

ON THE BALLOT

District 204's bond referendum will appear on the ballot as the following question:

Shall the Board of Education of Indian Prairie Community Unit School District Number 204, DuPage and Will Counties, Illinois, alter, repair and equip existing school buildings, including constructing security improvements, including installing secure entryways, access controls and intrusion detection, replacing roofing, mechanical, plumbing, and HVAC systems, updating classrooms, science labs and libraries/media centers, enhancing energy efficiency, and issue bonds of said School District to the amount of \$420,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?



2024 BOND REFERENDUM
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SAFER, STRONGER 204 WITHOUT A TAX RATE INCREASE



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DISTRICTWIDE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS WITHOUT A TAX RATE INCREASE

- ✓ IPSD 204 will be able to issue \$420 million of bonds without a tax rate increase. This is possible since the District will pay off outstanding debt.
- ✓ The size of the tax rate that is expiring soon is the same size as the tax rate associated with the new referendum. One cancels out the other, which is how the improvements can be done without a tax rate increase.



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The proposed improvements would benefit 33 schools and more than 25,000 students.

- ✓ Essential improvements can be made without a tax rate increase.
- ✓ Districtwide safety and security upgrades would be addressed first.
- ✓ All schools in the District would benefit.
- ✓ IPSD's 33 school buildings are 15-57 years old, and half were built around 35 years ago.
- ✓ No new schools would be built. The focus would be on updating existing facilities.
- ✓ Three schools are in worse condition than the rest and would get comprehensive updates.
- ✓ Waiting would increase the cost by at least \$16.8 million a year due to construction inflation.
- ✓ It's been 18 years since voters approved funding for school improvements.
- ✓ Savings generated by certain referendum projects could provide funds to help reduce class sizes and address mental health service needs.
- ✓ If approved, the District would provide updates and oversight of all referendum projects on its website and via community and board meetings.



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Proceeds from the 2024 Bond Referendum would address the following capital facility needs:

- ✓ **Districtwide security upgrades**, including the addition of secure entry vestibules, access controls, intrusion detection systems, and surveillance equipment.
- ✓ **Districtwide infrastructure improvements** tied to air quality, building systems, roofing, health/life safety, site upgrades, and energy efficiency.
- ✓ **Renovation of schools to provide quality learning spaces districtwide**, including the comprehensive renovation of Waubonsie Valley High School, Hill Middle School, and Gregory Middle School; reconfiguring Neuqua Valley High School to reintegrate freshmen; and expanding elementary school instructional space on the north side of the District.
- ✓ **Operational efficiency improvements**, including repurposing the Birkett Freshman Center and closing and selling the underutilized Wheatland and Indian Plains buildings.

ANTICIPATED BENEFITS OF BOND REFERENDUM



Improving safety and security at all schools



Maintaining academic excellence and accountability



Enhancing building efficiency, saving taxpayer dollars



Protecting property values



Ensuring every student has access to a quality learning environment



Reducing costly and disruptive emergency repairs



Extending the useful life of existing facilities

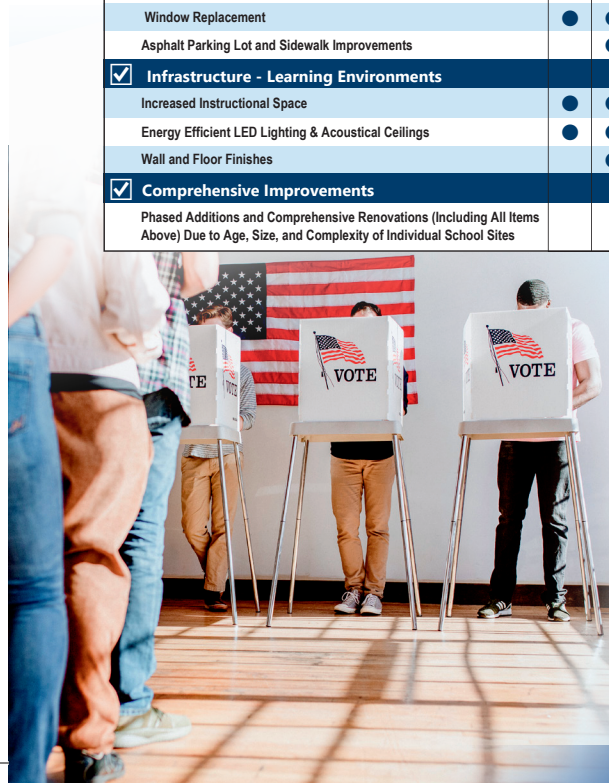


Making districtwide improvements without a tax rate increase

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OVERVIEW OF FACILITY NEEDS AT EACH IPSD 204 SCHOOL <small>Based on Facilities Assessment and Master Plan</small>	Elementary Schools																		Middle Schools					High Schools														
	Brookdale	Brooks	Builta	Clow	Cowlshaw	Fry	Georgetown	Gombert	Graham	Kendall	Longwood	McCarty	Owen	Patterson	Peterson	Prairie Preschool	Springbrook	Steck	Watts	Welch	White Eagle	Young	Crone	Fischer	Granger	Gregory	Hill	Scullen	Still	Birkett	Metea Valley	Neuqua Valley	Waubonsie Valley					
✓ Safety and Security																																						
Vestibule Improvements, Line of Sight, Main Office Configuration	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Fire Protection System (Sprinklers)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Door Replacement and Access Control	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Additional Security Improvements (Cameras, Intrusion Detection, Etc.)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
✓ Infrastructure - Systems																																						
HVAC Upgrades/Air Quality Improvements	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Electrical Upgrades	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Technology/Low Voltage System Upgrades	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
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Exterior Wall Repairs	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Window Replacement	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Asphalt Parking Lot and Sidewalk Improvements	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
✓ Infrastructure - Learning Environments																																						
Increased Instructional Space	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Energy Efficient LED Lighting & Acoustical Ceilings	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Wall and Floor Finishes	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
✓ Comprehensive Improvements																																						
Phased Additions and Comprehensive Renovations (Including All Items Above) Due to Age, Size, and Complexity of Individual School Sites																																						



VOTING INFORMATION & KEY DATES

ELECTION DAY VOTING
 Tuesday, November 5
 Local Precinct: 6 am to 7 pm

VOTE BY MAIL
 Application Deadline: October 31
 Ballots Sent: Starting September 26
 Return Ballots: Postmark by Election Day or Return to County Clerk's Office by 7 pm on Election Day

EARLY VOTING
 Visit these sites for more information:
dupagecounty.gov or willcountyclerk.gov



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