

JOHN WARNER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Exterior walls have been erected. The entrance area/canopy will be completed soon, there are a number of parking lots paved and everything is on schedule to open in August 2020.



Bond Update: Dollars at work



LOCUST STREET EXPRESSIVE ARTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The project continues to move along on schedule, with about 70 percent of the interior renovation work completed. In the next month or so, work on ceilings, light fixtures, flooring and painting is expected to begin. The new addition is also starting to take shape. The building will be ready to move back into and plans are in place for the school to reopen during the 2020-2021 academic year.



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June 2 Bond Issue: Q&A

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The Columbia Board of Education has called a special election on Tuesday, June 2, 2020, to submit a proposal for a **no-tax-rate-increase** bond issue to Columbia voters. The bond issue proposal requires 57 percent approval.

WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF THE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE?

\$20 million.

WILL THE BOND ISSUE REQUIRE A TAX INCREASE?

No. A tax levy increase is not necessary to maintain and improve our facilities. The bond will only extend the current debt payoff period.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A TAX LEVY AND A BOND ISSUE?

By law, bond issues only provide funds for new construction, renovation of existing facilities, technology and the purchase of equipment. Bond funds cannot be used to pay for operating costs. Tax levy funds are used to pay for operating costs such as salaries, benefits, materials and supplies. The June 2 election is a bond issue request of voters.

HOW IS BOND DEBT PAID?

Bond debt is paid using the debt service fund. Debt service is one of four funds included in the school district's tax levy. The fund is used to pay principal, interest and fees on outstanding bond issues. The debt service levy is \$0.9719.

HOW WILL THE FUNDS BE SPENT?

The bond will be used for:

\$7.5 million – **Building addition** to address continued growth in Columbia Public Schools

\$6 million – **Jefferson Middle School renovation**, including **gym construction, elevator installation in the main part of the building, and ADA enhancements** (*total project is \$12 million; \$6 million will come from the 2018 voter-approved bond issue*)

\$3.3 million – **High school athletic field projects**, including turf installation on practice fields at Battle, Hickman and Rock Bridge high schools

\$2 million – **ADA enhancements and facility maintenance** and improvements, including roofs, tuckpointing, HVAC and other critical projects

\$1 million – **Safety and security** enhancements, including construction of additional secure vestibule single points of entry for buildings that currently don't have them in place

\$200,000 – Bond fees for issuing bonds

WHY IS THERE A NEED FOR THESE ITEMS?

The Columbia Board of Education has adopted facility goals based on an evaluation of district facilities. These goals include reducing overcrowding in schools, including reducing the number of trailers; improving the physical and learning environments in all facilities; and increasing the functional life and efficiency of facilities.



Columbia Public Schools Facility and Bond Plan

Vote	April 2016 \$30 million bond (no tax increase)	April 2018 \$30 million bond (no tax increase)	June 2020 \$20 million bond (no tax increase)	April 2022 \$60 million bond (no tax increase expected)		April 2026 \$30 million bond (no tax increase expected)	April 2028 \$75 million bond (no tax increase expected)
Issue	June 2018	June 2019	August/ September 2020	June 2022 \$30 million	June 2024 \$30 million	June 2026	June 2028
Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middle school land, design Middle school construction Locust Street design Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Warner Middle school Locust Street addition and renovations Technology infrastructure Safety and security Roofs and other critical facility needs Middle school athletic improvement Rock Bridge Elementary School addition Building renovations and improvements Jefferson Middle School gymnasium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jefferson Middle School renovations Elementary school addition High school activity field projects Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs Safety and security projects Accessibility projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New elementary school A Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs Safety and security projects Accessibility projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New elementary school B Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs Safety and security projects Accessibility projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High school land, design, site construction Safety and security Accessibility projects Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High school construction Safety and security Accessibility projects New or renovated instructional space to accommodate growth Technology infrastructure Roofs and other critical facility needs
Completed as promised							
In progress							
Planned							

Columbia Public Schools Attendance Areas

