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Excelsior Springs School District Newsletter • March 2019



PROP A



WHAT WILL PROP A LOOK LIKE ON THE BALLOT?

Shall Excelsior Springs School District #40 issue its general obligation bonds in the amount of \$20,500,000 for the purpose of constructing, improving, repairing, renovating, furnishing and equipping school facilities, including constructing a new Elementary School and renovating Elkhorn Elementary School, ES Middle School, ES High School and other District facilities for early childhood education, to be completed as Phase 1 of the District's Long Range Facility Plan? If this question is approved, the District's debt service property tax levy is estimated to increase by \$0.19 from \$1.02 to \$1.21 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property.

WHEN WILL THE VOTE BE HELD

Tuesday, April 2, 2019. Polls are open 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.

WHERE DO I VOTE?

Use the chart on page 7 or check your polling location at <https://voteroutreach.sos.mo.gov>.

HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If you have questions or concerns about Prop A that have not yet been answered, please feel free to reach out by contacting Deputy Superintendent Jaret Tomlinson at 816-630-9200 or emailing jtomlinson@ga.essd40.com. We are happy to help answer any questions to inform the public as well as possible on this upcoming issue. We hope you'll take the time to vote on April 2!

INSIDE:

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- **And More!**



Superintendent Spotlight

Dr. Dan Hoehn

CAST YOUR VOTE ON APRIL 2

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EXCELSIOR SCHOOLS BOND

Dear Parents and Community Members:

On Tuesday, April 2nd 2019, voters of Excelsior Springs School District will be asked to consider a \$.19 debt service bond financing plan for our schools. As you know, this initiative is very important to the district, community, and most importantly – our students. If successful, it will provide many needed facility updates/improvements.

Proposed items in "Proposition A" include:

- Repairs and Refurbishments to Elkhorn Elementary School
- Construction of a new Westview

Elementary School

- Revitalization of the existing Westview Elementary School to become the ESSD Early Childhood Center

- Repairs/upgrades to the Excelsior Springs High School

- Painting/upgrades to Excelsior Springs Middle School

- Enhancing school safety by continuing to upgrade secure doorways and monitoring systems

- Hosting a community Storm Shelter in the new Westview Elementary

- Providing the District with more efficient Lighting and HVAC Sys-

tems

- (Phase II) Construction of a new Lewis Elementary School

While we do have great facilities that we take pride in, many of our buildings are becoming older, very difficult to maintain, and they don't meet the need for quality educational programs. Also, our continued growth in enrollment at the Early Childhood Center, Elementary Schools, and Middle School are presenting crowding issues. Our community and local school board have continued to provide excellent support our schools, and have worked extremely hard over the past sev-

eral years to be fiscally responsible while continuing to provide a quality and safe environment for all. At this time we do need the assistance of our community to continue to put our students first. In this issue of "The Pounce" are many facts and figures. Please review and at any time you would like to discuss "Proposition A", please feel free to contact me at (816) 630-9200 as I would love to hear your thoughts. Thanks and Go Tigers!

Dr. Dan Hoehn
Superintendent, ESSD



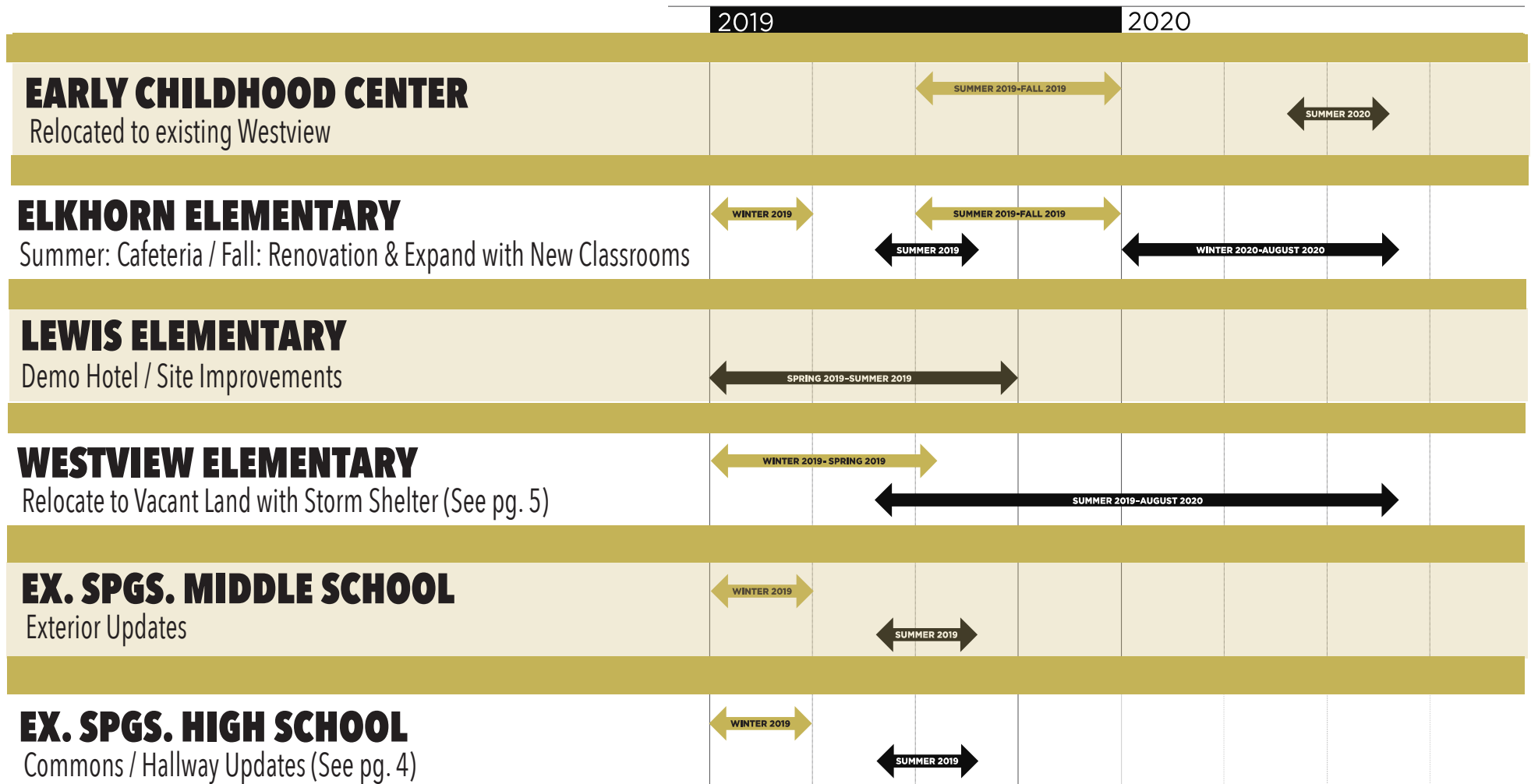
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SCOPE & TIMELINE

A Plan for the Tigers



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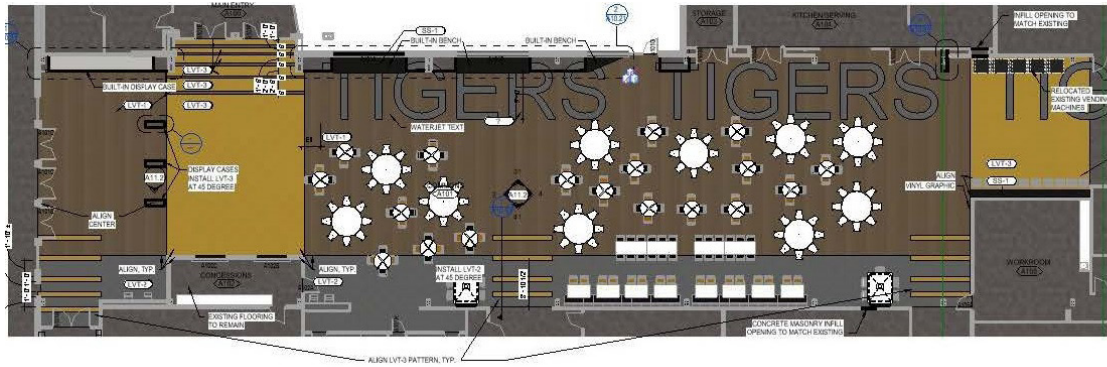
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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL



If passed, Prop A will lead to updates at ESHS during the Winter and Summer of 2019

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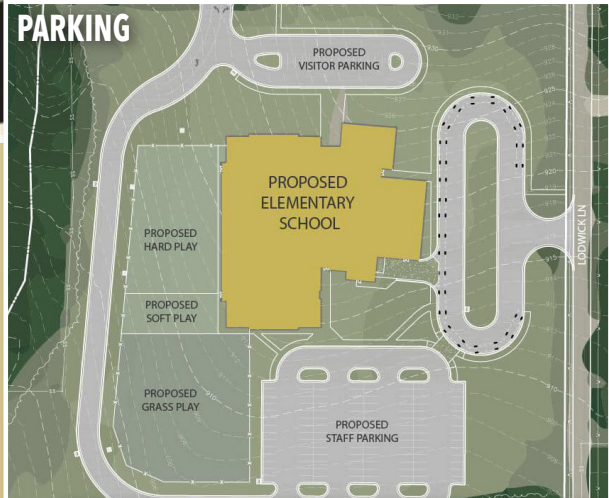


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WESTVIEW ELEMENTARY



Many patrons have asked similar questions about **“Why Westview first?”** The answer is that the back half of Westview has the most serious needs as determined by the engineers and architects who spent the past year studying our buildings. The front half of Westview would be saved and used as a new Early Childhood Center. After the new Westview is complete and the debt is paid down to create available credit space, Phase 2 would bring a **“no tax increase”** bond to the people in a couple of years to get the approval to follow through with the promise to knock down Lewis and build a new elementary downtown.

Phase 1 would lead to construction of a brand new Westview Elementary



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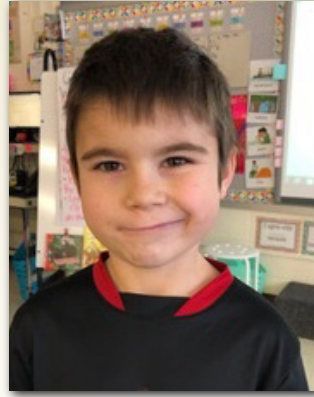
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO VOTE?



"If you like have something to do and people are fighting about it, you should vote. Then whoever gets the most wins."

Norah Craven

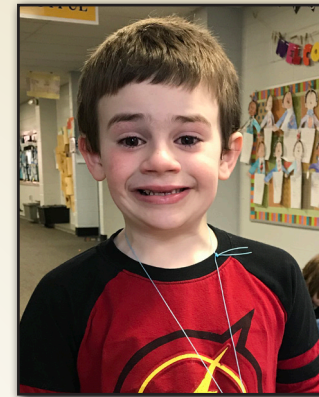
Westview Elementary



"It's important to vote because it makes other people happy"

Braiden Hurst

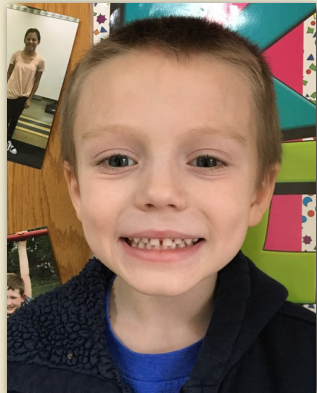
Elkhorn Elementary



"Because it's easier to do just one thing and because you get the thing you want the most."

Atneya Coughenour

Lewis Elementary



"We should vote so we can make things a little better."

Everett Davis

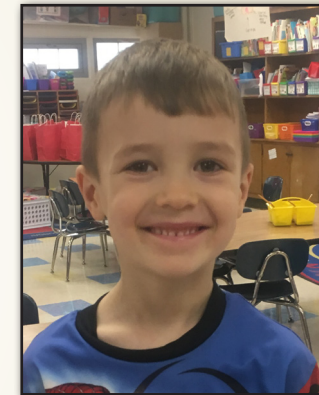
Westview Elementary



"It's important to vote because you can get special things."

Maleia Huff

Elkhorn Elementary



"So you don't get fired."

Titus Jones

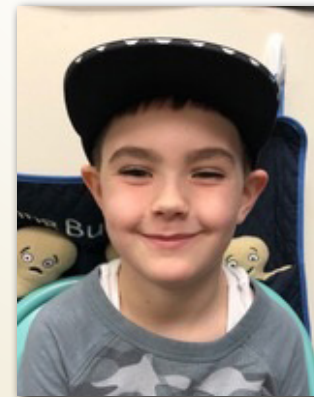
Lewis Elementary



"Because so you know how you want to get something."

Jeremy Blevins

Westview Elementary



"It's important to vote because it's the way we choose."

Austin Sharp

Elkhorn Elementary

**BE SURE TO VOTE
APRIL 2, 2019!**

Other school issues on ballot:

**TWO OPEN SPOTS
ON SCHOOL BOARD**

**Running: Tray Harkins, Darren
McKown, Kalya Goode**

RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY

MARKET VALUE	DAILY INCREASE	MONTHLY INCREASE	ANNUAL INCREASE
75,000	\$0.075	2.26	27.08
100,000	\$0.10	3.01	36.10
125,000	\$0.125	3.76	45.13
150,000	\$0.15	4.51	54.15
200,000	\$0.20	6.02	72.20
250,000	\$0.25	7.52	90.25

DISTRICT TAX RATE COMPARISONS

LIBERTY	6.815
NORTH KC	6.558
RAYTOWN	6.32
SMITHVILLE	5.8503
PLATTE CO	5.7699
KEARNEY	5.3506
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS (IF PROP A PASSES)	5.3172
RICHMOND	5.2466
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS (CURRENT)	5.1272
CAMERON	4.5673

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Precinct	Location
Fishing River 1	The Montgomery 425 S. Thompson, ES
Fishing River 2	Flack Memorial 1300 Tracy, ES
Fishing River 3	Hall of Waters 201 E. Broadway, ES
Fishing River 4	MO City School 700 E. Main, Mo. City
Fishing River 5	Mosby City Hall 12312 4th St., Mosby
Washington 1	ES Community Center 500 Tiger Dr., ES
Washington 2	ES Community Center 500 Tiger Dr., ES
Washington 3	First United Methodist 1000 E 92 Hwy, Krny

Confirm location at <https://voteroutreach.sos.mo.gov>



**PROP A:
ALL KIDS
ALL SCHOOLS**

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