



## **Buckeye Valley Local Schools**

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# **2024 Buckeye Valley Local Schools Bond Levy Fact Sheet**

## **★ Why is the Buckeye Valley Local School District seeking community support to build a new high school on the current HS/MS campus?**

- The District's enrollment is significantly outpacing our student learning spaces.
- The projected enrollment for the 24/25 school year was 2162 students K-12 while our actual enrollment for the 24/25 school year was 2277 students K-12.
- All of our buildings are currently near capacity with Buckeye Valley West exceeding capacity.

## **★ How did the BV Board of Education reach this decision?**

- This recommendation comes with the help of the Buckeye Valley Facilities Advisory Committee. A committee comprised of a variety of community and staff members from across the district at different stages of life and associations with the district.
- After 18 months of analyzing data and an extensive review of different courses of action to take to solve the district's facility shortage, the committee recommended to the Board of Education that the best course of action is to build a new high school.
- The preliminary design is a plan for 1200 students with common spaces and mechanical infrastructure built for 1600 students so a 400-student addition can be added when future student enrollment dictates.

## **★ How much will the New High School project cost?**

- It will cost the district and community \$105 million to build a new high school and complete other district projects.
- The district is seeking a \$100 million bond issue.
- The projected 4.46 mill bond levy is estimated to cost a BV homeowner \$156 annually per \$100,000 of assessed property value.
- The Board of Education plans to use \$5 million cash on hand to offset the cost of these projects to the community.



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- The district plans to phase in the bond millage by seeking 2.00 mills the first year and 2.46 mills the following year.
- The cost per \$100,000 of assessed property value will decrease over the life of the 39-year bond as the district continues to grow.
- No additional operating money is being requested from the community to staff the new building.

### **★ Does this model provide the district with flexibility to navigate increases in future student enrollment?**

- Yes, the current high school will become a junior high (grades 7/8) and the current middle school will become an intermediate building (grades 5/6)
- With this model, the district will have flexibility for additional grade band shifts as enrollment increases.

### **★ Will this project create additional spaces to support the community's demand for the arts and athletics?**

- Yes, this project will include additional arts and athletics spaces. These additional spaces include two gyms, a designated wrestling room, a Baron fieldhouse, an auditorium, a music/band room, an additional synthetic practice field located at the main campus, and locker rooms.

### **★ Will additional property be needed to complete this project?**

- The BV Board of Education is negotiating the acquisition of property for an offsite transportation facility.
- Beyond this, additional land is not necessary, however, the BV Board of Education is exploring the purchase/acquisition of additional property to best address the needs of the district and the main campus.

**Please contact Jeremy Froehlich, Assistant Superintendent, with any questions regarding the upcoming Bond Levy at**

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