

# ASWWU Government Official Referendum Proposal

**Referendum Title: Student Technology Fee Renewal: ASWWU-SP26-REF3**

**Official Final Draft Referendum Information Packet**

**Note: all information below is exactly as submitted in final draft by referendum sponsor and support program staff.**

1) Official Ballot Question:

Shall Western Washington University renew the current Student Technology Fee (STF) of \$35 per academic quarter (neither increasing nor decreasing) for each student taking 6 or more credits; and, \$17.50 per academic quarter for each student taking 1-5 credits?

If this referendum does not pass with the required voting thresholds as outlined in the current ASWWU Elections Code, the Student Technology Fee will expire at the end of Summer 2027.

If passed, the updated fee will expire after Summer 2030 without an additional vote of ASWWU membership to renew the fee.

2) Official Referendum Statement of Support (250 words or less):

The maximum fee can be increased or decreased only with a vote from the student body.

The mission of the [Student Technology Fee](#) is to provide Western students with adequate and innovative technology experiences by:

- Broadening/enhancing the quality of the academic experience,
- Providing additional student access to technology, and
- Increasing the integration of technology into the curriculum.

3) Official Supporting Documentation (additional details)

The STF was created in 1995 by the Associated Students Board. The Fee has been renewed every four to five years since its inception by a vote of the students. The fee is managed closely and has never increased. In recent years, the fee has been used to support the following areas:

- [Student Computer Labs](#),
- [Wireless and Networking](#),
- [Printing Quotas](#),
- [The Student Technology Center](#),
- [The Digital Media Center](#),
- [Information Security](#), and
- [Technology Initiatives](#) through one-time grants across all areas of Western's curriculum.

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## 4) Official Fiscal Note (required for any student-voted Fee referendum)

- FY 2025 – FSSTFU – Fund 23312  
Revenue: \$1,051,143  
Expenses: \$624,150
- FY 2024 – FSSTFT – Fund 23344  
Revenue: \$1,048,747  
Expenses: \$789,803
- FY 2023 – FSSTFS – Fund 23343  
Revenue: \$1,052,800  
Expenses: \$1,000,513

## 5) If the referendum is proposing a student fee, what will the fee oversight structure be?

Existing fee with no increase requested. Current fee oversight structure can be found [here](#).