



BOND PLANNING UPDATE

Community Forum

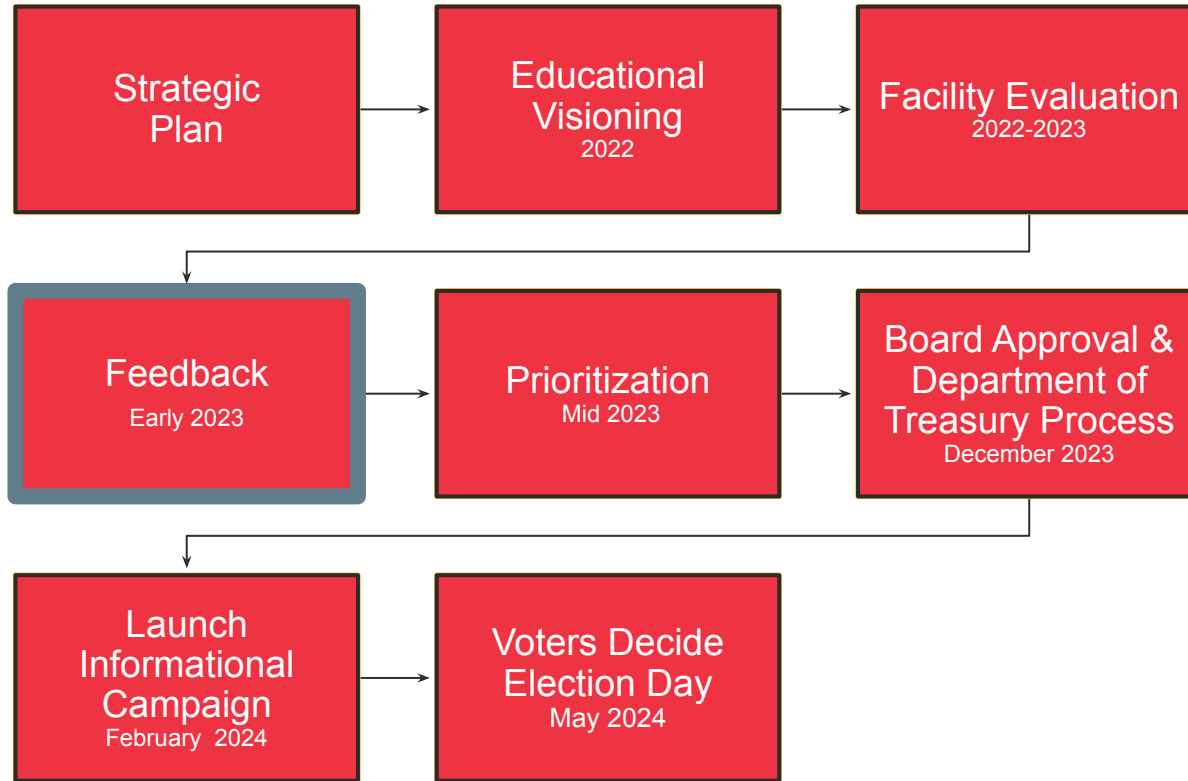
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AGENDA

- 1 Process
- 2 Input and Feedback
- 3 Proposed Projects
- 4 Financials
- 5 Next Steps

PROCESS

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STRATEGIC PLAN

MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Johns Public Schools will provide an educational experience that prepares all students to become individuals who think critically, live purposefully, lead responsibly, communicate persuasively, and serve others generously.

DISTRICT VISION:

To become schools that embrace change through pursuit, evaluation and celebration of new knowledge and skills. To provide every student with the choice to undertake advanced learning without remediation.

*INPUT AND
FEEDBACK*

FACILITIES EVALUATION

2022-2023

- **Assessment of every building / site**
- **Needs categorized by time horizon**
- **Evaluating existing conditions & desired educational programming opportunities**

ADMINISTRATION FEEDBACK



ENGAGEMENT WITH PRINCIPALS & STAFF

- **High-level discussion about facility challenges**
- **Evaluated feedback**
- **Prioritized infrastructure needs + programming opportunities**

Many staff requests align with infrastructure needs (classroom updates, technology improvements, etc.)

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS



AREAS OF EMPHASIS

- **Safety & Security (entrances, security cameras, access controls)**
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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



ENGAGEMENT WITH PARENTS & COMMUNITY

- **Surveying about facility challenges and opportunities**
- **Evaluated feedback**
- **Prioritize safety and security, infrastructure needs + programming opportunities**
- **Recent survey from over 700 individuals, typical size**

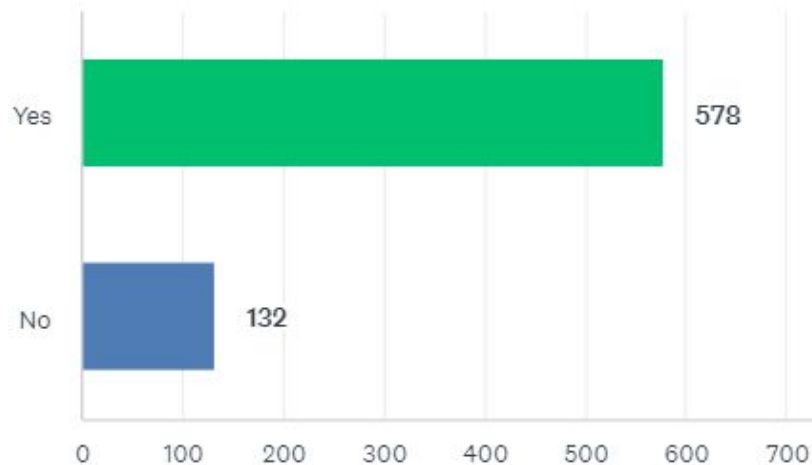
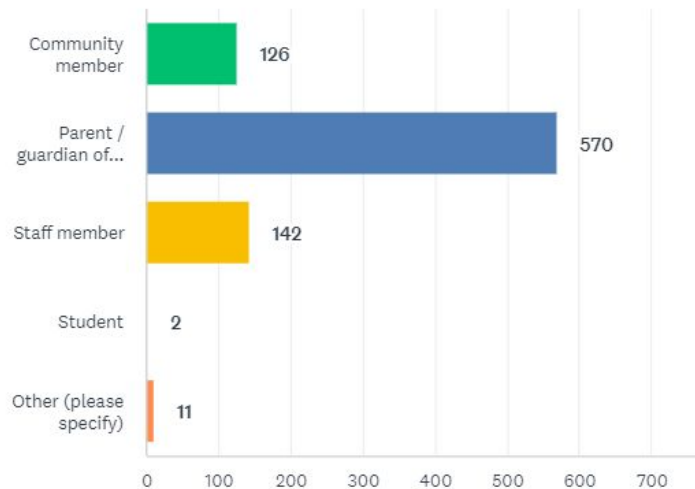
COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

I am taking this survey as a: _____

Do you currently have children attending St. Johns?

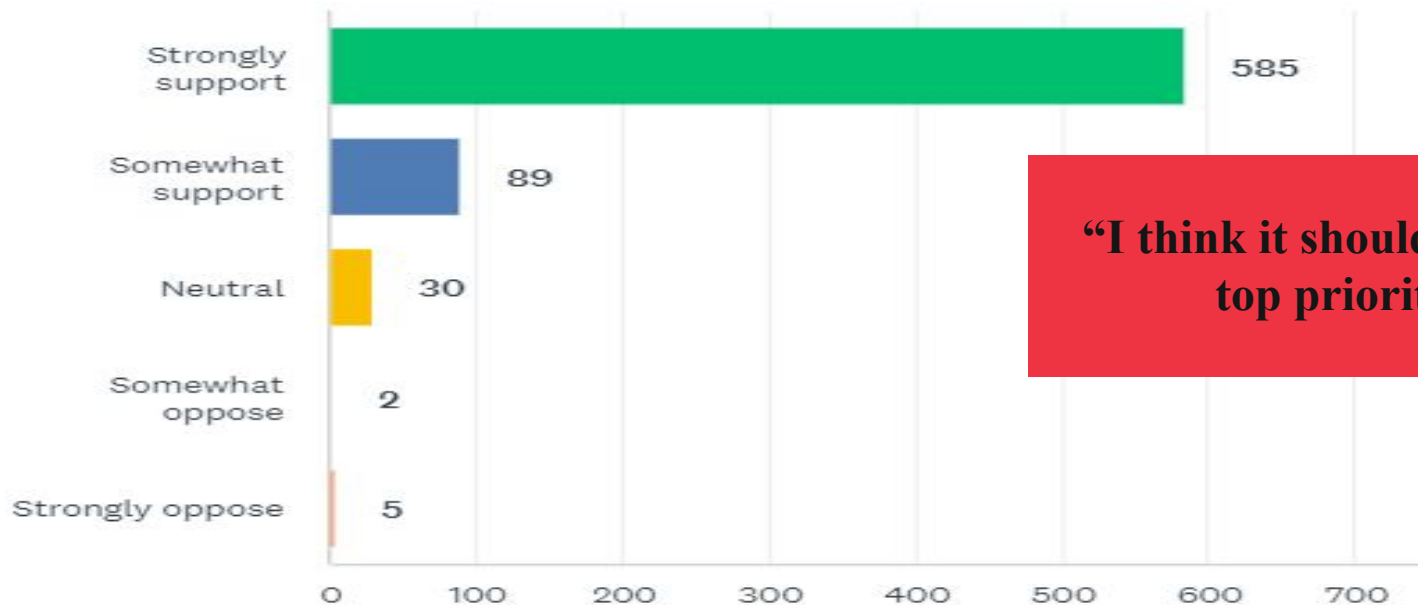


COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

Safety & Security Proposed Project Support



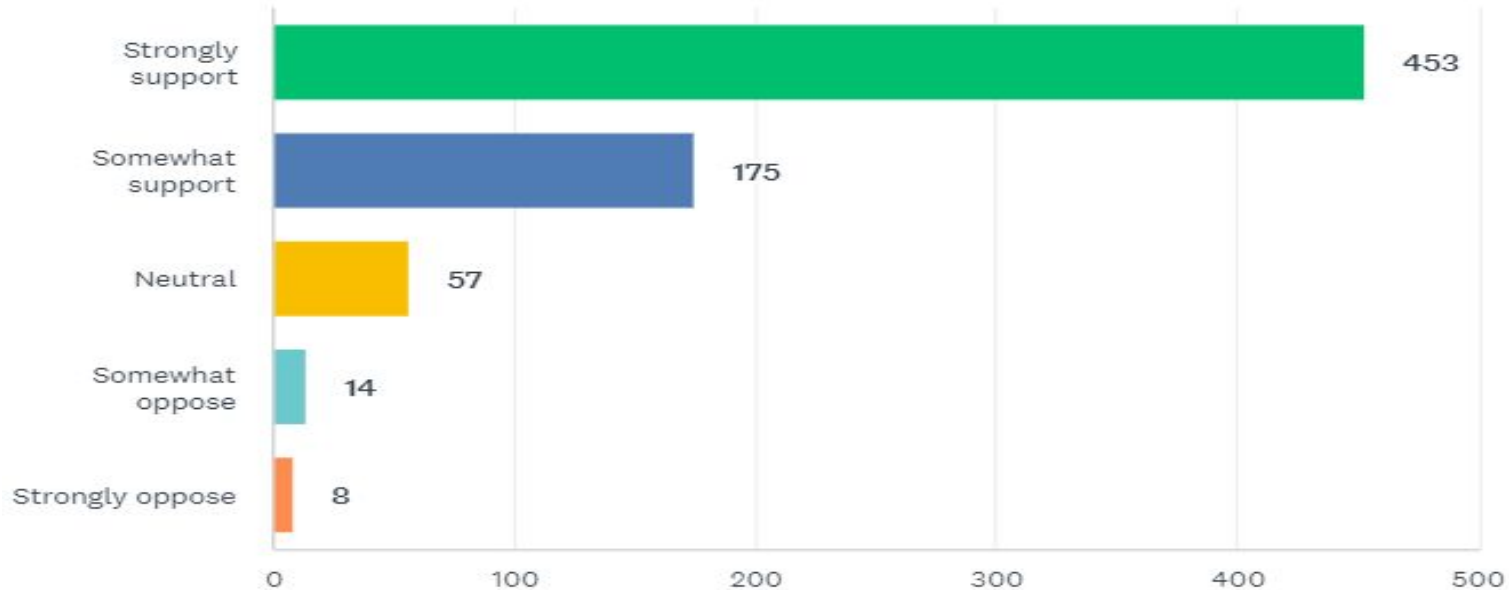
“I think it should be made top priority.”

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

Addressing Aging Buildings Proposed Project Support

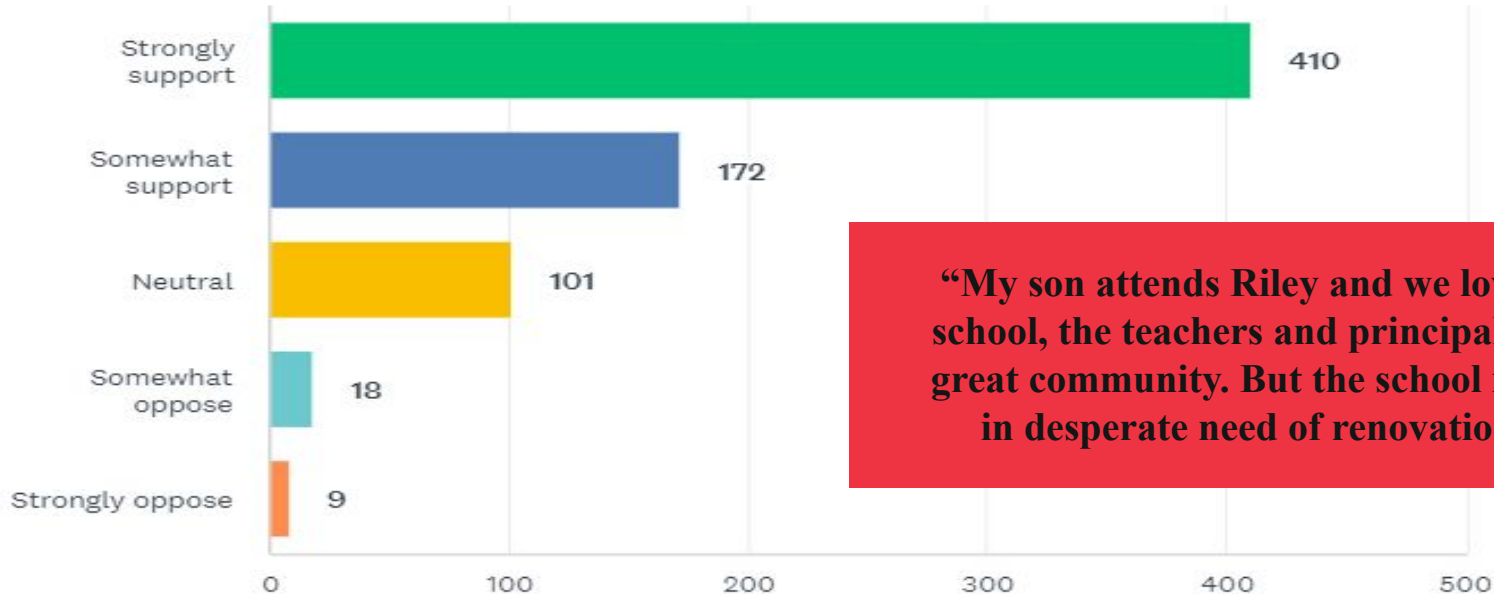


COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

Learning Environment Proposed Project Support



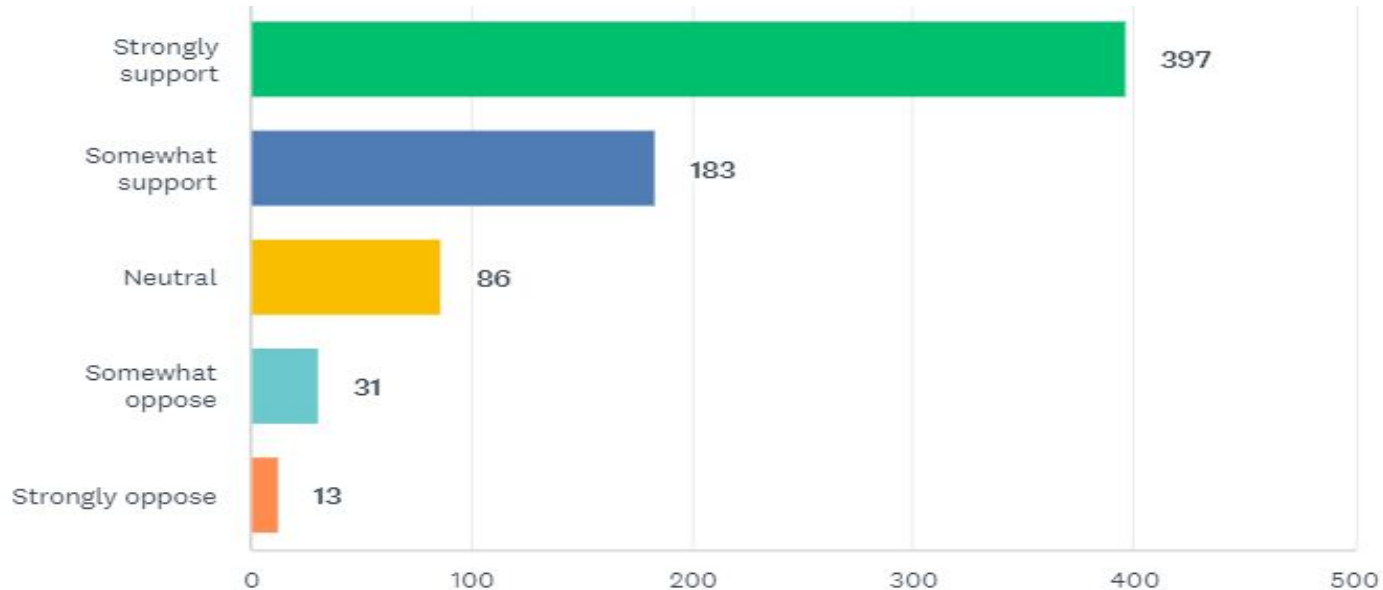
“My son attends Riley and we love this school, the teachers and principal. It’s a great community. But the school itself is in desperate need of renovations.”

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

Educational Technology Proposed Project Support

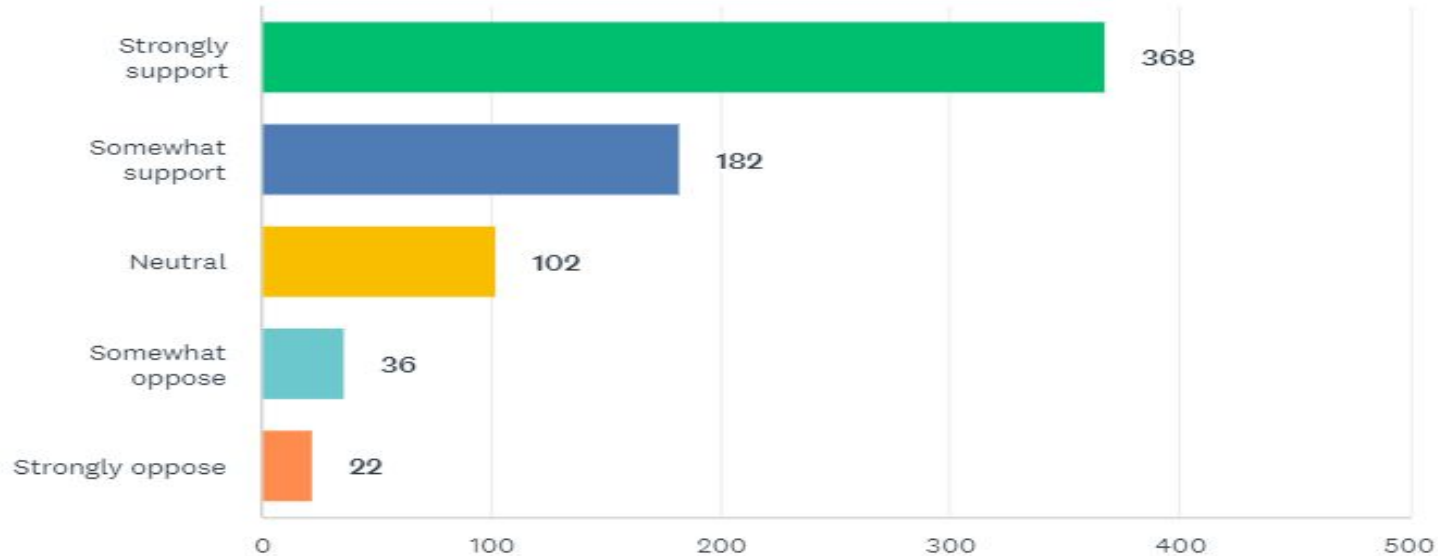


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SURVEY RESULTS

Athletic Facilities Proposed Project Support

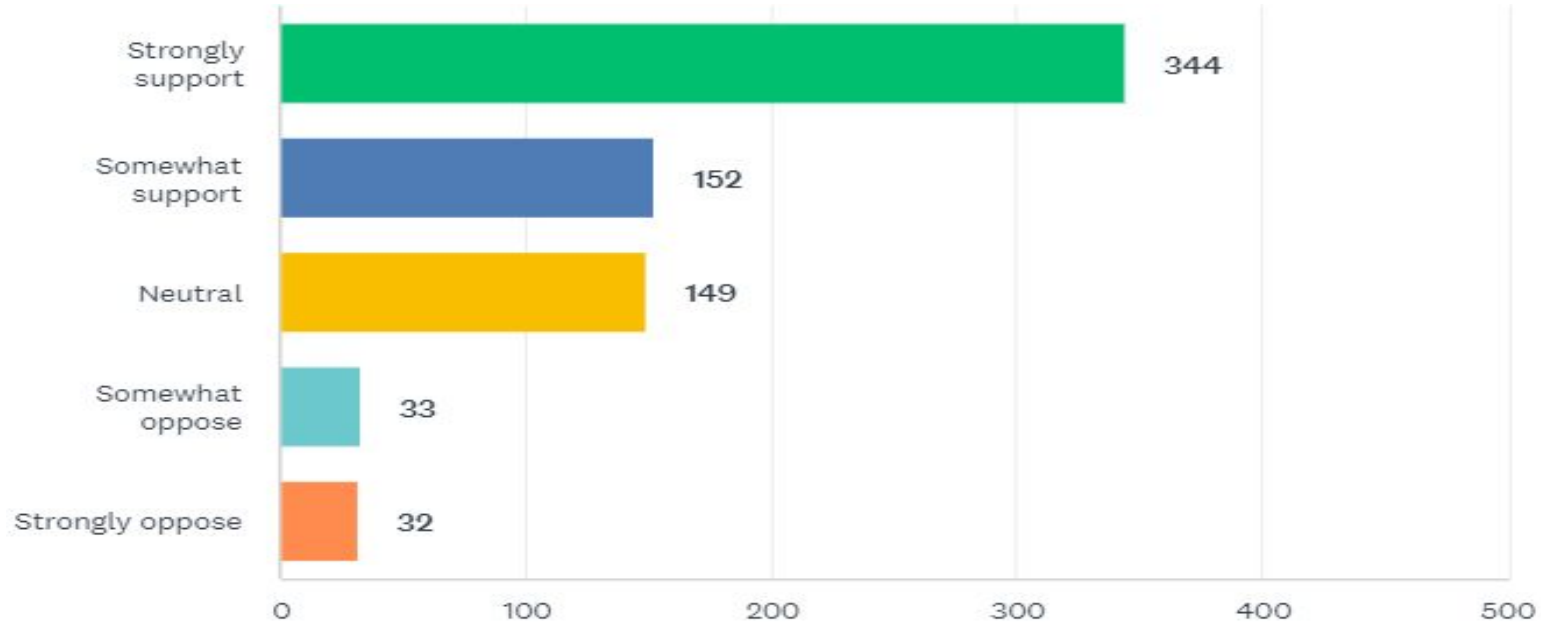


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SURVEY RESULTS

Early Childhood Center Proposed Project Support



COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



SURVEY RESULTS

Proposed Projects - Rank Highest Priority

1. Enhance safety & security
2. Updating infrastructure
3. Updating learning environments
4. Updating educational technology
5. Build Early Childhood Center
6. Enhancing athletic facilities

	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
▼ Updating infrastructure & building systems	10.46% 73	25.36% 177	21.20% 148	22.92% 160	15.62% 109	4.44% 31	698	3.79
▼ Updating learning environments	7.16% 50	25.50% 178	28.22% 197	20.49% 143	14.47% 101	4.15% 29	698	3.78
▼ Enhancing athletic facilities	5.30% 37	8.60% 60	7.88% 55	12.18% 85	24.36% 170	41.69% 291	698	2.33
▼ Updating educational technology	6.59% 46	17.05% 119	24.93% 174	25.21% 176	17.62% 123	8.60% 60	698	3.44
▼ Enhancing safety and security	63.90% 446	15.19% 106	7.45% 52	6.45% 45	5.30% 37	1.72% 12	698	5.21
▼ Building an early childhood center	6.59% 46	8.31% 58	10.32% 72	12.75% 89	22.64% 158	39.40% 275	698	2.45

FINANCIALS

WHAT IS A MILL?

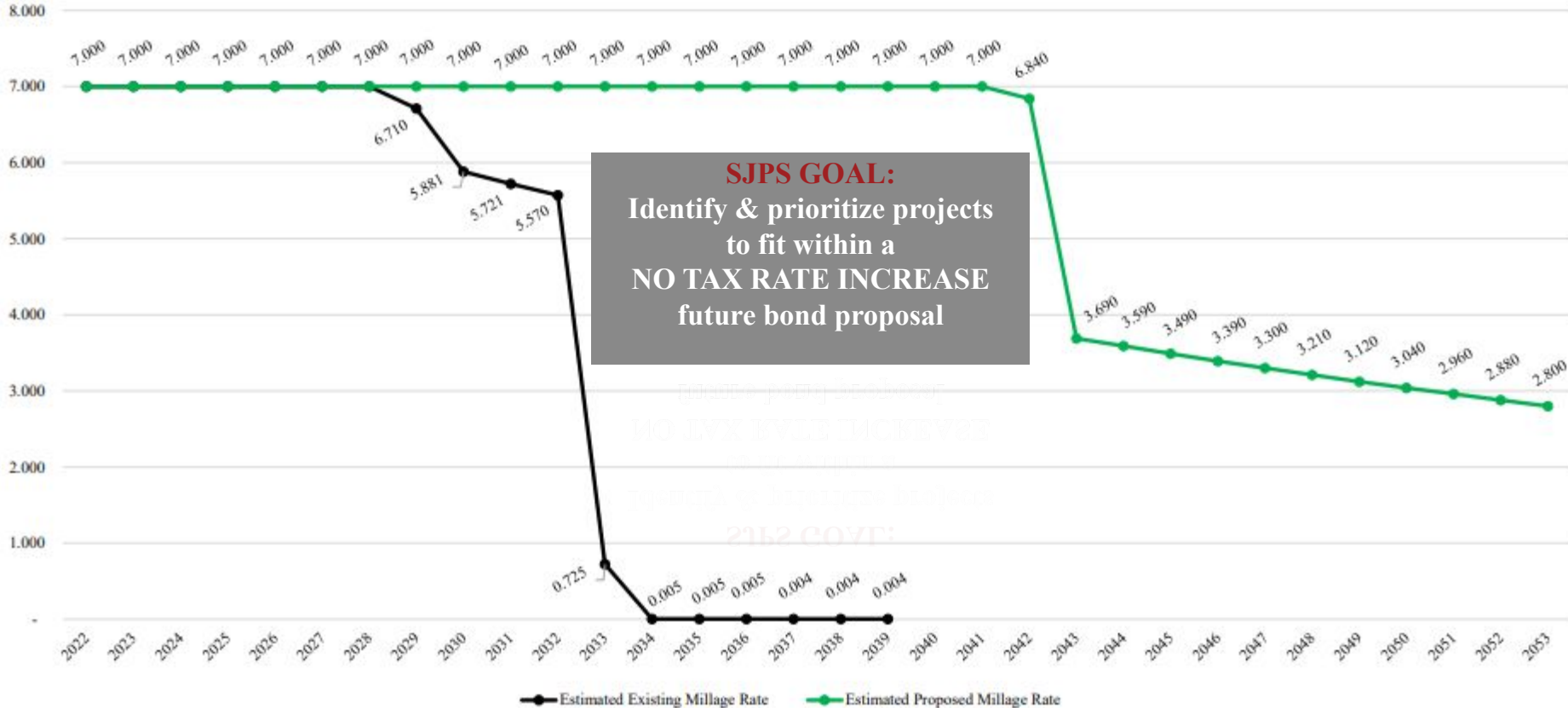
The property tax rate in Michigan is referred to as a millage, and it's figured in mills. One mill is equal to 1/1,000 of a dollar. Or, more simply, for every \$1,000 in taxable value, a property owner will pay \$1 in property tax.

Market Value	Taxable Value (0.5)	Equation	Cost Per Year
\$100,000	\$50,000	$\$50,000/1000 \times \$1 = 50$	\$50.00
\$150,000	\$75,000	$\$75,000/1000 \times \$1 = 75$	\$75.00
\$200,000	\$100,000	$\$100,000/1000 \times \$1 = 100$	\$100.00
\$250,000	\$125,000	$\$125,000/1000 \times \$1 = 125$	\$125.00
\$300,000	\$150,000	$\$150,000/1000 \times \$1 = 150$	\$150.00
\$350,000	\$175,000	$\$175,000/1000 \times \$1 = 175$	\$175.00

WHAT CAN BOND FUNDS BE SPENT ON?

Purchase of or development of real estate for school buildings?	✓
Construction of school buildings or additions?	✓
Remodeling of school buildings?	✓
Renovations of school buildings and athletic facilities?	✓
Repair of school buildings?	✗
Maintenance of school buildings?	✗
Technology equipment school security improvements?	✓
School buses, furnishings, equipment?	✓
Playground development and improvement?	✓
Energy conservation improvements and asbestos abatement?	✓
Salaries and benefits? Curriculum?	✗

HISTORICAL TAX RATE



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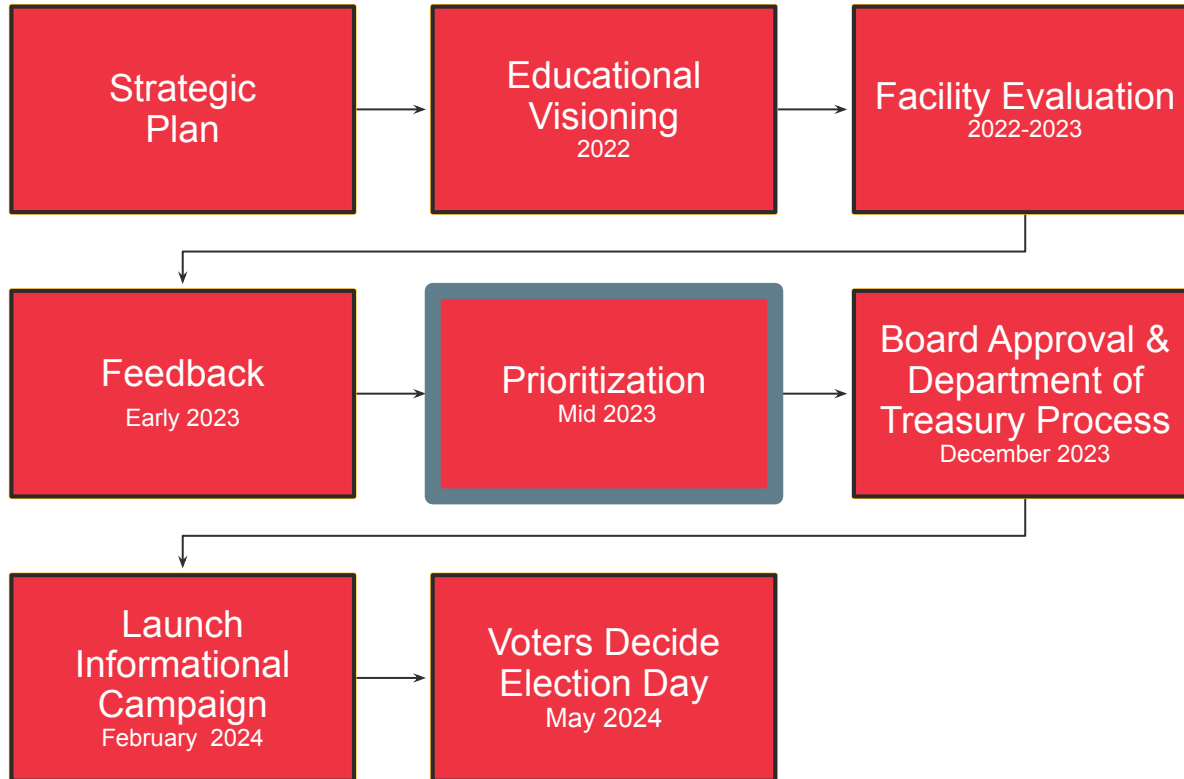
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SYNTHESIZE & PRIORITIZE

- **Board of Education**
 - **Evaluate comments, feedback**
- **Planning Team**
 - **Synthesize comments, feedback - establish guiding principles**
 - **Preliminary cost modeling**
 - **Prioritize projects with funding available**
 - **Follow-up community survey in Fall 2023**