



**Tiger Pride News and Notes**  
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**Bond Referendum 2023: Unlocking Opportunities for All Students**

Hello! This is Nichol O'Neill writing to you as the Chair of the Stewartville School Board.

As many of you may know, the School District is holding an election for a bond referendum on Tuesday, November 7 with two questions on the ballot. In keeping with our vision to provide Educational Excellence and Lifelong Learning for All, question #1 is focused on building a new building for Kindergarten through Grade 2 located north of Bear Cave Intermediate School, providing secure entrances at all of our schools, making improvements to the classrooms at the Middle School and High School, adding on science classrooms at the High School, and transitioning our Early Childhood programs and District Office from Central to Bonner along with renovating the restrooms at Bonner to be ADA-compliant. The amount for Question #1 is \$55,670,000.

We are asking our voters to continue their investment in our schools in order to provide the highest quality educational opportunities for ALL of our students from PreSchool through Grade 12. Based on the ongoing feedback we received from community members, Question #1 will primarily focus on health, safety, and academics. The projects included in Question 1 will impact every student at every level in our school district.

The projects in Question #1 also include improved secure entrances at the Middle School, High School, and Bonner.

At Bonner, we will have the room to grow if the state does decide to make universal PreSchool accessible for all four-year-olds. The new building for the Kindergarten through Grade 2 will also have room for growth across the grade levels as well as classrooms designed for Special Education. At the Middle School and High School, the project is focused on renovating classrooms to meet the needs of our students and programs, as well as expand on the number of classrooms we currently have.

Question #2 is in the amount of \$7,250,000 and includes a second athletic court at the new K-2 building, a Community Fitness Center at the High School, and the renovation of the current weight room into a Middle School classroom.

If you have any questions about the bond referendum, please contact any School Board member and/or Mrs. Selfors, Superintendent of Schools. You can also find additional information about the bond referendum at our school district website ([ssd.k12.mn.us](http://ssd.k12.mn.us)) under the **Stewartville Bond Ref 2023** tab.

**Go Tigers!**