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Chris Reykdal, Superintendent

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The Honorable Jay Inslee  
Governor of Washington  
PO Box 40002  
Olympia, WA 98504-0002

Dear Governor Inslee:

I am pleased to submit my 2022 Supplemental K–12 Capital Budget proposal. Providing our students with a well-rounded, high-quality education is not possible without safe and effective classrooms and support space for learning.

All of Washington’s learners should have the opportunity to attend school in a facility that is healthy and safe, and provides an environment for the best educational outcomes for every child, regardless of a school district's ability or inability to raise capital project funds. I believe this budget proposal is essential for achieving our goal that every student has access to school buildings and facilities that provide a safe and adequate space to learn and grow.

My Supplemental Capital Budget proposal is focused on improving immediate health and safety concerns, as well as addressing longstanding facility concerns. The key priorities included in my Capital Budget request are:

- Continued funding for the School Seismic Safety Retrofit Program to complete the seismic retrofits that were funded in the 2020 Supplemental Capital Budget.
- New funding for the 44-year-old West Sound Technical Skills Center’s main building modernization and addition project.

In addition to modernizing our K–12 facilities, this proposal can aid in Washington’s recovery from the economic fallout caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Capital construction projects have the potential to create a variety of jobs, including high-paying jobs in the construction, trades, and engineering fields.

Thank you for your continued commitment to ensuring that all of our students, regardless of their zip code or their district’s ability to pass a bond or levy, have the opportunity to learn in safe, effective, and comfortable spaces.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris P.S. Reykdal".

Chris Reykdal  
Superintendent of  
Public Instruction