

SOUTH SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT Facilities Planning Survey Results



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Survey Results Are In!

At South Shore School District, we pride ourselves on fostering success for every student and exceeding expectations on the state report card. This achievement is a testament to the hard work of our students, the dedication of our educators, and the unwavering support of our community.

Together, we are all Cardinals, and together, we soar.

Our current school building has served our community well for nearly 50 years. As we plan forward to invest in its future, we sought input from our staff, students, and community in multiple ways. All of this feedback helped shape a plan to address the biggest needs: failing building systems, safety concerns, and outdated and undersized learning spaces.

We remain committed to creating a facilities solution that reflects the priorities of taxpayers and meets the needs of our students and staff.

To gather feedback on the District's proposed long-range facilities plan, a community-wide survey was mailed to all District residents. **THE RESULTS ARE IN.**

Survey Results: Overall

The District hired School Perceptions, LLC., an independent Wisconsin-based firm with extensive expertise in conducting school district surveys to collect feedback.

There were 306 total respondents which represents a 25.6% response rate (15-17% is typical). Following are the questions and results.

306

TOTAL
RESPONDENTS

25.6%

RESPONSE RATE

Questions

WOULD YOU support the District pursuing a capital referendum to address the facility needs?

76%

SUPPORT FROM
STAFF

76%

SUPPORT FROM
PARENTS

57%

SUPPORT FROM
NON-PARENTS/
NON-STAFF

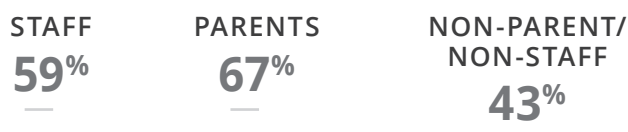
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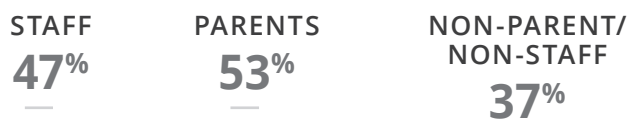
Survey Results: Project Specific

WOULD YOU support a \$19.5 million referendum to fund the plan?



RESPONDENT PRIORITIES: updating building systems, ADA accessibility, and safety and security.

WOULD YOU support expanding the referendum by \$2 million to pay for the performing arts project?



WOULD YOU support expanding the referendum by \$850,000 to pay for the track project?



Next Steps

The Facilities Focus Group and the Board will analyze the survey priorities and funding support to determine the next steps. **Our goal is to finalize the proposed improvements and allow residents to vote in November 2024.**

Thank You!

The Facilities Focus Group and the South Shore School District Board of Education would like to thank all respondents for taking the time to complete the community survey. We received a strong response rate, yielding statistically predictive data.

What We Learned...

- The **majority of all respondents** support the District pursuing a capital referendum to address facility needs.
- Respondents **prioritize updates** in the areas of building systems, ADA accessibility, and safety and security.
- Updates to performing arts and track are not a priority at this time.
- Respondents **expressed support** for investing in the building, but reducing the \$19.5 million cost.

When asked **how the District is doing** in the following areas, all questions ranked in the 90th percentile.

- Delivering a high-quality education **91st** percentile
- Keeping the public informed **91st** percentile
- Managing funds appropriately **93rd** percentile
- Building pride in the community **99th** percentile

“ Our community pride and support achieved the highest rating in School Perceptions' history. That's truly remarkable!

- Danielle Mikula, District Administrator

