

For Our Teachers For Our Students For Our Future

Explaining The **MAPS** Vision Bond Proposal

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March 16 @ 7pm (Virtual) - access the virtual forum at [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org)

April 20 @ 7pm (TBD) - learn more at [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org)

Hi! We're from Jefferson Elementary.
We want to tell you all about the MAPS
bond proposal on the **May 4, 2021** ballot

Let us walk you through
the MAPS Vision Bond



Follow Us...

Chips Lead!

See the building plans & more at: [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org)



Wow! My school has been working for 5 years on a plan for us?

2016 (Asked teachers and the community about a comprehensive vision for our District.

2017 (Completed a facility assessment and established the current and future needs of all of our buildings.

**2018
+19** (Developed a scaled facilities plan addressing our needs for next 20 years. Current and future funding projections, class sizes, and projected enrollment were all key considerations.

**2020
+21** (Pursuing our vision for the future following the delay due to the pandemic, the bond proposal would deliver properly-scaled, quality educational environments that serve the needs of all students and teachers in our district.



Introducing our MAPS Vision Bond

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For Our Students

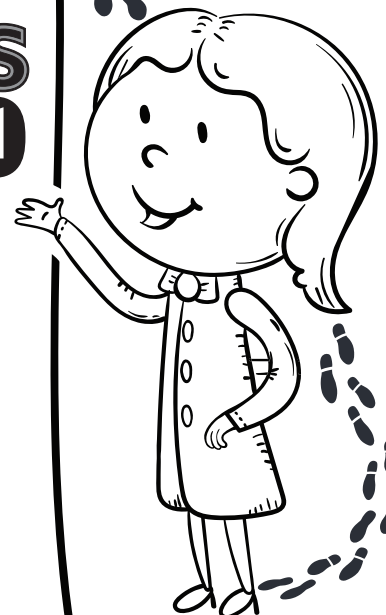
Would provide our youngest learners safe, accessible, and efficient classrooms.

For Our Teachers

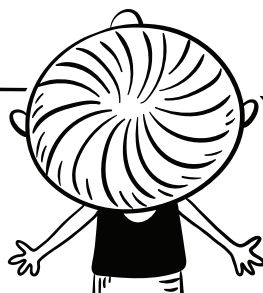
Would equip our teachers with the environment and tools they need to impact student success.

For Our Future

Would provide a sustainable educational foundation for the future of our community.



What would my new school look like?
See the detailed plans at: [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org)



MAPS A NEW PERSPECTIVE 2021

A message from Ron Stoneman,
Superintendent of MAPS:

The last year has brought significant challenges that we never could have previously imagined. Our teachers have had to reimagine the ways that they have previously taught their students, and everyone is doing their very best to adjust to change.

In the spring of 2020, our efforts related to the MAPS 2020 Vision bond initiative were put on hold in order to focus attention on the challenges presented by the pandemic. In the fall of 2020, the bond scope was revisited to ensure that all elements presented would still serve the needs of our students and teachers.

Although the virus is not yet behind us, we continue to plan for a future in which we are able to return to a more traditional way of learning that is safe for all. It is now time we turn our thoughts to planning for that future.

We are excited to share the proposed plans for the MAPS Vision Bond with you.



- Ronald Stoneman

4 major
plan elements
of our bond
proposal

#1

The Creation of a centralized Elementary Building (Prek-5) at the Kennedy Elementary Site

- Demolish 1927 Building
- SAFETY IS A TOP PRIORITY: Secure entry + check-in + academic wings
- Appropriate sized classrooms fixtures for Preschool-5th Grade Students
- Updated to meet modern educational standards
- Dedicated bus and parking areas
- Updated pick-up and drop-off areas

#2

The Addition of a dedicated Middle School Gym along with mechanical & building upgrades

- Secure entry + check-in + academic wings updates
- Construction of dedicated Middle School Gym & Lockers
- Door & hardware updates
- Partial Roof Replacement
- Track Storage

#3

Repurpose Jefferson Elem. Site with guidance from the Jefferson Neighborhood Advisory Committee

- Demolish 1954 Jefferson Elementary
- Green space, residential home sites & MAPS athletic field considerations are all in discussion with the committee

#4

Relocation of Central Office & Collaborative Service Space at Madison Community Learning Center

- Minor renovations to relocate MAPS Central Office
- Mechanical Updates
- Roof Replacement

Rethinking school safety amid a pandemic:

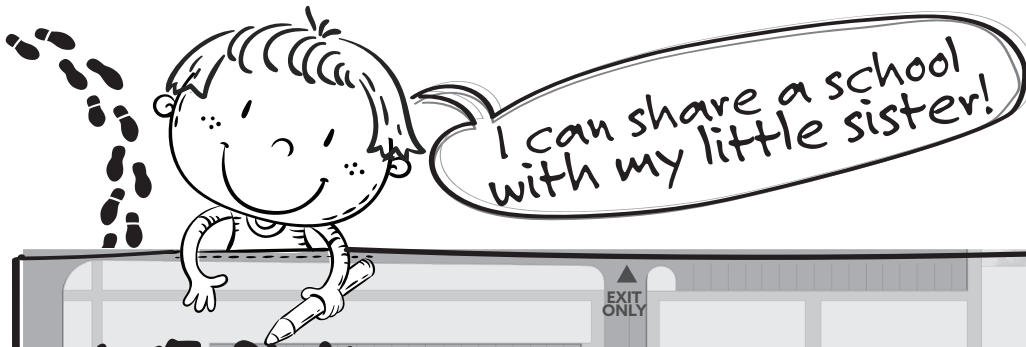
In addition to more traditional safety features like:

- secure entrances
- lockable student wings
- improved transportation routes

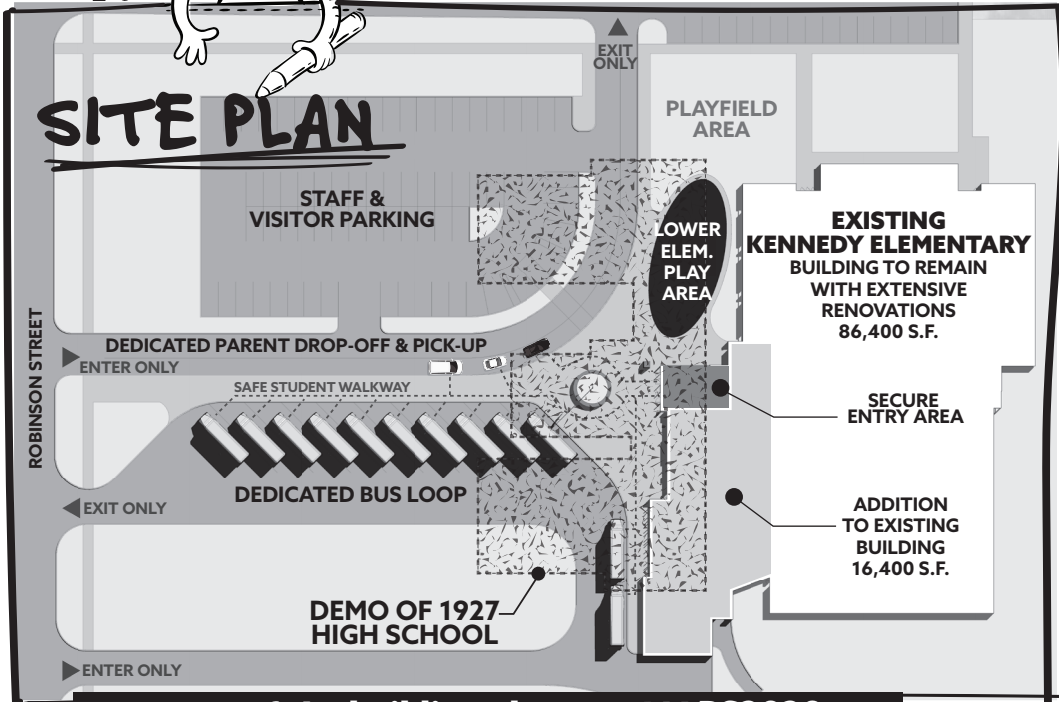
The proposed bond scope would cover essential upgrades like:

- higher air quality standards
- flexible, adequately sized learning spaces
- surfaces made to be easily, quickly sanitized





#1 Proposed NEW Kennedy Elementary



Secure Classrooms
Secure Academic Wings
Secure Entry & Exits



Better Air Quality & Circulation



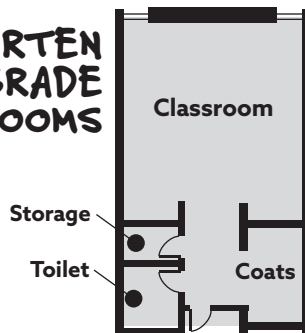
Demo the 1927 High School



Safe Pick-Up & Drop-Off Areas

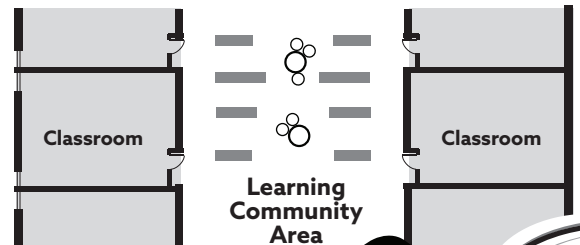
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KINDERGARTEN & FIRST GRADE ROOMS



- ☒ 4 classrooms per grade level
- ☒ Larger Classes & Storage Areas
- ☒ Flexible Learning Spaces

SECOND - FIFTH GRADE Learning Communities



That's when my grandpa went to school

67 years ago...

Jefferson Elementary Bond Approved and New School Built



Our youngest learners (K-2) are taught at Jefferson Elementary, built in 1954, which no longer serves the needs of our teachers and students. Based upon enrollment and cost projections, modernizing Jefferson comes at a high a cost to benefit ratio, making consolidation a more affordable option.

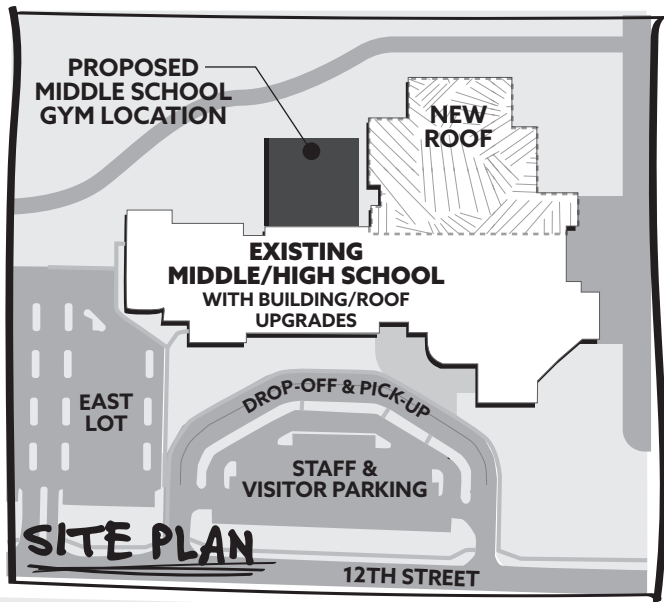
57 years ago...

Madison Elementary Bond Approved and New School Built



Madison Elementary was built in 1964, which now serves as a collaborative Community Learning Center meeting the diverse needs of our students. It has now been nearly 60 years since our community voted to approve a bond investing in elementary school facilities.





#2 Proposed NEW Middle School Gym

along with mechanical & building upgrades



New Middle School Gym



Partial Roof Replacement



Structural Enhancements

Repurposed Jefferson Elem. Site

with guidance from the Jefferson Neighborhood Advisory Committee



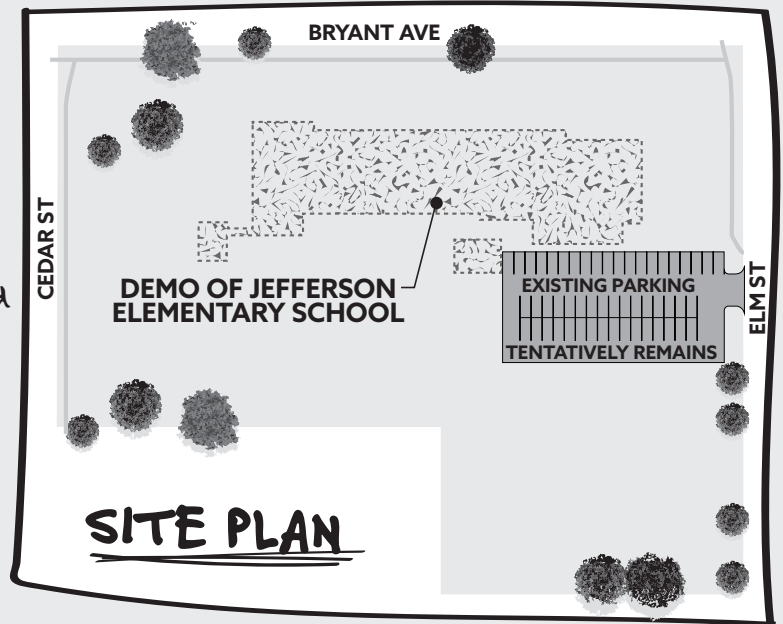
Creation of mixed use green space/residential home sites



Demo the 1954 Jefferson Elem.

Visit MAPS2020.org for committee information and progress updates

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SITE PLAN

Central Office & Collaborative Space

relocation to Madison Comm. Learning Ctr.

#4



Office Renovations & Roof Replacement



Mechanical Enhancements

... it's been almost 54 years since an Elementary school has been approved?!

54 years ago...

The Maple Street High School (now Kennedy) Bond was approved and Built



In 1967, a well-constructed new high school was built. Now serving as Kennedy Elementary, grades 3-5 are learning in spaces designed for high school students. Our youngest learners and their teachers have been "making do" with the space available for many years.

22 years ago...

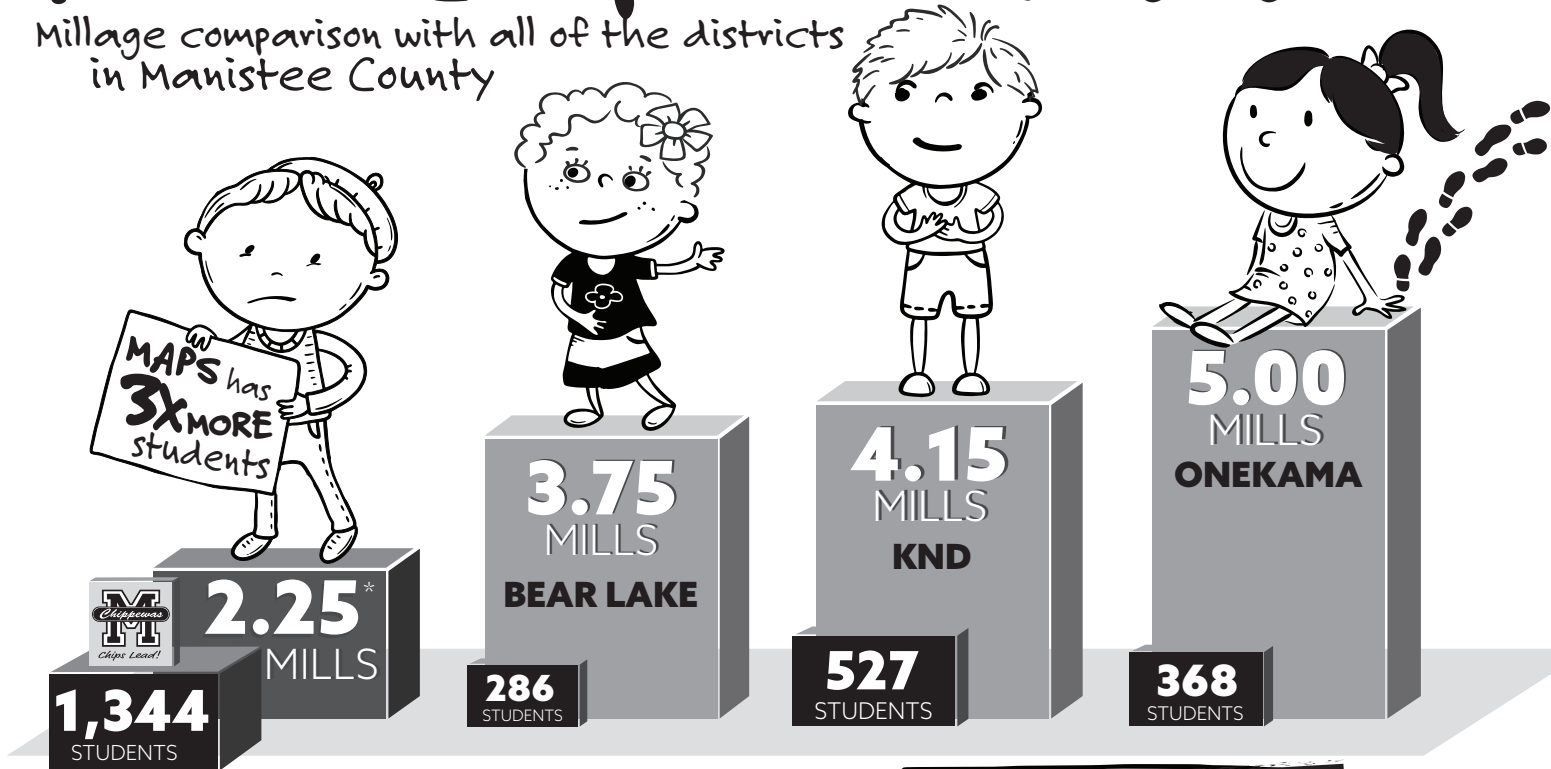
The Middle + High School Bond was approved and Built (12th Street Site)



In 1999, our community voted to build our current Manistee Middle + High School facility for 9th-12th grades. This building has been consolidated to now include 6th-12th grades and requires some renovation to meet the needs of our younger students.

How We Compared in 2020...

Millage comparison with all of the districts in Manistee County



It has been almost 60 years since MAPS District voters successfully passed a bond for elementary schools. A current millage (2.25 mills*) exists for the construction of the Middle/High School that was passed in 1999. This is what we know:

- ☑ Because of historically low interest rates, it is a cost effective time to adapt our classrooms for safe and impactful learning.
- ☑ In September of 2020 the District refinanced the balance of the 1999 bond (\$7,970,000) at an interest rate of .98% (from 4%) saving \$1,275,538 over the remainder of the bond life, reducing the remaining mills levied from 2.25 to 2.05 for 2021.
- ☑ The District could save more than \$21 million in operating & facility costs over the next 20 years by consolidating to a renovated Kennedy Elementary.
- ☑ The proposed project can be completed with \$30,855,000 for facility improvements. You can calculate the estimated tax impact this will have on your property by visiting: MAPS2020.org

2021 Millage Projections

Seeking a Proposed
2.65
Mill Increase

+ 2.05
Projected 2021
Debt Levy for Existing Debt*

Proposed
= 4.70
Total for all MAPS Bonds

*The bonds currently outstanding have a debt levy of 2.25 mills for 2020 and that is projected to decrease by 0.20 to 2.05 mills with the 2021 levy.

Consolidating to one renovated and updated elementary can save a LOT of money!

What a 2.65 Mill increase means for you...

Use our tax calculator found on: [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org)

First, what is a millage?

- ① A "Mill" rate is the amount of tax payable per dollar of taxable value of a property, so...
- ② 1 Mill = \$1.00 for every \$1,000 of taxable value
- ③ Your millage rate is determined based on the location of your property.

Second, how does it impact property owners?

As an example, let's take an average home in the MAPS school district. Let's say it has a market value of \$100,000, and if we assume a taxable value of \$50,000 (no more than half the market value) property owners can expect an estimated increase of:



(you can find your exact taxable value on your tax statement or by visiting the county equalization website)

With an estimated 2.65 mill increase MAPS could borrow \$30,855,000

\$11.04/mo

FAQ

When is the Currently Outstanding Bond Debt Paid Off?

In 2029, the MMHS Bond is paid in full.

Why can't we wait until 2029 to vote for a bond?

Interest rates are at historic lows, and over 8 more years, our projected need increases to over \$45 million dollars

How do I see the full plans?

Visit: [MAPS2020.org](https://maps2020.org) to see more plans and proposal details

Did voters approve a bond in the past to tear down the 1927 High School?

NO, it was part of the 1997, 1998, 2011, and 2012 proposals but all were voted down. The passed '99 bond did not include the demo of the old 1927 High School.

I have more questions, who do I reach out to?

You may contact the district, Ronald Stoneman, Superintendent at: rstoneman@manistee.org, or by calling: 231.723.3521

That's about the same cost as a pizza...

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Now you know the facts,
there are two easy ways
that you can vote!

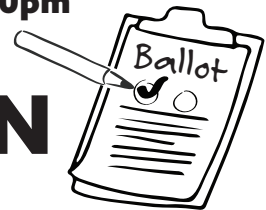


Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Polls are open 7:00am-8:00pm

VOTE IN-PERSON

How to do it...

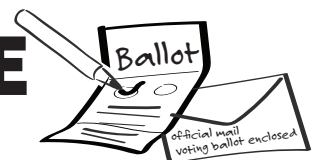


- **REGISTER IN-PERSON OR BY MAIL:** Voters may register in-person through May 4, 2021 (election day) with the required documentation. The last day for voters to register **by mail** is April 19, 2021. For assistance in obtaining the address of your local clerk, visit: Michigan.gov/vote.
- **REGISTER ONLINE:** Visit: Michigan.gov/vote to register online.
- **WHERE TO GO:** Registered voters may cast a ballot at the polling location established by their city/township.

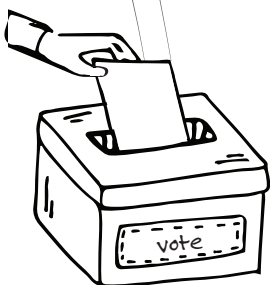


VOTE ABSENTEE

How to do it...



- **ALL VOTERS CAN VOTE ABSENTEE IF THEY WISH:** Contact your city or township clerk with questions. Absentee voter ballots are available from March 20 until May 4, 2021.
- **HOW DO I GET AN ABSENTEE BALLOT?** Any voters may vote absentee. If you wish to vote absentee you must:
 - ☐ Complete and submit the application to receive an absentee voter ballot.
 - ☐ To vote by mail, fill out the application and sign it, and then return it to your local clerk (drop it of in-person or mail).
 - ☐ You will be mailed an absentee ballot which you may mail back or drop off in-person once completed, all ballots must be received by May 4, 2021.



Learn more about the complete project at: **MAPS2020.org**