

FEBRUARY 25TH BOND ELECTION UPDATE

Board of Education
2/10/25

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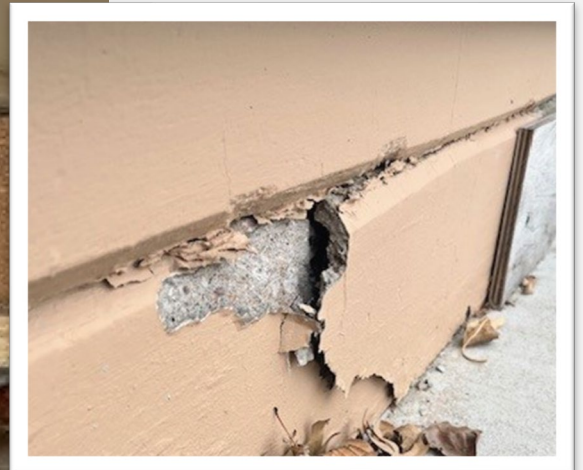
A Smart Plan

**Improving
Our
Community**



WICHITA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ZERO-RATE-CHANGE
BOND ISSUE *FEB. 25, 2025*

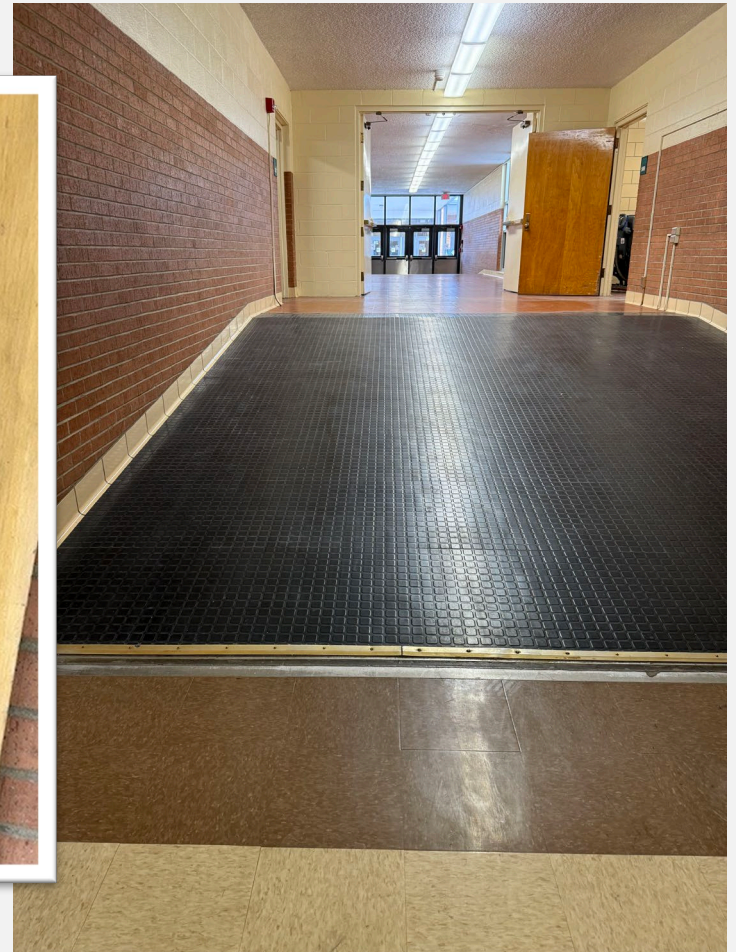
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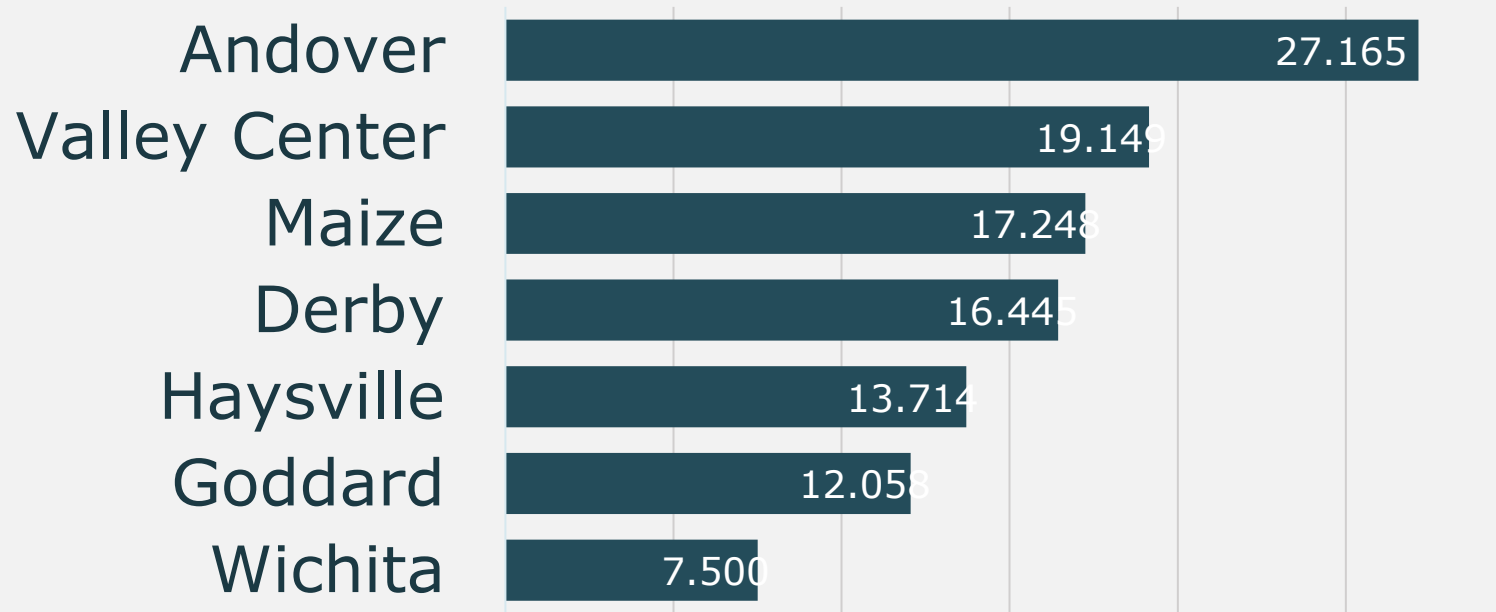
OPEN HOUSE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Jan 30** - Seltzer Elementary, 11660 E. Lincoln
- **Feb 10** - Isely Elementary, 5256 N. Woodlawn, Bel Aire
- **Feb 10** - L'Ouverture Elementary, 1539 N. Ohio

- **Feb 11** - Pleasant Valley Elementary, 2000 W. 29th North
- **Feb 11** - Truesdell Middle School, 2464 S. Glenn
- **Feb 12** - Wilbur Middle School, 340 N. Tyler
- **Feb 12** - Woodland Elementary, 1705 Salina
- **Feb 13** - OK Elementary, 1607 N. West Street
- **Feb 13** - Chisholm Trail Elementary, 6015 Independence, Park City

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK/QUESTIONS

TOPIC #1: AREA DISTRICT COMPARISON



Surrounding district bond mill levy comparison

Wichita will remain the lowest in the region!



Topic #1: Area District Comparison



TOPIC #2: STUDENT PERFORMANCE COMPARISON

<https://datacentral.ksde.org/>

TOPIC #3: CAPITAL /DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



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TOPIC #4: SCHOOL TRANSITIONS

- Four elementary schools will be retired, regardless of the election outcome
- Consolidations allow for efficiencies to better utilize available funds
- Schools were selected with careful consideration of their condition, utilization and student population density – current and anticipated

Anticipated Building Retirement Timeline (Should bond pass)

2028

L'Ouverture (spring)

Woodland (spring
2028 or 2029)

Chester Lewis
Alternative (spring
or winter)

Gateway (spring or
winter)

ISC (spring or
winter)

2027

OK ES (spring)

PVE ES (spring)

Spring 2026

Sowers Alternative HS

2030

Dunbar (spring)

Little (spring)

Topic #4: School Transitions

Phase 1

- Wells/Sowers – Fall 2026
- Black – Fall 2027
- McLean – Fall 2027
- Cessna – Fall 2027
- New Coleman – Fall or Winter 2027
- New FRC – Fall 2027

Phase 2

- Adams – Fall 2028
- Caldwell – Fall 2028
- Irving – Fall 2028 or 2029
- Old Coleman Remodel – Fall or Winter 2028
- Truesdell – Fall 2029
- Early Childhood – Fall 2030
- Northeast Field – Fall 2027 or 2028

TOPIC #5: 2000 AND 2008 BONDS

- We've put an entire generation of students through our schools since these bonds passed.
- Students born when the 2000 passed are 25 years old this year.
- Students born when the 2008 bond passed are in high school.



TOPIC #6: WHAT IF THE BOND DOESN'T PASS?

YES

- More accessible, modern learning environments
- More opportunities for efficiency
- Avoid \$464 million in estimated building maintenance needs over the next 10 years
- Reduce FCI from .55 to .44

NO

- Slower progress to find efficiencies
- Learning in status quo classrooms
- FCI would increase