

REFERENDUM project update



REFERENDUM RECAP

Question 1

\$24,500,000 | PASSED

Referendum to fund:

- Capital maintenance at all schools
- Safety, security, and site improvements
- Learning space updates including construction of additions at the High School and Woodland Elementary School

Question 2

\$1,900,000 | UNSUCCESSFUL

Referendum to fund construction of an addition at Woodland Elementary School for a child care center

What's next for the Child Care Facility?

The need for child care in our community is not going away. Our goal is to continue to be transparent and reflective of what our community wants to see in our District. We will continue to evaluate the options to best serve our community, including exploring other funding sources to provide our community with a resource that neighboring districts provide. We are confident that we will find a solution in the future.

\$\$\$ FINANCING UPDATE

R.W. Baird, our financial advisor, has provided preliminary projections indicating that interest rates continue to remain lower than originally anticipated.

Dear BASD Community Members,

On April 6, the residents of the Barron Area School District approved a facilities referendum question to invest \$24,500,000 across our District, addressing capital maintenance, safety and security, and learning space updates—impacting all schools, all students.

We appreciate the support of our voters and are excited to start bringing these plans to life. We will work with our partners, Miron Construction and ISG Architects and Engineers, to refine the scope and manage the budget.

You have my commitment as your District Administrator that I will be closely involved in the process to ensure your tax dollars are being spent wisely, and we are positively impacting the educational experience for all our Golden Bears.

I am excited to start **#buildingforthebears**. Thank you for this opportunity!

~Diane Tremblay, District Administrator

COMING UP...

- Bi-weekly design team meetings
- June & July staff user group meetings
- Continued refinement of project scope and budget
- Preconstruction field verification, building analysis, and 3D building scans are in progress



ALL SCHOOLS, ALL STUDENTS

DESIGN KICK-OFF



We hit the ground running. Just a week after the successful referendum, we kicked off the design process with our architectural (ISG) and construction (Miron) partners.

Staff user groups were formed to provide feedback on design. The first session was held in May, and additional sessions are planned for June and July. The user group meetings provide an opportunity for staff to think “big picture” about the potential renovations to learning spaces, drive design, and provide feedback.

CONTINUED COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



A focus group comprised of community members, parents, and staff was integral to finding a solution to bring to referendum. We continue to keep this group involved and convened on May 5 to share details about the design and construction process.

LEARNING THE INDUSTRY



Riverview Tech Ed students welcomed Cody Meyer from ISG's architectural team! He showed our Golden Bears how to perform a 3D scan of our existing space to be used in 3D design software.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



William Weise, Junior at Barron Area High School (son of Melissa and Rusty Weise), was able to spend a day job shadowing at Miron Construction.

William is interested in a career in engineering and construction, and got to experience the industry firsthand.

DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

