

THE PARKVIEW VOICE



A Quarterly Newsletter by The Parkview School District



11.08.22

VOTE

PARKVIEW REFERENDUMS

- Addressing Operational Funding
- Updating Learning Spaces
- Improving Building Infrastructure



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Parkview School District to Ask Two Referendum Questions on the November 8th Ballot

Get informed today!

Dear Residents of Parkview School District,

Our students, staff and community have a lot for which to be proud. Based on Wisconsin DPI report cards, we are one of the **top-rated school districts in Rock and Green counties.**

The most recent referendum approved by voters was an operational referendum in 2020 to help us maintain programs and services. The support we have received from our community in the past has helped strengthen our school operations and improve facilities.

Since May 2021, the District has completed a detailed facilities study, met with, and surveyed staff on facilities inadequacies, and sought feedback from a community-wide survey to determine priorities for operational and facility needs.

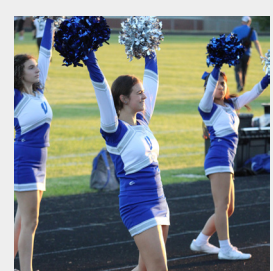
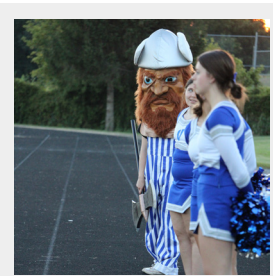
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Athletics

The Fall Season and the Upcoming Winter Season

Believe it or not, the fall sports season is quickly coming to a close. Before we know it, basketball and wrestling will be taking center stage. The volleyball team is gearing up for their post season with the Trailways Conference Tournament on October 8th. The girls have been steadily improving every week, and they look to get deep into the postseason. Cross country has the annual Baertschi Invitational on October 8th, and this will be a great warm up for their Section Meet on October 22nd, as it is run on the same course. Football, again, is playing one of the state's toughest schedules. The boys have kept their heads up, played hard, and good things are in the near future for this team. Our Middle School Football team has been in some very close games this year, and they play hard for Coach Dressler. The middle school girls volleyball team will finish their seasons on October 13th. The 7th and 8th graders have had very successful seasons. Spirit Squad is working hard every day to entertain fans at the home football games. Coach Clobes has the girls performing at a very high level. The Parkview Band, under Mr. Brueggen, sounds as good as I have ever heard them. They definitely keep the fans entertained at the games. Practice is going strong for the cast of our school play which will take place on October 28, 29, and 30. The play this year will be Clue.

Our winter season kicks off on November 7th with Girls Basketball. Wrestling and Boys Basketball follows one week later on November 14th. There are plenty of home basketball games throughout the winter, so come out and cheer on your Parkview Vikings. The Parkview/Albany wrestlers are hosting this year's Conference Wrestling meet on February 4th, 2023. There will be 13 teams competing, and I invite everyone to come and cheer on your Vikings. It promises to be a terrific event.



Food for America

A few weeks ago 446 fourth graders and their teachers from 11 different schools, 27 agriculture experts, over 90 FFA members from seven different chapters, and many more FFA Alumni members all came to Spring Grove Dairy for the Parkview and Brodhead FFA Food for America Program. For many students, this was their first time on a farm. The students there learned about a variety of products including cranberries, milking cows, beef, maple syrup, potatoes, pork, farm equipment, and so much more!

Thank you to the Zimmerman Family for hosting us, and thank you to all the industry experts, event sponsors, FFA members, and FFA Alumni members for making today a success!



Parkview Band at Cheesedays

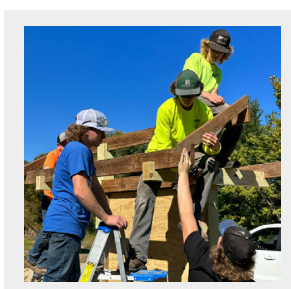
The Parkview High School Band represented our Parkview Crew at the 2022 Cheese Days Parade last month and did a wonderful job. The Band was lead by their director, Benjamin Brueggen, and received nothing but positive reviews!

The Band has also been performing at many home athletic events, making sure the atmosphere of the games are energetic! We highly recommend stopping by a Parkview home athletic event to listen to our outstanding High School Band while also supporting our Parkview Crew!



Construction Class at the Sunny Peace Prairie

Construction has been taking place at the Sunny Peace Prairie this Summer and Fall. There is currently one building fully built as well as a gravel parking lot. Mr. Luety's Construction class has been busy working on building the kiosk that is now fully functional at the Prairie! Don't take our word for it, stop out to the Prairie to admire their work and take a walk through the mowed trails!



We have a lot to be proud of at Parkview...



94% GRADS
OUR GRADUATION
RATE IS
ABOVE STATE
AVERAGE



**10 ADVANCED
PLACEMENT
CLASSES PLUS DUAL CREDIT
CLASSES OFFERED**



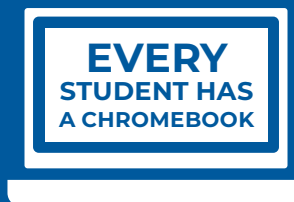
**14 STUDENTS
PARTICIPATE
IN A YOUTH
APPRENTICESHIP
PROGRAM**



**62%
EARNING
COLLEGE
CREDITS**
13% HIGHER THAN
THE STATE AVERAGE



**ONLINE
CURRICULUM
OPPORTUNITIES**



**STEM
COURSES**



STEM Courses in
Agriculture, Anatomy, Building
Construction, Chemistry,
Engineering, Forensic Science,
Genetics, Geometry in Construction,
Horticulture, Manufacturing, Physics,
Robotics, Welding

**CO-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES**

Art Club, Band, Choir, DECA,
Destination Imagination, FFA,
Forensics, LGBTQ Club, Math Team,
Musicals/Plays, National Honors
Society, Pizazz Show Choir, Spanish
National Honors Society, Student Council



Baseball, Basketball, Cross
Country, Football, Golf,
Hockey, Softball, Spirit
Squad, Track & Field, Trap
Team, Volleyball, WIHA
Equestrian Team, Wrestling

Kindergarteners Visit Sunny Peace Prairie

Our Kindergarten friends journeyed out to the Prairie in hopes to see the monarchs of Wisconsin make a journey of migration to Mexico at this time of year. They were hoping to find some to tag with stickers that help scientists track their migration. The cold snap we had

thwarted that a bit so they spread milkweed seeds in hopes to up the source of it there at the prairie for more butterflies next year!



Bully Prevention Month

National Bully Prevention Month is a great opportunity to bring attention to preventing bullying by encouraging everyone to act with kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.

Now more than ever, it is crucial to **join together in creating a world that is kinder, more accepting, and more inclusive.**

The definition of bullying is, "When someone aggressively uses their 'power' to target another individual with repeated, unwanted words or actions." Students often describe bullying as when "someone makes you feel less about who you are as a person." Let's try our best to discourage this behavior and guide our Parkview Crew to treat each other with respect. (Board Policy Related to Bullying: 443.71)

PJHS School Store

The Parkview School Store is now open before and after school, during parent teacher conferences and select sporting events! The store is overseen by the Parkview Business Dept. and a select group of students are in management roles. Moving forward the store will run parallel with the Entrepreneurship/Marketing course allowing students to directly apply course content! The store partners with the Special Education Department to provide a cafe and teach vocational skills! Be on the lookout for their upcoming ONLINE STORE! It will have Parkview gear perfect for upcoming Holidays!



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PARKVIEW REFERENDUMS



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The referendums seek funding to address the following needs:

<p>Addressing Operational Funding</p>	<p>Updating Learning Spaces</p>	<p>Improving Building Infrastructure</p>
<p>The District needs continued funding support to attract and retain needed staff, provide services, and offer advanced placement and elective courses.</p>	<p>Our schools need remodeling to inefficient and/or undersized areas, and additions to support high-demand educational and support spaces.</p>	<p>Our building interiors and exteriors need repairs. Our infrastructure (HVAC, lighting, roofs, flooring, track, etc.) are past their useful lives.</p>

What is on the Ballot November 8th?

The Board of Education is asking voters to consider two questions on the ballot this November 8, 2022:

Question #1

Renewing the operational referendum at a rate of \$2 million annually for three years.

Shall the Parkview School District, Rock County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$2,000,000 per year for the 2023-2024 school year through the 2025-2026 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of technology and curriculum materials, educational programming, costs associated with recruiting and retaining staff, and other operational and maintenance expenses?

Question #2

Consider approving a \$15.4 million capital referendum for facilities.

Shall the Parkview School District, Rock County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$15,400,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: construction of an addition and renovations at the Elementary School, including for classrooms, the cafeteria and kitchen, and updates to instructional areas; construction of an addition and renovations at the Junior/Senior High School, including for science, agriculture, career and technology education classrooms; district-wide building systems, infrastructure and technology improvements; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

How is it possible the District can accomplish \$15.4 million of prioritized facility projects with only an estimated \$3 annual tax impact (25 cents per month) per \$100,000 of property value?



The District has paid down debt early, saving taxpayers over \$250,000 in interest expenses.

- **Proactive financial planning** to be prepared to address prioritized additions, remodels and maintenance to our buildings and grounds.
- **Reduce tax rates by over 25% over the last seven years**, as well as save taxpayers over \$250,000 in interest expenses.
- Due to responsible management of the District's debt, the 23-24 debt mill rate is projected to drop, while the proposed \$15.4 million capital referendum will add additional debt. The net result is an estimated increase to the debt mill rate of 3 cents, or an **estimated tax increase of \$3 per year** (25 cents per month) for every \$100,000 of property value.

What Will Be Accomplished?

Question 1



Operational Funding

- Attract and retain high quality staff
- Optimize learning environments & maintain class sizes
- Fund increasing costs for high quality curriculum, technology, transportation, utilities, etc.
- Continue to offer advanced placement and elective courses

Question 2



Learning Spaces

At the Elementary School:

- Kindergarten/ 1st Gr. - remodel to right-size classrooms
- Existing LMC - remodel into three new 4K rooms, special ed. room with restrooms and staff workroom
- Existing Cafeteria/Kitchen - remodel into new LMC
- Kitchen, Cafeteria and Receiving - relocate and expand to improve safety and efficiency
- Stage Area - lighting, sound, rigging & curtain
- Main Gym - bleachers upgrade, revise ductwork
- Auxiliary Gym - flooring replacement, add A/C
- Lockers - replace all lockers due to age and rust

At the Junior/Senior High School:

- Science and Technical Education - classroom addition
- Existing Technical Education Space - remodel to accommodate industry-aligned tech ed classes
- Main Office - remodel to provide increased student services, including local agencies
- Existing Restrooms Adjacent to the LMC - remodel to create ADA compliant, single-user restrooms



Building Infrastructure

At Both the Elementary & Jr/Sr. High School:

- HVAC, Mechanical & Controls - update
- LED Lighting - upgrade throughout buildings
- Electrical Power System - replacement
- Building Envelope - masonry, EIFS & soffit repairs
- Asphalt & Concrete - replace aged and cracked
- Improve exterior ADA accessibility & sidewalks

At the Elementary:

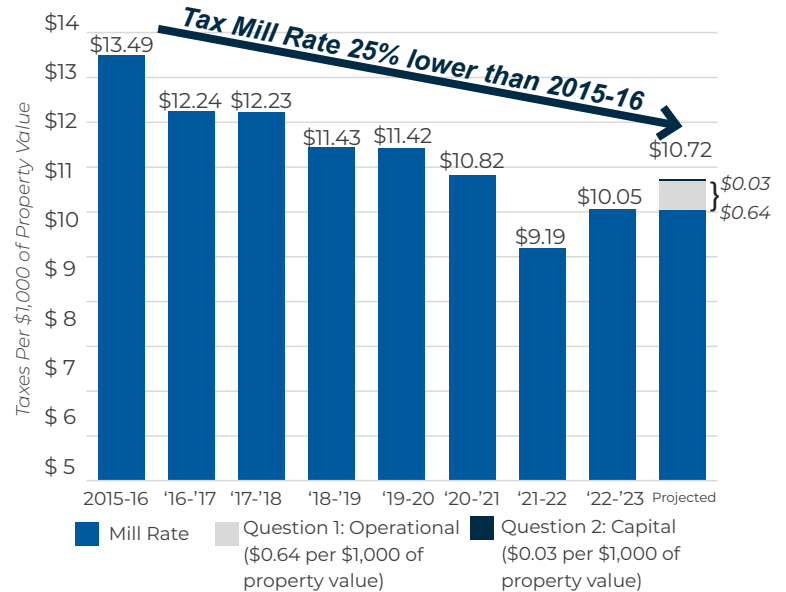
- Relocate west ADA parking with proper ramps and access to building and ball field
- Extend roof drain to underground discharge
- Modify delivery and dumpster pad in conjunction with new receiving
- New maintenance / storage building

At the Junior/Senior High School:

- Add A/C to tech ed labs
- Roof replacement at the Jr. High School wing
- Athletic field updates & track replacement

A Fiscally Responsible Proposal

Parkview School District Mill Rates



- The District has **reduced tax rates by over 25%** over the last seven years.
- The District has paid off debt early when possible, saving taxpayers over \$250,000 in interest expenses.
- Interest rates remain near historic lows.
- If both the operational and capital referendums are approved, the impact would still fall **below the 2020-21 tax rate.**

Why Now?

Needs, which cannot be addressed within annual budgets and are not going away, have been prioritized based on feedback from the community and staff. Although efforts will continue to be made to decrease operational costs, both operational and construction costs continue to increase. Waiting one year to complete this work could increase costs over \$2 mil.

What will it cost taxpayers?

- Question 1 Operational: Approval of the operational referendum would result in an annual estimated tax increase of: \$64 (\$5.33 per month) for every \$100,000 of property value over the current tax rate for three years.
- Question 2 Capital: Approval of the capital referendum would result in an annual estimated tax increase of: \$3 (\$0.25 per month) for every \$100,000 of property value over the current tax rate.



Question 1
Operational

Question 2
Capital

\$5.33 + \$0.25 = \$5.58
Per month / Per \$100,000 property value

Estimated increase over 2021-22.

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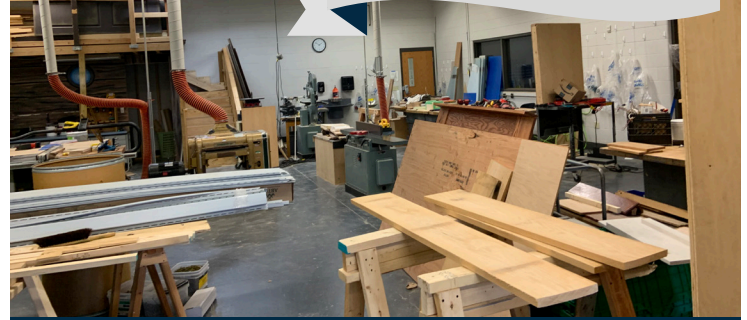


What are Our Needs?

Some of our District needs that cannot be addressed within our annual budget include:



Partial roof replacement is needed at Jr./Sr. high school.



Our tech ed spaces at the high school are undersized to meet current curriculum needs and class wait-lists.



Inefficient electrical panels pose safety and maintenance concerns.



Our track is at the end of its useful life and asphalt and concrete is aged and cracking throughout our district.



Our kitchen, cafeteria and receiving areas are undersized at the elementary school.



Our kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms are undersized and inefficient.



HVAC, mechanical, and controls system is outdated and need to be replaced with an efficient system.



Auxiliary gym in elementary does not have cooling. This causes floors to be slippery and unsafe.

Did you know?

What was accomplished from the 2020 Operational referendum?

The District was able to address significant operational needs from the funding provided by the approval of the April 2020 operational referendum, which is set to expire at the end of the 22-23 year:

- Increased student safety by upgrading our keyless entry system
- Maintained class sizes
- Attracted and retained high-quality staff in a competitive local and statewide environment
- Added a special education teacher to increase support for student achievement
- Added a social worker to increase support for student social and emotional needs
- Invested in a full time nurse (from two (2) days per week) to provide more support for student health and wellness
- Added new courses at the High School: Geometry & Construction, Drama, Video Production and Microsoft Word
- Continued to offer advanced placement (AP) and elective courses
- Continued partnerships with area technical colleges
- Grew the youth apprenticeship program to accommodate higher demand
- Added a 10th bus route to shorten ride times for many students
- Created all-day 4K to help increase student achievement
- Added a student-run school store to teach real world business skills and develop an entrepreneurial mindset in our students

What investments were made from the 2014 Capital referendum?

- Swapped the Parkview Junior/Senior High school and Elementary school buildings
- Added classrooms and labs for science, technical education, and agriculture at the Junior/Senior High School
- Built band/chorus rooms, a fieldhouse, commons, kitchen, and office at the Junior/Senior High School.
- Renovated the library, English, and business classrooms at the Junior/Senior High School
- Renovated select classrooms, the library, and offices at the Elementary
- Installed new heating/air conditioning systems at both schools



Learn More

**OCT
26**

Parkview Elementary
6:00 PM | Presentation & Tour



Parkview.ReferendumFacts.Org



Where to Vote on November 8th

Town of Avon

Avon Town Hall
16513 W Beloit Newark Rd, Brodhead, WI

Town of Center (Wards 1 & 2)

Center Town Hall
9119 W County Road A, Evansville, WI

Town of Magnolia

Magnolia Town Hall
14729 W County Rd A Evansville, WI

Town of Newark (Wards 1 & 2)

Newark Town Hall
9528 W Beloit Newark Rd, Beloit, WI

Town of Plymouth (Wards 1-3)

Plymouth Town Hall
8219 High St., Orfordville, WI

Town of Rock

Rock Town Hall
5102 S County Road D, Afton, WI

Town of Spring Valley

Orfordville Fire Station
173 N Wright St, Orfordville, WI

Village of Footville

Footville Village Hall
261 N Gilbert St., Footville, WI

Village of Orfordville (Wards 1 & 2)

Orfordville Village Hall
303 E Beloit St., Orfordville, WI



Polls Open
November 8th
7 am - 8 pm

Register at myvote.wi.gov

Early voting begins 10.25



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Upcoming Events

Referendum Informational Meeting October. 26th

PJHS Parent Teacher Conferences October 13th & 18th

Clue (The Play) October 28th, 29th, & 30th

PES Parent Teacher Conferences November 3rd & 8th

Referendum Vote November 8th

Visit our District Calendar at
www.parkview.k12.wi.us for up-to date
information on upcoming events.

Follow Us on Social Media!



Staff Milestones

Congratulations to our Dedicated Parkview Crew!

We want to take a minute to celebrate our staff milestones for this school year!

5 Years: Mary Crane, Lynn Daguanno, Carla Gilbert, Todd Greco, Rachel Miller, Jessica Seibert, Martyna Stelter, Nicki Victor

10 Years: Guy Stricker, Chad Smith, David Luety

15 Years: Kathy Johnson, Steve Lutzke

20 Years: Mary Jo Lavery

25 Years: Kelly Sly, Cindy Roth, Heather Babcock, Sue Draves

30 Years: Randy Clarke

Congratulations and thank you for all of your dedication to our Parkview Community!

Want to nominate an outstanding Parkview alumni for the Viking Impact Award?

Visit our website to help us acknowledge our Parkview Crew that are exceptional!