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YSD Community Task Force on Elementary Facilities Provides Draft Recommendations and Continues Public Meetings

A Community Task Force on Elementary School Facilities was formed to study the Yankton School District Pre-school through 5th grade Elementary School Facilities and develop a comprehensive Facilities Master Plan for recommendations to the Yankton School Board.

A draft of the committee's recommendations was presented at a Special School Board Meeting on February 28th, along with time for public input.

A Community Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm at the YHS Theater to gather additional public input.

The proposal to address immediate needs would not require a bond election, rather Capital Outlay Certificates for which the school district has budgeted within their current Capital Outlay funds. Thus there would be no increase in property taxes and not a need for a bond election.

The next steps beyond the immediate needs are outlined in the proposed recommendations of the committee. The charge of the committee's work is to provide a comprehensive Facilities Master Plan for our elementary schools.

The Yankton School District and our community would need to decide in approximately four or five years how they want to proceed with the other three elementary school buildings – Beadle, Lincoln and Stewart. Depending upon what is decided at that time, there may or may not be a need for some type of Bond Election, to be determined at that time.

A link has been created on our Yankton School District Website titled "YSD Facilities Study". You are encouraged and welcome to visit this link at:

<https://www.ysd.k12.sd.us/>

The public is also welcome to attend the following School Board Meeting:

- The Task Force will present a final Facilities Master Plan to the School Board on Monday, May 9, 2022, at the regular Board meeting 5:00 at the YHS Theater.

Yankton School Board Election Results

On April 12, 2022 an election was held for both the Yankton School Board and Yankton City Commission. The results below are for the Yankton School Board:

Sara Carda	1754
Terry Crandall	1720
Erick Messler	888
Amanda Johnson	875
Lisa Hagemann	151

Election results will be canvassed at the May 9 School Board Meeting.

Bike Helmet Safety

Every 2nd grade student in Yankton received a fitted bicycle helmet courtesy of the Yankton Medical Clinic, ACE Bike and Fitness and the Rotary Club. The hope is that this effort will ensure that cost is not a barrier to safety and that a good example is provided for parents to build on to ensure their child's safety. Over 500,000 patients are seen in emergency rooms in the US for bicycle related injuries every year.

Approximately 33% of these injuries are head injuries. There are nearly 1000 deaths every year from bicycle related traumatic head injuries. 2nd Graders will attend a bike safety assembly on April 20, 2022.

Thank you to Yankton Medical Clinic, ACE Bike and Fitness and the Yankton Rotary Club!

Yankton School District Phone App

Stay connected with YSD during the 2021-2022 school year! Use the app to access lunch menus, district and school news, Infinite Campus, staff information, calendar events, and even emergency notifications, right from your pocket.

Please join us by downloading the YSD app:

iPhone: <https://apple.co/35Y84s6>
Android: <http://bit.ly/2p38ugp>

School Board Meetings

Yankton School District Board Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month beginning at 5:00 pm. Beginning on June 14, the Yankton School Board Meetings will return to the Yankton School District Administration Building in the School Board Meeting Room.

School board meetings are being live-streamed, as well as being recorded and re-aired on public access channels on our local cable television. The meetings are also archived on the YSD Website <http://ysd.k12ksdkus/>. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Henry Ford stated, **“Coming together is a beginning. Staying together is a process. Working together is a success.”**