Shawnee Mission community members will be asked in January 2021 to consider a bond proposal, designed to provide lasting facilities improvements, to support student learning and to hire additional teachers.

Goal: The bond is being put forth so that the Shawnee Mission School District can continue to be ranked among the finest school districts in the nation, employing exceptional educators who work in state-of-the-art facilities, where learners achieve their full potential now and far into the future.

**FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS**

- Rebuild 5 elementary schools
- Playground renovations
- Shawnee Mission Early Childhood Education Center Renovations
- Career and Tech Campus Remodel
- Horizons Renovations and furniture
- Renovations, furniture replacement, support, and maintenance
- Learning space upgrades
- Security and technology upgrades
- Roof, asphalt, HVAC and lighting upgrades, and replacement

**SUPPORTING STUDENT LEARNING**

We are currently spending money out of the capital fund for new facilities. Under this plan, facilities will be covered in bond money. That allows the district to shift some custodial/maintenance salaries into the capital fund. This frees up money in the operating fund to hire additional secondary teachers and better support student learning.

**VOTER INFORMATION**

**Jan. 5, 2021**: Last Day to Register to Vote
**Jan. 5, 2021**: Last Day to apply for an advance ballot
**Jan. 6, 2021**: Watch for the ballot in your mailbox
**Jan. 26, 2021**: Ballots due by 12 p.m. at the Johnson County Election Office, 2101 E. Kansas City Road, Olathe, KS 66061

Voters are able to register, check the status of their registration, and find out more information about the voting process at www.jocoelection.org.
KEY FACTS:

- The bond package, if approved, would result in a $8 annual increase for the owner of a $100,000 home.

- SMSD currently has the lowest mill levy of all school districts in Johnson County and, based on estimates through 2032-2033, would continue to have a comparatively low rate.

- The district currently has $750 million in identified facility needs over the next 20 years. This proposed bond is an option to address needed repairs, provide and ongoing maintenance, strive to increasingly comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and follow a strategy in support of our mission, beliefs, and objectives.

- The proposal was developed through a multi-year process as part of the community’s Strategic Plan for the District. Community members developed this bond proposal by:
  - Serving on a Facilities Action Team
  - A Finance and Facilities Task Force
  - Forums held in each feeder pattern across the district
  - A research-based, community-wide phone survey