LSR7’s April 7, 2020
No Tax Rate Increase Bond Issue

Priorities, Projects & Processes
Core Priorities

Safety  Parity  Capacity  Facility Needs  Future Ready Design
Projects

$3M  Additional safety and security

$72M  Building a new middle school

$80M  Renovating Lee’s Summit High School

$25M  Renovating three middle schools

$16M  Expanding Mason Elementary

$9M   Adding a second early education center at Prairie View Elementary

$19M  Improving stadiums at all high schools and building LSHS softball/ baseball complex

$224M  Total April 2020 No Tax Rate Increase Bond Issue
Process: Gathering Information

Fall 2018 — Community engagement begins for CFMP Phase I, resulting in unanimous Board of Education approval of boundary changes in December 2018 for the 2019-20 school year.

Spring 2019 — CFMP Phase II process action teams comprised of staff, families and community members begin planning and research.

Fall 2019 — Board of Education approves 2019-2020 priorities, including identifying preK-12 facility projects in anticipation of an April 2020 no tax rate increase bond issue.

- District leaders visit schools to gain in-person feedback from teachers, administrators and support staff.
- Community teams meet and discuss a potential bond, including the Citizens’ Advisory Committee.
Process Moving Forward

Winter 2019-20

- Board of Education & Citizens’ Advisory Committee engage in joint work session.


- March 11, 2020 is the deadline to register to vote in the election.

- April 7, 2020 is the election date including the proposed no tax rate increase bond issue.
The Basics of a No Tax Rate Increase Bond

- A school bond issue is a financing tool used by districts to pay for capital projects, such as new buildings, renovations or land purchases.
- In a bond issue, districts ask voters if they can issue bonds to borrow money to cover the costs of these capital projects, and pay them back with property tax revenue.

No tax rate increases have **no immediate impact** on voters’ property taxes.
Additional Safety & Security $3M

All schools would receive:

- Surveillance cameras
- Upgraded access control system
- New keying system
- Uniform playground fencing (at selected school sites)
Renovate LSHS $80M

- Reconstruct western exterior, provide new southern facade
- Construct new central “spine” with centralized library
- Interior renovations for instructional and public spaces
- Mechanical, electrical, roofing and sewer upgrades
- Provide new innovative learning spaces
Renovate LSHS $80M

FRAMEWORK FOR TRANSFORMATION

- Addition of industrial technology lab located adjacent to art and closer to the shops in building D
- New connecting heart space to ease the flow of traffic through campus
- Connecting corridor to enclose a new science courtyard
- Replacement of corridor to make the connection between the north and south portions of building B ADA accessible
- Two-story addition to centralize the library and provide innovation classrooms
- Performing arts addition to make the theater spaces ADA accessible
- New façade at building A that will be visible to Highway 50

*conceptual designs, Gould Evans
Renovate LSHS $80M

Levels of Renovation
- Heavy
- Medium
- Light
- Extra Light
- Super Light
- Demolition
Impacts discussed included:

Sixth graders
- Have access to more support during the most intensive developmental period beyond toddler years
- Are introduced to opportunities to explore specific interests through electives and activities
- Experience a longer period of preparation and transition to high school
K-5 Elementary Impacts

Increased capacity allows for more varied learning environments, project-based learning, and individual exploration.
New Middle School $72M

LSR7’s Fourth Middle School

- 180,000 square feet on district-owned land at Bailey Road
- Serve approx. 1,200 sixth through eighth graders
- Future-ready “wing” design to accommodate developmental and instructional needs
Renovate Middle Schools $25M

**BCMS $8.2M**
- Music addition
- Minor interior renovation

**PLMS $11.8M**
- Music and art addition
- New entry and interior renovations

**SLMS $5M**
- Music addition
- Minor interior renovation
Renovate Mason Elementary $16M

- Expand and modernize learning spaces through an addition and renovation
- Improve safety by creating a 4-section elementary school prototype
- Provide needed capacity and new entryway
Early Education Center at PVE $9M

- Renovate north wing of Prairie View Elementary to create LSR7’s second early education center
- Improve capacity in elementary schools currently serving as satellite early education sites
- Utilize PVE, which is double the size of most elementary schools, to accommodate both early childhood and elementary learners
Athletic/Activity Improvements $19M

- Turf replacement, track resurfacing and stadium improvements for all high schools to ensure safety and improve facilities for access and crowd control
- Build Lee's Summit High School softball/baseball complex on fourth middle school campus to ensure parity with other LSR7 high schools
Athletic/Activity Improvements $19M

Impacts:

- Improve safety and quality of facilities for all stadium users, such as marching band members, physical education students, members of the public and student athletes.

- Provide bleacher expansion, press box expansions and entry improvements to manage crowds, support students and ensure safety.

- Address end-of-life maintenance for track and turf at all high schools.

- Leave more dollars in the district’s capital outlay fund for other building needs.
Other Building Priorities

- District will use capital outlay fund to cover many needs of buildings not included in this bond package.

- District plans call for remaining school buildings to receive future-ready renovations, starting with LSR7’s oldest elementary schools.

- Assuming that growth in Lee’s Summit continues, the district anticipates that it can issue bond issues every five years with no tax rate increase bond issues.
Election Information

March 11 — Deadline to register to vote
April 7 — Election day, including LSR7’s no tax rate increase school bond issue

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