



Community Advisory Team Update October 2019

The purpose of this communication is to update the group on where we currently stand on our Facilities Master Plan. On September 12, 2019, the Board of Education approved the OFCC Master Plan. The plan consisted of a segmented project: a new PK-5 building now and a new 6-12 building sometime in the future. At that time, we will examine our facility needs and decide whether to partner with the OFCC to complete the final segment. We are under no obligation.

At the same meeting, the Board of Education also approved a resolution detailing our Facilities Master Plan based from the following data:

- OFCC costs and figures
- Community Advisory Team meetings
- Community Forums
- Fallon Survey
- Ongoing discussion as a board
- Cost estimates from independent contractors

Our Facilities Master Plan consists of the following:

- Construction of a new PK-5 building on the existing property of Camden Primary, directly behind current structure. We will fund this project with the OFCC paying 66% of the base cost and Preble Shawnee responsible for 34%. In the coming months, we will place a Bond Levy on the ballot in March 2020 for the amount we will need to finance our share of the project. We anticipate the cost of the project to be \$10,155,365 and the millage to be approximately 4.24 mills for a 25 year term.
- The current Jr/Sr High School will undergo extensive renovations to make this building a great learning environment for the next twenty years (at a minimum). The renovations can happen quickly and will include the following:
 - Set to begin Summer 2021 (could possibly begin Summer 2020):
 - Adding air conditioning
 - Electrical support
 - Plumbing supply lines
 - Replacing lighting with LED
 - Security upgrades
 - Fire system upgrades
 - Ceiling replacement
 - Set to be completed as part of the renovations as necessary and as funds are available:

- Replacement of the roof, flooring, windows, cabinets/casework, classroom desks, tables, chairs, etc.
 - Asphalt repairs
 - Technology upgrades
- We will use between \$4 and \$6.5 million dollars of our current carryover to pay for the initial phase of the renovation, which includes adding air conditioning, electrical and plumbing support, new LED lighting and ceiling replacement. We will fund further phases through a combination of energy and staffing savings by operating from three buildings to two.
- We will need to place a .75% Income Tax on the March 2020 ballot for operations regardless of the facility plan. However, we cannot move forward with the planned renovations without the passage of the levy.
- We will close West Elkton Intermediate School and work with the village on the future of the building. There will be money in the OFCC budget to abate/demo West Elkton. We will abate/demo Camden Primary to make way for the new Preble Shawnee Elementary School (parking and bus lots, playground equipment, green space, etc.). Both buildings would close when the new PK-5 building is ready for occupancy.
- There will not be a need to displace students during the construction of the new Preble Shawnee Elementary School, as we will utilize both Camden and West Elkton during construction.

On October 24th, the OFCC will meet and review our approved Master Plan. They will give the OK and we will then notify our Bond Counsel to begin creating ballot language. Bond Counsel will also verify final millage with the County Auditor.

In the coming weeks, the Board of Education will meet twice to approve the Resolutions of Necessity and the Resolutions to Proceed with two separate levies (Bond Levy for New PK-5 Preble Shawnee Elementary School and an Income Tax for operations).

On behalf of the Board of Education, I would like to thank you for the input provided during this process. It was great to see so many ideas shared and how the group thoughtfully listened to each other and valued their opinions. We believe this plan will move our district forward and accomplish our facility needs.

GO ARROWS!

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