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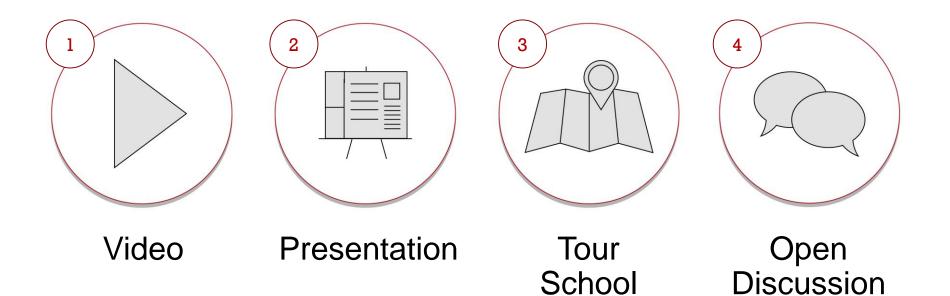
NRHEG Public Schools **Referendum Vote Open House** 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Introductions

- Welcome by School Board Chair
- Staff Team Leaders
- Consultants from ISG and Northland Securities

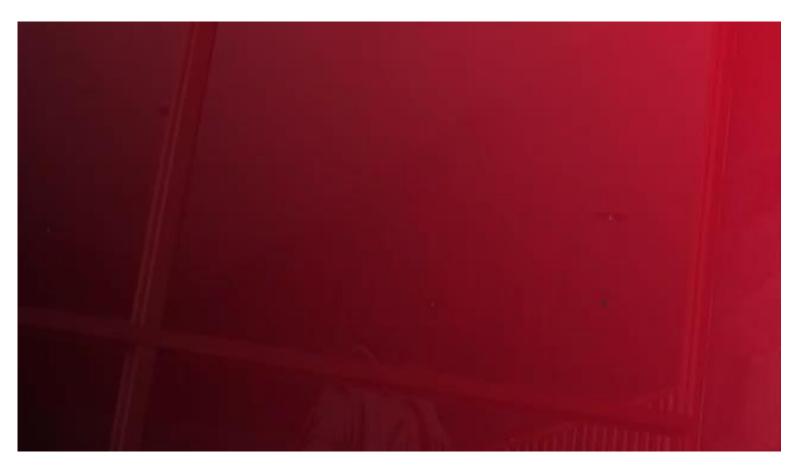














Referendum History

2015

June

Community votes "No" to a \$14.5*M referendum*

July

The School Board beings to reassess District needs and opportunities

2018

April-August

The Community Task Force examines facility needs and works with School Perceptions to develop and distribute a community survey

October

Survey results received and Task Force presents recommendation to School Board

November

School board examines Task Force recommendation and community feedback and develops plan for moving forward.

December

School Board passes a resolution to put a \$9.1M referendum on the ballot for April 9, 2019 as a Special Election

2016

January

School Board distributes a community survey as they start preparing for an updated Strategic Plan

May

School board assesses community survey feedback and develops a new Strategic Plan

September

School Board decides to conduct Facility assessment in 2017

2019

February

Absentee Ballots will be available to the public on February 23, 2019

April 9, 2019

Special Election Day - GO VOTE!



NRHEG Public Schools REFERENDUM VOTE

District Strategic Plan Overview

Developed May 2016

School District's Beliefs

- Challenge students to reach their potential
- Education is a collaborative partnership
- Support staff with resources
- Uphold system of personal accountability
- Provide comprehensive educational programming
- Create safe, respectful, and caring environments
- Operate and maintain efficient and secure facilities











Our Mission

Empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed.

Our Vision

To be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, art, and activities.



Key Focuses

- Student Achievement
- Student Support
- Facilities
- Workforce
- Communication and Marketing
- Finance





Facilities Goals

Provide spaces that optimize...





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Facility Planning Goals

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Goals

- Improve security district-wide
- Address physical condition needs
- Achieve indoor air quality standards
- Enhance spaces to support curriculum standards and learning needs
- Address space and safety concerns within career and technical shop area
- Achieve ADA compliance access and exit code requirements
- Provide school readiness to community members at no cost







Roles and Responsibilities

- Examined school board priorities, facility assessment findings, and educational programming needs
- Identified priorities for community survey
- Assisted in the development of community survey
- Made recommendations to the School Board on October 15, 2018

35 Members

Representing staff, students, parents, and community members

6 Meetings

Starting April 22, 2018 – October 10, 2018



Recommendation to the School Board





Improve Safety and Security

Key Focus Areas:

- Elementary School Main Entrance
 - Guide visitors through office before gaining access to the main building
- Office Redesign



Cost: \$450,000





Support Facility Repairs

Key Focus Areas:

- Tuck-pointing
- Casework
- Water infiltration and moisture
- Air Quality / HVAC
- Other maintenance and repairs





Cost: \$5,230,000





Renew Code Upgrades and Compliance

Key Focus Areas:

- ADA code compliant
 - Entrances
 - Restrooms
 - Elevation changes







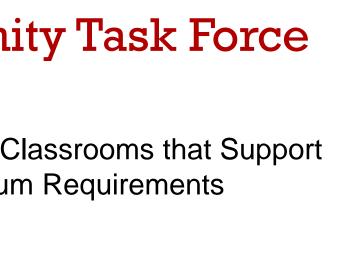
Cost: \$300,000



Provide Classrooms that Support **Curriculum Requirements**

Key Focus Areas:

- Update technology
- Create lab stations that meet safety standards
 - > Adequate plumbing, gas, electrical, and cabinetry needs
- Increased space for skill development, problem solving, and experimental learning
- Foster an engaging, hands-on environment





Cost: \$997,000



Provide Classrooms that Support Curriculum Requirements

Key Focus Areas:

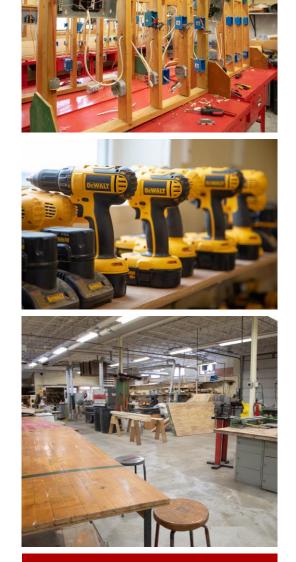
- Increase instructional and storage spaces
- Foster collaborative opportunities between ag, family and consumer science, and science (greenhouses)
- Support career and college preparedness goals

> Agriculture, construction trades, culinary arts





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Future Needs

The following items will be addressed in the future as funding becomes available:

- Special education classrooms
- Art and music classrooms
- Makerspace/STEM
- Weight and fitness room
- Preschool/childcare
- Collaborative learning spaces









Areas to Study



- Space for larger group instruction and student performances

 Safety, capacity, and accessibility in Secondary School gymnasium



 Lower level locker room and wrestling room accessibility needs



Referendum Vote April 9, 2019

Special Election



One question

• \$9.1 Million



Residential Home

\$567.67



Current Levy Proposed Bond Increase



Homestead Agriculture

Homestead agricultural land with average value of \$6,000 per acre.



Current Levy Proposed Bond Increase



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\$7.82

\$6.95

Non-Homestead Agriculture

\$15.64



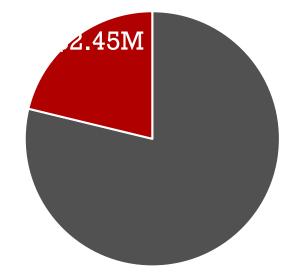
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Ag2School Tax Credit

\$9.1 Million- 40% Tax Credits

\$2.45 Million

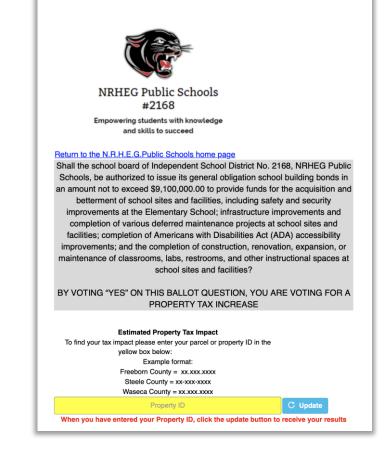




Tax Impact Calculator

Calculate your tax impact online!

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Questions?

Ask Greg Baufield or Michael Hart





Referendum Vote

Referendum Vote

Bond question

Shall the school board of Independent School District No. 2168, NRHEG Public Schools, be authorized to issue its general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,100,000.00 to provide funds for the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including safety and security improvements at the Elementary School; infrastructure improvements and completion of various deferred maintenance projects at school sites and facilities; completion of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility improvements; and the completion of construction, renovation, expansion, or maintenance of classrooms, labs, restrooms, and other instructional spaces at school sites and facilities?



Referendum Vote

VOTE APRIL 9

Polling Locations

Elementary School

600 School Street Ellendale, MN 56026

- Steele County
- City of Geneva
- City of Bath
- Geneva Township of Freeborn County
- Freeborn Township of Freeborn County

Secondary School

306 Ash Avenue South New Richland, MN 56072

- Waseca County
- City of Hartland
- Hartland Township in Freeborn County



District Website – Facility Planning

https://www.nrheg.k12.mn.us/domain/15



Tour and Open Discussion