

Q: WHAT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE 2023 BOND PROGRAM?

On Tuesday, May 2, the Blissfield Community Schools community will consider a bond proposal to generate \$23.6 million in funds for facility improvements with a 3.25 mill increase to the current millage rate. Below is a comprehensive breakdown of the ballot language.

Shall Blissfield Community School District, Lenawee and Monroe Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty-Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$23,600,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

- erecting, furnishing, and equipping additions to school buildings;
- remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and reequipping school buildings;
- acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school buildings; and preparing, developing, and improving sites?

YES	
NO	

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2023, under current law, is 3.25 mills (\$3.25 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-five (25) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 3.10 mills (\$3.10 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation)

\$23.6 MILLION BOND

The district would sell \$23.6 million in bonds to fund the proposed projects.

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SCHOOL ENTRY

AIR CONDITIONING FOR
CLASSROOMS

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3.25 MILL INCREASE

The millage increase for the first year of the bond is identified as 3.25 mills. Over the life of the bond, it is estimated that the average millage rate needed to expire the bond will be 3.10 mills. The proposed bond term is 25 years.

The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$-0-. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is \$-0-. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

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Q: WHAT WOULD \$23.6 MILLION PROVIDE?

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PROPOSED PROJECTS		ANTICIPATED BUDGET
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		\$9,300,000
 New secure entry and office renovations at Elementary HVAC Upgrades Including Air Conditioning 	 Cafeteria addition and renovation of current cafeteria into dedicated gymnasium space Fire alarm upgrades 	 Single Pane Window Replacements Ceiling replacements to abate remaining asbestos and repair patches
MIDDLE SCHOOL		\$3,300,000
 New secure entry and office renovations at Middle School Window additions to increase daylight in classrooms 	 Transformation of locker commons area to Flex Lab/makerspace Furniture replacement Renovation of STEM Lab 	 Lighting replacements and upgrades to building control systems to improve building energy performance
HIGH SCHOOL		\$10,800,000
 New secure entry and office renovations at High School Renovations and additions to band, art, and choir rooms 	 Ceiling replacements to abate remaining asbestos and repair patches ADA Upgrades 	 Lighting replacements and upgrades to building control systems to improve building energy performance
ELECTION FEES		\$200,000
BOND TOTAL		\$23,600,000





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