

# FACT SHEET



MONONA GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BUILDING TOGETHER. FORWARD TOGETHER.**

After years of extensive planning, committee work, and community input, the Board of Education has approved a long-term facilities plan to address enrollment growth, improve safety and security, as well as perform high-priority maintenance and repairs. *The November 6, 2018 referendum will address two questions:*



## WHAT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT?

### QUESTION 1: \$57 million for new and renovated facilities

- Construct a new elementary school for grades 3 – 5 on District-owned land in Cottage Grove. The school will be designed for potential future expansion.
- Improve safety and security across the District
- Address critical maintenance and repairs across the District
- Update various classrooms and learning spaces
- Reconstruct the high school track and athletic field

### QUESTION 2: \$930,000/year to operate the new elementary school

Voter approval of both questions would increase the school tax rate by an estimated \$75 for every \$100,000 of fair market property valuation.

**Why is the District proposing this plan?** The District began long-range facilities planning in 2015 to address several key challenges facing our schools:



**Growth:** The District has grown by more than 525 students over the last 10 years and is projected to grow by another 700 students over the next decade.



**Safety & Security:** There are opportunities to make our schools even safer, including the construction of controlled, more secure main entrances at Winnequah School and MG21.



**Maintenance:** The District is facing \$14.8 million in deferred maintenance and repairs.

## DETAILS OF QUESTION 1

### New Elementary School: \$33.5 million

- Grades 3-5, 9 sections per grade
- Gym, cafeteria and other core spaces sized to accommodate potential future classroom addition

### Taylor Prairie School: \$1.1 million

- Renovate restrooms
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including roof repairs
- Install air conditioning in the gym

### Cottage Grove School: \$4.4 million

- Construct entry canopy
- Renovate core classrooms
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including roof repair and boiler replacement

### Winnequah School: \$10.1 million

- Construct a more secure entry
- Renovate learning spaces, including science lab and library
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including window replacement, roof repair, HVAC, and plumbing

### Glacial Drumlin School: \$1 million

- Reconfigure cafeteria and serving area
- Renovate classrooms to accommodate fitness classroom
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including HVAC

### Monona Grove High School: \$3.7 million

- Renovate fitness room and media lab
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including roof repairs and boiler replacement

### MG21: \$1.7 million

- Renovate main entrance to create a more secure entry
- Perform maintenance and repairs, including roof, HVAC, and plumbing

### Athletics: \$1.5 million

- Reconstruct the high school track
- Install artificial turf at the high school stadium

Costs are preliminary estimates per school. Project list is abbreviated.





# 2018 Facilities Referendum Fact Sheet



## FACILITIES PLANNING TIMELINE

### 2015

- Enrollment growth study
- Facilities study
- Long Range Facilities Planning Committee recommendations

### 2017

- Enrollment growth study updated
- Facilities Advisory Committee formed

### 2018

- Community updates
- Community-wide survey
- Final Facilities Advisory Committee recommendations
- Board of Education authorizes referendum



## LEARN MORE AT A REFERENDUM OPEN HOUSE

October 8 | 6:00-7:30pm  
 Winnequah School  
 800 Greenway Road  
 Monona, WI

October 9 | 6:00-7:30pm  
 Cottage Grove School  
 470 North Main Street  
 Cottage Grove, WI

## How much will the plan cost taxpayers?

Approval of both referendum questions would increase the District's total tax rate over the existing level by an estimated \$75 per \$100,000 of fair market property valuation.

ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT Over Current Rate	QUESTION 1 \$57 million (\$0.29 per \$1,000 of fair market property valuation)		QUESTION 2 \$930,000/year (\$0.46 per \$1,000 of fair market property valuation)	
	Per Year	Per Month	Per Year	Per Month
\$100,000 of fair market property valuation	\$29	\$2.42	\$46	\$3.83
\$200,000 of fair market property valuation	\$58	\$4.83	\$92	\$7.67
\$300,000 of fair market property valuation	\$87	\$7.25	\$138	\$11.50

*Projections provided by District Financial Advisor, PMA Securities, Inc. They are based on conservative growth and interest rate assumptions.*

## Current Enrollment and Projections

In the next five years, Taylor Prairie, Cottage Grove, and Glacial Drumlin Schools are projected to be over capacity.

Projected growth of over 700 students over next 10 years

