

Dear Community Members, Families, and Staff:

The Edgerton area is a great place to live and raise a family. There is the warmth of a small town, a can-do attitude, and countless examples of neighbors helping neighbors.



For several months, Edgerton Public Schools has been studying options to update our school. Some of the most significant needs include:

- Not enough classroom space.
- A better way to monitor and control visitor access for the safety of students.
- Den and weight room: floor unrepairable, not ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant, no locker room or bathrooms.
- Aging building systems (heating, cooling, roofs).

Before we finalize any plans, we need to hear from you, our taxpayers, through this community-wide survey. Your feedback is kept confidential. All survey data is returned to School Perceptions, an independent education research firm.

TAKE THE SURVEY IN ONE OF TWO WAYS

Option 1: To reduce mailing expenses:

Go to the survey website:

www.Feedback2000.com

Enter your survey code:



Option 2: If you do not have internet access, please return the survey to any school office, or mail it to School Perceptions, PO Box 607, Slinger, WI 53086.

Additional Surveys: The survey code can be used only once. To obtain additional surveys for other adults in your household, please call the District Office at 507-442-7881.

Para pedir una copia de esta encuesta en español, favor de llamar 507-442-7881.

Please complete the survey before November 6, 2023.

If you have a disability that makes it difficult to read and/or take the survey, please contact the high school office at 507-442-7881.

Final survey results will be reported at the Board of Education meeting on November 21, 2023. They will also be available on our website at: edgertonpublic.com.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Sincerely,

Keith Buckridge
Superintendent

Gene Westenberg
Board Chair

Brandon Gunnink
Vice Chair

Ivan Vande Griend
Board Clerk

Greg Arp
Board Member

Loren Gunnink
Board Member

Julie Ruiters
Board Member

Home of the Flying Dutchmen

Base Plan

Earlier this year, representatives from RA Morton and TSP Architects completed a comprehensive assessment of our facilities.

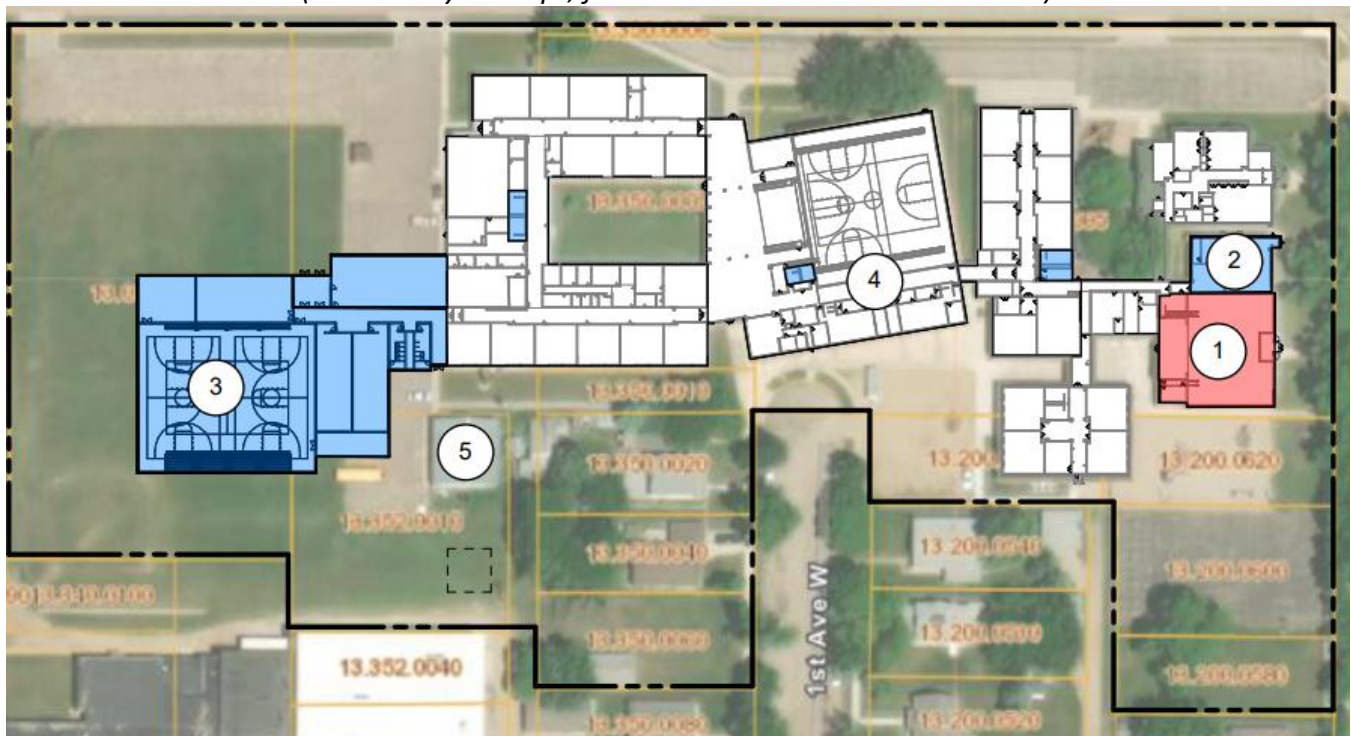
The gym was built in 1936 and is too small to serve physical education, extra-curricular, and youth/community programming. The gym floor is nearing end of life. The entire area is not ADA accessible and does not have access to water or restrooms. In addition, the locker rooms are outdated and too small. The weight room is located on the stage, and the wood floor is deteriorating, presenting safety issues. These areas also lack storage.

The District's preschool program is also located in the 1936 building and will need a new location in order to serve students.

The Board of Education identified the following base plan to address these issues.

1. Demolish the 1936 "Den" gymnasium and support areas.
2. Replace the outdated preschool rooms located in the 1936 building that is being demolished.
3. Replace the "Den" with new gymnasium, locker rooms, bathrooms, and weight room area.
4. Upgrade restrooms to meet ADA codes.
5. Relocate the maintenance/vehicle storage building.

(Preliminary concept, final location still to be determined.)



Base Plan Funding Support

The cost to address these projects is too expensive to be covered in our annual budget. Therefore, the District will need to ask voters to approve a bond referendum to issue debt (take out a loan).

ESTIMATED ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX IMPACT		
Type of Property	Estimated Market Value	\$13.5 million
Residential Homestead	\$100,000	\$92
	\$150,000	\$173
	\$200,000	\$254
	\$250,000	\$334
	\$300,000	\$415
Commercial/Industrial	\$100,000	\$222
	\$250,000	\$628
	\$500,000	\$1,368
Ag Homestead	\$7,000	\$1.55
	\$9,000	\$2.00
	\$11,000	\$2.44
Ag Non-Homestead	\$7,000	\$3.11
	\$9,000	\$3.99
	\$11,000	\$4.88

<p>Would you support a \$13.5 million bond referendum to fund the base plan?</p> <p><i>Assumes 20-year borrowing plan with interest rates at 5.00%.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Definitely yes <input type="checkbox"/> Probably yes <input type="checkbox"/> Undecided <input type="checkbox"/> Probably no <input type="checkbox"/> Definitely no
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If you would not support the referendum, what are the primary reasons?

Additional Projects

The base plan could be expanded to pay for the projects below while construction crews are onsite, saving the District money.

Please use this scale when responding to the following items.

High: Address immediately

Medium: Important, but address in a future project

Low: Not a priority, do not address in the near future

School Office and Classrooms (*Estimated cost: \$2.8 million*)

The main office is located in the middle of the building. All visitors are buzzed into the school and travel through the building to reach the office. This creates safety and security concerns. The high school needs more classrooms because of increased enrollment. Traffic is congested, and there is not enough parking.

This project would:

- ✓ Create a main office at the entrance to better monitor and control visitor access.
- ✓ Use the old main office space as classrooms.
- ✓ Create additional classrooms.
- ✓ Improve traffic flow and increase parking.

What priority would you place on this project?

- High
 Medium
 Low

HVAC and Roofs (*Estimated cost: \$4.5 million*)

The HVAC (heating, ventilation, and cooling) systems are nearing the end of their life cycle and do not meet today's indoor air quality standards. Sections of the roof are at the end of their life cycle.

This project would:

- ✓ Replace HVAC components in the 1959 high school section of the building.
- ✓ Replace sections of the roof as needed.

What priority would you place on this project?

- High
 Medium
 Low

Comments/suggestions/questions

Additional Projects, Cont'd

Outdoor Athletics *(Estimated cost: \$2.6 million)*

The existing fields lack proper grading/crowning, and the track is made of gravel and is not competition sized. The bleachers are not ADA compliant, the press box and fencing are in need of replacement, and the lights will need to be replaced as a result of the other project improvements.

This project would:

- ✓ Create a competition track surface.
- ✓ Replace the bleachers, press box, lights, and fences.
- ✓ Regrade the football field with drain tile.
- ✓ Add an irrigation system to the football field.

What priority would you place on this project?

- High
- Medium
- Low

Turf Field *(Estimated cost: \$900,000)*

- ✓ If there is support for the outdoor athletics project, the District could install low maintenance artificial turf to the football/multisport field (e.g., soccer, baseball practice, softball practice, daily physical education) as an addition to that project.

What priority would you place on this project?

- High
- Medium
- Low

Comments/suggestions/questions

Funding Support

The total cost of the building projects is estimated at \$24.3 million. **We realize paying for all these projects at one time may not be realistic.** The District will establish a plan based on the community's priorities.

Base Plan*	\$13.5 million
School Office and Classrooms	\$ 2.8 million
HVAC (Heating and Cooling Systems) and Roofs	\$ 4.5 million
Outdoor Athletics	\$ 2.6 million
Turf Field	\$ 900,000
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	\$24.3 million

ESTIMATED ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX IMPACT FOR EACH BOND REFERENDUM AMOUNT					
Type of Property	Estimated Market Value	\$13.5 million*	\$18 million	\$21 million	\$24.3 million
Residential Homestead	\$100,000	\$92	\$125	\$146	\$163
	\$150,000	\$173	\$233	\$274	\$305
	\$200,000	\$254	\$342	\$401	\$447
	\$250,000	\$334	\$451	\$528	\$589
	\$300,000	\$415	\$560	\$656	\$732
Commercial/Industrial	\$100,000	\$222	\$299	\$351	\$391
	\$250,000	\$628	\$848	\$994	\$1,109
	\$500,000	\$1,368	\$1,846	\$2,164	\$2,413
Ag Homestead	\$7,000	\$1.55	\$2.10	\$2.46	\$2.74
	\$9,000	\$2.00	\$2.69	\$3.16	\$3.52
	\$11,000	\$2.44	\$3.29	\$3.86	\$4.30
Ag Non-Homestead	\$7,000	\$3.11	\$4.19	\$4.91	\$5.48
	\$9,000	\$3.99	\$5.39	\$6.32	\$7.04
	\$11,000	\$4.88	\$6.59	\$7.72	\$8.61
<p>Assuming the projects were acceptable to you, what amount would you support?</p> <p><i>Assumes 20-year borrowing plan with interest rates at 5.00%.</i></p> <p><i>*The asterisk (*) marks the investment needed to complete the base plan.</i></p>			<p><input type="checkbox"/> I would support a \$24.3 million referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would support a \$21 million referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would support an \$18 million referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would support a \$13.5 million referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would only support a smaller referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would not support any referendum.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I'm not sure/need more information.</p>		

Comments/questions/suggestions:

Edgerton Public School District
101 N. School Street
Edgerton, MN 56128

**IMPORTANT SCHOOL
SURVEY ENCLOSED**

If you have questions about these projects or this survey, please contact
the District Office at 507-442-7881.



***Please complete the survey before
November 6, 2023.***

*This publication was produced for the residents of the **Edgerton Public School District**. Due to the overlap of postal routes, residents from neighboring school districts may receive this publication. Given the limitations of bulk mailing, this overlap was difficult to eliminate without significant cost. Thank you for your understanding.*