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To: Board of Education

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**Subject**: Key dates for PPS November levy renewal

At the April 9, 2019 Board work session, Chair Moore and Director Bailey plan to discuss the Legislative and Intergovernmental Committee's recent conversations and actions related to the possible renewal of the 2014 operating levy. To assist in this discussion, we offer a list of key dates for the Board's consideration.

Working backwards from the November 5, 2019, general election, the PPS Board of Education would need to file the official ballot title with the Multnomah County Elections Division by September 5, which would require that the Board vote to place the levy on the ballot by no later than August 28. In order to accommodate these dates, staff proposes that the following actions and activities occur.

By April 30: Board establishes Political Action Committee and secures

consultant

April through August: Board and staff provide information and conduct outreach related

to the levy to key K-12 stakeholders, including PTAs, local school foundations and parent advisory groups and the general public

By June 1: Communications plan is finalized

By August 28: Board holds work session(s) and public hearing(s); votes on

whether to refer levy to November ballot

By September 5: If approved, Board submits ballot title to Multnomah County

Elections. (If filed, staff work on measure effectively ceases.)

November 5: General election is held