2026 BOND REFERENDUM

7 things to know

1 School Security

The primary building's entrance and vestibule do not provide the same level of security found in SBL's other school buildings. Improving student and staff safety remains a key priority.

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2 Water Intrusion

Water continues to seep through walls in the primary gym, causing paint to chip and creating an ongoing maintenance and safety concern.

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3 Restrooms and ADA Accessibility

Very few restrooms in the primary building are ADA compliant. Renovating the facility would require extensive restroom updates to meet current accessibility standards.

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4 Aging Classrooms

Outdated lighting, difficult-to-clean ceilings, shifting floors, aging carpet, and asbestos beneath portions of the flooring create challenges throughout the learning environment.

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5 Outdated Building Systems

Plumbing, electrical, fire protection, control panels, and other major systems throughout the building are aging and would require significant upgrades.

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6 Air Quality

Mold was discovered in ductwork throughout the primary building this summer. The ducts have since been professionally cleaned, and the district is working on a long-term strategy to help prevent it from returning that is estimated to cost as much as $250,000.

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7 Why Retire the Existing Primary Building? Why don't we just fix it?

Replacing the primary building costs $38 million. The cost to remodel the existing primary building is $32 million. A remodel would take 2.5 years and relocate students in portable classrooms during construction.

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