

History

February – March 2013:

Renew Vision 2020 (District Long-Range Plan).

October 2013 – March 2014:

Hire Integrated Design Solutions (IDS) to complete an independent and comprehensive academic spaces, facilities and technology assessment.

April 2014:

Report IDS findings to the community for approximately \$120M in need.

July 2014:

Hire SHW now Stantec as architectural and engineering firm. Review IDS report and historical facility documents.

September – October 2014:

Stakeholders Committee. District creates 70+ person committee of community members, students and staff. Stantec leads Stakeholders Committee through seven meetings over two months to create a plan for facility and technology improvements.

October 2014:

Hire McCarthy & Smith as construction management firm. McCarthy & Smith works with Stantec on Stakeholder Committee and refines costs for various suggested projects.

December 2014:

Superintendent Dennis McDavid presents recommendation from Stakeholder Committee and administration to the Board of Education.

December 2014:

District team takes PQA document to the Michigan Department of Treasury that includes a refinement of plans, dollar amount and application for ballot.

January 2015:

Board approves PQA (scope of work).

February 9, 2015:

Board of Education officially approves ballot language for May 5, 2015 election.

Bond Proposal Facts

Cost:

- \$58.9 Million over 25 years to invest in critical infrastructure replacement, district-wide technology upgrades, security and safety improvements, and classroom and program upgrades for aging school facilities.

The Plan Overview:

- Ensure a solid foundation for all BSD schools
- Improve air quality and comfort for our students
- Improve learning environments and technology
- Safety and Security (*e.g. location of some main offices, security cameras*)
- Technology (*e.g. network and infrastructure*)
- Site Work (*e.g. drainage*)
- Architectural Deferred Maintenance (*e.g. toilet rooms, ceilings*)
- Code Improvements
- Building Systems (*e.g. heating/cooling*)
- Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (*e.g. boilers*)

Did you Know?

Bond dollars *can* be used for: construction and remodeling of facilities, purchasing technology equipment, equipment and furniture, site improvements.

Bond dollars *cannot* be used for: salaries and wages, general operating expenses and maintenance, classroom supplies or textbooks.

Key Dates:

- Last Day to Register to Vote, April 6
- Election Day, May 5

Learn More:

- Visit www.berkleyschools.org/bond for frequently asked questions, tax calculator, information on proposed work at each school, video of February 23 Bond presentation to the community, ballot language, facilities needs assessment documents and more.

This chart shows Homestead tax rates for all school districts in Oakland County.

Berkley School District is currently third lowest in tax rates. If the Bond proposal passes, Berkley School District will still be in the lower half of the county even with an additional 3 Mills in 2015.

View the tax calculator online to estimate your taxes.



An additional 3 Mills would give Berkley a Homestead Total of 13.737 Mills

2013-14 Oakland County School District Homestead Tax Rates - Homestead Tax Rates Highest to Lowest						
School District	State Education	Supplemental Mills	Sinking Fund	Debt	Homestead Total	Homestead Total
Southfield	6.0000	16.9868	-	3.5000	26.4868	26.4868
Lamphere	6.0000	14.5000	0.5000	4.1400	25.1400	25.1400
Birmingham	6.0000	10.0241	-	3.9000	19.9241	19.9241
West Bloomfield	6.0000	4.1452	1.2500	7.9000	19.2952	19.2952
Farmington	6.0000	10.4550	-	2.5600	19.0150	19.0150
Novi	6.0000	3.2286	0.4932	7.6278	17.3496	17.3496
Bloomfield Hills	6.0000	8.3881	1.4834	0.9586	16.8301	16.8301
South Lyon	6.0000	-	-	10.7000	16.7000	16.7000
Oak Park	6.0000	-	3.0000	7.5000	16.5000	16.5000
Troy	6.0000	5.3741	-	4.7000	16.0741	16.0741
Hazel Park	6.0000	-	1.0000	7.7500	14.7500	14.7500
Clawson	6.0000	-	-	8.6500	14.6500	14.6500
Brandon	6.0000	-	-	8.2400	14.2400	14.2400
Huron Valley	6.0000	-	0.9513	7.0000	13.9513	13.9513
Avondale	6.0000	-	0.6000	7.3000	13.9000	13.9000
Madison	6.0000	-	-	7.7600	13.7600	13.7600
Lake Orion	6.0000	-	-	7.4910	13.4910	13.4910
Walled Lake	6.0000	2.3285	0.5000	4.6445	13.4730	13.4730
Clarkston	6.0000	-	-	7.0000	13.0000	13.0000
Ferndale	6.0000	-	-	7.0000	13.0000	13.0000
Holly	6.0000	-	-	7.0000	13.0000	13.0000
Oxford	6.0000	-	-	7.0000	13.0000	13.0000
Waterford	6.0000	-	-	7.0000	13.0000	13.0000
Royal Oak	6.0000	2.9800	-	3.7500	12.7300	12.7300
Rochester	6.0000	-	-	6.7000	12.7000	12.7000
Berkley	6.0000	-	0.7367	4.0000	10.7367	10.7367
Clarenceville	6.0000	-	4.5000	-	10.5000	10.5000
Pontiac	6.0000	-	-	3.8700	9.8700	9.8700



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All information presented in this flyer is available on the Berkley Schools website, www.berkleyschools.org/bond