

**BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 59  
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING  
Monday, August 29, 2022 5:30 PM**

**Mission Statement**

*"The mission of Bennington Public Schools is to provide educational opportunities in a safe, caring environment that will prepare all students to meet the challenges of the future."*

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Possible bond 2022 report
- III. Consider public comment regarding recommendations for future facilities needs
- IV. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action with regard to possible approval and authorization to execute a Site Purchase and Sale Agreement for the purchase by the school district of approximately 76 acres of real property located near 180th Street and Rainwood Road
- V. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve a resolution to call for a bond election
- VI. Approval of final 2021-2022 school year bills for payment
- VII. Adjournment

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO SPEAK DURING PUBLIC FORUM:** Getting Started: When it is your turn to speak during the public forum portion of the agenda, please come forward to the table situated immediately in front of the Board, sign your name and address on the sign-in sheet and state your name to the Board of Education. Time Limit: You may speak only one time and must limit comments to 5 minutes or less. Personnel or Student Topic: If you are planning to speak about a personnel or student matter involving an individual, please understand that our policies require that such concerns initially be directed to the administration for consideration. Board members will generally not respond to any questions you ask or comments you may make about individual staff members or students. You are cautioned that slanderous comments are not protected just because they are made at the Board meeting. General Rules: Please remember that this is a public meeting for the conduct of business of the Board of Education. Offensive language, personal attacks and hostile conduct will not be tolerated.

BY: BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Proposed  
2022  
Bond Issue



# Growth

	Elem #4				Elem #5	MS #2				
	Fall**	Fall**	Fall**	Fall**	8/8/2022	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
<b>Elementary Enrollment</b>	1,535	1,713	1,865	1,999	2,105	2,174	2,297	2,388	2,453	2,549
<b>Elementary Capacity</b>	104%	89%	97%	99%	84%	87%	92%	95%	98%	102%
<b>Middle School Enrollment</b>	673	736	758	849	928	1,060	1,122	1,218	1,303	1,425
<b>Middle School Capacity</b>	90%	98%	101%	113%	62%	71%	75%	81%	87%	95%
<b>High School Enrollment</b>	666	759	880	957	1,025	1,092	1,178	1,307	1,484	1,597
<b>High School Capacity</b>	89%	101%	77%	83%	89%	95%	102%	114%	129%	139%

<b>% Increase</b>	10.50%	11.62%	9.20%	8.62%	6.65%	6.61%	6.26%	6.87%	6.67%	6.31%
<b>District Total</b>	2,874	3,208	3,503	3,805	4,058	4,326	4,597	4,913	5,241	5,571
<b>**Actual</b>		334	295	302	253	268	271	316	328	331

Capacity:

Elem - AP=483, BE=483, HE=483, PC=575, ST=483

MS = 750 / 1,500

HS = 1,150

# Journey for Planning for the Future

- **November 2020:** Board of Education Workshop
  - Presentation to current & future board members on future growth
- **November 2021:** Board of Education Workshop
  - Presentation on future growth with a more detailed timeline
- **January 2022:** Construction Management at Risk Policy
- **February 2022:** Hired two consulting groups
  - RSP - Demographics & Growth Study
  - Northwall Consulting/EZPolitix - Public Survey and Strategies
- **June 2022:** Board of Education Meeting
  - Hired Hausmann Construction Inc. for Construction Management @ Risk services
  - DLR Group proceed with Schematic Design & Design Development Phases of the 2nd High School project
  - Piper & Sandler present Projected Bond Cash Flow and Levy Analysis
  - Presentation of possible bond projects
- **July 2022:** Collected Community Feedback
  - Northwall Consulting phone/text survey
  - Public Community Forum meetings



# Journey for Planning the 2nd High School

## **DLR 2nd High School Vision Presentation**

We see a safe, innovative, forward-thinking learning environment that celebrates our community and provides flexible and adaptable spaces to stimulate collaboration, inspire creativity, and support our diverse group of all educators and learners.

## **Community Designs 2nd High School**

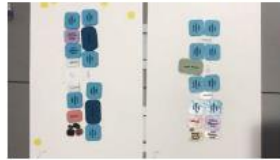
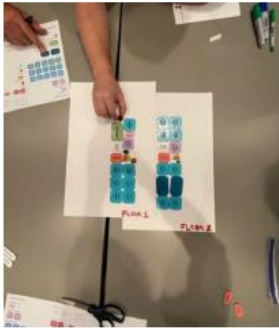
Board members, administrators, staff, parents, and community members worked together with DLR Group to help with the design of the 2nd High School.



# Journey for Planning the 2nd High School

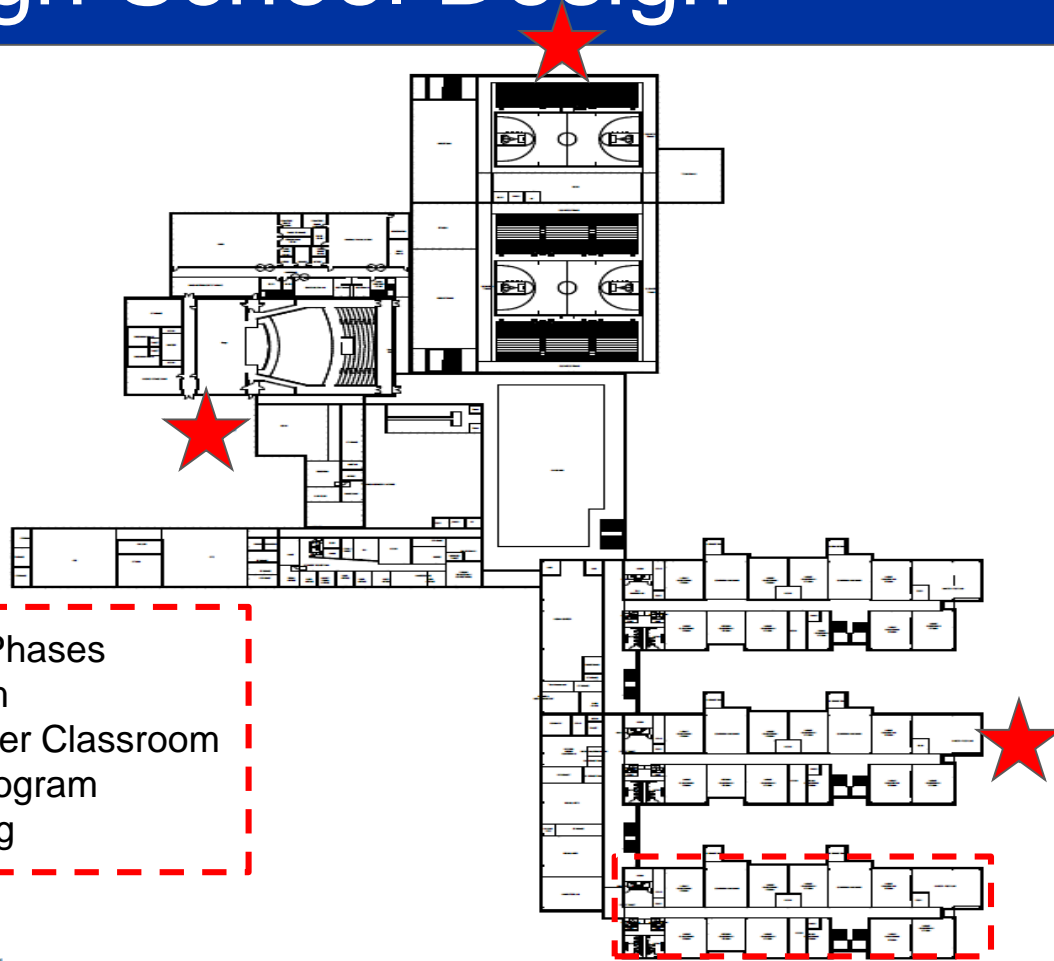
- **January**
  - Teacher Interviews & Student Shadowing at Bennington High School
  - Tour Buena Vista & Elkhorn North - Omaha Metro Area
  - Tour Missouri Innovation Campus - Lee's Summit, MO
- **February**
  - Tour Thomas Jefferson & Career and Technical Education Academy - Sioux Falls, SD
  - Committee Workshop - space design identified
  - Committee Workshop - programming elements prioritized
- **April**
  - Defined Program Review
- **June**
  - Pre-Design Workshop
  - Pre-Design Share







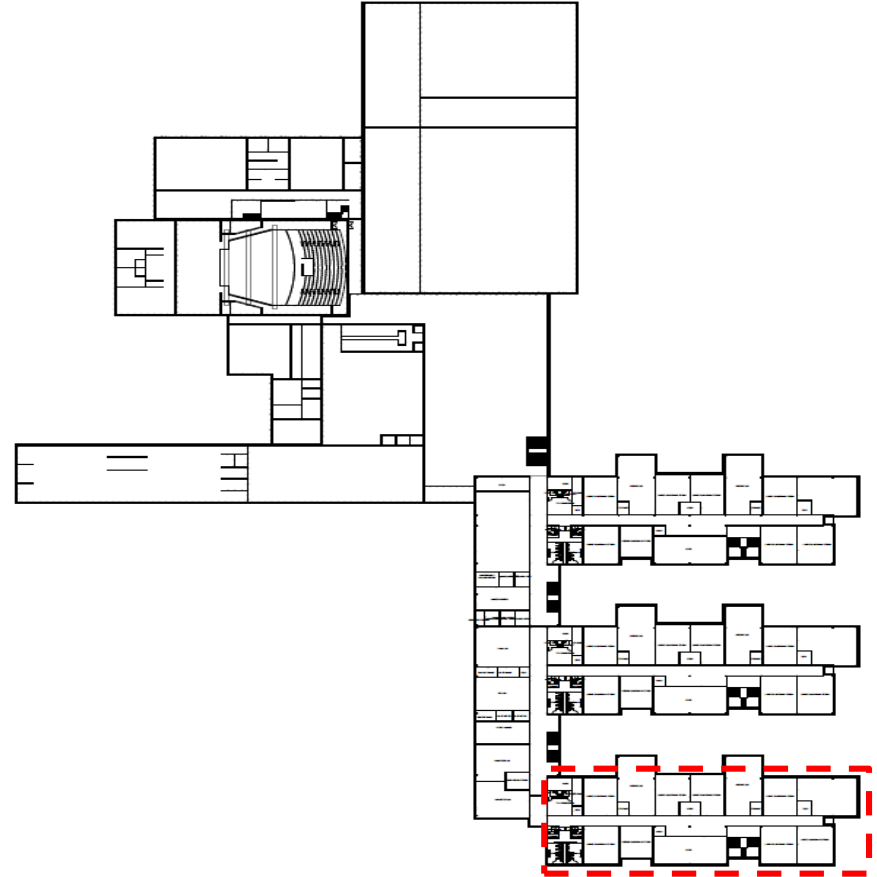
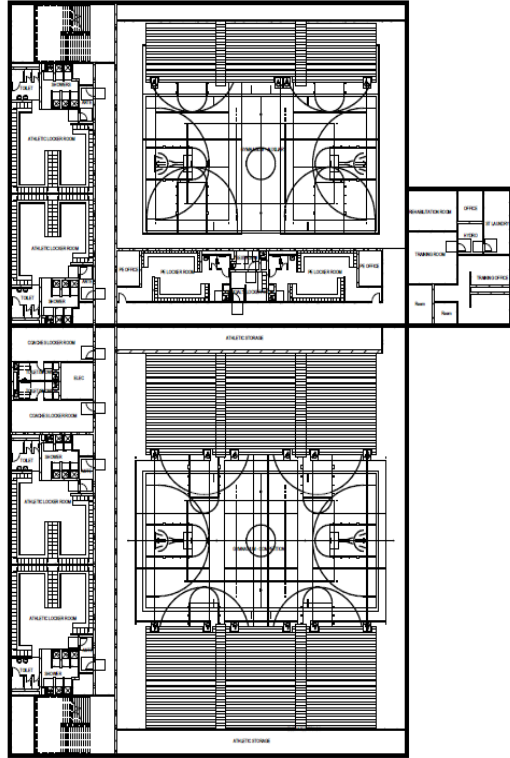
# Future High School Design



## Potential Future Phases

- Pool/Natatorium
- Blackbox Theater Classroom
- Young Adult Program
- Classroom Wing

# Future High School Design



LEVEL 00 - FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 30'-0"



LEVEL 02 - FLOOR PLAN



# Bennington CTE Clusters

Business Management\*

Marketing

Finance\*

Information Technology\*

Communication Arts



Hospitality & Tourism

Health Sciences

Education & Training

Transportation & Distribution

Energy & Engineering

Architecture & Construction\*

Ag & Natural Resources

Manufacturing\*

*\*Program of Study Available - 3 Course Series*

# Proposed 2022 Bond Issue

2nd High School (1,000 student capacity)	\$135,869,025
Career & Technical Classrooms	\$ 3,605,827
Stadium (1,000 Seats)	\$ 2,585,453
Track (Post-Tension Substructure)	\$ 2,175,580
Softball/Baseball Fields	\$ 5,003,601
Synthetic Turf on Stadium Field	\$ 896,274
High School Tennis Courts	\$ 1,946,708
District Security Upgrades	\$ 350,000
High School Stadium Expansion Phase II	\$ 1,270,444
<b>Total Estimated Costs</b>	<b>\$153,702,912</b>



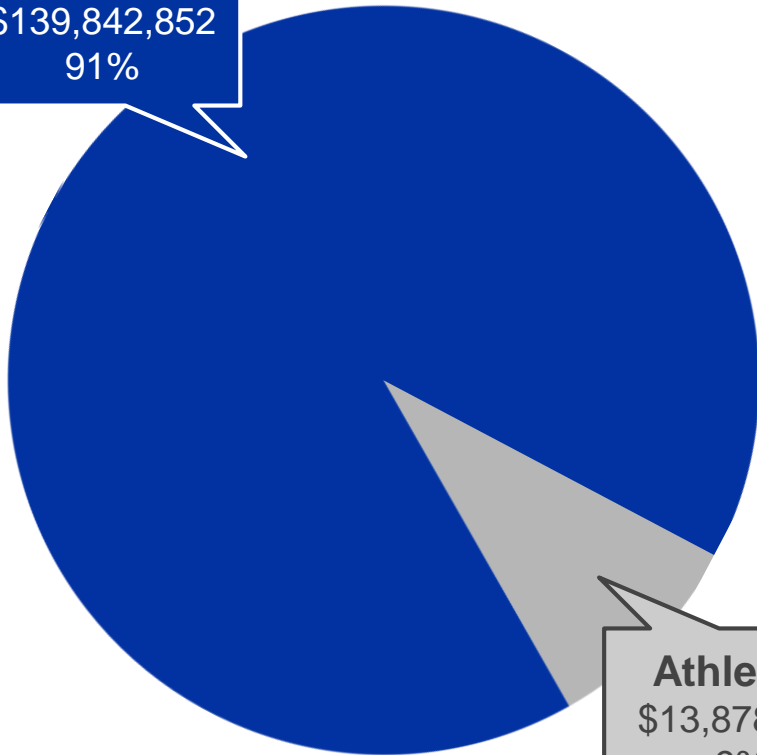
<b>Construction Costs</b> <small>Costs do not include \$1.62 M for Stadium &amp; Security improvements.</small>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>CM - GMP</b>	Construction Management: Guaranteed Max. Price for High School #2 & Support Buildings	\$116,649,143
<b>Equipment by Owner</b>	Furniture, Furnishings & Equipment (Moveable) Technology & Technology Equipment - Low Voltage Security - Door Card Readers & Camera Systems	\$ 9,204,068
<b>Architect &amp; Engineering Fees</b>	Design & Planning Fees, Speciality Consultants, Multiple Bid Packages Additional Services	\$ 7,192,655
<b>Public Infrastructure Improvements</b>	Platting Coordination, Sewer Construction, Road Widening & Construction	\$ 8,919,985
<b>Jurisdictional &amp; Utility Expenses</b>	Permits, Utility Fees, Stormwater & Erosion Control Plans, Sewer and Roads Fees	\$ 2,104,105
<b>General Expenses</b>	Surveys, Soil Testing, Well Testing, Special Inspections	\$ 899,044
<b>Design &amp; Construction Contingency Fees</b>	Budget for Change Orders & Unforeseen Costs	\$ 5,832,457
<b>Fiscal Consultant Fees</b>	Bond Agent Fees for Sale of Bonds	\$ 1,131,011

# Proposed 2022 Bond Issue

## Academics

\$139,842,852

91%



## Athletics

\$13,878,060

9%

**Academics** are the key to guide us toward our Mission.

- Bennington rated an “Excellent” District
- ACT Average 23.0 - Above NE & US Averages each year
- K-12 Students perform above NE and US averages on state & national assessments.

**Athletics** are a key element of a high school experience.

- Over 600 Bennington high school students participate each year (65%-70%).
- Bennington’s programs are experiencing great success!
  - Academic All-State/All-EMC
  - 5 State Championships
  - 2 State Runners-Up
  - 9 Teams State Qualified

# Construction Management Advantages

## Quality Control

- Manageable contract relationships - Construction Manager (CM) selection based on quality of work and experience
- Contractor involvement in design decisions, Transfer of responsibility for construction, and some risk, from Owner to CM
- Opportunity to pre-qualify bidders

## Cost Management

- Construction management fees are negotiated
- Contractor input in design, planning and value engineering; CM works with design team throughout the project to meet budget and systems design intent
- Option for early guaranteed maximum price (GMP)

## Schedule Management

- Option for accelerated construction schedule utilizing early / multiple bid packages



# Tax Impact

## \$153 Million Bond Issue

- A maximum of \$0.10 increase
- \$300 maximum annual increase on a \$300,000 home = \$25.00 per month



# Timeline

- **August 29th:** Vote on final Proposal & Ballot Language
- **September 1st:** Ballot Language to Election Commission
- **October 3rd:** Absentee Ballots Begin to be Mailed Out
- **October 11th:** Early Voting at Election Commission Office Begins
- **October 21st:** Deadline to Register to Vote
- **October 28th:** Deadline to Request Absentee Ballots
- **November 8th:** Election Day

# 2022 Bond Language

“Shall Douglas County School District 0059 (Bennington Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska, issue the bonds of said District in the principal amount of not to exceed One Hundred Fifty-Three Million Dollars (\$153,000,000) for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing a new high school building, which shall include a new stadium and track facility, a new softball and baseball complex, and new tennis courts, providing for necessary furniture and apparatus for such new high school building and additions, constructing improvements to the existing high school building and existing stadium, and providing for technology and security updates in the existing facilities of the District; said bonds to be issued from time to time as may be determined by the Board of Education, to bear interest at a rate or rates to be determined by the Board of Education and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by the Board of Education; and

“Shall the District cause to be levied and collected annually a special levy of taxes against all the taxable property in said District sufficient in rate and amount to pay the interest and principal of said bonds as the same become due?”



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Vendor Name	Vendor Description	Amount
<b>GENERAL FUND CHECKING</b>		
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING		\$21,233.48
Allen, Susan		\$27.81
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		\$415.86
BLICK ART MATERIALS		\$1,991.47
Bohaboj, Jeremy		\$500.00
BOUND TO STAY BOUND BOOKS		\$11,684.10
BPS ACTIVITY ACCOUNT		\$50,000.00
BPS BUSINESS ACCOUNT		\$297.13
Brenner, Katherine		\$347.49
CAPSAN		\$1,841.02
Cerny, Scott		\$500.00
Derry, Carlie		\$275.88
DESIGN 4		\$12,780.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY POST-GAZETTE		\$31.14
EIDE BAILLY LLP		\$7,000.00
ESU 3		\$750.00
FITNESS GIANT, LLC		\$1,099.00
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS, LLC		\$103,298.02
Glinski, Thomas		\$500.00
GRAPHIC EDGE, LLC, THE		\$584.29
HEALEY, MADELAINE		\$300.00
Higgins, Sierra		\$500.00
HOME DEPOT PRO, THE		\$2,180.79
Horner, Justin		\$273.24
Hughes, Dutton		\$500.00
Kraft, Madeline		\$500.00
LA QUINTA BY WYNDHAM KEARNEY		\$1,999.20
Limbach, Madison		\$500.00
LOU'S SPORTING GOODS		\$6,545.41
Lura, Jason		\$500.00
MACKIN BOOK COMPANY		\$3,547.63
Mattes, Jacob		\$500.00
MENSAH, SOWAH		\$7,310.00
MMC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC		\$572,145.00
NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS		\$4,410.00
OPPD		\$2,922.00
Parker, Jennifer		\$500.00
PARKING AREA MAINTENANCE, INC		\$7,987.00
PRESCOTT HEALD & SON, INC		\$6,800.00
PRIME SECURED, INC		\$6,140.00
S&P GLOBAL RATINGS		\$16,387.00
Salic, Andrea		\$500.00
Schab, Victoria		\$500.00
Solma, Jennifer		\$500.00
Suing, Jocelyn		\$500.00
SWEETWATER SOUND		\$3,992.00
TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC		\$193.00
TURFWERKS		\$48,500.00
VIRCO INC		\$890,452.09
Fund Number 01		<u>\$1,802,741.05</u>
Checking Account ID GENERAL		<u>\$1,802,741.05</u>

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Vendor Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>SPECIAL BUILDING FUND - CHECKING</b>		
DLR GROUP		\$122,983.11
Fund Number 13		<hr/> \$122,983.11
Checking Account ID SPECBLDG		<hr/> \$122,983.11