



# Building Our RE

# **VOTE APRIL 3**



#### **BUILDING OUR FUTURE**

- ✓ To address all of the needs identified in the 2015 facility audit could exceed \$180 million.
- We listened to feedback from the community through the facility survey.
- We are committed to making decisions that strengthen our community through our schools, our students, and our staff.
- Our learning and teaching looks different today. We are committed to preparing students for success in post-secondary education and careers, having the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors necessary to achieve their personal goals and contribute to the common good.

#### **GROWTH**

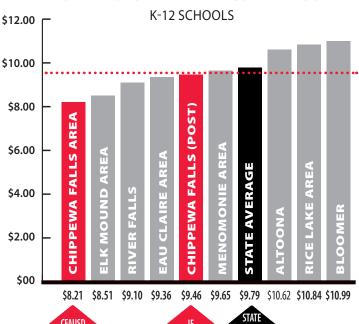
Voters are being asked to support a \$65 million referendum to fund the following three projects:

- Build a new three-section Stillson Elementary School in Lafayette.
- Complete an addition and repair/betterment at the Chippewa Falls Middle School. This will include:
  - remove classroom partitions
  - build permanent walls and doors
  - construct 9.5 classrooms
  - repair and update HVAC, plumbing, and electrical
- Addition to the Chippewa Falls Senior High School. This will include:
  - construct a 6-lab wing to include STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)
  - develop/build a flexible collaboration area
  - repair and update HVAC, plumbing, and electrical

#### **QUICK FACTS**

- Our District spending ranks 396th out of the 424 Districts in Wisconsin. Our District spends \$1,441 less per child than the state average. If funding generated dollars comparable to the state average for spending, our school district would have received an additional \$7.4 million in the 2015-2016 school year alone.
- We have experienced steady growth combined with aging facilities.
- We have been debt-free since 2010.
- Our community last approved a referendum in 2000.
- Our District is the 32nd largest K-12 public education system in the state of Wisconsin.

#### 2017 - 2018 MILL RATE COMPARISON











70% of residents favored going to a referendum



Residents support a referendum cost of \$65 million



Residents prioritized **3 Projects:** Replace Stillson Elementary; Significant remodeling and betterment of the Middle and High schools

## VOTING INFORMATION

**POLL LOCATIONS AND TIMES** 

Open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on April 3, 2018.

#### **REGISTERING TO VOTE AND ABSENTEE**

www.co.chippewa.wi.us/government/county-clerk/ elections/election-voter-information

> NOTE: Anybody can vote absentee. Contact your local clerk (city or township).

#### **QUESTIONS ABOUT VOTING?**

https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/

#### ACTION

After several years of analyzing district facility needs and listening to the public, the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District Board of Education voted to put a question before residents on the April 3, 2018 ballot:

### **BALLOT OUESTION**



Shall the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District, Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$65,000,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and improvement program consisting of: construction and equipping of a new Stillson Elementary School; construction and equipping of a classroom addition, capital improvements and repairs, technology upgrades, remodeling and site improvements at the Middle School; and construction and equipping of a science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) lab addition, capital improvements and repairs and technology upgrades at the High School?

#### TAX IMPACT

If voters approve the \$65 million referendum project for the school, the tax impact over 20 years would be \$10.42 per month for a \$100,000 house.



per \$100,000 of property value

\$125 per year (\$10.42 / month)

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