



BURLINGTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Serving You Today and Tomorrow

✓ **VOTE APRIL 4, 2017**

REFERENDUM FACT SHEET

Why go to Referendum?

Meet Needs of All Students



- Advance all students (from those with special needs to the most gifted and talented) toward college and career readiness
- Build on the students' success by reducing the number of transitions between schools (from 4K–12 attend three schools instead of four)
- Designate appropriate space for educational services the District provides to meet each learner's unique needs

Continue Commitment to the Community



- Keep neighborhood schools open by rebalancing enrollment across five elementary schools
- Continue to provide space for a broad range of community-based organizations and events
- Expand partnerships and increase events that benefit the whole community (and bring visitors to the community)
- Build on the strength of the schools as an investment in the vitality of the community (strong schools attract families)

Address Aging Buildings & Infrastructure



- Construct a new middle school as a long-term solution to an aging middle school (the original building opened in 1924)
- Fix building architectural, mechanical, and electrical maintenance issues
- Increase energy efficiency and space efficiency
- Solve space issues that have placed some vital instructional services in storage closets and locker rooms
- Give students a 21st century learning environment

Improve Safety & Security



- Remodel entrances in four buildings for greater security
- Increase safety for athletes and performers
- Better meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance standards
- Complete other building improvements such as lighting and windows that improve safety

What will be on the Tuesday, April 4 Ballot?

QUESTION 1 not to exceed \$68,300,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and improvement program consisting of: the construction and equipping of a new middle school on the Karcher Middle School site; and District-wide building and infrastructure improvements?

QUESTION 2 not to exceed \$11,700,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of the construction and equipping of an additional gymnasium and athletic space at the High School?

QUESTION 3 not to exceed \$14,400,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of the construction and equipping of a new performing arts center?

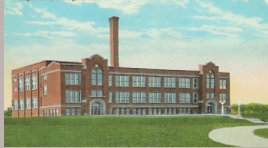


Mill Rate Comparison

School District	Current Tax Rate*
Badger High School (9-12) Lake Geneva Jt. 1 (K-8)	\$12.56
Central/Westosha UHS (9-12) Wheatland (K-8)	\$12.48
Waterford UHS (9-12) Waterford Graded (K-8)	\$11.97
Union Grove HS (9-12) Dover #1 (Kansasville) (K-8)	\$11.79
Elkhorn (K-12)	\$10.95
Burlington Area School District (K-12)	\$10.68
Central/Westosha UHS (9-12) Brighton (K-8)	\$10.65
East Troy (K-12)	\$10.25

*Source: Department of Public Instruction and Walworth Co. cdeb websites



District Facilities Timeline

- 1924** — Burlington High School opens (now Karcher Middle School)

- 1954** — Waller Elementary School opens
- 1961** — Lyons Elementary School opens
- 1964** — Edward G. Dyer Middle School opens
- 1968** — Cooper Elementary School opens
- 1969** — **Man Walks on the Moon**

- 1986** — **Nintendo introduces hand-held Game Boy**
- 1998** — Montessori Program begins
- 1999** — New Winkler Elementary School opens
Class of 2017 born
- 2000** — New Burlington High School opens
- 2004** — BHS outdoor athletics facilities added
- 2006** — Automation of HVAC systems
- 2007** — **Apple Computer releases the "iPhone"**

- 2015** — Facilities planning begins

What is the Tax Impact?

The District is about to pay off the loans associated with building Winkler Elementary and BHS as well as expanding/remodeling at Lyons and Karcher School. As a result, beginning in 2019, the debt portion of the school property tax bill will drop by \$112 for each \$100,000 of a home's value. This drop in loan payments gives the community an opportunity to borrow up to \$30 million in facility upgrades with no tax increase over the current level. Given this information and the historically low interest rates, the School Board believes this is a good time to consider updating our facilities.

	Question 1 New Middle School/ Infrastructure Repair & Upgrades	Question 2 Athletic Space	Question 3 Performing Arts Center
Borrowing Amount	\$68,300,000	\$11,700,000	\$14,400,000
Property Value \$100,000			
Per Month	\$10.25*	\$3.25**	\$3.92**
Per Year	\$123.00	\$39.00	\$47.00
Property Value \$200,000			
Per Month	\$20.50*	\$6.50**	\$7.83**
Per Year	\$246.00	\$78.00	\$94.00
Property Value \$300,000			
Per Month	\$30.75*	\$9.75**	\$11.75**
Per Year	\$369.00	\$117.00	\$141.00

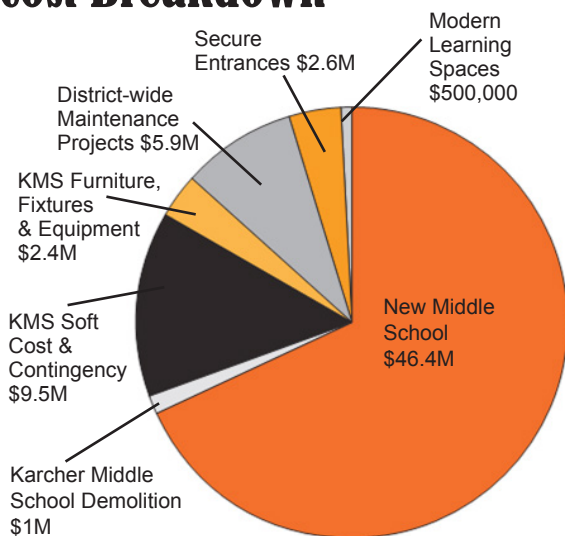
Prepared by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated. 20-year borrowing(s). Interest Rate: 3.75% to 4%

* The reduction in debt payments, that equates to \$112 per \$100,000 of a home's value, described above is reflected in this calculation.

** The reduction in debt payments, described above, is being applied to the Karcher Middle School/Update Options. Therefore, the Athletics addition and Performing Arts Center would require additional debt and represent a higher tax impact.



Question #1 Cost Breakdown



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