

2011-12 Kennewick School District Levy Information

***Levies Support Activities and Programs at Our School:**

Basic education needs aren't fully funded by the state, nor are programs and activities. Local districts must make up the difference through school levies. Levy dollars make up about 20% of the Kennewick School District budget and help pay for things like music, art, athletics, transportation, and services for special needs students. Teachers, nurses, librarians, cooks, security personnel, para-educators, and many other staff positions also rely on levy dollars.

State funding reductions over the past three years to K-12 education have resulted in Kennewick School District losing close to \$8.5 million dollars in state revenue. Actual state revenues continue to come in below projections meaning more funding reductions to education are likely. Programs, activities, and jobs are more vulnerable than ever in our district. Take time to educate yourself about how school levies affect our students and staff. Information is available on the KSD website at www.ksd.org.