



# Hillsboro Public Schools Referendum

## Background

In Spring 2022, Hillsboro Public Schools and local consultants conducted a District-wide assessment of all facilities.

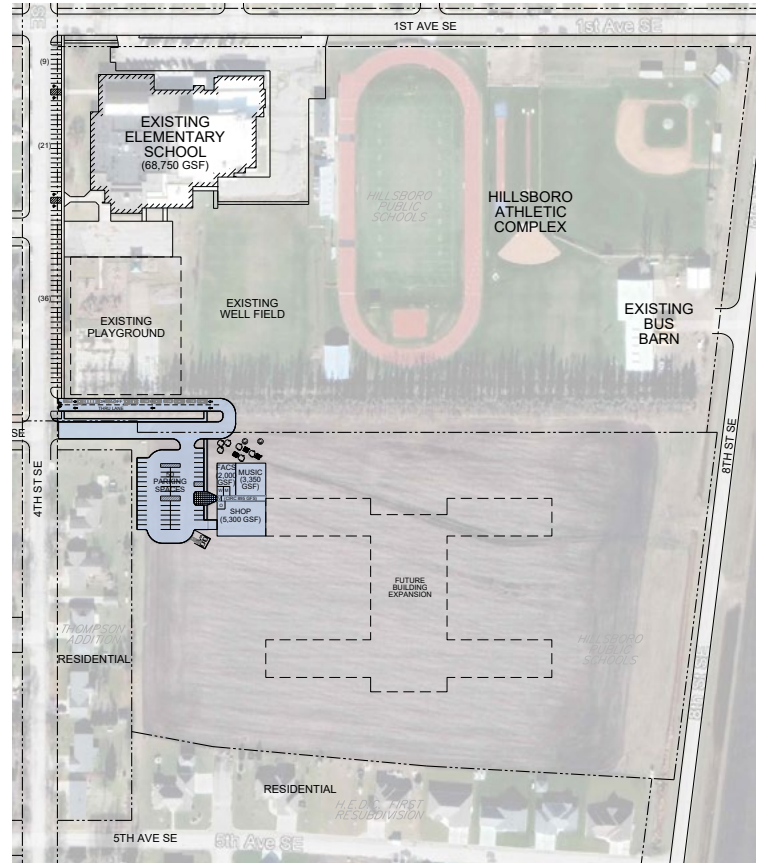
- A District-wide survey was completed to gather valuable feedback to assist the District in planning for the future and to consider building solutions that meet District needs and are financially responsible.
- The survey determined that 72% of respondents support a school-building project.
- The survey also showed that for a project to have community support the proposed project cost would need to be reduced.
- In 2021, a community committee made up of 16 students, parents, staff, District leadership, and community members at large took part in design workshops to help the District with the future planning of Hillsboro Public Schools.
- On July 26, the Hillsboro School Board requested a total referendum amount of \$11.8 Million.

## Challenges

- Both the elementary and high school lack learning spaces to accommodate today's learning curriculum.
- Many areas do not comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations (classrooms, restrooms, entrances, locker rooms, library, CTE space, and special education areas).
- All high school classrooms besides science are undersized and outdated
- The boiler system at the high school is past its life expectancy.
- Both the elementary and high school lack adequate, secure, and controlled entrances.
- Both schools lack a fire sprinkler system.
- Windows are past their life expectancy at both the elementary and high school
- The original 1894 area at the high school is in poor condition, floods, and needs a complete renovation/replacement.
- At the elementary classrooms are too small and lack heating and cooling controls
- The drop-off/pick-up area at the elementary needs to be reconfigured to better separate buses and improve pedestrian safety.

## Proposed Solution

- Building new specialized spaces on district land adjacent to the Elementary School
  - CTE, FACS, Music
- Boiler replacement in High School
- Renovations at High School
- HVAC upgrades at Elementary
- New drop off/pick up lane for Elementary



## Public Meetings



## Voting



**In Person**

**Tuesday, September 26th**  
7:00am - 7:00 pm  
Hillsboro High School Library



**Absentee  
Ballots**

Absentee ballots can be obtained by contacting the Hillsboro School District Business Manager,  
**Vicky Grothmann**  
(701) 636-4360 or  
[vicky.grothmann@k12.nd.us](mailto:vicky.grothmann@k12.nd.us)

## Additional Questions or Requests

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