

Message from Superintendent Pinkerton

Welcome to the first bond quarterly update for the Enterprise School District #21! It has been an honor going through the bond process to date and look forward to seeing these projects through to the end. It will take approximately three years from today to finalize the bond projects. As we progress through the bond process please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have. I look forward to working together as we make the educational experience for today's students and our future student's even brighter!



Public schools annually receive a portion of their funding from the state and federal governments. Recent years of uncertainty in the level of support that will be provided by those entities has required districts to become more reliant on local funding generated by property taxes.

School districts have two options for generating funding at the local level. The first option is a levy tax rate assessed against personal property. School districts may request an increase in the tax rate for their respective purposes by submitting the request to a vote and a simple majority of the qualified electors vote in favor of the increase. If the increase would raise the levy rate above \$6, two-thirds of the qualified electors must vote in favor of the increase. Money generated from a tax levy can be used for general operating expenses such as salaries.

The second option is a bond tax levy assessed against personal property. A bond allows the school district to become indebted in an amount not to exceed five percent of the value of their taxable tangible property. The school district may request an increase in indebtedness by placing the issue before the voters and depending on the month the election is held, must receive 57% to two-thirds approval. Money generated from bond indebtedness is used for capital projects such as building construction or renovations.

Enterprise School District #21 is so extremely grateful to our voters! On November 3, 2021 57% of the Enterprise voters said, YES, to the district's \$4 million dollar ask. Because the bond passed the district will receive a \$4 million match from the

OSCIM grant which is distributed from the Oregon Department of Education. We now have \$8 million dollars to complete the following projects.

High School Building

- Replace membrane roof
- Address stormwater runoff
- Install hydronic water piping to serve new HVAC distribution system
- Install energy efficient windows
- Remove and replace damaged sidewalks
- Remove and replace damaged asphalt
- Install elevator
- Remodel key restroom to ADA standards
- Safety and security upgrades
- Remodel and update science classrooms

Junior High Building

- Replace membrane roof
- Address stormwater runoff
- Install hydronic water piping to serve new HVAC distribution system
- Install energy efficient windows
- Remove and replace damaged sidewalks
- Remove and replace damaged asphalt
- Install elevator
- Install a ramp in the junior high and a lift from the gym foyer to the gym floor level
- Remodel key restroom to ADA standards
- Safety and security upgrades
- Remodel and update science classrooms
- Remodel the junior high locker rooms

Primary Building

- Replace membrane roof
- Address stormwater runoff
- Install hydronic water piping to serve new HVAC distribution system

- Install energy efficient windows
- Remove and replace damaged sidewalks
- Remove and replace damaged asphalt
- Remodel key restroom to ADA standards
- Safety and security upgrades

Bond Oversight Committee

The Enterprise School District is looking for members of the community to join the bond oversight committee. The committee will meet quarterly to review spending, timelines and provide insight on development of the projects. If you are interested in becoming a bond oversight committee member please contact Superintendent Pinkerton @ 541-426-3812 or epinkerton@enterprise.k12.or.us.

Board Asked to Approve the Resolution Authorizing Sale of Bonds

Superintendent Pinkerton informed the board at the regular scheduled board meeting on March 1, 2020 that Ann Sherman, Districts Bond Underwriter Service Provider and Brenden Watkins from Piper Sandler have advised the district to go with Zion Bank to fund the \$4 million dollar bond. Zion Bank responded to the RFP with the lowest amount of fees and the best interest rate for the school district.

Contracts for Project Manager and Architectural Services Issued

The district created a committee to review applicants for the project manager position. The committee consisted of Erika Pinkerton (superintendent), Blake Carlsen (high school principal), Tori Corak (teacher), Karen Finlayson (custodian) and Adrian Harguess (school board member). Upon review of the submissions in response to the RFP issued for the district's project manager the district committee the district narrowed it down to the company that met all criteria in the RFP and would be the best fit for the district along with the most reasonable cost for the services they would provide. The committee unanimously chose, Wenaha Group. Cassie Hibbert will be the Project Manager with Scott Rogers assisting.

Contract for Architects Issued

Enterprise School District formed a committee and worked alongside of Wenaha Group to go through a thorough selection process to determine our Architects for our school district. Committee members included: Erika Pinkerton (superintendent), Blake Carlsen (high school principal), Mandy Decker (School

Board Member/Coach), Aneliese Stein (teacher), and Karen Finlayson (custodial). After a lengthy interview process and short presentations from the various firms the committee unanimously selected Design West Architects, P.A. The district will be working with Jeff Brewer (Project Manager & Key Contact), Chris Vondemkamp (Project Manager), and Bill Hamlin Firm (Principal).