

NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Bond Proposal...



On Tuesday, May 7th, residents in the New Haven Community Schools will vote on a bond proposal.

The primary purpose of the May 7th bond proposal is to remodel and upgrade New Haven schools and school facilities.

Voter approval of the bond proposal will allow the school district to...

- 1.** enhance student safety and school security measures;
- 2.** remodel and upgrade schools and school facilities with emphasis on accommodating 21st Century instruction and improving energy efficiency;
- 3.** update instructional technology and technology infrastructure; and,
- 4.** replace school buses as they reach the end of their useful life.

Basic Facts about the Bond Proposal

- The bond proposal is designed to help assure that New Haven's schools are safe, secure, up-to-date, and in good repair.
- Bond proposal revenue will be used to remodel, renovate, and upgrade the learning environment (including replacing boilers, remodeling classrooms, upgrading mechanical and electrical systems, replacing roofing, and improving parking lots).
- Bond proposal revenue will be used to provide current technology for student instruction and the infrastructure to support it.
- Every project in the bond proposal has been reviewed and approved by the Michigan Department of Treasury.
- If approved by voters, projects funded through the bond proposal will affect every New Haven student and every New Haven school and school facility.

To view a complete list of bond projects go to www.newhaven.misd.net and click on *School Election Information*.



More Facts about the Bond Proposal

- If voters approve the \$25 million bond proposal, the current tax rate is projected to increase by 0.9 mills.
- If approved by voters, the bond proposal is projected to cost the average New Haven homeowner \$32.40 per year (or about 9¢ per day). While some residents will pay more, most residents of the school district will pay less than 9¢ per day.
- To reduce bond interest costs, the district plans to sell the bonds in two series. The first series will be sold in 2019 and the second series in 2024.
- All bond proposal renovations and upgrades will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Registered voters can vote at their regular polling location between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on May 7th.
- With recent changes to Michigan's voting law, all registered voters can now vote by Absentee Ballot. Absentee Ballot applications are available from your Clerk's Office or online at www.michigan.gov/vote. Absentee Ballots will be available after March 23rd at your local Clerk's Office.

Have questions or need more information?

- Go to www.newhaven.misd.net and click on *School Election Information* or...
- Call any New Haven Community Schools principal or...
- Call Superintendent Barbara VanSweden at 586/749-5123 or email her at bvansweden@newhaven.misd.net



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