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### When Will it be Done?

#### **New Intermediate School:**

Procurement late Summer 2016 Winter 2017 completion

#### **Elementary & Community Education Improvements:**

Summer 2016 and Summer 2017 work scopes

#### High School / Middle School Additions & Renovations:

Early package for select work scopes 2016
Major procurement late Summer 2016
Interior renovations - Summer 2016, Summer 2017
Question #1 additions Fall 2017 completion
Question #2 additions Winter 2017 - Spring 2018 completion

\*Estimated completion dates.

### Where Can I Find Out More?

- Our district website has up-to-date information, go to www.delano.k12.mn.us
- We want to meet with you! Contact Superintendent Matt Schoen at 763.972.3365, ext. 2115 or email your questions to referendum@delanoschools.org







Moving Forward...Learning for the Future

# **Referendum 2015: Community-Driven Facility Needs**

The Delano School Board voted unanimously to place two school funding questions before voters at a special election to be held on November 3, 2015. This bond referendum is in response to needs determined by a Facilities Committee that was established in the fall of 2014. A diverse committee made up of parents, community members, business owners and staff met a total of six times (totaling over 450 hours), toured all district buildings, and presented a recommendation to the Delano School Board in December 2014. The district then completed demographic and feasibility studies to assess district growth and potential support from district community members.

After reviewing all pertinent information and data, the process culminated in a recommendation to facilitate a referendum which was approved by the school board on June 22, 2015. This recommendation was based on the most appropriate, fiscally responsible, and best approach for the long-term success of the district. This bond referendum will ask our district community to support two questions that will meet our facility needs for the next 10 years.

#### WHY?

- Improved Safety & Security
- Increase Space Capacity for Learning
- Extending Facility Life Span
- Enhancing Opportunities for Students and Community

## What NEEDS are being addressed?

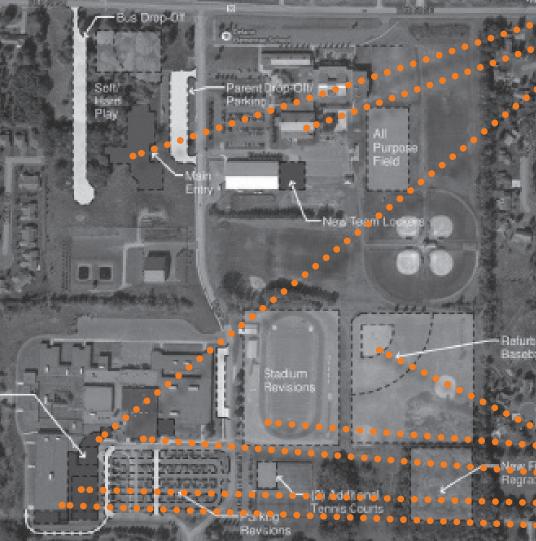
- Construction of a new Intermediate School to accommodate a relocation of grades 4-6 to allow for enrollment capacity.
- Significant renovations to the existing middle school and high school to accommodate programming and make needed infrastructure improvements.
- Minor renovations to the existing elementary school.
- Maintenance renovations at the Community Education building.
- Technology infrastructure improvements.
- ADA (American Disabilities Act) improvements to all buildings.
- Improvements to district physical education and athletic facilities.
- A new Performing Arts Center at the high school.



### **Ballot Question #1**

YES NO

Shall the school board of Independent School District No. 879 (Delano) be authorized to issue its general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$46,000,000 to provide funds for the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including the construction and equipping of a new grade 4 through 6 intermediate school building; the construction of improvements to existing school facilities; the construction of a secure, controlled entry for the high school, including security and safety improvements; and the construction of parking and traffic flow improvements?



New 4-6 School:

\$ 24,000,000

Elementary Renovations:

\$ 1,400,000

Middle School / High School Renovations:

\$ 19,200,000

Community Education Renovations:

\$ 1,400,000

\$ 46,000,000

## Who will benefit?

**Everyone!** We are asking voters to approve 65 million dollars in school funding. For this amount of money, **EVERY BUILDING** will be improved, enhanced and secured, along with district physical education/athletic facilities. Who will benefit?

- All Early Childhood, Pre-K, and Elementary Families
- All Middle School Families
- All High School Families
- All Special Education Families
- All Teachers and Staff
- All Delano Public School District Community Members

## What will these two ballot questions cost the tax payer?

Voter Request	Estimated Annual Tax Impact*	Estimated Monthly Tax Impact*
Q1: \$46,000,000	\$329	\$27.42
Q2: \$19,000,000	\$153	\$12.75
Q1 & Q2	\$482	\$40.17

Tax impact estimates are based on an average home value of \$225,000 in the Delano School District. For additional tax impact information, visit the district website at www.delano.k12.mn.us.

• Activities / Field Upgrades:

\$ 4,500,000

• • • Pool Renovations:

\$ 2,700,000 \$ 8,000,000

Performing Arts Center:

• Tiger Activity Center (TAC) addition / renovations:

\$ 3,800,000

\$ 19,000,000

### Ballot Question #2

YES NO

If School District Question 1 is approved, shall the school board of Independent School District No. 879 (Delano) also be authorized to issue its general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$19,000,000 to provide funds for the betterment of school sites and facilities, including the improvement of physical education/athletic field space, the renovation of the swimming pool and related improvements; the construction of an addition to the Tiger Activity Center at the High School and related renovations; and the construction of a Performing Arts Center addition to the High School?

Question #1 must pass for Question #2 to pass.

## Delano School District No 879 Total School Property Taxes, Payable 2015, on a Home with an Estimated Market Value of \$225,000

