# REFERENDUM 2023 FACT SHEET JORDAN.K12.MN.US/REF23



# Why Now?

We engaged our school community in Spring 2022 during our strategic planning work. One focus that came from that work was to take pride in our facilities; most specifically a need for enhanced safety and security, and updates at Jordan Elementary School. This focus was reaffirmed during a broad community survey in Fall 2022. The needs for improved safety and security of our buildings and more space within our elementary school are not going away. The areas of our buildings that will be impacted by this proposed funding for upgrades will allow us to meet the needs of our community for years to come.

#### The Need

This need is based on clear direction from two community surveys to prioritize safety and security, growth within our community and opportunities for the betterment of our students and community.

## FACILITY CHALLENGES

#### Jordan Elementary School

- Secured entrance and office space are not functional for controlled visitor access.
- 1970s classrooms are undersized and outdated.
- Lunch periods run from 10:50am-1:05pm due to inappropriately sized kitchen and cafeteria.
- Early learning program is running out of space.
  Limited dedicated Kids' Company before/after school childcare space.
- Special Education classrooms lack space and appropriate accommodations.
- Current single gym does not meet the needs for school and community use.
- Outdoor drainage issues.
- Traffic flow issues with parking, including pick-up and drop-off areas.
- Numerous deferred maintenance issues need to be addressed including doors, windows, roof, and mechanical and electrical systems.
- Restroom areas are small and not located near bulk of classrooms.
- Need additional playground space.

#### Jordan High School

 Need updated secured entrance to enhance building security and better control visitor access.

# SOLUTIONS

#### Safety & Security

- Enhance secure entrance at Jordan High School.
- Enhance secure entrance at Jordan Elementary School.

#### Growth

- Addition of 6 classrooms and a new cafeteria space at Jordan Elementary School.
- Renovate and expand Early Learning wing of Jordan Elementary School with additional restrooms and add dedicated Kids' Company childcare space.

#### Opportunities

- Renovate 1970s classrooms at Jordan Elementary School to include window replacement and miscellaneous maintenance.
- Full size gymnasium addition at Jordan Elementary School.

#### Meeting basic needs to create

strong schools for a strong community!

### The Cost

Jordan Public Schools believes in being fiscally responsible and financially stable. As such, the School Board was committed to bringing forward a plan that focused on critical top priorities for our school district facility needs for safety and security, room for growth, and opportunities for our school community. The costs involved with these projects are over and above the scope of our long-term facilities maintenance planning. In order to create strong schools for a strong community, a bond referendum is needed to support these additional costs.

#### Tax Impact

If approved by voters, the estimated tax impact is \$27 dollars per month on an average residential home valued at \$300,000\*.

Estimated Market Value**	Estimated Impact of Taxes Payable in 2024	
	Annual	Monthly
\$200,000	\$203	\$17
\$300,000	\$325	\$27
\$400,000	\$448	\$37
\$500,000	\$562	\$47
\$600,000	\$702	\$58

\*Average home value is \$328,000 according to Scott County Assessor as of January 2, 2022.

\*\*Estimates based on preliminary tax impact as of November 22, 2022.

## **HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ME?**

Grab your tax bill and visit the link below to find your tax impact using our tax calculator.



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## **VOTING INFORMATION**

**Absentee** Feb. 23 - Apr. 10, 2023

500 Sunset Drive, #1

Jordan, MN 55352

**District Office** 

#### **Election Day**

April 11, 2023 The CERC 500 Sunset Drive Jordan, MN 55352

# LEARN MORE, MAKE YOUR PLAN, VOTE ON APRIL 11, 2023









