

## Thank you to our community for your support!



Secondary Space Capacity



Aging Prairie Phoenix
Academy Building



Outdoor Multi-Purpose Facilities



**Operational Funding** 

## The Sun Prairie Community Passes a Historical Referendum

FACILITIES (UNOFFICIAL VOTE)

YES 57%

NO 43% OPERATIONAL (UNOFFICIAL VOTE)



NO 41%

On Tuesday, April 2, voters in the Sun Prairie Area School District passed a \$164 million facilities referendum and passed an accompanying recurring \$5 million operational referendum.

The \$164 million from the facilities referendum will allow the district to construct a second high school to serve over 1,600 students on land already owned by the district, upgrade the current Ashley Field to become a multi purpose stadium to be used by both high schools and the community, and reconfigure Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School to hold grades 6th-8th while also providing two separate and dedicated spaces, one for staff professional development and the other for the students attending Prairie Phoenix Academy. The recurring \$5 million from the operational referendum will allow the district to permanently increase state revenue limits by \$5 million a year to liquidate some borrowing costs; to staff, operate and maintain the new school; and to increase teacher compensation.

An email was sent to all staff and families outlining what those next steps look like.

SPASD will begin implementing the referendum-funded facilities plan immediately. The high school is expected to be completed and opened by Fall 2022.

"The Sun Prairie Area School District would like to thank the community for supporting our referendum. This community has had a long tradition of supporting our schools and once again they showed up to the polls to support our kids. The passing of this referendum creates a number of great opportunities and milestones for the Sun Prairie Area School District. We would like to thank our 44-member Secondary School Space Planning Committee (SSSPC) for ten months of work leading up to the referendum."

- Superintendent, Brad Saron

"The school board and district are very grateful for the community's support. We know that our community will be wondering what happens next. The district plans to involve the community as the different aspects of the upcoming projects unfold. Committees will be formed to make decisions, and communications will be sent out informing the community about the progress that has been made."

- Board of Education President, Steve Schroeder