

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MAUSTON

# REFERENDUM FACTS



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The School District of Mauston Board of Education unanimously approved a \$54.8 million referendum question for the November 3 ballot. The District considered pausing facilities planning in light of the current situation, but the educational and maintenance needs remain. We believe it's a good time to move forward with improvements that will benefit our students and the community for decades to come. The referendum plan is for:



**Safety, Security, and Traffic Flow**



**Building Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements**



**Educational Environment Improvements**



**Financial Window of Opportunity**

## Plan-at-a Glance

- Improving site safety, traffic flow, and site drainage at the main campus
- Priority capital maintenance at Lyndon Station Elementary
- Building a new elementary school to replace West Side, including the Mauston Montessori School
- Addition, remodeling, and capital maintenance at Grayside Elementary School
- Priority capital maintenance and updates at Olson Middle School
- Updating the technical education classrooms, renovation/expansion of iLead Charter classrooms, and capital maintenance at Mauston High School

## Survey Says

### 2020 Community Survey Results

# 60%

of all resident respondents supported the District pursuing a referendum solution at this time.

# 55%

of all resident respondents supported a referendum solution of up to \$54.8 million.

## Tax Impact

The proposed \$54.8 million referendum has an estimated mill rate increase of up to \$0.09, or \$9.00 per \$100,000 of equalized property value.

Beginning in the 2021-22 school year, the debt portion of the school property tax bill will drop. The reduction in the loan payment allows the community to make a significant investment in Mauston schools with a minimal tax impact.

PROPERTY VALUE	PER YR	PER MO
\$100,000	\$9.00	\$0.75
\$200,000	\$18.00	\$1.50
\$300,000	\$27.00	\$2.25

Multi-phased borrowings amortized over 20 years at planning interest rates of 4.00-4.25%. Tertiary Aid Impact: 21.20%. (Oct. 15 Cert.) Mill rate based on 2019 Equalized Valuation (TID-OUT) of \$762,586,391 with annual growth of 2.00% in the first four years and 1.00% thereafter. Estimates provided by Robert W. Baird.



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VOTE NOVEMBER 3



# Proposed Plan



## SITE IMPROVEMENTS

- ① Improve site drainage and traffic flow for safety
- ② Improve practice fields
- ③ Relocate varsity and junior varsity baseball fields due to construction of new elementary
- ④ Upgrade playground areas and equipment

## LYNDON STATION ELEMENTARY

- ⑤ Capital maintenance improvements

## NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- ⑥ Build new elementary school (Grades 4K, K, 1-2, and Montessori) to replace West Side Elementary

## GRAYSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- ⑦ Classroom addition with collaborative learning spaces
- ⑧ Reconfigure existing classrooms to provide greater learning opportunities and collaborative environments
- ⑨ Expand library and upgrade Makerspace
- ⑩ Expand cafeteria serving area to increase kitchen space and improve service flow

## OLSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

- ⑪ Upgrade restrooms for accessibility
- ⑫ Upgrade equipment and finishes in auditorium

## MAUSTON HIGH SCHOOL

- ⑬ Addition for technical education, agriculture, art, fabrication lab, and greenhouse
- ⑭ Renovate main office with secure entrance
- ⑮ Renovate existing spaces to expand iLEAD Charter School

\*Note: Capital maintenance items to be addressed at existing schools.



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## REFERENDUM INFORMATION SESSIONS

Please join us for an upcoming information session to learn about the referendum and to get your questions answered. Information sessions will be held outdoors with social distancing practices.

*We are actively monitoring the pandemic in our area, and meetings may change due to health conditions and weather. Please check the District's website and Facebook page for updates, or call the District Office at (608) 847-5451.*

**SEPTEMBER 30**  
4:00-6:00 P.M.

West Side  
Elementary

**OCTOBER 3**  
10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Mauston  
High School

**OCTOBER 14**  
4:00-6:00 P.M.

Lyndon Station  
Elementary

