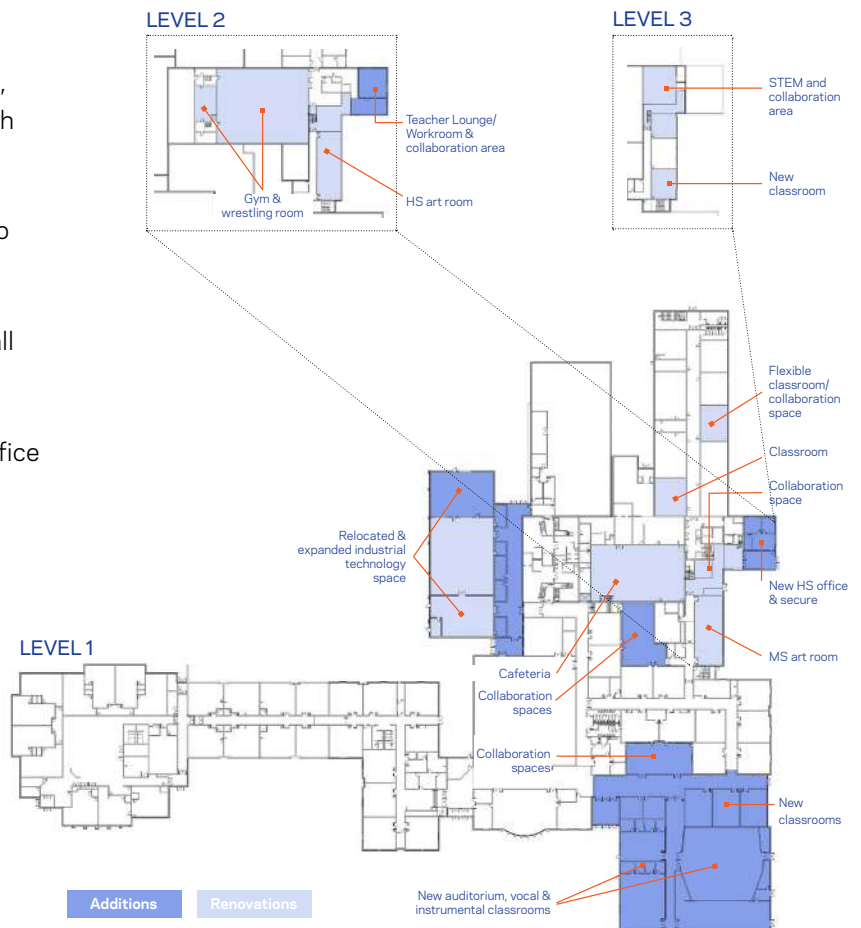




WHAT'S THE PLAN?

Throughout the planning process, the facility committee was focused on adding to and improving a variety of learning environments. Renovations and additions to the high school and middle school will address safety and space issues in the historic high school; expand and improve the industrial technology classrooms; upgrade the cafeteria, gym, and wrestling room; and provide better facilities for fine arts programs.

- ✚ Adding and improving classrooms, art rooms, and collaboration areas in the middle and high school
- ✚ General overall updates and improvements to the oldest part of the high school
- ✚ Addressing ADA and accessibility issues in all buildings
- ✚ Safe and secure high school entrance and office
- ✚ Adding a new auditorium & music spaces
- ✚ Relocating and improving the industrial technology classrooms
- ✚ Renovating the gym and wrestling room
- ✚ Upgrades to softball and baseball fields
- ✚ Repurpose existing industrial technology building for district maintenance



WHY NOW?

The vote on March 1, 2022, is the next step in a facilities planning process that began in 2019 when the district convened a community-based advisory committee to develop a five-year plan designed to be implemented in phases. The first phase included resolving some ADA issues, paving the student lot, and HVAC upgrades. All projects were paid for using existing funds with no impact to taxpayers. The next phase includes additional improvements to the middle and high school and overall campus. The work will be partially funded with a general obligation bond, which requires a vote, but will not impact taxes.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRY & AUDITORIUM ADDITIONS



HOW WILL WE PAY FOR THE PLAN?

This plan will cost around \$20 million dollars. Because Jesup's school board and district leadership have been careful stewards of both taxpayer and state revenue streams, the district can address facility needs without raising taxes. To fund this plan, the school board has identified two primary funding sources:

- 1** A general obligation bond, which will not exceed \$13.9 million, must be approved by voters. **It will not increase property taxes.**
- 2** The Secure an Advanced Vision for Education (also known as SAVE/ one-percent sales tax) fund. **This will also not impact voters' property taxes.**

HOW WILL THE BOND AFFECT MY TAXES?

Your property taxes will not go up. We can do this because the Jesup district leadership and board have strategically been planning for these projects. Because the district has paid off existing debts and will leverage state sales tax funds, the projects will be able to be funded without increasing property taxes.

WHAT WILL THE BALLOT SAY?

On March 1, 2022, a date predetermined by state law, residents of the district will be asked to vote on the following referendum. Sixty-percent of voters must approve the referendum for it to pass:

Shall the Board of Directors of the Jesup Community School District in the Counties of Black Hawk and Buchanan, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue General Obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13,900,000 to be used together with sales tax revenues received from the State Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund to provide funds to build, furnish, and equip additions to the existing K-12 facility, including an auditorium, secure entryway, class rooms and career and technical education learning spaces, and to remodel, repair, and improve the existing K-12 facilities, including related site improvements?

HOW WILL I VOTE?



EARLY Vote early at either the Buchanan or Black Hawk County Courthouse Monday through Friday from February 9 through February 28.



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ABSENTEE Request an absentee ballot from the Black Hawk or Buchanan County auditor by February 14. Request ballots online:

Request ballots online:
sos.iowa.gov/elections/pdf/absenteeballotapp.pdf

ELECTION DAY: MARCH 1, 2022

On election day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., eligible voters may vote at the following locations:

Black Hawk County Residents
Raymond City Hall
101 1st St
Raymond, IA 50667

Buchanan County Residents
Jesup City Hall
791 6th St
Jesup, IA 50648