



# UNION GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Referendum Fact Sheet



### What are we Voting on?

On Tuesday, November 6th, 2018, residents within Union Grove Elementary School District will be asked to vote on an important referendum question requesting permission to borrow funds **not-to-exceed \$7,995,000**. This would include the construction of an academic addition, remodeling, building infrastructure, IT upgrades and capital maintenance improvements, reconfiguration of learning spaces, and acquisition of related furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

### What is the Need?

- 1 ADDRESS AGING BUILDING AND INFRASTRUCTURE**  
 Union Grove Elementary was originally built in 1968 with the last addition in 2002. Although the school has been well maintained, some of the building structure and infrastructure is more than 50 years old and has reached the end of its useful life. Many of these such as roofs, soffits, exterior brickwork and water drainage require excessive maintenance and will likely fail in the near future. Other items that are failing now such as water heaters, electrical panels, HVAC equipment and lighting fixtures are outdated and inefficient.
- 2 IMPROVE LEARNING SPACES**  
 Additional classroom space and interior renovations will better support 21st century teaching and learning practices and will accommodate the flexibility that is required. Upgrades including proper ventilation, adequate storage and appropriate lighting will enhance all student learning environments.
- 3 MEET THE NEEDS OF EVERY STUDENT**  
 Teaching and learning have changed drastically in the last several years and today's schools must be designed with flexibility and collaboration to enable project-based and personalized learning strategies at all grade levels. Reconfiguring learning spaces will provide dedicated and appropriate spaces for students. This will help to better prepare all students for a successful high school experience.

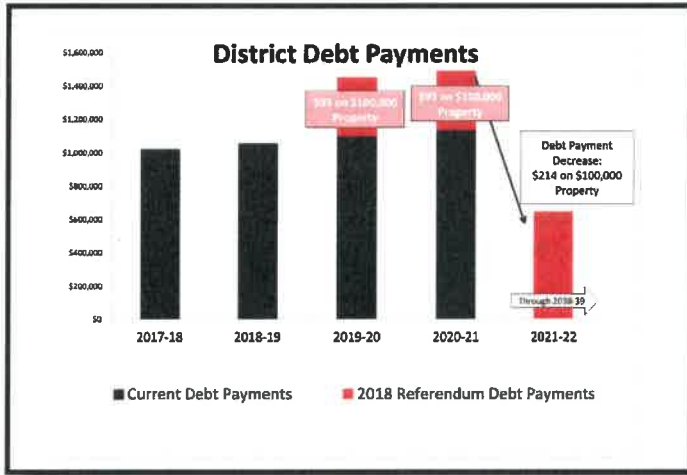
### What is the Solution?

- Add four 5th grade classrooms with centralized flexible learning space
- Renovate several areas including middle school commons area, STEM collaboration area, gymnasium & locker rooms, kitchen, library and special education classrooms to better support curriculum & enhance learning environment
- Update HVAC, lighting, and electrical systems and plumbing from 1968
- Expand 1973 cafeteria to better accommodate students
- Repair exterior of building including roof replacements & brick tuckpointing
- Perform site improvements including asphalt parking lot replacement and storm water drainage
- Replace HVAC temperature control system to improve overall efficiency
- Upgrade technology equipment to prepare students for enhanced 21st century learning
- Create an outdoor courtyard to provide students with a safe space to do outdoor projects in a controlled environment



## What is the Impact to Taxpayers?

As shown in the chart, there would be a tax increase for the first two years. In 2020-21, the District will make its final debt payment. This will result in a decrease in the tax levy for debt in 2021-22.



TAX IMPACT ON PROPERTY WITH FAIR MARKET VALUE	Impact in 2019-20 & 2020-21	Impact in 2021-22 & After
Max Mill Rate Impact (per \$1,000 valuation):	<b>\$0.93</b>	<b>(\$2.14)</b>
<b>\$100,000 of Property Value</b>		
Maximum Impact	\$93.00	(\$214.00)
Monthly Impact	\$7.75	(\$17.83)
<b>\$200,000 of Property Value</b>		
Maximum Impact	\$186.00	(\$428.00)
Monthly Impact	\$15.50	(\$35.67)
<b>\$300,000 of Property Value</b>		
Maximum Impact	\$279.00	(\$642.00)
Monthly Impact	\$23.25	(\$53.50)

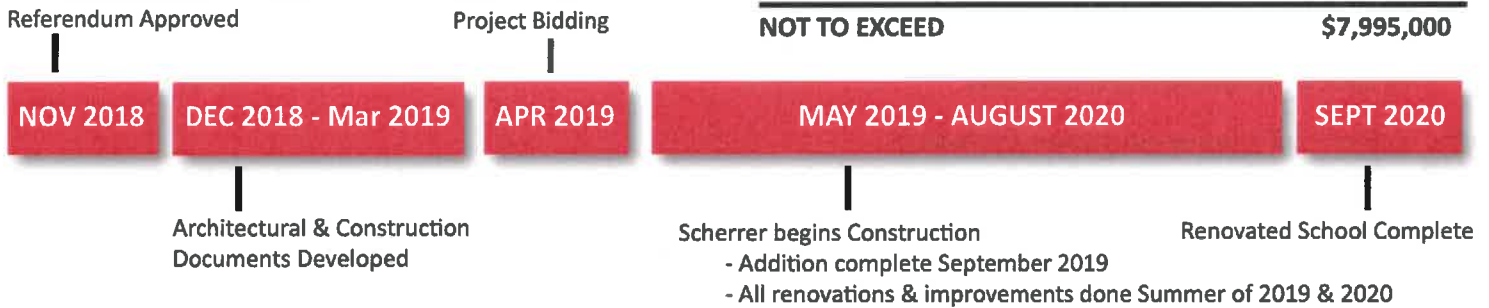
Assumptions: 20-year borrowing with an estimated interest rate of 4.50%. Mill rate based on 2017 Equalized Valuation (TID-OUT) of \$372,440,221 with annual growth of 2.00% for three years and 0.00% thereafter.

Tax Impact estimated provided by financial consultants Robert W. Baird & Co.

## What is the Cost Breakdown?

HVAC, Electrical & Plumbing Upgrades.....	\$2,780,000
5th Grade Classroom Addition.....	\$1,700,000
Interior Renovations.....	\$1,432,000
Site Improvements.....	\$1,200,000
Exterior Building Repair.....	\$483,000
Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment & IT Upgrades.....	\$400,000
<b>NOT TO EXCEED</b>	<b>\$7,995,000</b>

## What is the Construction Timeline?



**MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th**

## Get More Information!

**WATCH** for future school district mailings

**VISIT** the district website at [www.uges.k12.wi.us](http://www.uges.k12.wi.us)

**ATTEND** a Referendum Information Night  
Monday, September 17th @ 5:30 PM  
Monday, October 29th @ 5:00 PM

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## What will be on the Nov 8th Ballot?

Shall the Joint School District Number 1, Village of Union Grove, Towns of Paris, Dover, and Yorkville, Racine and Kenosha Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$7,995,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school improvement program consisting of: construction of an academic addition; remodeling, building infrastructure and capital maintenance improvements; reconfiguration of learning spaces; and acquisition of related furnishings, fixtures and equipment?


 Yes

 No