



Waterford School District

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Dear WSD Community,

On August 4, 2020, voters in Waterford School District graciously approved a \$150 million-dollar bond proposal, which did not have a tax rate increase for our community. The passage of this bond has since allowed Waterford School District to systematically and strategically invest in our infrastructure to ensure a bright and productive future for our students and staff.

When the bond passed, we promised to keep our community updated on our projects' progress. Each of you has played an important role in supporting our staff and students so it is important we are transparent and communicate about how these funds have been spent, as well as our plans for the future.

Your 2020 Bond Dollars at Work

The bond funds are used for a variety of projects; however, there are two main areas, aside from building infrastructure upgrades, where the money is being utilized. First, approximately \$30 million is designated to build our brand new, state-of-the-art Stepanski Early Childhood Center. The second piece is we are investing an estimated \$25 million in technology upgrades. Both of these major projects have a future focus, ensuring all our students have the most up-to-date, comprehensive learning opportunities available.

The following bond projects are completed:

- Phase 1 technology upgrade (wiring for all of our buildings to allow for movement to the next technology upgrade phase)
- HVAC improvements at Mott and Kettering High Schools
- Bathroom updates and complete installation of classroom air conditioning at Kettering High School
- Creation of a community-led committee (consisting of teachers, current parents, and board members) to plan and design the new Stepanski Early Childhood Center; Contractors broke ground in April 2022 and [progress has been continuous](#), with the school slated to be open in fall 2024
- Demolition of Waterford Village building; property kept as green space

The following projects are currently being worked on or will begin in 2023 or 2024:

- Phase 2 technology upgrade - New interactive whiteboard displays districtwide for all classrooms and new teacher workstations that interface with those display boards
- Remodeling of classrooms, which includes new flooring and lighting at both high schools



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- Upgrades to our Performing Arts centers
- New art rooms at both high schools
- Bathroom updates at both high schools
- HVAC work continued at both high schools
- Main and auxiliary gym improvements at both high schools
- Replace the track at Mason Middle School, and recondition the tennis courts and tracks at both high schools
- Improvements made to Kettering High School's entire parking lot, such as the installation of LED lighting, and a redesigned bus loop, entrance, and parent drop-off area

The Future Is Bright

The 2020 Bond vision “Focused on our Future” is not just a motto, but a directive on how we are investing taxpayer money. We are continuously reviewing all district assets nearing their end of life and coupling that list with our five-year strategic plan, which provides our district’s robust academic vision to help guide us on what bond projects should be completed and when.

If you would like to stay informed on the progress of these projects, or if you would like to know more details about the bond itself, visit our [2020 Bond Progress webpage](#). Thank you again for your partnership in providing our students and staff with the updated, cutting-edge buildings and infrastructure they need to be competitive in this ever-changing world.

Sincerely,

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