



SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS
Independent School District 833
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801.4 CONDUCTING BOND CAMPAIGNS

I. PURPOSE

The School Board may submit to the voters of the school district, at any regular school election or at a special election, a question to allow for the issuance of bonds for the acquisition or betterment of school facilities for instruction and/or administration. Minnesota Statute 205A.05, Subd. 1a. allows special elections to be held on the second Tuesday in February, the second Tuesday in April, the second Tuesday in May, the second Tuesday in August, or the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Before such a bond election, specific need for facilities and the proposed financial effect of the bonds shall be made clear to the general public and careful estimates made as to the amounts required for the sites, buildings, and equipment.

The School Board shall provide the public with information on school finance and building needs. However, district funds shall not be used to advocate "yes" votes on bond issues or operating levy referenda. The School Board may activate a "Facility Needs Task Force" comprised of administrators, teachers, parents, and community members to examine building needs in advance of any building program so that the committee may make its findings known both to the School Board and to the public.

POLICY ADOPTED: May 24, 2007

POLICY REVIEWED: October, 2011, February 18, 2021

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