewide Math Assessment (All Districts)

Non-Free and Reduced Lunch



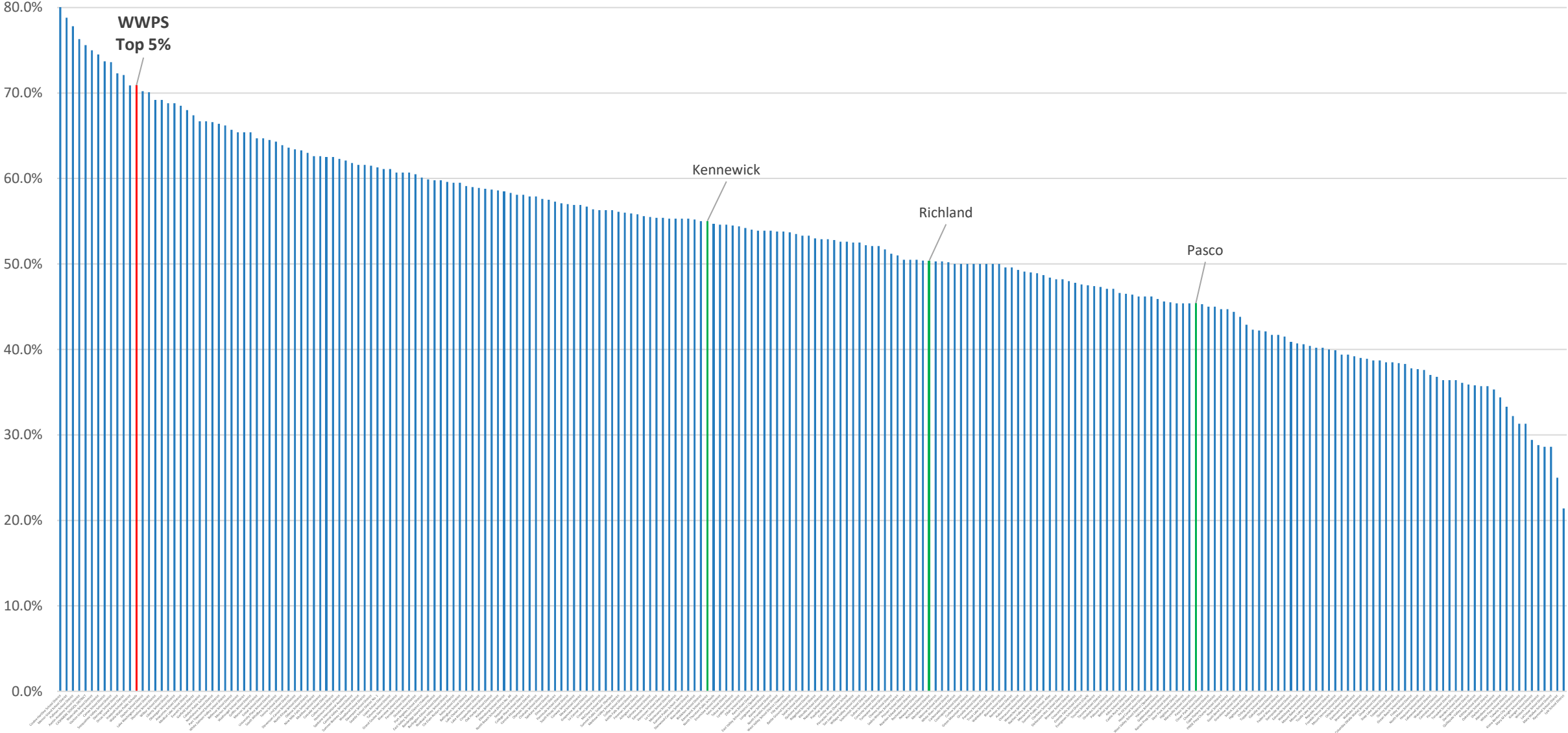
Statewide English Language Arts Assessment (All Districts)

Non-Free and Reduced Lunch



Statewide Science Assessment (All Districts)

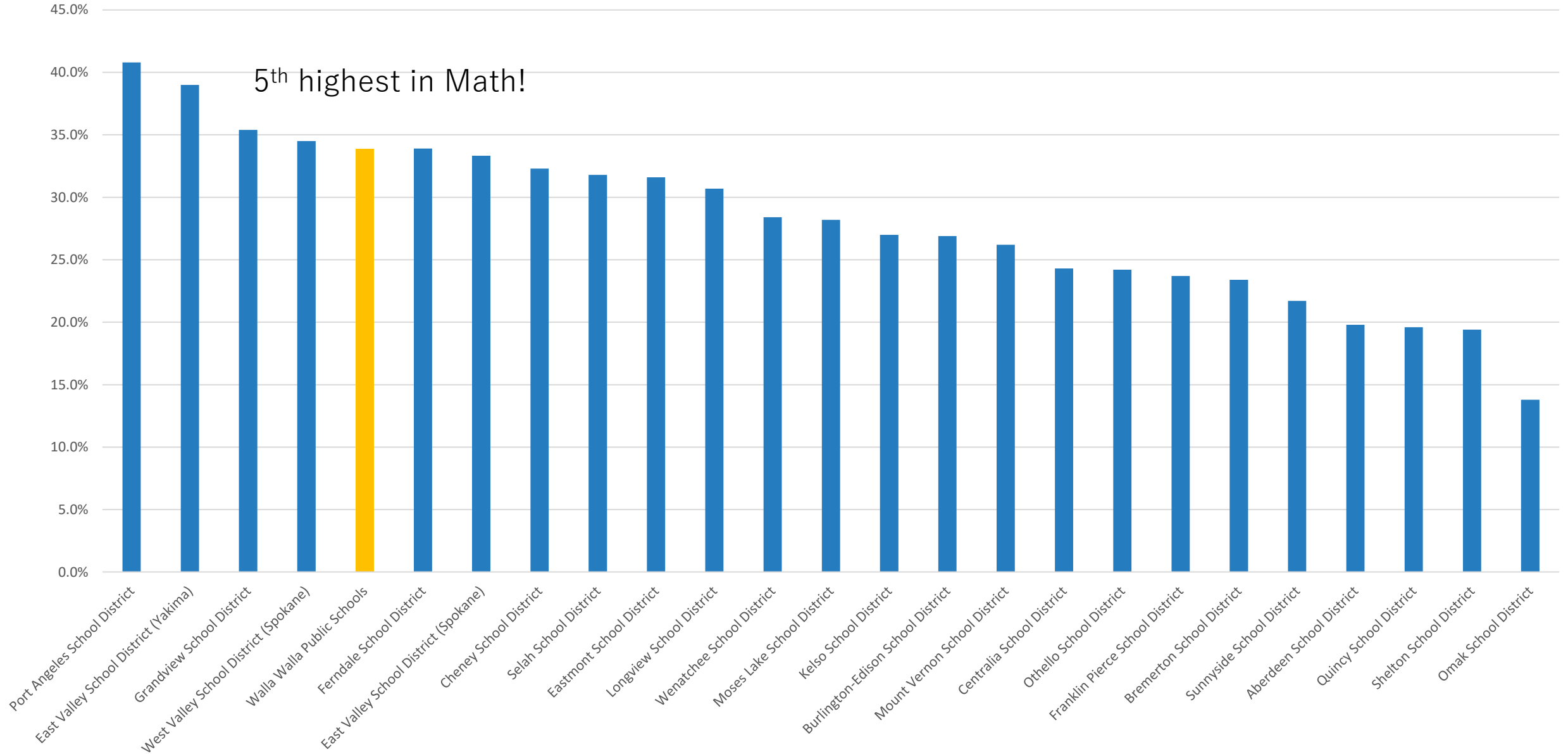
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How Does our Performance Compare to Districts of Similar Demographics?

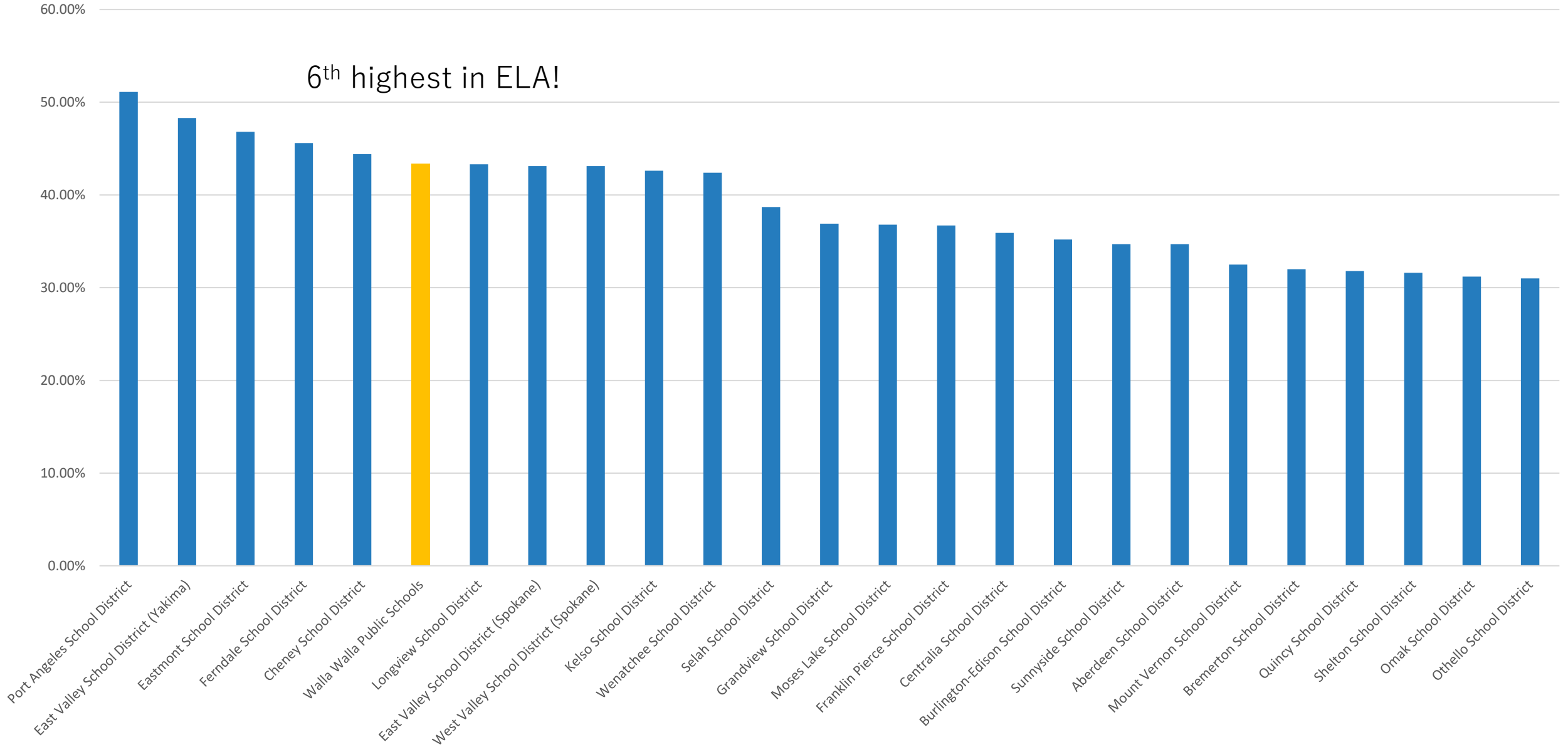


Math Scores: Comparison Districts



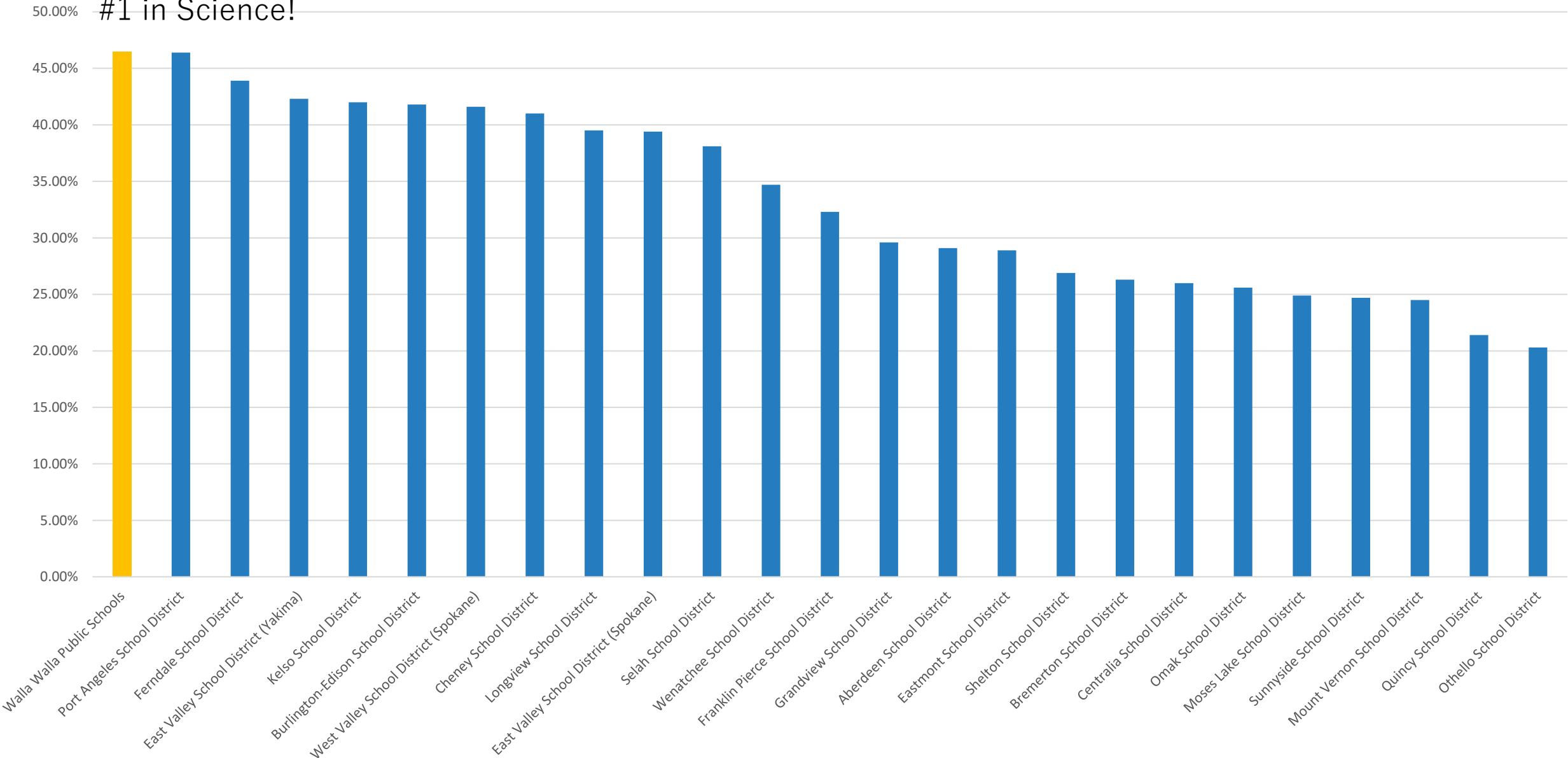
English Language Arts (ELA) Scores: Comparable Districts

6th highest in ELA!



Science Scores: Comparable Districts

#1 in Science!



Perception vs Reality

- School districts are a tax burden on the community
- Facilities are only for school activities



Quantifiable Data



- Contracted with ECOnorthwest in 2013-14
- Answer 3 questions:
 - What economic impact do school events have on the local economy?
 - What is the economic impact from the district hosting outside events?
 - How many jobs created/ supported by facility usage?



EcoNW Data

Studied events held/hosted during the 2013-14 school year

- During the 2013-14 school year, the District hosted 436 events with a total of 192,661 attendee days.
 - 372 events were the District's internal events
 - 64 were hosted for outside groups at District facilities

Event Type	Number	Total Attendee Days
District Events		
Football	27	18,635
Volleyball	60	11,188
Basketball	153	52,924
Wrestling	15	5,855
Tennis	27	2,216
Baseball	24	3,954
Softball	16	2,888
Soccer	27	5,099
Other Sports	21	14,803
Other District, Non-sport	2	3,475
Subtotal	372	121,037
Non-District Events	64	71,624
Grand Total	436	192,661

EcoNW Results

- Visitors to the Hermiston area spent an average of \$60.48 per day

**\$79.24 per day in current values adjusted for inflation*

Table 2: Average Daily Visitor Spending, by Commodity

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Average</u>
Accommodations	\$12.52
Food Service	15.90
Food Stores	5.81
Local Transportation & Gas	8.11
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	10.67
Retail Sales	7.48
Total	\$60.48

EcoNW Results (cont'd)

District-related vs. community-related events

- Internal Events - net impact = \$2.57M
- External Hosted Events - net impact = \$3.25M
- 9 yr. projections:
Internal = \$34.75M
Hosted = \$43.85M

Economic Impacts of Visitor Spending in 2013–2014

Spending Round	Output	Labor Income	Jobs
First	\$5,826,371	\$1,470,662	64
Subsequent	\$1,525,160	\$493,909	14
Total	\$7,351,531	\$1,964,571	78

Source: ECONorthwest. 2013 dollars.

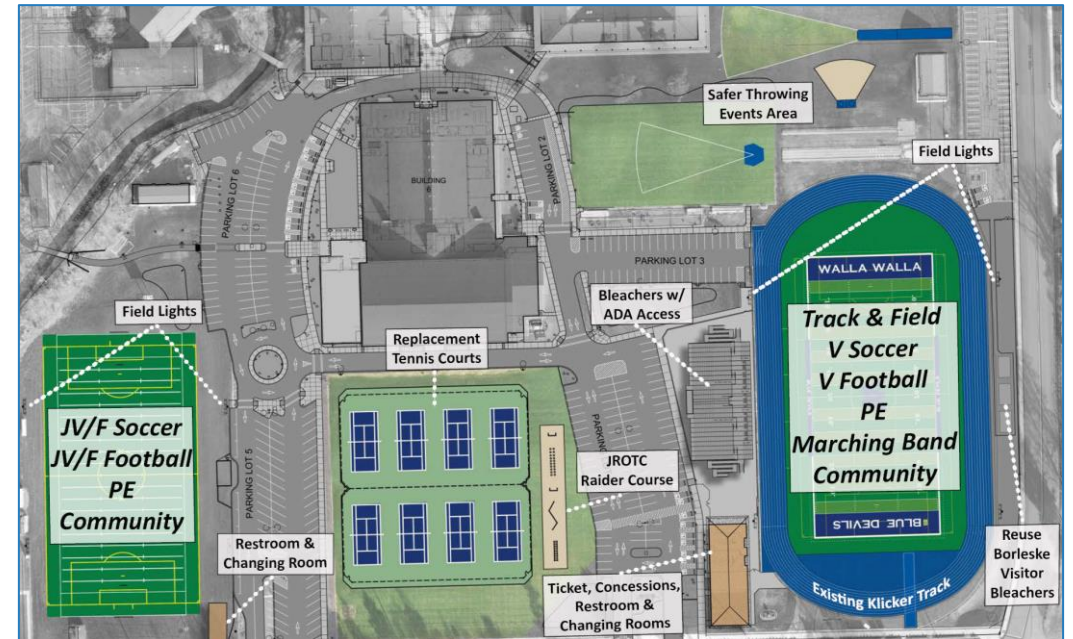
CY 2023 Walla Walla Events

- WW Sweets VB Tournaments (3), Walla2 Hoops AAU Tournament, WW Griz and Bruins Baseball Tournaments, Softball Tournament
 - 211 teams hosted in WW
 - Estimated 7,900 visitors
 - \$626K economic impact



Proposed Capital Improvements as Economic Driver

- Tennis courts
 - Ability to attract district and state tennis
- Baseball/softball lights
 - Ability to attract regional and state-level events
- Multi-sport complex
 - Ability to attract regional and state-level soccer, football, track and field, marching band and lacrosse events
- Based on ECONW findings
 - Additional ~\$1.5M annual increase in local economic output and labor income



2024 LEVY MEASURES

STRONG

INVESTING IN
THE SUCCESS
OF OUR
STUDENTS

LEVIES
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ALL
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SCHOOLS | FAMILIES | FUTURE

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LEVY 1

REPLACEMENT
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS &
OPERATIONS "LEARNING LEVY"



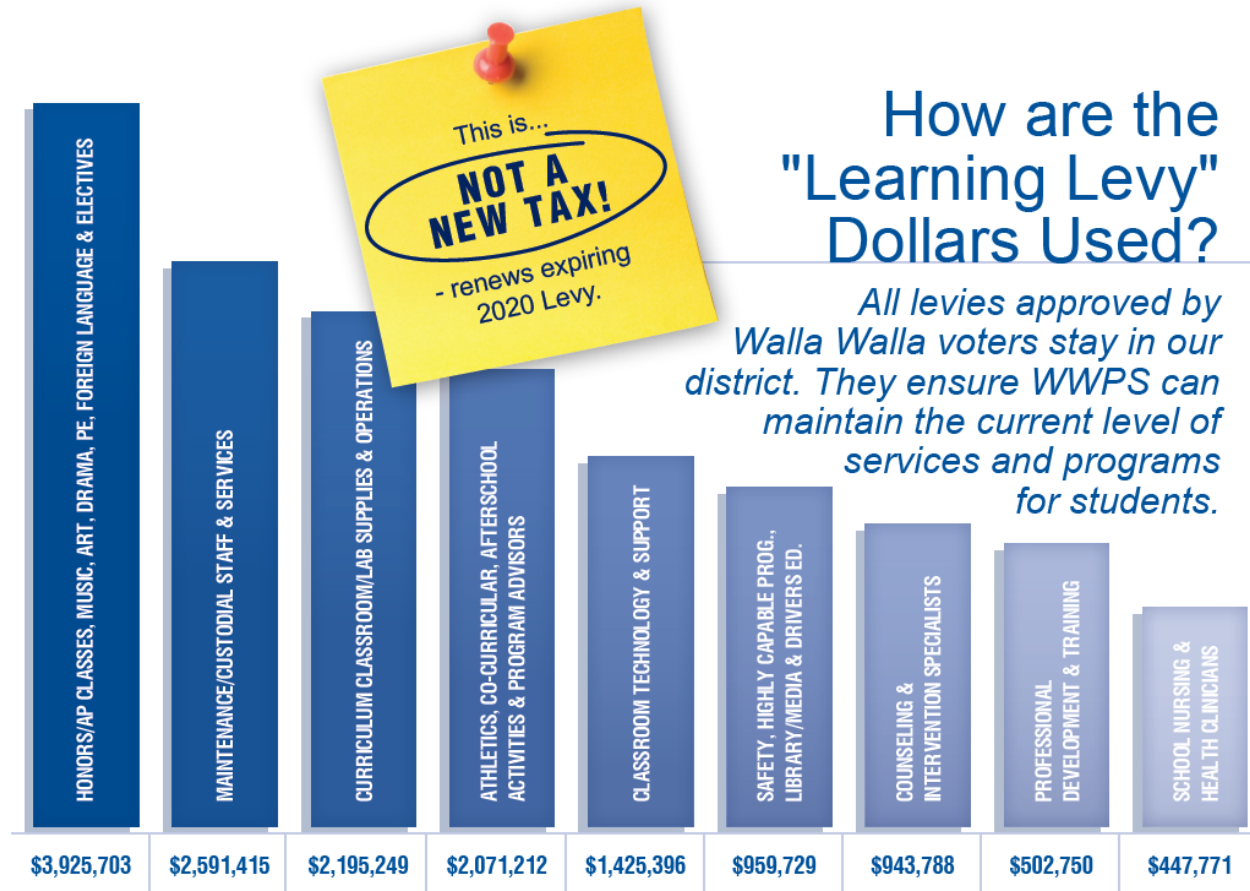
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LEVY 2

OUTDOOR ATHLETIC
& ACTIVITY FACILITIES
CAPITAL LEVY



REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & OPERATIONS "LEARNING LEVY"



50+ YEARS OF LEVY SUPPORT

DATE	% YES	DATE	% YES	DATE	% YES
2020	73%	1994	75%	1979	75%
2016	67%	1992	74%	1978	77%
2012	64%	1990	73%	1977	77%
2008	55%	1988	72%	1976	69%
2004	67%	1986	76%	1975	76%
2002	70%	1984	83%	1974	72%
2000	67%	1983	78%	1973	77%
1998	66%	1982	77%	1972	63%
1996	65%	1981	77%	1971	68%
		1980	74%		

LEVIES BENEFIT ALL STUDENTS





**OUTDOOR ATHLETIC
& ACTIVITY FACILITIES
CAPITAL LEVY**



Outdoor Athletic & Activity Facilities Committee Membership

Don Davis (Chair)
Andy Coleman (Vice-Chair)

Doug Hayes	Mark Thompson
Scott Shields	Mike Monahan
Julio Tapia	Phil Shivell
Stephenie Bowen	Scott Krivoshein
Lawson Knight	Stacy Bergevin
Dewight Hall	Tim Wooster
Denise Isenhower	Jaime Tiscareno
Kelly Belcher	Colby Burke
Robert King	

Dean Lodmell, Volunteer Consultant

Multi-Purpose Facility

SCHOOL	STADIUM LOCATIONS	BOND/LEVY FUNDED	LIGHTS	ARTIFICIAL TURF	BLEACHER CAPACITY	RESTROOMS	LOCKER ROOMS	CONCESSIONS
Hanford	High School + Fran Rish	✓	✓	✓	2,200	✓	✓	✓
Richland	Fran Rish	✓	✓	✓	9,000	✓	✓	✓
Kamiakin	High School + Lampson	✓	✓	✓	2,500	✓	✓	✓
Kennewick	High School + Lampson	✓	✓	✓	7,000	✓	✓	✓
Southridge	High School + Lampson	✓	✓	✓	7,000	✓	✓	✓
Pasco	Edgar Brown	✓	✓	✓	5,300	✓	✓	✓
Chiawana	High School + Edgar Brown	✓	✓	✓	5,300	✓	✓	✓
Hermiston	High School	Grant/Prvt Funds	✓	✓	2,500	✓	✓	✓
Walla Walla	Borleske (off-campus rental)	\$100K/yr op fee	✓	✗	2,000	✓	✗	✓

Baseball/Softball Facilities

SCHOOL	BASEBALL LIGHTS	SOFTBALL LIGHTS
Hanford	✓	✓
Richland	✓	✓
Kamiakin	✓	✓
Kennewick	✓	✓
Southridge	✓	✓
Pasco	✓	✓
Chiawana	✓	✓
Hermiston	✓	✓
Walla Walla	✗	✗

Track Facilities

SCHOOL	BOND/LEVY FUNDED	LIGHTS	SPECTATOR SEATING	RESTROOMS	ANNOUNCING/TIMING BOOTH
Hanford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Richland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kamiakin	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kennewick	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Southridge	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pasco	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chiawana	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hermiston	Grant/Private Funds	✓	✓	✓	✓
Walla Walla	Private Funds + District Basic Ed Funds	✗	✗	✗	✗

Soccer Facilities

SCHOOL	ARTIFICIAL TURF COMPETITION FIELDS	BOND/LEVY FUNDED	LIGHTS
Hanford	✓	✓	✓
Richland	✓	✓	✓
Kamiakin	✓ (2 Turf Fields)	✓	✓
Kennewick	✓ (2 Turf Fields)	✓	✓
Southridge	✓	✓	✓
Pasco	✓	✓	✓
Chiawana	✓ (2 Turf Fields)	✓	✓
Hermiston	✓	✓	✓
Walla Walla	✗	✗	✗

Tennis Facilities

SCHOOL	NUMBER OF COURTS	BOND/LEVY FUNDED	LIGHTS	BLEACHERS
Hanford	8	✓	✓	✓
Richland	8	✓		✓
Kamiakin	8	✓		✓
Kennewick	8	✓		
Southridge	8	✓	✓	✓
Pasco	8	✓	✓	✓
Chiawana	8	✓	✓	✓
Hermiston	4	✓	✓	✓
Walla Walla	5	✗	✗	✗



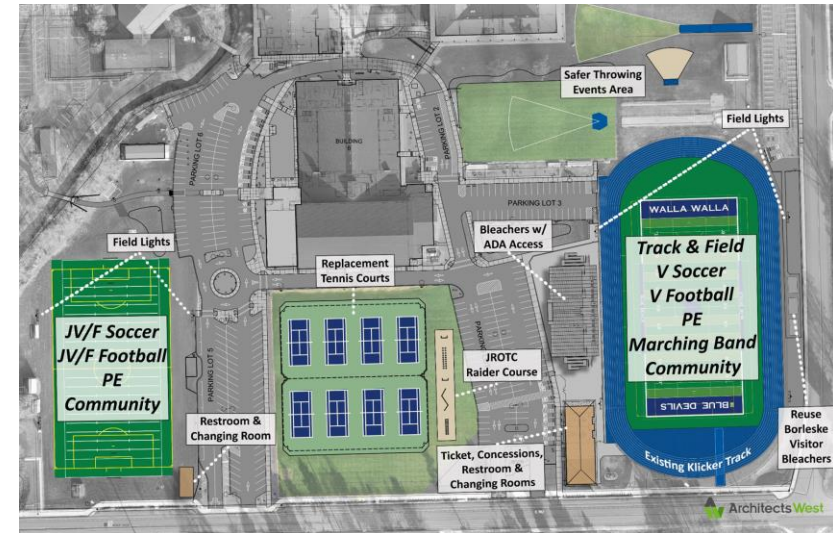


OUTDOOR ATHLETIC
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CAPITAL LEVY



What Will it Include?

- ✓ Install an all-weather track at Pioneer MS for athlete, school and community use
- ✓ Repair the 43-year-old Garrison tennis courts (Chubb Courts) and resurface the 20-year-old track
- ✓ Replace the 60-year-old tennis courts at Wa-Hi
- ✓ Consistent with all league schools, install high quality artificial turf playing surfaces and field lighting (low spill/low glare) in order to maximize utilization, participation and post-season play at both the Klicker and Hayner Park fields at Wa-Hi
- ✓ Install outdoor lighting (low spill/low glare) at the varsity baseball and softball fields in order to minimize instructional loss and maximize family attendance
- ✓ Install elevated bleachers with ADA access at the Klicker Track and Field site for soccer, football and track and field spectators
- ✓ Provide adequate access to restrooms and changing rooms
- ✓ Construct a JROTC "Raider Obstacle Course" for student, first responder and community use



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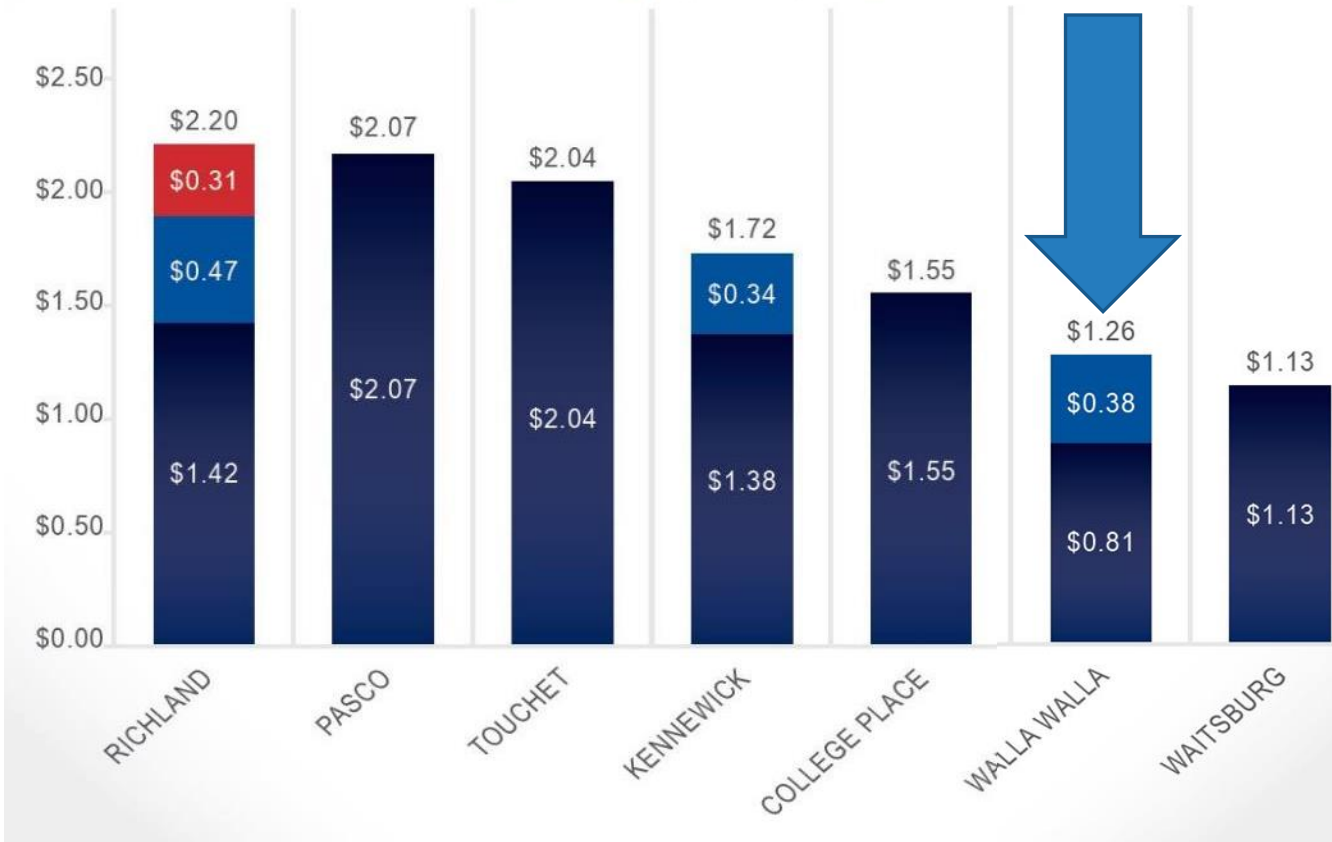


What Will it Cost?

\$3/month
for every
\$100,000
Assessed
Value

Projected 2025 Local Bond and Capital Levy Tax Rates

■ Bond ■ Capital Levy 1 ■ Capital Levy 2



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LEVY 1

THE REPLACEMENT "LEARNING LEVY" WILL CONTINUE TO FUND:

- Arts Programs
- Band, Choir & Orchestra Programs
- Honors & Advanced Placement Classes
- Theater/Drama
- Foreign Language Programs
- School Nursing/Health Services
- Explorers & Highly Capable Program
- Athletics, Activities and Clubs
- Drivers Education
- Counseling & Intervention Specialists
- Facilities Maintenance & Custodial Staff
- School Safety
- Classroom Technology & IT Staff
- Physical Education
- Educational Assistants/Para Educators
- Library & Media Services
- Staff Professional Development & Training
- Curriculum and Classroom/Lab Supplies & Materials



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REMEMBER TO VOTE
FEBRUARY 13, 2024



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LEVY 2

THE OUTDOOR ATHLETIC & ACTIVITY FACILITIES CAPITAL WILL FUND:

- Replacing the 60-year-old tennis courts at Wa-Hi
- Installing an all-weather track at Pioneer MS for school and community use
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- ✓ **95% of Walla Walla Public Schools students are graduating on time!**
- ✓ **More WWPS students are attending post-secondary schooling after graduation than the state!**
- ✓ **A higher percentage of Walla Walla students are persisting at 4 year, 2 year and trade schools than the state!**
- ✓ **And a higher percentage of WWPS students end up completing their 4 year, 2 year and trade degrees than the state!**