



**BUILDING OPPORTUNITY**



**BOND  
2024**

**ENSURING TOMORROW**

**Vote May 7**

**Bond 2024**

# What's on the Ballot?

- Election Day – May 7, 2024
- Total Bond Proposal is \$250,085,000 touching every facility in the District
- Tax decrease of .08 mills

**Tax Impact**  
**.08** **millage decrease**







# Bond Development

# How was this bond developed?

## Jan 2023 – June 2023

Plante Moran Realpoint Study revealed the following:

- Enrollment declining – leveling off around 11,500 students
- Current District footprint at 16,000 students

## Sept 2023 – Dec 2023

Recommendation from Committee included:

- Maintain 3 High Schools; expand CTE offerings
- Repurpose a Middle School
- Close ESC and Twin Sun – relocate these offices/programs
- Move ATP to a new facility
- Consider a Bond Program / Beginning 2025

## Dec 2023

Board approved Recommendation for Bond 2024



# Bond 2024 Areas of Focus



**Safety &  
Security**



**Technology  
Upgrades**



**Program  
Enhancements**



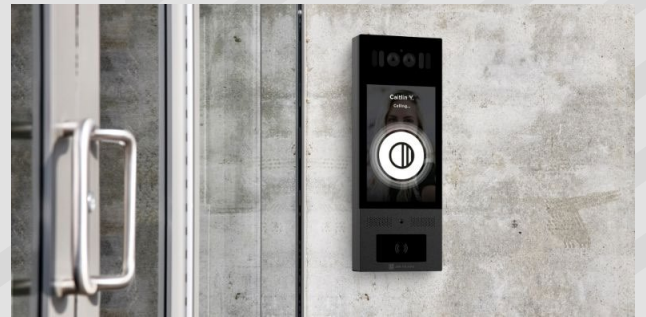
**Infrastructure  
Improvements**

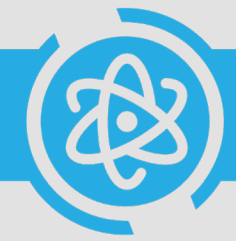


# Safety and Security

Completed a review of all buildings and security systems by Secure Education Consultants. While the District does many things well, report identified areas to improve which are addressed below:

- Upgrade and enhance existing video surveillance system
- Upgrade and enhance existing electronic door controls throughout the district
- Enhance public address systems across the district
- Improved emergency responder systems
- Hardening of physical buildings using up-to-date technologies





# Technology Enhancements

- Fiber optic network updates across the District
- Digital signage at all schools
- Updated networking equipment to further facilitate high-speed network connectivity within and between buildings
- Updated student devices
- New video displays and audio systems in each classroom for brighter and higher resolution capabilities





# Elementary School Upgrades

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- Playground equipment enhancement
- New digital signs
- New flag poles and lights
- Paving, sidewalks, and roadway upgrades
- Replacement of North Entry Canopy at Glengary
- Interior renovations (ceilings, carpet, LED lights where needed) and HVAC/electrical upgrades at multiple buildings
- Replacement of Wixom Elementary School on new site, aligned with City of Wixom Master Plan





Artist Rendering of New  
Wixom Elementary School





# Upgrades at Central High School

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- Major interior upgrades (wrestling & fitness area, media center/learning commons, science classrooms, computer labs, collaboration areas, ESC POD, and Innovation Hub)
- Window and roof replacements
- Locker room upgrades
- Refinish wood floor
- Energy management systems enhancements (replace boilers, chillers, air handling units and hot water heaters)
- Electrical upgrades (distribution system, LED lights)
- Paving & sidewalk replacement
- Stadium lights





# Upgrades at Northern High School

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- Major interior upgrades (media center, classrooms, teacher prep)
- Window and roof replacements
- Locker room updates
- Pool timing system and scoreboard upgrades
- Pool filtration system upgrades
- Energy management systems enhancements (air handling units and hot water heaters)
- Electrical updates (LED lights)
- Paving & sidewalk replacement
- Stadium lights, irrigation at playing fields



# Completion of Upgrades to Western High School

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- Paving & sidewalk upgrades
- Stadium lights
- New restrooms at tennis/baseball area
- Window and siding replacement
- Roof replacements
- Renovations to fine arts, performing arts, and athletic areas
- Pool and gym bleacher replacement
- HVAC and electrical distribution system upgrades





# Alignment at our Middle Schools

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- Consolidation of 4 schools into 3, aligning with enrollment projections
- 3 versus 4 schools allows equitable spaces for enriched programming at each location
- After successful passage of Bond 2024, the District would study our middle school programs/spaces to ensure the most optimum outcome for the students and community



# Additional Upgrades

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- New home for ATP, Twin Sun, ESC functions
- Outdoor Education Center
  - Sidewalk Replacement
  - Upgrade Ropes Course
  - Roofing
  - Stabilize basement wall
  - Siding and renovation at Dorms
  - Energy management system updates
  - Faucet replacement to touchless in classrooms and new water heaters
  - Interior renovation (carpet replacement, cabinet replacement, restroom upgrades)
  - Kitchen renovation
- Upgrades to Operations Building





# Phase 3 of Facility Study (Sept – Dec 2024)

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## SHOULD THE BOND PASS

- Elementary Schools
  - How to manage universal Pre-K
  - Impact of a new elementary school
- Middle Schools
  - Boundaries / Facility to be repurposed
- High Schools
  - Programming changes, including building schedules
- Special Education
  - Alignment of program classrooms
  - New footprint for ATP to account for anticipated growth

## IF THE BOND DOES NOT PASS

- Elementary Schools
  - How to manage universal Pre-K
- Middle Schools
  - Facility to be closed
- High Schools
  - Building schedule alignment, assessment of how long we can operate 3 schools with declining enrollment
- Special Education
  - Alignment of program classrooms
  - How to manage the growth of ATP in our existing facilities



# Financials



# Savings provided by Bond 2024

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- HVAC system upgrades provide more efficient systems and operational cost savings
- Replacing existing lighting with LED fixtures provides considerable energy cost savings
- Emergency backup generators will allow the District to continue instruction when there is a power outage
- Significant service and repair costs will be saved with the new technology systems, the multi-function copiers, and most other new systems
- Upgraded energy management systems will conserve energy and significantly reduce energy and utility costs

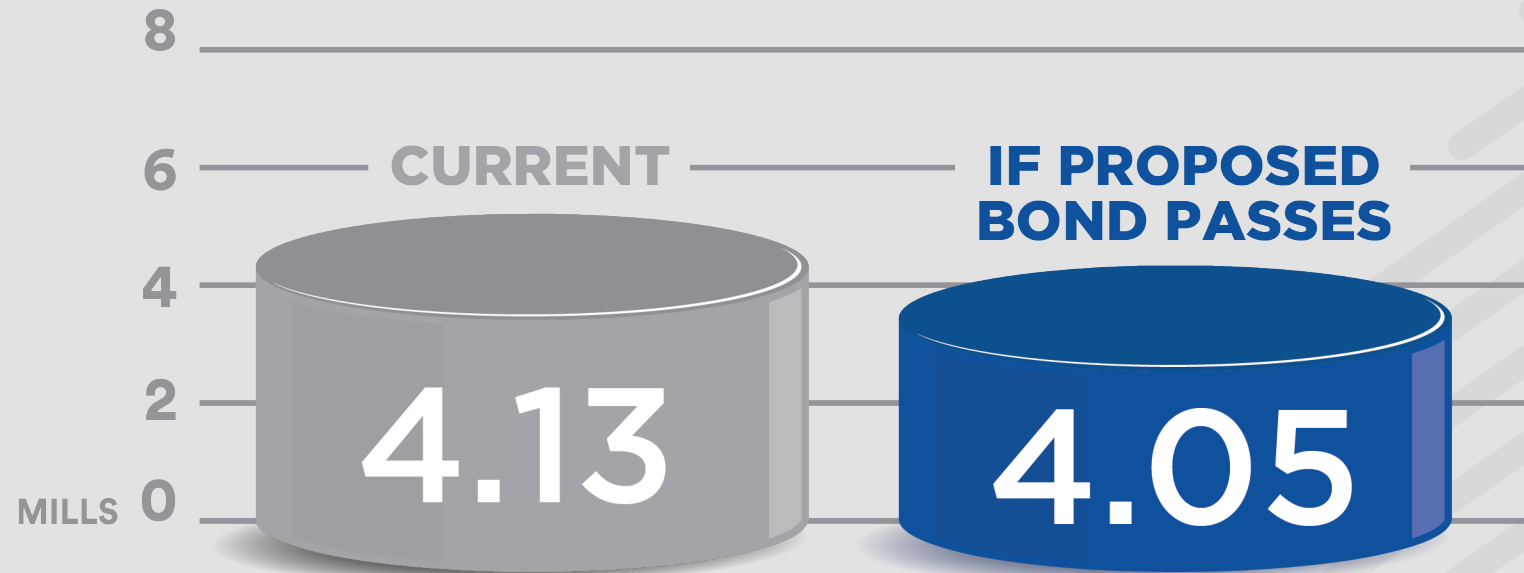


# Tax Impact

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## **.08 DECREASE**

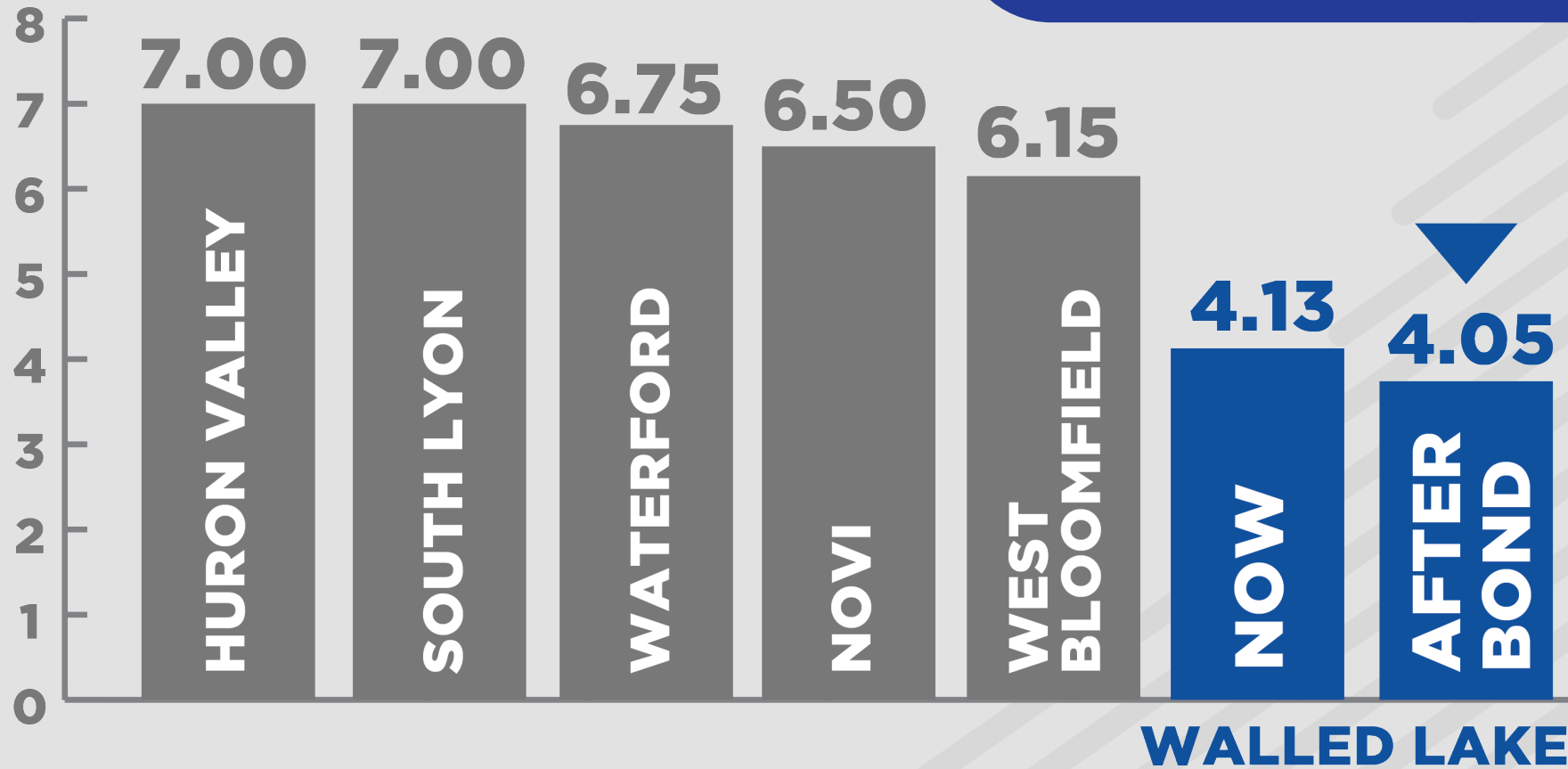
**TO THE CURRENT BOND MILLAGE RATE**





# Bond Debt Comparison

**Walled Lake ranks 23<sup>rd</sup> lowest  
of 28 Oakland County Districts  
for bond debt millage rate**



# **In Summary, Importance of Bond 2024**

The Board of Education believes Bond 2024 will benefit students and the community in a variety of ways, including:

- Continuing our strong focus on the safety and security of our students and staff
- Offering spaces, programs, and technology that engage students and promote a dynamic, collaborative, and stimulating atmosphere
- Providing improved environmental quality and operational efficiency by continuing to update outdated building systems/finishes
- Aligning our district footprint with enrollment projections, and providing comparable learning opportunities for all students
- Protecting our residential property values by having a strong and solid school system



# Early Voting for May 7<sup>th</sup> Election

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- Early voting is open nine (9) consecutive days beginning on the second Saturday before the election and ending on the Sunday before the election. Early voting is from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except on Thursday when the hours are noon to 8:00 p.m.
- Early Voting Locations:

## Commerce, Walled Lake, Wixom, Wolverine Lake

Commerce Twp. Community Library  
180 E. Commerce Rd.  
Commerce Twp., MI 48382

## West Bloomfield, Orchard Lake

WB Twp. Public Library  
4600 Walnut Lake Rd.  
WB Twp., MI 48323

## Novi

Novi Civic Center  
45175 Ten Mile  
Novi, MI 48375

## Farmington Hills

Costick Activities Center  
31555 W. Eleven Mile Rd.  
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

## White Lake

Highland Twp. Hall Auditorium  
205 N. John Street  
Highland, MI 48357

## All – Central County Facility

Waterford Oaks Activity Center  
2800 Watkins Lake Rd.  
Waterford, MI 48328

# For More Information

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- Visit the District website at [www.wlcsd.org/bond](http://www.wlcsd.org/bond)
- Information will be posted regularly in the District's Weekly Update and on District's social media platforms
- Submit questions via email at [info@wlcsd.org](mailto:info@wlcsd.org)





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**Thank You**

**Questions?**

Please Vote May 7

# High School Upgrades

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- Interior upgrades at Northern and Central high schools focused on media centers, classrooms, collaboration spaces, etc.
- Infrastructure upgrades at Northern and Central high schools (i.e. lockers, flooring, windows, roofs, HVAC, & electrical) where needed
- Site upgrades (stadium lights, paving & sidewalk replacement)
- Continuation of upgrades at Western HS focused on fine and performing arts and athletic areas

