



EAST TROY
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



A Great Place to Learn & A Great Place to Work



Meeting the Facilities Challenge: A Call to Action



East Troy Community School District **does not have sustainable, predictable, stable funding** within the state-established revenue limits. **Thus, large-scale facility repairs/replacements** have been deferred and cannot be paid out of a limited building and grounds annual operational budget. While we are proud of the preventative maintenance plans and efforts at addressing some facility project needs each year, and recognizing the employees within the building and grounds department work extremely hard, there are more large scale projects that can not be addressed.



What steps were taken to help identify the facility needs?

- **Spring of 2022:** Performance Services, Inc conducts a facilities study and identifies 113 improvement projects
- **April 2023:** Successful passing of 3-year non-recurring Operational Referendum prior to addressing deferred large scale maintenance projects
- **December 2023:** Community Facilities Advisory Group (CFAC) was formed with 25 members
- **June 2024:** A community survey was sent to residents ([Survey Results](#))
- **August 2024:** Board approval of resolution



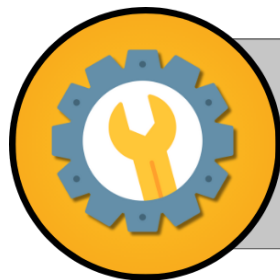
Referendum Question

Shall the East Troy Community School District, Walworth and Waukesha Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$19,400,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: capital maintenance, safety, security, renovations, building infrastructure and site improvements at the High School, Middle School and Prairie View Elementary School; improvements to the bus garage and site; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?



SAFETY & SECURITY

- Middle School secure entry & traffic flow (including student drop-off reconfiguration)
- Prairie View secure entry



CRITICAL MAINTENANCE



Prairie View

- Critical mechanical equipment
- Roof replacements
- Repair upper gym wall
- Replace windows

Middle School

- Roof replacements

High School

- Repairs critical HVAC equipment
(Replacement when repairs cannot be made)
- Roof replacements

Bus Garage

- Asphalt replacement (*It is the Board of Education's intention, if additional funds are available, to complete other critical projects at the bus garage and site*)

An approved referendum will address essential replacements or repairs to several building systems - like roofs, heating and cooling units, and safe entry sequences.



ACADEMIC SPACES



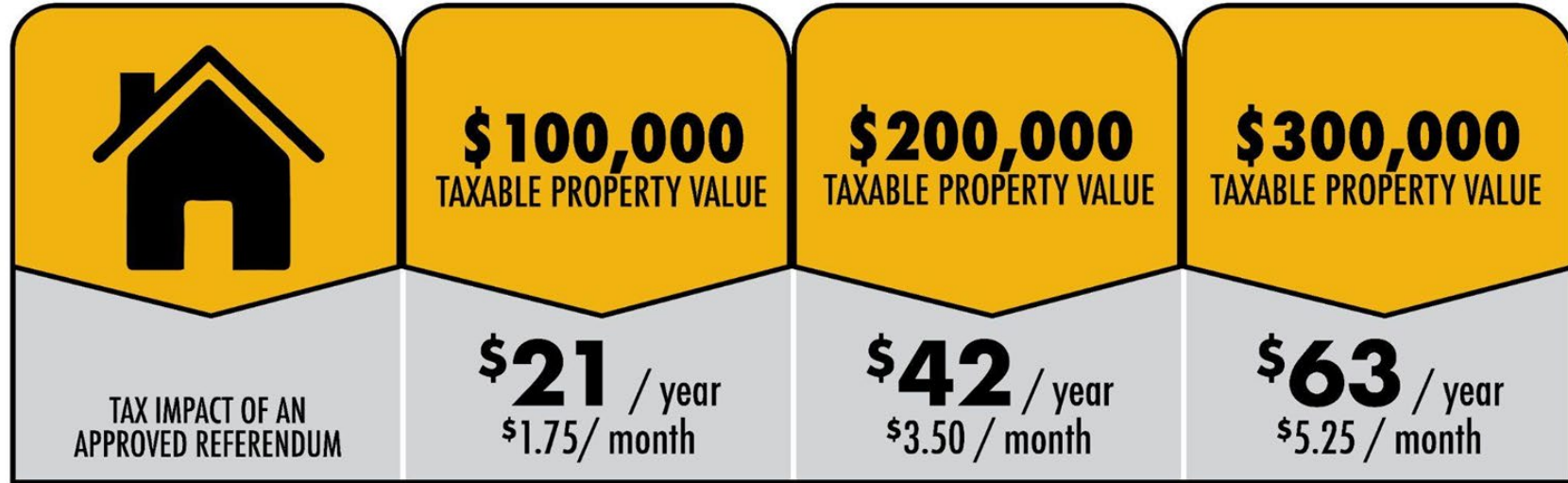
Middle School Science Lab Improvements

- An approved referendum will address the outdated science area in the Middle School - something critical to all students' education.

[Full Project List >](#)



Projected Tax Impact of an Approved Referendum



Assumptions: One or two 20-year borrowings amortized using planning interest rates ranging from 4.25%-4.75%. Mill rate based on the 2023 Equalized Valuation (TID-OUT) of \$2,591,158,234 with annual growth of 3.80% in 2024, 3.00% in 2025, 2.00% in 2026, and 1.00% thereafter. Does not include state aid impact (loss). Assumes District is at Hold-Harmless limit without new debt issuance.

WHY Now?



This referendum is essential if the residents want the schools to continue the excellent education that families of this District value. The most recent family survey results indicate a 91% satisfaction rate towards the District's focus on the 6 Cs (creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, communication, content, and curiosity) for learning.

Without a capital referendum, the time has come when avoiding reductions to programs can no longer take priority over fixing our buildings.

More is needed, but we heard you: Survey results told the district to ask only for the essential and most critical needs and to be aware of the [tax impact](#).

Schools reflect the pride and potential of a community. We ask every eligible voter to cast an informed vote on the November 5 East Troy School District ballot question.

Resources



- [Capital Referendum 2024 homepage](#)
- [ETCSD Board Approves \\$19.4 Million Capital Referendum for November 5 Ballot](#)
(press release)
- [Capital Referendum FAQs](#)
- [Project List](#)
- [Tax Impact Chart](#)