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Official Bond Statements

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PPS Superintendent Dr. Kimberlee Armstrong

“We are incredibly grateful to the Portland community for once again standing with our students and saying yes to the future of public education. The passage of the 2025 school bond reflects a shared belief that every child deserves to learn in a school that is safe, modern, and designed for success.

This bond allows us to move forward with modernizing Jefferson, Cleveland, and Ida B. Wells-Barnett High Schools, while also delivering critical upgrades across campuses, from safety improvements to new roofs, climate systems, and classroom updates. These investments directly support student success by creating environments where students and educators can focus, connect, and thrive.

We thank Portland voters for your continued trust, and for rising with us to build a legacy of safe, modern schools through the power of community partnership. This moment reflects what’s possible when we work together for our children.”

PPS Board Chair Eddie Wang

We deeply appreciate Portland voters for believing in our students and placing their trust in this board. By passing this bond, our community has reinforced its commitment to public education and to creating safe, modern, and inspiring spaces where every student can thrive.

As a board, we take this responsibility seriously. The path forward demands focus, discipline, and authentic collaboration. We will lead with transparency, and keep our community at the center of every

decision to ensure these investments deliver lasting results. This vote plants the seeds of a stronger, more equitable future for Portland’s children. With your support, we’re able to improve buildings and build the scaffolding for generational opportunity, where every student can rise, thrive, and leave their own mark on this city.

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About Portland Public Schools

Portland Public Schools, founded in 1851, is Oregon’s largest PK-12 school district, preparing students to “lead change, and improve the world.” With more than 47,000 students in 81 schools, PPS strives to ensure academic excellence and personal success for every student, especially our Black, Native American, students of color and/or with disabilities. Central to this goal is affirming and operationalizing our deeply held community value of racial equity, social justice and inclusion. Learn more at pps.net.
