

POTTERVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOND PROPOSAL IMPROVEMENTS

Election Day: Tuesday, August 3, 2021



SCHOOL BOND PROPOSAL

Our community will have the opportunity to vote on a Potterville Public Schools bond proposal on the August 3, 2021 election ballot.

If approved, it would provide \$28,000,000 for building and site improvements to address identified and ongoing facility needs based on facility assessments and community input.

WHAT IS A BOND PROPOSAL & HOW CAN FUNDS FROM A BOND BE SPENT?

A bond proposal is how a public school district asks its community for authorization to borrow money to pay for capital expenditures.

Voter-approved bond funds can be spent on new construction, additions, remodeling, site improvements, athletic facilities, playgrounds, buses, furnishings, and equipment. Funds raised through the sale of bonds cannot be used on operational expenses such as employee salaries and benefits, school supplies, and textbooks.

Bond funds must be kept separate from operating funds and must be audited by an independent auditing firm.

KEY FINANCIAL POINTS

The District is proposing to continue updating the infrastructure by providing improvements to aging building systems. While the schools have been well-maintained, some building systems are beyond their anticipated lifecycle and should be replaced. If approved, this bond proposal would fund improvements to make our schools more energy efficient and extend their useful lives.

If approved by voters, the District would decrease the sinking fund rate by 2.45 and it is estimated that in 2022 the bond millage would increase by 2.45 mills, which would have a **net tax impact of 0 mills**, meaning the total tax rate would not increase.

Estimated Capital Millage Rate Difference Chart	2021 Millage Rate (Existing)	2022 Millage Rate (Proposed)	Net Difference
Proposed bonds	-	2.45	2.45
Existing bonds	7.65	7.65	0.00
Sinking funds	4.48	2.03	-2.45
Total capital millage	12.13	12.13	0.00
Annual net tax impact to property owners			\$0.00

VOTING INFORMATION

Polls are open: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Poll locations: Voters may cast a ballot at the polling location established by their city/township



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FOR MORE INFORMATION

For an overview of the bond proposal, please visit the District website. Conceptual building and site graphics will be on display at each school and online at www.ppsvikings.org.

A public information forum will be held on June 24 at 6:00 P.M. See District website for details.

If you have questions, contact Kevin Robydek, Superintendent, at (517) 645-4705 or robydekk@ppsvikings.org



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Elementary School

- Constructing an early childhood center addition with multiple classrooms. Adding the early childhood programs to the Elementary School would allow the district to share educational resources and staff, and would serve infants, toddlers and preschoolers in the same building where they would later attend kindergarten
- Early childhood center spaces would be designed to support the educational and related developmental needs of our earliest learners
- Demolition of existing childcare building, originally built in 1954
- Playground improvements at early childhood and elementary school
- Upgrading classroom furniture and equipment
- Replacing selective flooring, ceilings, casework, and doors, as needed
- Replacing aged gymnasium equipment
- Replacing interior lighting, fire alarm system, and Building Management System and new access controls to improve energy efficiency



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Middle School / High School

- Constructing an auxiliary gym as an addition to the High School to serve as a multi-use facility to serve our fine arts programs and athletics
- Remodeling the athletic entrance to improve the safety and function, and add a Viking Hall of Fame
- Upgrading selective furniture and equipment
- Converting classroom to conference room and central office support space
- Roofing improvements
- Replacing selective flooring and ceilings, as needed
- Replacing interior lighting, fire alarm system, and Building Management System and new access controls to improve energy efficiency

Campus / Athletics

- After demolishing the existing childcare building, the site would be restored to create a new multi-purpose athletic field for band practice, PE classes, and community athletic use
- Improving pedestrian and vehicular safety by reconfiguring drives and campus parking lots
- New LED site lighting
- New stadium entrance plaza and ticket booths to enhance safety for school events







