



Portland Public Schools bond measure: Increased safety, updated classrooms

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All 85 PPS school buildings – and those housing PPS special education and alternative programs – would receive updates under Measure 26-121 on the May 17 ballot. Almost 47,000 students attend PPS. Most the school district’s buildings, which average 65 years old, have never been updated.

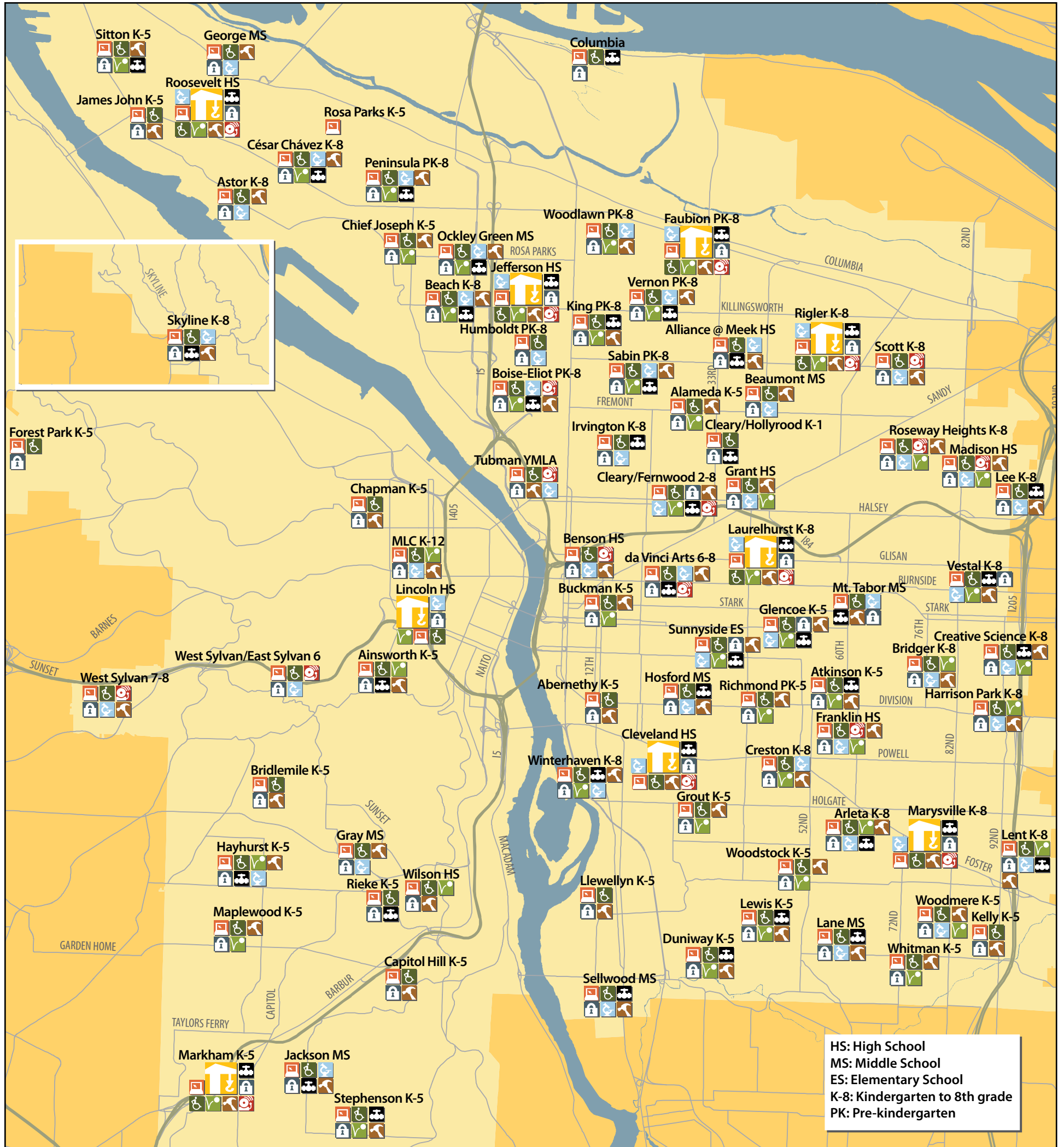
Priorities include:




Increased safety – Including security, fire, earthquake safety.




Safer and more efficient schools – Including roofing, heating upgrades, accessibility, and field and grounds updates.




Up-to-date learning – Including classroom and library updates, teaching technology and science labs.

The school facilities bond would pay for \$548 million in updates over six years. It would cost an estimated \$2 per \$1,000 of taxable assessed property value, or \$300 a year for the median homeowner.



-  **FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY**
 - ▶ Updated fire alarm systems
 - ▶ Seismic safety upgrades
-  **SAFETY AND STRUCTURAL**
 - ▶ Roof repair, replacement
 - ▶ Stage area rigging and lights inspected, replaced for safety
 - ▶ Upgrades to lighting, walkways and landscaping
-  **ACCESS**
 - ▶ Increased access for children and adults with disabilities

-  **SECURITY**
 - ▶ New keycard access systems at all schools
 - ▶ Video security at rebuilt schools
-  **CLEANER, MORE EFFICIENT HEAT**
 - ▶ Oil-burning boilers converted to natural gas to save custodial time and cut utility bills
-  **CLASSROOMS AND LABS**
 - ▶ Up-to-date, fully equipped science labs
 - ▶ High school classroom updates

-  **PE AND PLAY**
 - ▶ Covered play areas and new play structures
 - ▶ Updated athletic fields
-  **MOBILE TEACHING TECHNOLOGY**
 - ▶ Interactive unit for schoolwide use
-  **REBUILD/REDESIGN**
 - ▶ Nine schools rebuilt
 - ▶ Design and permitting for Lincoln High School