



Community Engagement & Update Session 3



Building a Tridge



Our schools, Board of Education, and Administration



Representative Steering Team



The Greater Midland Community

Community Engagement Session 2



Community Shift & Evolving Needs

- The Changing Community: Transitioning from historical automatic support; younger families have new expectations and financial realities.
- Central to Vitality: Schools are the key to economic health and to attracting/retaining families and businesses.

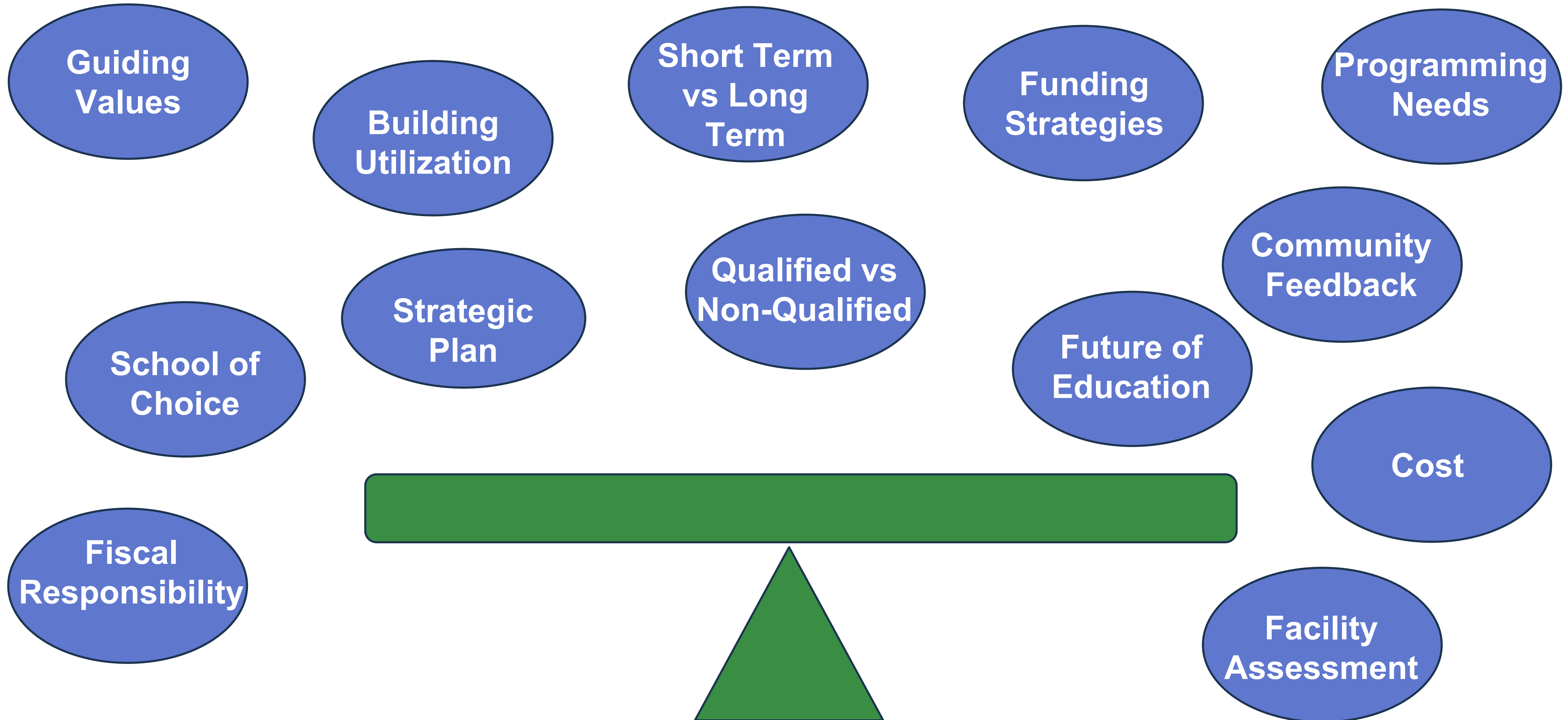
Opportunities & Strategic Investments

- Enhancing Student Experience: Strong alignment on Career & Technical Education (CTE), real-world learning, and practical local preparation.
- Forward-Thinking Solutions: Expectations for innovative, creative approaches that go beyond "fix what's broken" and reimagine learning.

Risks & Call to Action

- Facilities as an Enabler: Facilities must be seen as a means to enable student experience and community outcomes, not just infrastructure.
- Operational effectiveness: Concerns about staffing, transportation, and building utilization require integrated, operational solutions.
- Risk of Inaction: Maintaining the status quo is not sustainable; doing nothing leads to decline, inequities, and reduced competitiveness.

Factors Guiding Our Decisions: Finding the Right Balance



School Funding Refresh

School Funding In Michigan



Operating Fund



Bond Fund



Sinking Fund

Facilities Funding

BONDS

- Voter-approved process to buy and sell bonds
- Similar to a mortgage: large sum up front, paying it off over time
- **Allows for significant capital improvements**



Bonds

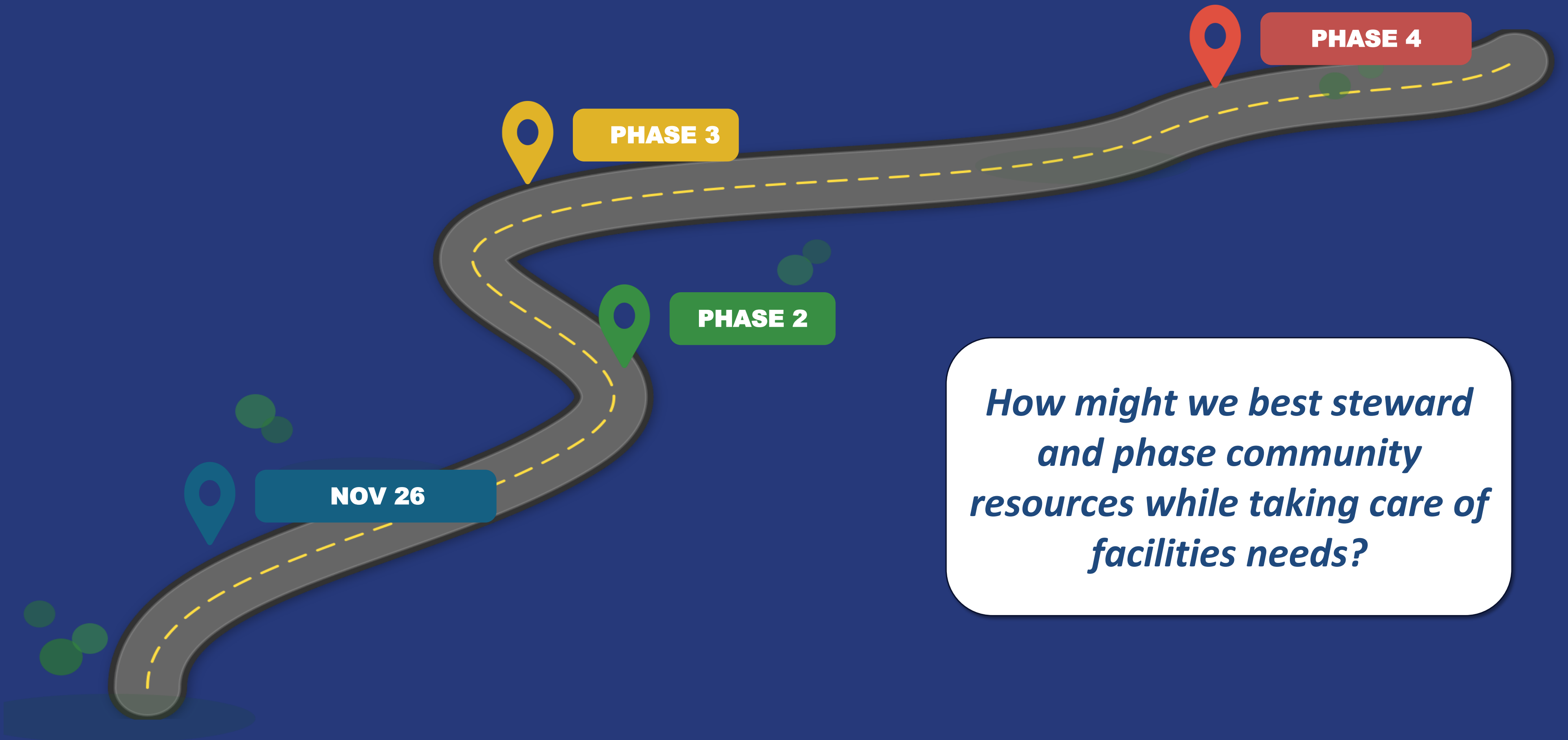


Sinking Funds

SINKING FUNDS

- Voter-approved yearly savings to a specific facilities fund
- Similar to savings account: smaller amounts at a time, spend-as-you-go, no interest
- **Allows for regular repairs, smaller improvements, minor upgrades**

EXPLORING A ROADMAP:



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PHASE 3

PHASE 2

PHASE 4

How might we best steward and phase community resources while taking care of facilities needs?

Prioritization:

In small groups, rank the following facilities priorities.

Infrastructure replacement
(Mech., Electrical, Structural, Civil, etc.)

Art/Music Improvements

Career Tech Ed Improvements

Instructional Technology

Parking/Drop-off improvements

Updated classroom furniture and fixtures

Athletics Improvements

Playground/site improvements

Elementary Utilization
Addressing overcrowding

Buses



Phase 1

**Option A: 1.0-MILL,
\$98M BOND**

\$0.33/day for the average homeowner

Bond

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Northeast MS infrastructure <i>Build new</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jefferson MS infrastructure renovation allowance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Career-Tech Ed allowance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parking/Drop-off allowance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Updated classroom furniture and fixtures	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playground/site allowance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Athletics/Arts allowance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elementary utilization <i>Address overcrowding</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Carpenter Pre-Primary Infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elementary facility/programming allowance
		<input type="checkbox"/>	High School utilization/opportunity <i>Unifying high schools</i>

Sinking Fund?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Buses
<input type="checkbox"/>	Instructional technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Select urgent districtwide infrastructure needs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Select Safety & Security refresh



Phase 1

**Option B: 1.5-MILL,
\$135M BOND**

\$0.50/day for the average homeowner

Bond

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Northeast MS infrastructure
<i>Build new</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jefferson MS infrastructure
renovation allowance |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Career-Tech Ed allowance | <input type="checkbox"/> | Parking/Drop-off allowance |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Updated classroom furniture
and fixtures | <input type="checkbox"/> | Playground/site allowance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Athletics/Arts allowance | <input type="checkbox"/> | Elementary utilization
<i>Address overcrowding</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Carpenter Pre-Primary
Infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> | High School utilization/opportunity
<i>Unifying high schools</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Misc. infrastructure allowance | | |

Sinking Fund?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Buses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Instructional technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Select urgent districtwide
infrastructure needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Select Safety & Security refresh |



Phase 1

**Option C: 2.0-MILL,
\$165M BOND**

\$0.66/day for the average homeowner

Bond

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Sinking Fund?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Buses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Instructional technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Select urgent districtwide
infrastructure needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Select Safety & Security refresh |



Phase 1

**Option D: 2.5-MILL,
\$200M BOND**

\$0.83/day for the average homeowner

Bond

- Northeast MS infrastructure
(Build new)
- Career-Tech Ed allowance
- Updated classroom furniture
and fixtures
- Athletics/Arts allowance
- Carpenter Pre-Primary
Infrastructure *(Build new)*
- Misc. infrastructure allowance

- Jefferson MS infrastructure
renovation allowance
- Parking/Drop-off allowance
- Playground/site allowance
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Address overcrowding
- High School utilization/opportunity
Unifying high schools

Sinking Fund?

- Buses
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Phase 1

**Option E: 3.6-MILL,
\$278M BOND**

\$1.19/day for the average homeowner

Bond

- Northeast MS infrastructure
(Demolish, unify 7-8)
- Career-Tech Ed allowance
(New CTE/9th grade hub)
- Updated classroom furniture
and fixtures
- Athletics/Arts allowance
- Carpenter Pre-Primary
Infrastructure *(Build new)*
- Misc. infrastructure allowance

- Jefferson MS infrastructure
renovation *(Addition for all 5-6)*
- Parking/Drop-off allowance
- Playground/site allowance
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Sinking Fund?

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infrastructure needs
- Select Safety & Security refresh



Phase 1

Option F: No Bond, only Sinking Fund

- Northeast MS infrastructure
(Demolish, unify 7-8)
- Career-Tech Ed allowance
(New CTE/9th grade hub)
- Updated classroom furniture and fixtures
- Athletics/Arts allowance
- Carpenter Pre-Primary Infrastructure
(Build new)
- Misc. infrastructure allowance

- Jefferson MS infrastructure renovation
(Addition for all 5-6)
- Parking/Drop-off allowance
- Playground/site allowance
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Option A: 1.0-MILL, \$98M BOND

\$0.33/day

+ *Potential Sinking Fund (1-3 MILL)*

\$0.33-\$0.99/day



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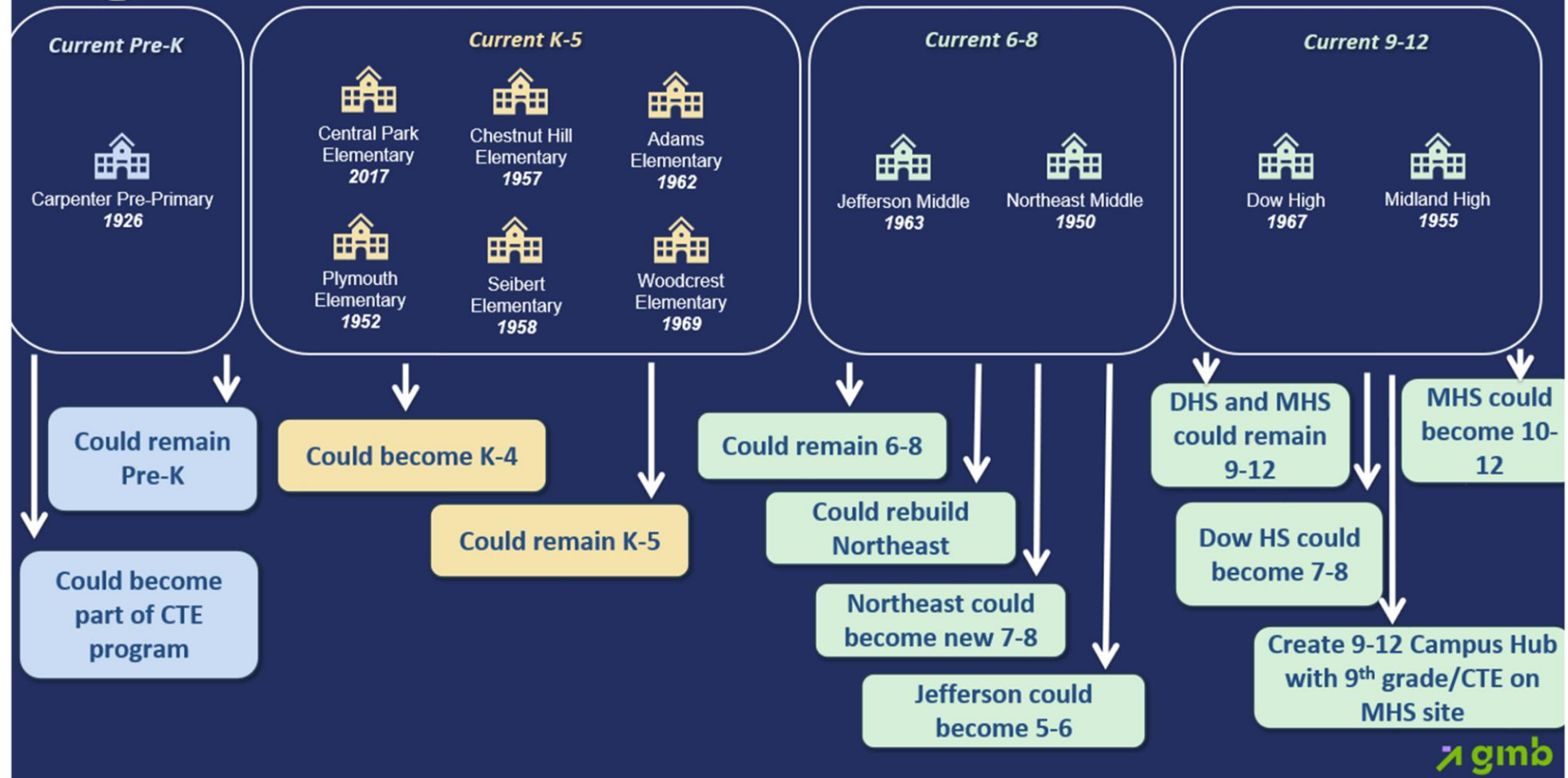
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What do you think is the best option?

What do you think the community would support?

Exploring All Options

Big Picture Ideas Evaluated



If district restructuring would address most of these priorities...

What do you think the community feels about a unified high school?

5 years? 10 years? Never?

Build Consensus



Consensus, noun
con·sen·sus

1a: general agreement (as of opinion or fact) among a group of people or things

1b: the judgment arrived at by most of those concerned

“Consensus doesn’t mean everyone gets exactly what they want—it means everyone can support the path forward.”

AS YOU LEAVE...

*What does trust mean to you?
What would instill the greatest
trust in the schools and future
of Midland's education system?*



Thank You!



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