



Securing Our Future

Supporting Our Students.

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Sept.-Nov. 2022 Held dozens of listening sessions for staff and community to gather and document feedback.

January: New Demographic Study is completed.

August
2022

Fall
2022

December
2022

January
2023

Spring
2023

Failed referendum.

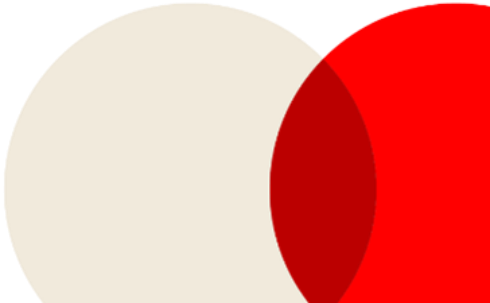
December: Community survey of 500 randomly selected homes in our school district boundary is completed.

March-May: Hosted three in-person community meetings, three meetings with parent advisory groups and three staff meetings at each school. .

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Long-Range Facility Plan Outreach

SoWashCo Schools also:

- Hosted two school bus tours and a lunch and learn event for elected and city officials.
 - Have met with several business groups to discuss our new long-range facility plan
 - Sent Community Meeting postcard invitations to all district residents
 - Published a new printed newsletter that was mailed to all district residents.
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Long-Range Facility Plan Guiding Change Document



Unacceptable Means

- ✓ SoWashCo Schools will not ignore the current economic conditions, input from community and staff, results of the community survey or the updated demographic report.
- ✓ SoWashCo Schools will not bring forth a plan that closes any elementary school.
- ✓ SoWashCo Schools will not bring multiple plans forward.

Long-Range Facility Plan Leadership Team Recommendation



Taking staff and community feedback and input into consideration, the leadership team recommends presenting the new five-year facility plan to the community with two questions on the November ballot:

- **Question 1:** Addresses secure entrances at schools that need them; along with middle and high school additions and renovations
 - Construct new secure entry at Woodbury and Park high schools, and Cottage Grove, Woodbury, and Lake middle schools
 - Planned addition at East Ridge High School and Renovations at Park and Woodbury high schools
 - Planned expansion of Oltman Middle School and Renovations at Woodbury Middle School
- **Question 2:** Addresses elementary school space needs at schools projected to exceed capacity; along with renovations for bathrooms at five elementary schools.
 - Elementary school additions at Bailey, Grey Cloud, Pine Hill and Red Rock elementary schools
 - Construction of additional bathrooms at schools only containing a single set (Crestview, Hillside, Pine Hill, Pullman, and Royal Oaks elementary schools)

Contingent Definition....

- We recommend making Question 2 contingent on the passage of Question 1, meaning Question 2 cannot pass without the approval of Question 1.
- Based on feedback gathered, the items in Question 1 have consistently been prioritized at the highest level
- If Question 2 is not contingent on the passage of Question 1, we will not solve our highest needs.
- If Question 2 passes and Question 1 does not, we will need to put together a new plan for a future election.

In Summary...



Recommendation	Approximate Cost Estimate
First Question	\$160 Million (Approx. \$5 month on median home value)
Second Question	\$40 Million (Approx. \$1 month on median home value)
Total	\$200 Million (Approx. \$6 month on median home value)

Note: All construction costs are rough estimates, and will be updated as the plan is being finalized.

According to the Morris-Leatherman Community Survey, tax tolerance was reported to be \$10–12 per month on a median property value.

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