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MAHOMET-SEYMOUR COMMUNITY APPROVES NEW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL REFERENDUM

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MAHOMET, IL – Based on unofficial election results, voters in Mahomet-Seymour Community Unit School District #3 have approved the November 3rd referendum authorizing the District to issue $84 million in bonds for the construction of a new Junior High School. Election results remain unofficial pending certification by the appropriate election authorities.

The proposed school will serve students in grades 6–8 and is anticipated to open in fall 2029. The project is designed to address overcrowding, aging infrastructure, and the educational needs of a growing student population while maintaining the District's current tax rate.

"We are grateful to everyone who took the time to learn about this proposal, ask thoughtful questions, and participate in the election," said Superintendent Dr. Kenny Lee. "We recognize that members of our community have shared a variety of perspectives throughout this process, and we respect the time and consideration that went into this decision. As we move forward, our responsibility is to be thoughtful stewards of the resources entrusted to us and to keep our community informed every step of the way."

Mahomet-Seymour Junior High currently serves over 800 students in a building designed for 615. Over time, the District has adapted available spaces, divided classrooms, and utilized portable classrooms to accommodate enrollment growth.

The proposed new school will be located on District-owned property along the south side of South Mahomet Road, with a planned capacity of 900–1,100 students. The facility is expected to include dedicated spaces for academic instruction, fine arts, STEM education, physical education, and student support services.

The District plans to maintain its current District tax rate through its existing debt structure, the retirement of previous debt, and projected revenue growth. Individual property tax bills may still change based on assessed property values and other taxing bodies.

Following official certification of the election results, the District will move forward with the next phases of project planning, design, and construction preparation. Additional details and timelines will be shared as they are established. The District will provide ongoing project updates through its website, and official communication channels.

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