

Community Unit School District 200

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Dear District 200 Residents,

Over the past year and a half, the Board of Education and District administration have engaged our community, staff and architects to develop a Facilities Master Plan. The work included an educational assessment of our buildings, combined with an existing physical assessment, to provide a detailed, long-term view of our building needs for current and future students.

After initial studies were completed, the Board diligently reviewed and prioritized projects, including costs and implementation schedules; reviewed financing options; and planned for future facility needs. As a result, the Board has developed a comprehensive plan that addresses current and future facility needs and provides parity across the District.

The identified repairs, upgrades and renovations to 19 of our 20 schools are estimated to cost \$154.5 million. The Board of Education has committed to fund \$22 million of this work out of reserves and future budgets. **On the April 4, 2017 ballot, the Board will be asking the community for the authority to sell \$132.5 million in bonds over the next five years to complete the work.** In addition, the Board has committed, based on a proven, reliable formula, to set aside funds out of future operating budgets to cover necessary repairs on an ongoing basis.

Enclosed you will find a project overview brochure that details projects, the ballot question, the financial impact and plans for the future. Please review this brochure and, should you need it, seek additional information through one or more of the means below.

- Attend a scheduled community Coffee House. You are invited to stop by at your convenience during one of the designated times below.

Friday, February 24

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Monroe Middle School

Tuesday, February 28

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Franklin Middle School

Tuesday, March 14

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Hubble Middle School

Friday, March 17

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Edison Middle School

- Host your own event and invite the District to give a presentation. We welcome the opportunity to speak with your civic organization, homeowners' association, or any community group of friends and neighbors.
- Visit our website, www.cusd200.org/facilities, and explore the online resources including FAQs and a potential tax-impact calculator.
- Send us an email at communications@cusd200.org or call us at 630-682-2469.
- Submit an online question form at www.cusd200.org/facilities.
- Follow us on Facebook /District200 or Twitter @cusd200
- Make an appointment to meet with a District representative one-on-one by calling 630-682-2469.

As always, we invite and encourage you to attend our Board and Committee Meetings and/or contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James C. Vroman".

Jim Vroman, Board President

Brad Paulsen, Vice President
Jim Gambaiani, Board Member

Chris Crabtree, Secretary
Barbara Intihar, Board Member

Joann Coghill, Board Member
Jim Mathieson, Board Member