

Flushing Community Schools: Bond Proposal Overview

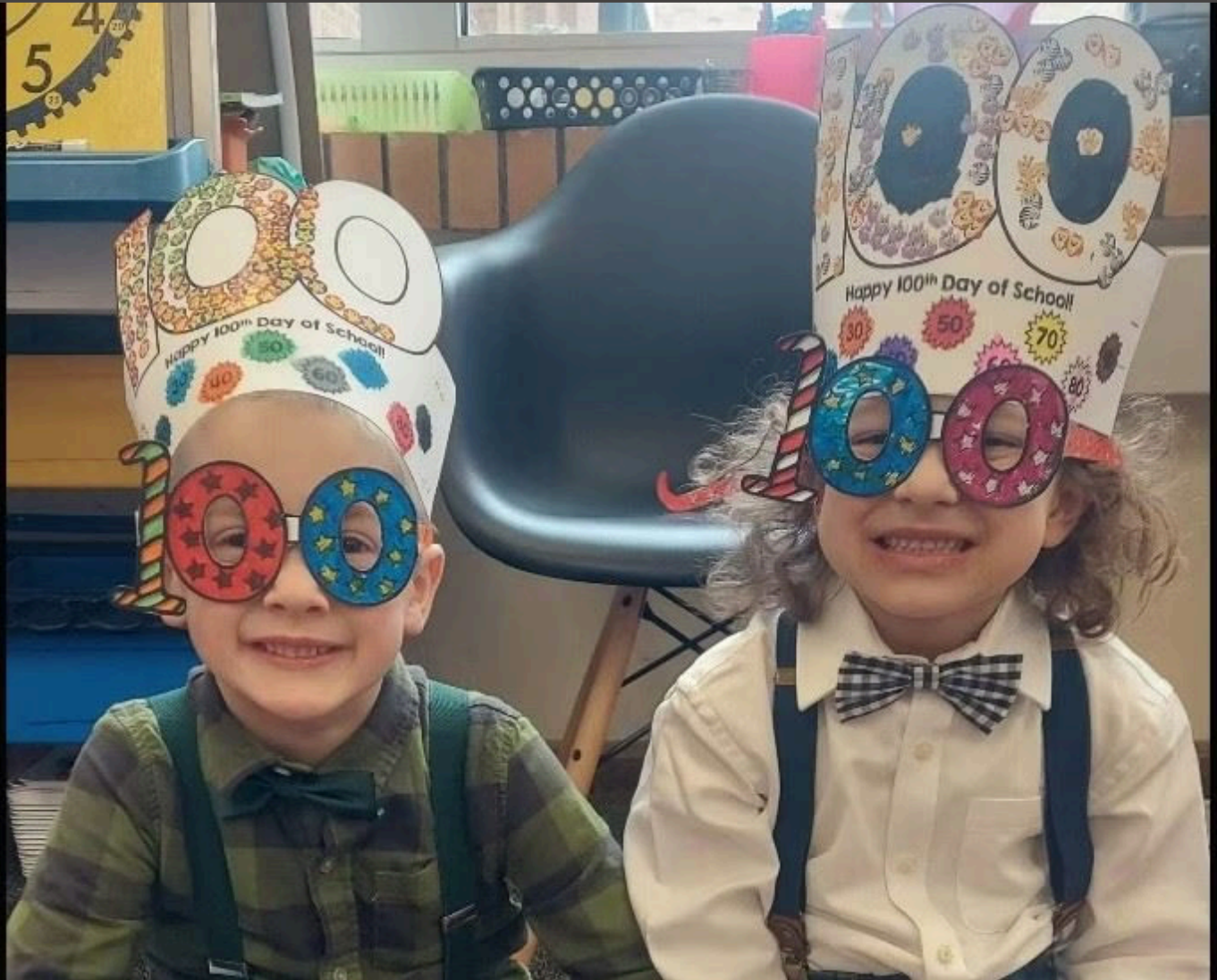
VOTE MAY 7, 2024

The essential facts about the upcoming bond proposal.



"Safeguarding Our Future"

**Celebrating
100 days of
school!**





NO CHANGE to the Current Tax Rate

1 \$23.55M Initiative

Funds earmarked for comprehensive school improvements.

2 Zero Mill Increase

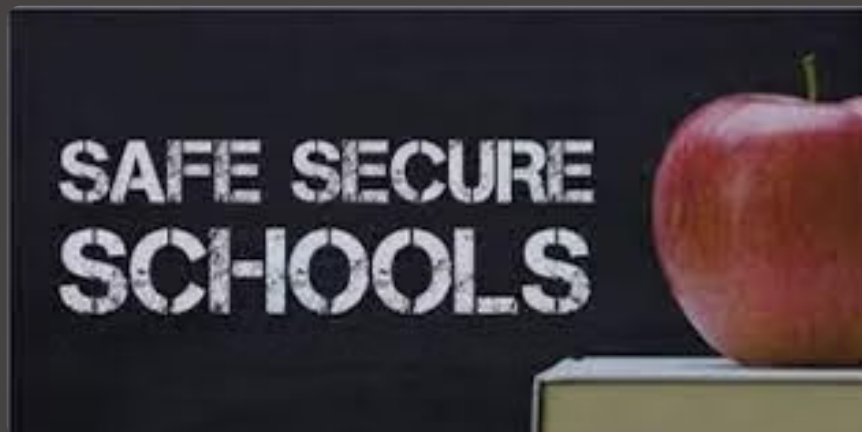
Maintains the current debt levy, respecting the Flushing community's financial position.

3 This is an extension of the current 3.18 millage rate that has already been voter approved.

Bonds will be sold beginning in 2024- 20 year term.

Safety and Security





1 Advanced Systems

Upgraded software and hardware will bolster building security. From coded door entry systems for employees and guests to the installation of additional security cameras

2 Secure Entries

New secondary entryways where necessary to ensure student safety

3 Ballistic Film

Additional protective measure to ensure student safety. This would significantly delay the entry of any intruder.

SAFE & SECURE SCHOOLS





















Investment in Instructional Technology

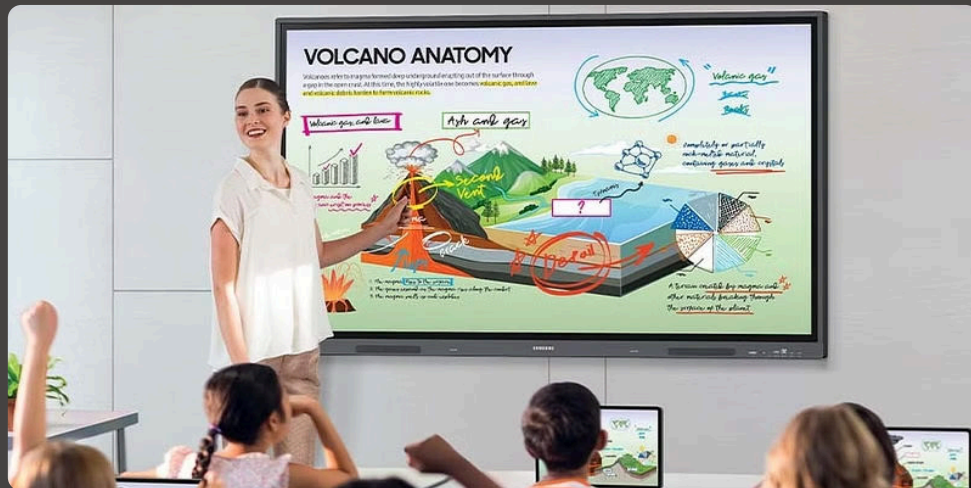
Interactive

In-Class Technology

Modernizing tools to elevate the learning experience. Including immersive, and interactive technology such as virtual reality or smartboards meant to enhance the school experience and aid in learning for all students

Forward Thinking

Decisions utilizing latest research and led by recommendations from instructional technology teams made up of our 231 instructional staff members.





Elementary Playground Enhancements



1 Asphalt Updates

Necessary improvements for safe and enjoyable play spaces.

2 Rejuvenating Play

Aiming to provide durable and welcoming play areas for children.



















Auditorium Upgrades

1 Acoustic Excellence

Installing an updated crystal clear sound system.

2 Visual Refresh

New Carpet installed and stage to be refinished

3 Enhanced Lighting

Upgraded lighting system to enhance the overall experience for performers and patrons















HVAC System Enhancements

1 Climate Control

Extending A/C to gyms and cafeterias for comfortable learning spaces.



2 Comprehensive Upgrades that were not part of our last bond project.

Our students already enjoy a climate controlled classroom.







Athletic Complex Improvements

1

Resurface Tennis Courts

2

Remodel/ Update Baseball and Softball Fields, including new press boxes, backstops/ netting, dugouts and bleachers. Update/ Renovate grass soccer facility.

3

New Asphalt paving at baseball fields/ tennis courts

4

Resurface Northeast Parking lot @FHS

5

Construct a new 3500 seat multi-use athletic field and track that includes:

- Restrooms and Concession buildings

- Synthetic turf field

- Track and field event space

- Home and Visitor team rooms as well as officials room.

- Used for P.E. Class, Band, Lacrosse, Soccer, Football etc.



































Why do we need this upgrade?



















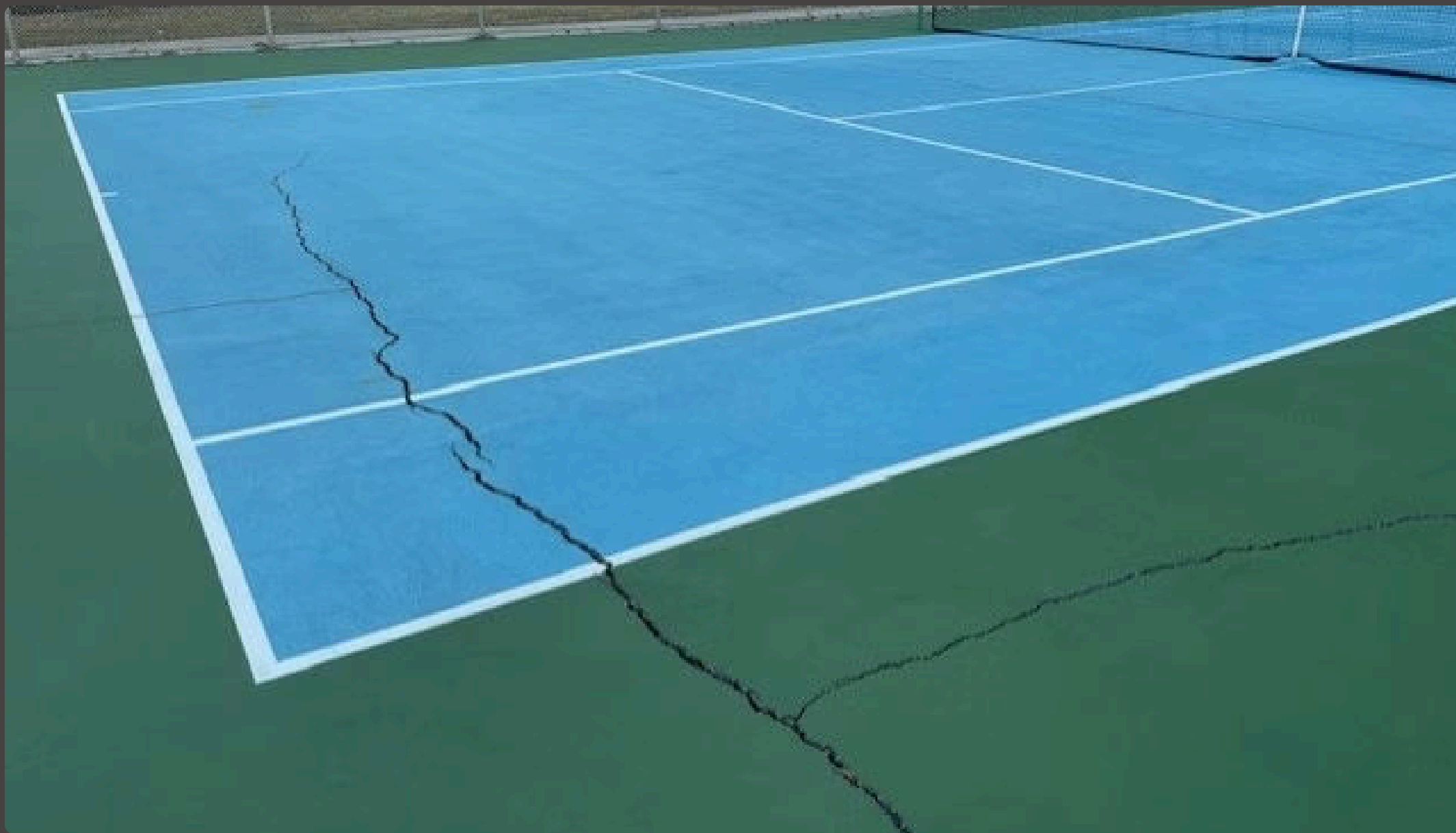


CONCESSIONS



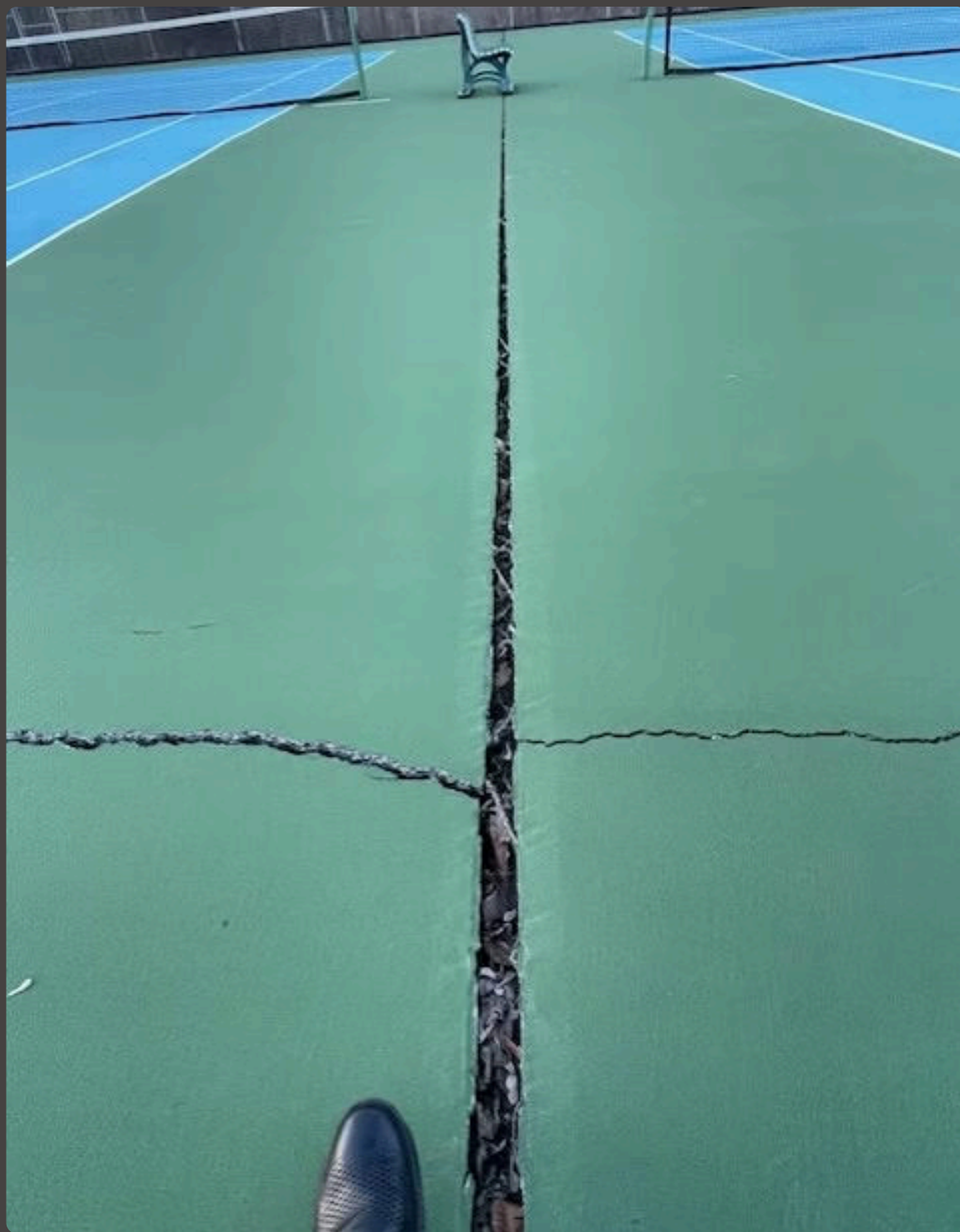














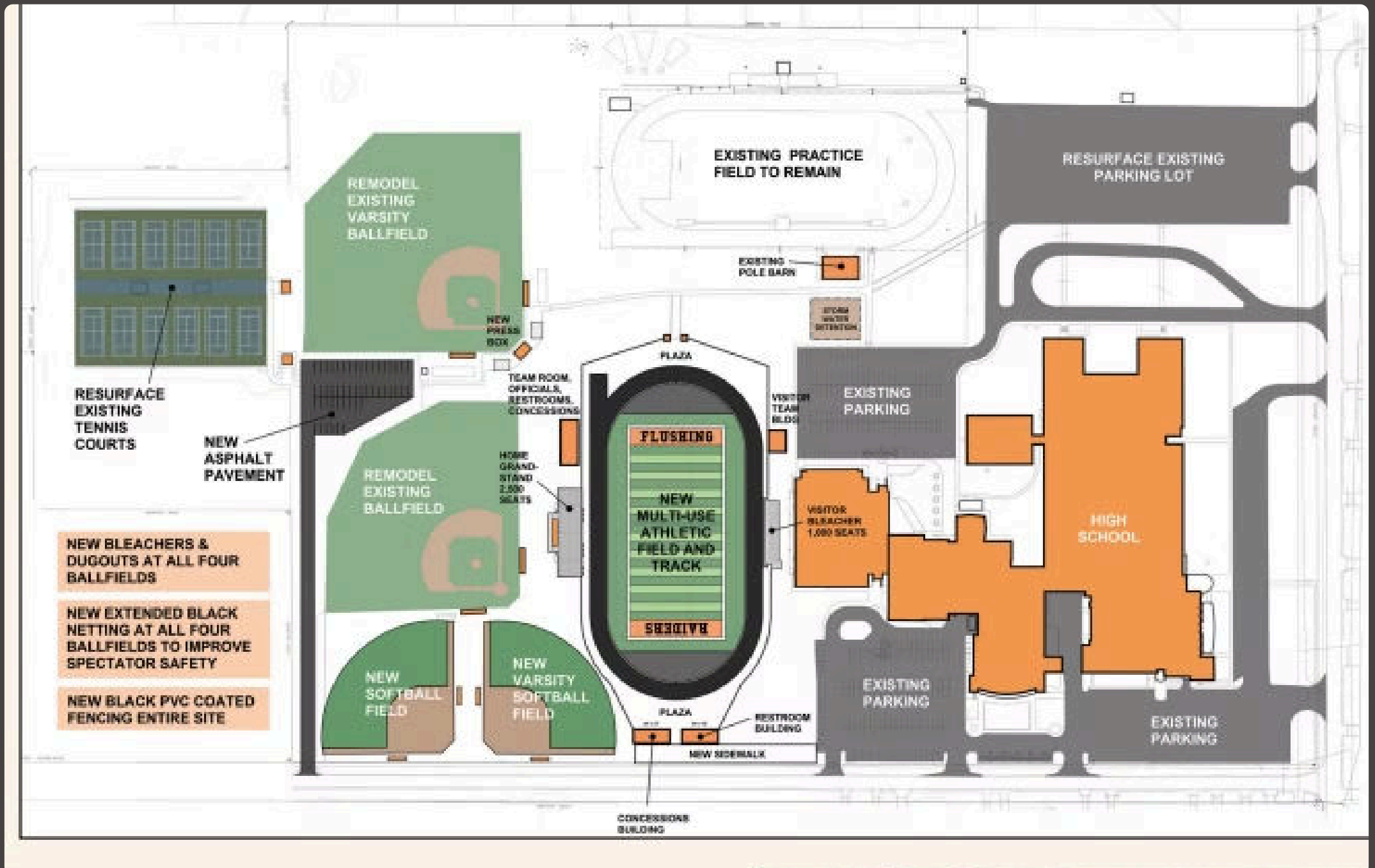


Benefits of building a new Multi-Purpose Athletic Facility

We'd have the ability to utilize the turf field year-round for practices, games, training, and potentially hold other large events. Right now, we use Raider Field approximately 20 days per year. My educated guess is our coaches, teachers, and athletes would use the field over 250-280 days per year.

- Our maintenance crew would be given hundreds of hours back to work in other areas of the district. (mowing, painting lines, treating the field)
- We'd be able to host large events that we can't host now: Marching Band Competitions, track meets with more than 3 teams, post-season football, soccer and lacrosse beyond the district level.)
- Parking space would be plentiful and no longer worry about vehicles getting stuck in the grassy/ muddy parking lot.
- Concessions and restrooms that would be used for all Fall and Spring sports teams.
- We could finally provide shelter for spectators and teams for inclement weather
- We would catch up to our other county schools in relation to our outdoor facilities. Of the 12 schools in the FML, we are one of three still playing on natural grass. All of outdoor facilities need time and attention.
- Our current track facility has no running water, no electricity (need to use generator for events). We cannot host large events due to bleacher space, and our bathrooms are not easily accessible. We are the only FML school to have to decline hosting league meets due to facility. The sound, lighting, infield and running surface is in serious need of an upgrade.

Tentative Blueprint of High School Campus after Renovations



School Improvement Millage Rate Comparison (Genesee County)

Mt. Morris	2.00 Mills
Flint	2.82 Mills
Kearsley	2.90 Mills
Flushing	3.18 Mills Now and if approved
Clio	3.75 Mills
Swartz Creek	3.90 Mills
Carman-Ainsworth	4.10 Mills
Linden	4.19 Mills
Fenton	5.00 Mills
Davison	5.14 Mills
Grand Blanc	6.30 Mills
Montrose	7.00 Mills
Goodrich	7.75 Mills
Bendle	13.00 Mills
Genesee	14.64 Mills

Flushing Community Schools currently features one of the lowest school improvement debt millage rates in the county.

School Improvement Millages Approved in the last 5 years (\$ Dollar Value)

Montrose	15.9 Million
Kearsley	21.6 Million
FLUSHING **IF APPROVED	23.5 Million
Brandon	26.1 Million
Clio	40.6 Million
Owosso	45.5 Million
Swartz Creek	48 Million
Linden	55 Million
Davison	71.4 Million
Grand Blanc	87 Million
Holly	97 Million
Fenton	122.5 Million

What is a "Mill"?

A "mill" is a unit of property tax measurement used in the context of a school millage. It represents one-tenth of one percent (0.001) of the taxable value of a property. The millage rate is used to calculate the amount of property tax that property owners will pay to support local schools.

<u>House Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value (est.)</u>	<u>3.18 mills/annual \$</u>	<u>Diff. If Approved</u>
\$80,000	\$40,000	\$127.20 a year	\$0 No Change
\$100,000	\$50,000	\$159.00 a year	\$0 No Change
\$120,000	\$60,000	\$190.80 a year	\$0 No Change
\$140,000	\$70,000	\$222.60 a year	\$0 No Change
\$160,000	\$80,000	\$254.40 a year	\$0 No Change
\$180,000	\$90,000	\$286.20 a year	\$0 No Change
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$318.00 a year	\$0 No Change

If Approved, your current tax rate for approved school improvement bonds will not change. It will stay 3.18 mills, rather than roll back, as dictated by the Headlee Amendment of 1994. Because Property Values have gone up rapidly in the last few years, the entire 3.18 mills can no longer be levied without approval of the voters! Without voter approval, the levy is expected to rollback .45 mills to 2.73 Mills next year, which will be the second lowest millage rate of the 21 public school districts in the county. That is equal to \$45 a year, less than \$4 a month, less than \$1 a week.

If this Fails on May 7th.....

Owner of a \$100,000 house will save \$22.50 a year

\$1.87 a month or 43 cents a week

Owner of a \$150,000 house will save \$33.75 a year

\$2.81 a month or 64 cents a week

Owner of a \$200,000 house will save \$45.00 a year

\$3.75 a month or 86 cents a week

**" The Superior Quality of Flushing
Community Schools is a Foundational
Pillar of Flushing Area Property
Values"**

-Justin Ham

Ham Realty Group

Tentative School Improvement Millage Rate Schedule If Approved

<u>Year</u>	<u>Expected Millage Rate to Retire School Improvement Bond Debt</u>
2025-2032	3.18 Mills
2033	3.14 Mills
2034	3.09 Mills
2035	3.05 Mills
2036	3.01 Mills
2037	2.96 Mills
2038	2.92 Mills
2039	2.07 Mills
2040	2.04 Mills
2041	2.01 Mills
2042	1.98 Mills
2043	1.95 Mills
2044	1.92 Mills
2045	1.12 Mills
2046 (Partial)	1.10 Mills

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Outcome and Benefits

Educational Quality

Enhanced facilities directly contribute to academic enrichment, ensuring the best learning environment for all of our students.

Community Value

Commitment to maintaining the district's positive educational reputation, positively impacting property Values.

Long-Term Investment

Funds projects that help us maintain our school districts standing as a destination district.

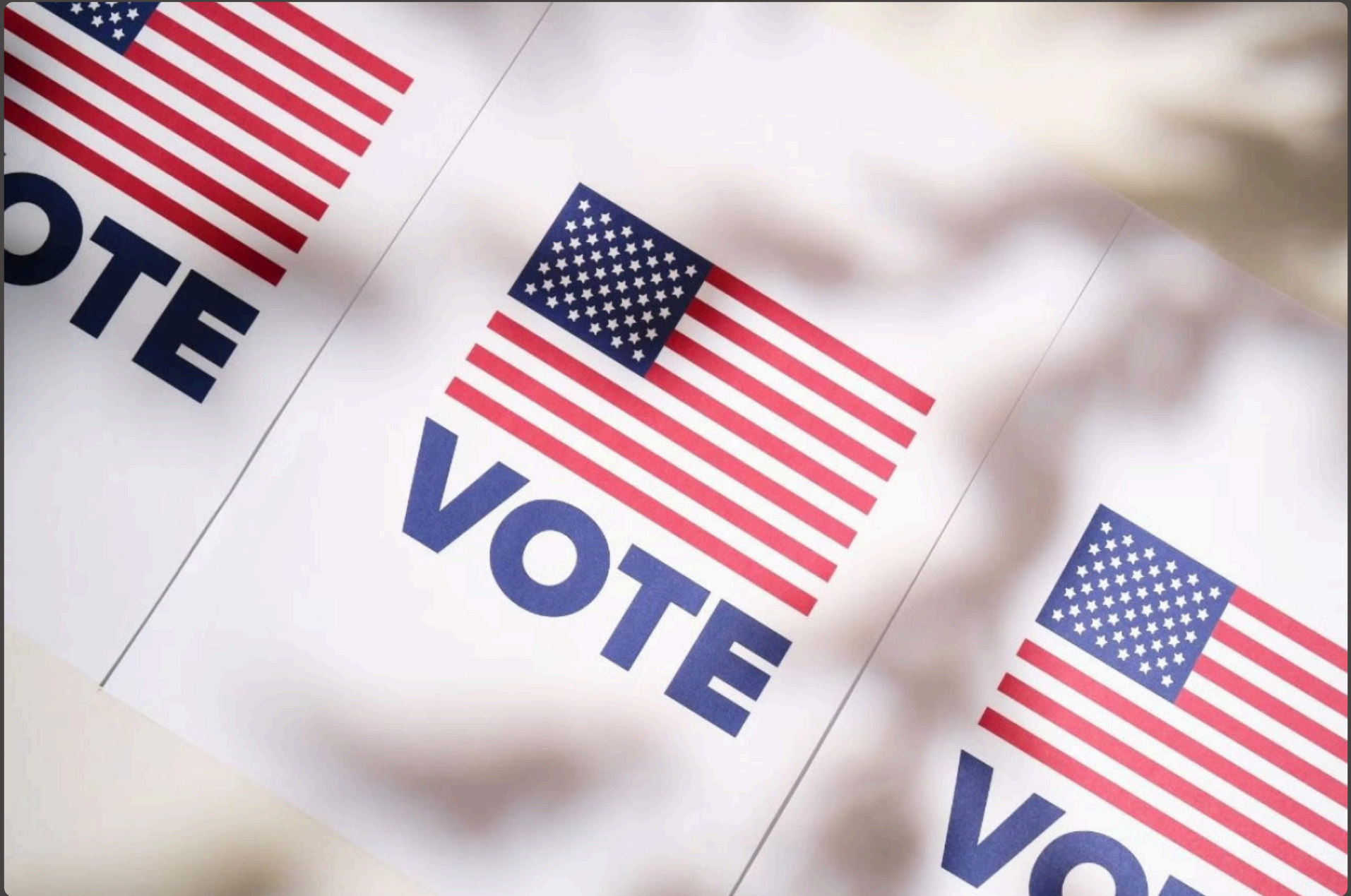
Protects General Fund Resources - A passed school improvement bond allows school districts to take care of needs in the district while protecting as many general fund resources as possible. Every project that gets completed with approved bond funds is a project that doesn't need to use general funds, therefore allowing more financial resources to flow to the classroom in support of students.

This will not raise your current tax rate!

Thank you!



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Any Questions?



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