



EDEN PRAIRIE SCHOOLS

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safe schools.
successful students.**

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On May 14, 2019, Eden Prairie School district residents will be asked to vote on improvements to our schools' learning environments and school security. The one-question bond referendum request is based on three years of planning, public input and research to:



• **Ensure more children are prepared for kindergarten** by moving our 4-year-old preschool programs from various locations into the elementary schools.



• **Improve the middle school learning experience** by moving 6th graders from the elementary schools to a more age-appropriate environment at the middle school tailored to their academic and developmental needs.



• **Support greater academic achievement** by redesigning classrooms across the district to support a more flexible learning environment and personalized learning.



• **Improve safety and security across all schools** by adding protective glass, lock-down equipment, internal communication systems and additional exterior security.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

Voter approval of the referendum would give the School Board permission to issue \$39.9 million in bonds to fund construction and materials needed. The tax impact for the average homeowner* would be about \$6.50 per month.

* \$397,400 median home value



FUN FACTS



Eden Prairie has the second lowest total school property taxes of neighboring and Lake Conference school districts.



Eden Prairie Schools has consistently received awards for its high level of financial transparency, reporting and accountability.

98%

of parents rate our quality of education as excellent or good.

99%

of parents believe our community receives a good value on its investment in our schools.



IF VOTERS DO NOT APPROVE THE REQUEST

- Safety and security improvements would be delayed.
- Central Middle School - which was built 60 years ago and has not had major construction updates for 25 years - will continue to have traffic congestion, five lunch periods beginning at 10 a.m. and inadequate performing arts space.
- Students would have limited access to flexible learning environments, inhibiting teachers' ability to meet a range of learning styles.
- Students, community members and programs would continue to compete for limited performing arts space and opportunities.
- Fewer preschool students would be served due to lack of space.



WHERE TO VOTE Voters will vote at one of four combined polling locations - visit www.mnvotes.org or call 952-975-7072 to find your location. Early voting begins March 29.



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- Visit www.EPVote2019.org
- Email EPVote2019@edenpr.org
- Call 952-975-2498

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