

Special Election Ballot
School District Ballot
Independent School District No. 47
(Sauk Rapids-Rice), Minnesota
February 11, 2025

School districts must get voter approval for major construction projects.

These projects will be presented to voters as two separate, independent ballot questions.

Instructions to Voters:

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this:

To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" on that question. To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" on that question.

School District Questions

School District Question 1

Approval of School Building Bonds
Early Childhood Center

Shall the Board of Independent School District No.47 (Sauk Rapids-Rice), Minnesota be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$37,190,000 for acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities including, but not limited to, construction of an early childhood center?

Yes

No

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

School District Question 2

Approval of School Building Bonds
Outdoor Activity Complex

Shall the Board of Independent School District No.47 (Sauk Rapids-Rice), Minnesota be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$17,710,000 for acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities including, but not limited to, construction of an outdoor activity complex?

Yes

No

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Enrollment in preschool and childcare programs has almost doubled over the past two years. The proposed plan provides for a new Early Childhood Center with expanded, age appropriate learning spaces on a new site in Mayhew Creek Park.

Because the district is paying off old debt, the tax increase for both proposed projects is about \$3 per year for the median valued home (\$260,000), in the district, calculated over 25 years.

View your tax impact by visiting the tax calculator:



Current activity facilities are divided between the middle school and high school. The proposed plan provides for a new Outdoor Activity Complex at the high school.