

Augusta Area School District

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Augusta Area School District Pursues November Referendum

Augusta, Wis. (August 25, 2022) – The Augusta Area School District will put two referendum questions on the November 8, 2022 ballot. The first question is to approve \$10.5 million for capital improvements to address maintenance repairs and classroom additions. The second question is for \$4.5 million to build a new Elementary School gymnasium.

The District sent a community survey in February 2022 asking residents to weigh in on proposed future facility improvement projects. After reviewing the survey results, the Board of Education decided to proceed with the referendum on two questions, allowing the community to vote separately to add the gym. The survey also came with a surprising phone call from an Augusta alum who pledged to donate funds to construct a new High School auditorium.

“The \$10.5 million referendum will allow us to fix leaky windows, flooding parking lots, and a lack of 21st-century learning areas,” said Ryan Nelson, District Administrator. “While the \$4.5 million question will allow us to separate the Elementary School cafeteria from the gym and create some much-needed extra space.”

The 2021-2022 mill rate for the Augusta Area School District was \$9.68. If the \$10.5 million question is approved, the mill rate will remain at \$9.68 for 2022-2023. If both questions are approved, the mill rate will rise to \$10.08. Residents can find additional information regarding the referendum on the District’s website at augusta.k12.wi.us/district/facility-planning.cfm.

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