



# NOVEMBER 8, 2016

The Smithville School District will include two questions on the November 8, 2016 ballot. Both questions are intended to provide adequate instructional space and premier learning environments for our growing student population.

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## GROWING STUDENT POPULATION

Since voters passed the last tax levy increase in 1997, district enrollment has grown by 1,167 students. Projections indicate enrollment will increase about 19% (over 400 students) in the next 9 years meaning enrollment will exceed 3,000 students by 2025.



Currently, eight (8) mobile classrooms are used on a daily basis to serve 300+/- students. The district is out of instructional space in all five of its current facilities and has resorted to using non-traditional space to meet the immediate needs of its growing student population

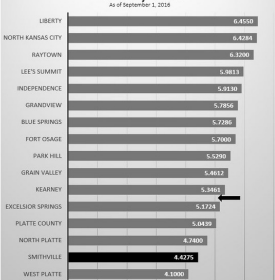
## BALLOT WILL CONTAIN 2 QUESTIONS



**QUESTION ONE** will be a general obligation *no tax rate increase* bond issue for approximately \$12.5 million for the purpose of improving, furnishing, equipping, and constructing school facilities, including renovating at Smithville Primary Elementary School, Smithville Upper Elementary School, and Smithville Middle School; classroom additions and renovations at Smithville High School; roofing and asphalt improvements; and security enhancements.

**QUESTION TWO** will require an operational levy *increase of \$0.79* per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation to construct, furnish, equip, operate, and maintain a third elementary school.

**Tax Levy Rates**



## LEVY RANK & TAXPAYER IMPACT

The district's voted levy has not increased in 19 years. With an additional \$0.79 investment, the Smithville School District will continue to have one of the lowest school tax rates in the Kansas City Area.

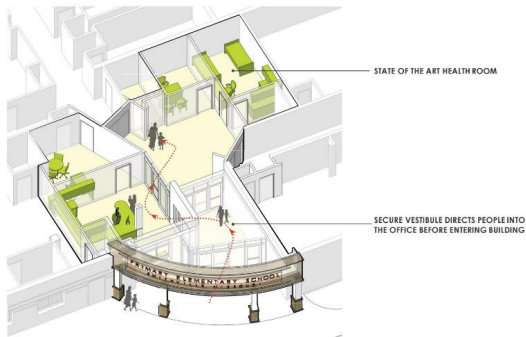
If question 2 is approved, the new total levy would be approximately \$5.2175 requiring a \$150,000 homeowner to pay an additional \$225.06 per year or \$18.76 per month in additional school taxes.

# Question 1: No tax rate increase bond

New work on current buildings include:

- Reconfiguration of the main entry and lobby to create a secure entryway at Smithville Primary Elementary School (SPES)
- New canopy for exterior of front entry at SPES
- New state of the art health room at SPES
- Cafeteria addition at Smithville High School (SHS)
- Eight (8) additional classrooms at Smithville SHS

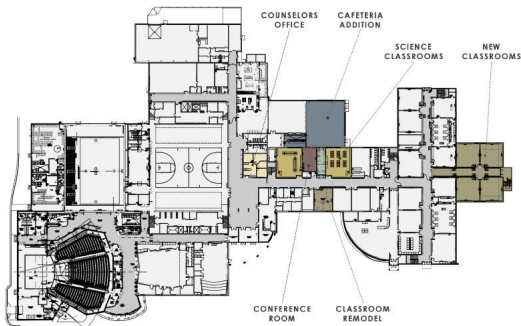
PRIMARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
FRONT ENTRY RENOVATION



Renovation and buildings upgrades include:

- HVAC upgrades at SPES
- Classroom remodel including new casework and paint at SPES
- Flooring improvements at SPES
- Acoustic improvements to cafeteria at SPES
- Bus and parking lot renovation including a new access lane and more parking spaces at SPES
- Roofing improvements at SPES and SHS
- Classroom and science lab renovations at SHS
- Updates to counselor offices and conference room at SHS
- Asphalt improvements at SHS
- Band room renovation work to include removing wall and casework between classrooms and installing an operable partition at Smithville Middle School (SMS)
- Remodel of existing classroom space for SILC program (alternative high school) at SMS
- Remodel existing classroom to create maker spaces at Smithville Upper Elementary School (SUES)
- Acoustic improvements to cafeteria at SUES

HIGH SCHOOL  
PLANNED AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT



# Question 2: \$0.79 levy increase

Additional elementary school serving students grades Pre-K–6. The additional elementary school will be located at the corner of Highway F and NE 188th Street.

ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
VISION OF EXTERIOR



ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
FLOOR PLAN

