

Questions and Answers about the Gladstone School Bond Measure 3-255

Q - Why is Measure 3-255 on the ballot?

A – The Gladstone School Board placed Measure 3-255 on the November 7 ballot to:

Replace or upgrade school facilities that were constructed between 1958 and 1977, including

- Replacing roofs, heating/ventilation and electrical systems, rusted water pipes, and kitchen equipment at all schools
- Adding energy efficiency measures at all schools
- Remodeling approximately 10 classrooms and restrooms in 1958 section of John Wetten Elementary (JWE) School
- Upgrading auditorium at Gladstone High (GHS)

Improve safety and security by:

- Installing fire sprinklers and other safety measures as instructed by the Fire Marshall
- Altering the entry to GHS to allow better visual supervision of students and visitors by staff
- Installing additional security cameras and electronic door locks to allow for immediate lockdowns and greater security at all schools
- Installing an emergency back-up generator at GHS

Increase student capacity at each school by:

- Moving the kindergarten program to the Danielson's annex across from Gladstone High School. The annex would be converted to a kindergarten school and early childhood center.
- Expand GHS cafeteria to allow the campus to be closed during lunch for 9th & 10th graders
- Provide classrooms for band and choir at GHS and Kraxberger Middle School (KMS)

Construct Applied Vocational, Technology and Science Center at GHS

- The center would include science, computer, technology and professional-technical facilities to prepare students for college and future jobs
- This facility also would be used for adult education and Clackamas Community College classes

Combine bond levy funds with donated materials/labor, grants and fundraising to upgrade Gladstone High School fields and District grounds

- Resurface the GHS Track
- Replace aging bleachers at Garrett Field
- Convert Garrett Field to synthetic turf, allowing increased use by school and community sports teams
- Irrigate the playfield at JWE

Q - How would the District pay the additional operating costs for a kindergarten school and early childhood program?

A - It is estimated a kindergarten school would require an additional \$75,000 in staffing costs. This represents approximately one-half of one percent of the District budget. These costs would likely occur in the 2008-09 school year. The revenue from the lease agreements for the Danielson property's existing retail space would help pay these costs. In addition, the District would seek partnerships with other agencies, programs, private business and faith-based groups to provide an early childhood program and help pay the costs.

Q - When was the last bond measure?

A - The last bond levy was passed in 1994. The money from that bond was spent primarily on improvements to the elementary school and the middle school. Nearly two-thirds of the proposed \$39.85 million bond would be spent at Gladstone High School.

Q - How much is Measure 3-255?

A – The total amount of the bond is \$39,850,000. It would be paid over 21 years at an estimated cost of \$2.48 per \$1,000 of assessed property value or about \$397 annually for a home with an assessed value of \$160,000 in additional property taxes.

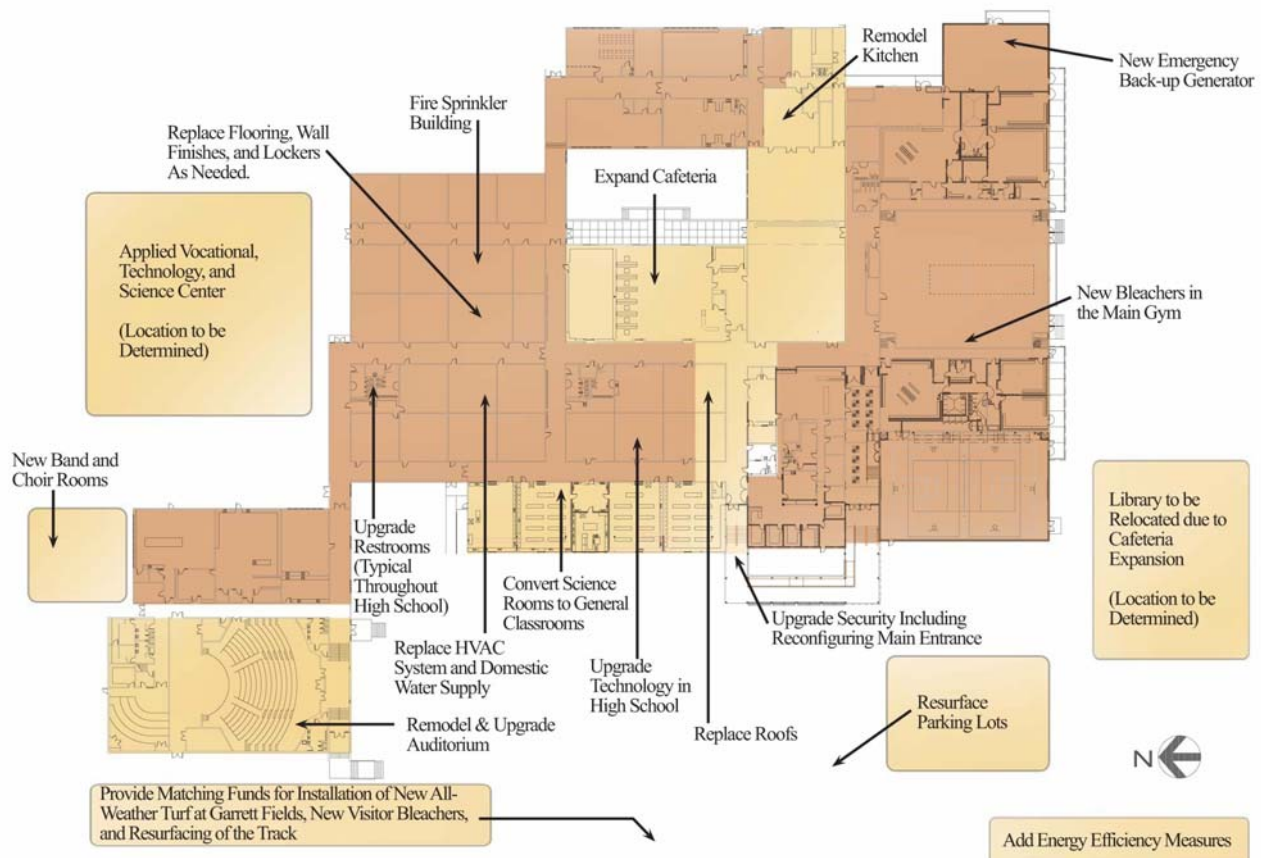
Q - When is the vote?

A – Ballots will be mailed Oct. 20. They must be returned to the Elections Office, 825 Portland Ave, or a drop off location by 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7

GLADSTONE HIGH SCHOOL – Proposed Bond Projects

- ▽ *Build Applied Vocational, Technology and Science Center on the high school campus*
- ▽ *Replace leaking roofs*
- ▽ *Replace HVAC system and domestic water supply*
- ▽ *Add energy efficiency measures*
- ▽ *Upgrade school security including reconfiguring main entrance*
- ▽ *Upgrade technology*
- ▽ *Install new emergency back-up generator*
- ▽ *Add fire sprinklers throughout building*
- ▽ *Expand cafeteria and remodel kitchen*
- ▽ *Relocate library due to cafeteria expansion (location to be determined)*
- ▽ *Convert science rooms to general classrooms*
- ▽ *Add new band and choir rooms*
- ▽ *Remodel & upgrade auditorium*
- ▽ *Replace flooring, wall finishes, and lockers as needed*
- ▽ *Upgrade restrooms*
- ▽ *Replace worn-out bleachers in the main gym*
- ▽ *Provide matching funds for all-weather turf, new visitor bleachers and to resurface track*
- ▽ *Resurface parking lot*

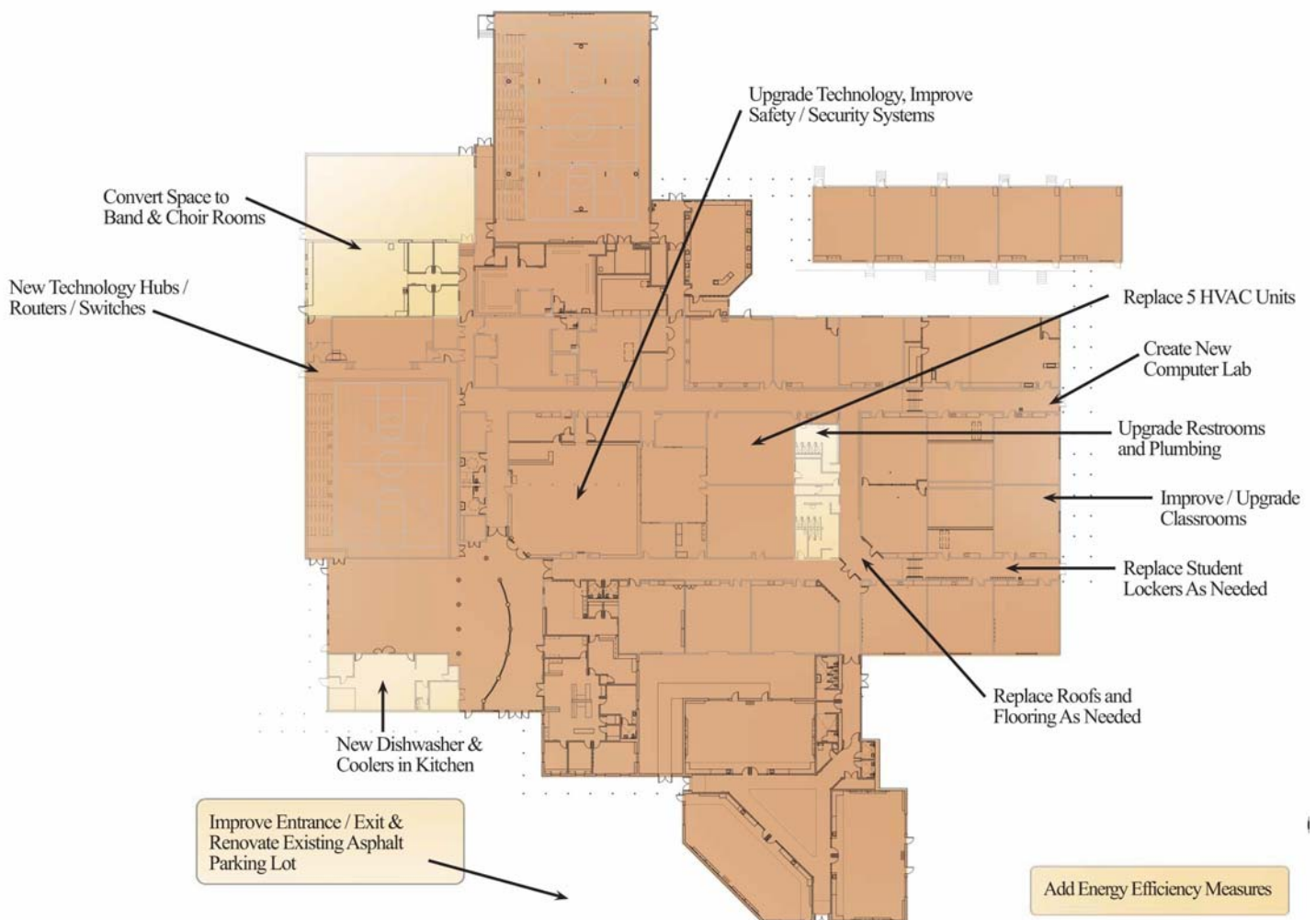
Estimated Cost: \$26,901,487



KRAXBERGER MIDDLE SCHOOL – Proposed Bond Projects

- ▽ *Replace roofs and flooring as needed*
- ▽ *Replace the building's heating/ventilation units*
- ▽ *Upgrade Classrooms*
- ▽ *Add energy efficiency measures*
- ▽ *Upgrade technology for safety/security systems*
- ▽ *Create new computer lab and upgrade technology for student learning*
- ▽ *Convert space to band and choir classrooms*
- ▽ *Upgrade restrooms and plumbing*
- ▽ *Replace student lockers as needed*
- ▽ *Replace worn out dishwasher and coolers in kitchen*
- ▽ *Renovate existing parking lot and upgrade entrance/exit*

Estimated Cost: \$4,475,760



WETTEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Proposed Bond Projects

- ▽ *Remodel building wing constructed in 1958*
- ▽ *Replace, fix leaking roofs*
- ▽ *Replace heating/ventilation in wing built in 1977*
- ▽ *Upgrade electrical, technology, & plumbing systems*
- ▽ *Install additional safety/security equipment*
- ▽ *Upgrade restrooms and replace floor coverings as needed*
- ▽ *Upgrade gym floor and resurface play areas*
- ▽ *Replace worn out dishwasher and coolers in kitchen*
- ▽ *Install irrigation system for Wetten play field*

Estimated Cost: \$8,471,927

