



OWOSSO PUBLIC SCHOOLS



FACTS ABOUT THE

2026 BOND PROPOSAL

Vote Tuesday, August 4, 2026



Shall Owosso Public Schools, Shiawassee County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Thirty-Seven Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$37,900,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

partially remodeling the Bentley Bright Beginnings building, including creating a secure entrance; partially remodeling Emerson Elementary School, including a partial roof replacement and boiler replacement; partially remodeling Bryant Elementary School, including creating a secure entrance, a partial roof replacement, boiler replacement, and remodeling restrooms; partially remodeling Central Elementary School, including creating a secure entrance, a full roof replacement (except for the portion of the roof that was completed in the 2017 bond program), remodeling restrooms, and replacing windows; a partial roof replacement, renovation of pool-related mechanical systems and infrastructure, and building remodeling related to the roof and pool projects, at the Owosso High School/Owosso Middle School campus; partially remodeling Washington-Lincoln School, including creating a secure entrance, remodeling restrooms, and replacing water lines; erecting and equipping a transportation/maintenance facility and a transportation structure for district buses and equipment; demolishing the Cedar Street Warehouse building and buildings on the Jerome Street Bus Facility site; furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school buildings and facilities; developing, improving, and remodeling Willman Field, including the bleachers and restroom facilities; and preparing, developing, and improving sites at the Bentley Bright Beginnings, Bryant, Central, Emerson, Owosso High School/Owosso Middle School, and Washington-Lincoln campuses, the transportation/maintenance facility site, the Willman Field site, and the Jerome Street Bus Facility site, including paving and improving parking lots?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2026, under current law, is 1.84 mills (\$1.84 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), for a -0- mills net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-five 25 years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 2.32 mills (\$2.32 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$36,455,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is \$0. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

☐ YES

☐ NO

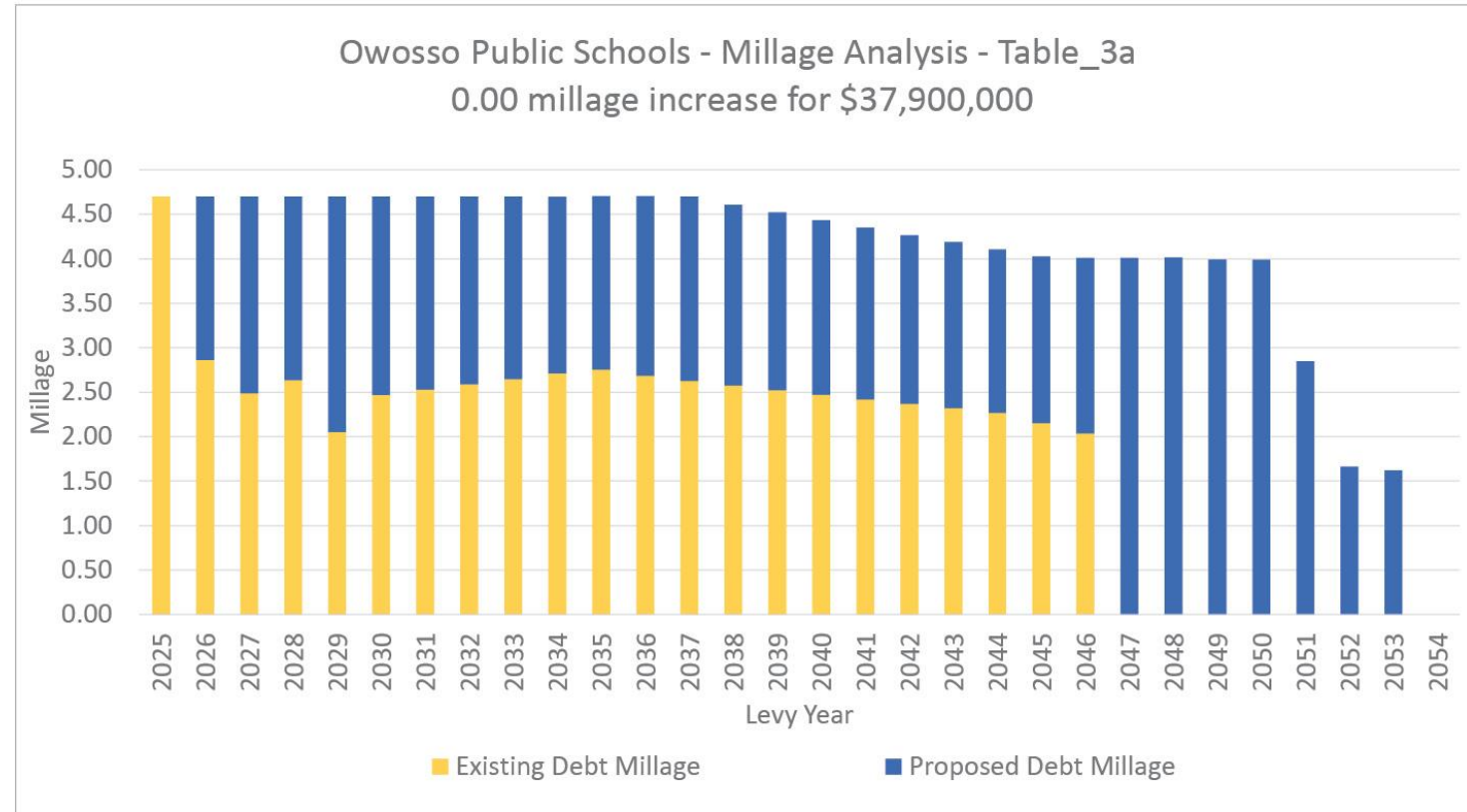
What is on the ballot?

On the ballot is a \$37.9 million school improvement bond proposal. If approved, it would address identified facility issues and other improvements based on completed assessments and community input.



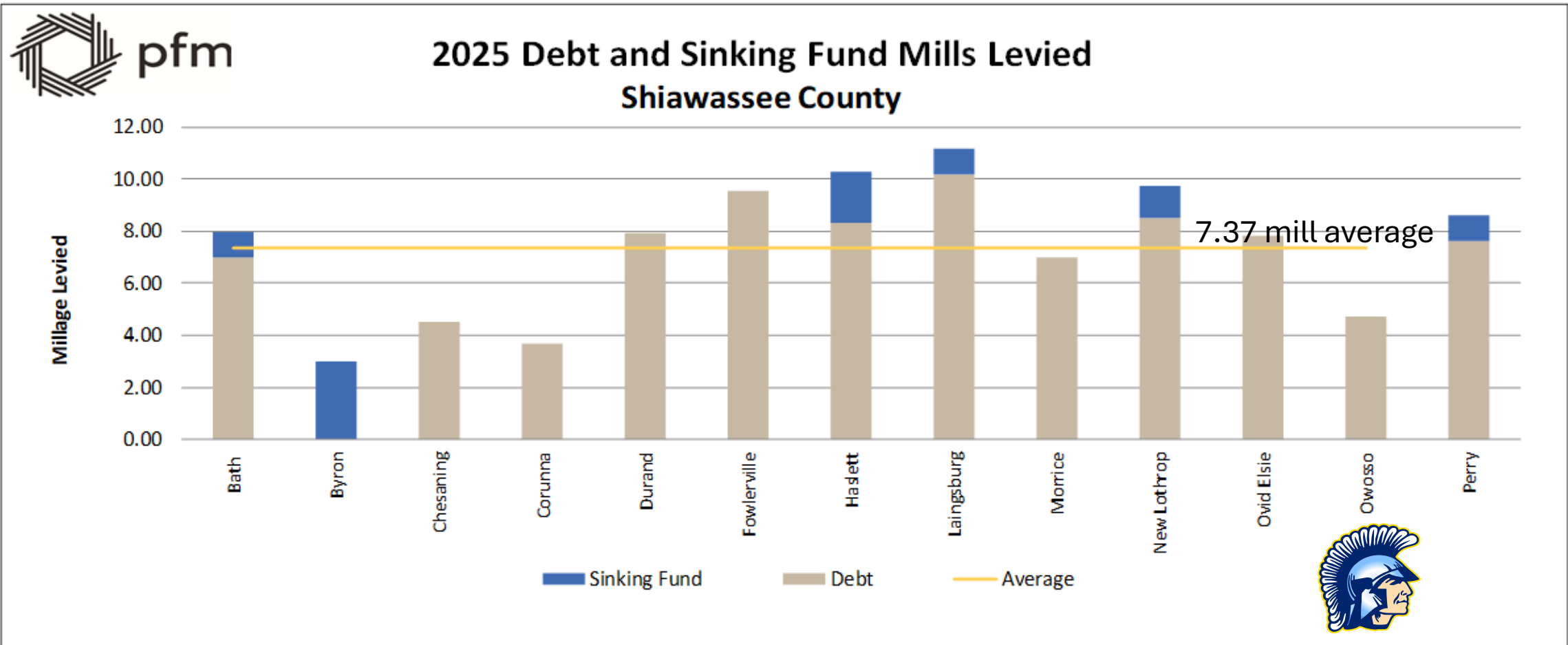
How would the bond impact my property taxes?

Owosso Public Schools currently levies 4.7 mills for the debt tax rate. If the 2026 bond proposal is approved by voters, the debt tax rate is expected to remain the same at 4.7 mills, resulting in a projected **ZERO TAX RATE INCREASE** from the current debt tax levy.





What are the debt and Sinking Fund mills levied by other school districts in the area?



Source: Shiawassee County 2025 Apportionment Report and Individual School Districts
7.37 mill average



Why a bond proposal now?

- Taking care of our community resources to keep dollars in the classroom + towards programs
- There are core infrastructure system projects, such as roofs, boilers, plumbing, electrical and windows, that have exceeded their expected lifecycles
- Replacing these systems would help extend the useful life of our school buildings and sites





Bentley Bright Beginnings Early Childhood Center



- Create new secure vestibule at east entry
- Expand, mill, and overlay the existing parking lot
- Classroom furniture and equipment



Emerson Elementary School



- Replace boiler
- Replace exterior wall panels on north side of building
- Replace center section of roof
- Pave parking lot
- Replace sidewalks near bus stop on Dewey Street
- Abatement
- Classroom furniture and equipment



Bryant Elementary School



- Build a secure entrance
- Replace boiler
- Remodel restrooms to meet ADA compliance – new fixtures and finishes
- Replace the roof over the gym and the wood exterior fascia
- New playground fence
- Replace ceilings throughout the school
- Install exterior fencing
- Abatement
- Classroom furniture and equipment



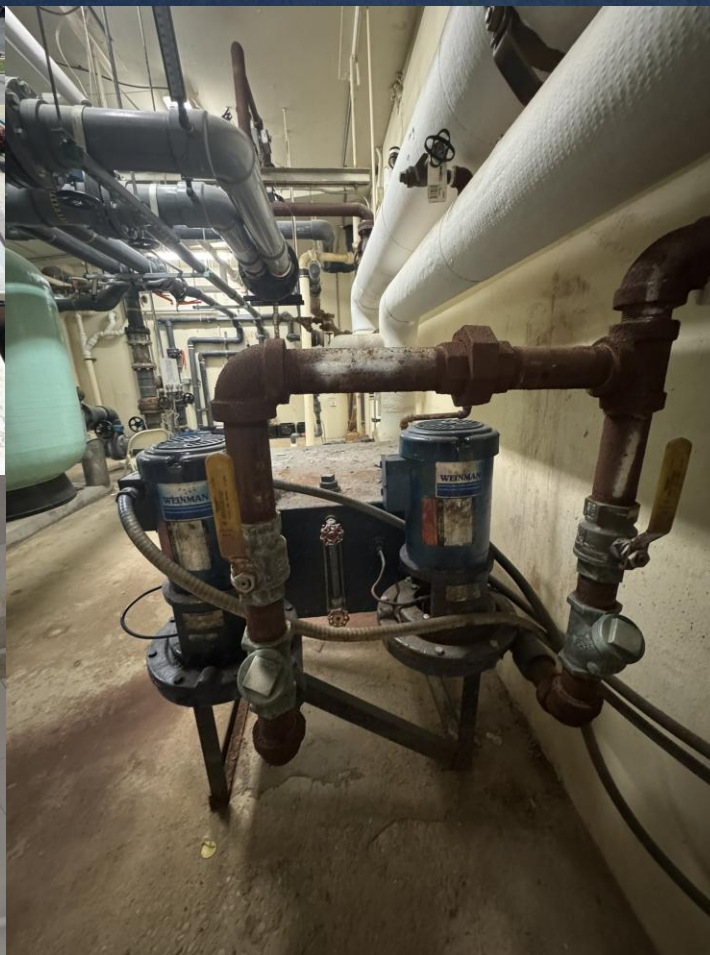
Central Elementary School



- Build a secure entrance
- Remodel restrooms to meet ADA compliance – new fixtures and finishes
- Replace the entire roof and the wood exterior fascia (the 2019 addition would NOT receive a new roof)
- Replace windows
- Replace sidewalks on Lee Street (some work would be completed in 2027 and some in 2028)
- Abatement
- Classroom furniture and equipment



Owosso Middle School & High School Campus & Athletics Updates



- Replace roofing over the cafeteria and media center
- Replace pool infrastructure and mechanical systems (some work would be completed in 2028 and some in 2029)
- Remove skylights and infill roof and ceiling
- Abatement
- Resurface the “freshman” parking lot on the west side of the campus



Washington Campus / Lincoln Alternative High School



- Add doors to create a secure entrance
- Remodel restrooms to meet ADA compliance – new fixtures and finishes
- Replace water lines
- Electrical work
- Classroom furniture and equipment at Lincoln



Willman Field



- Remodel restrooms
- Remodel team rooms
- Coat concrete grandstands and replace expansion joint
- Repair sewer line



Cedar Street Warehouse



Demolish existing building which houses the district maintenance equipment and serves as the maintenance team members' headquarters.



Jerome Street Transportation Facility

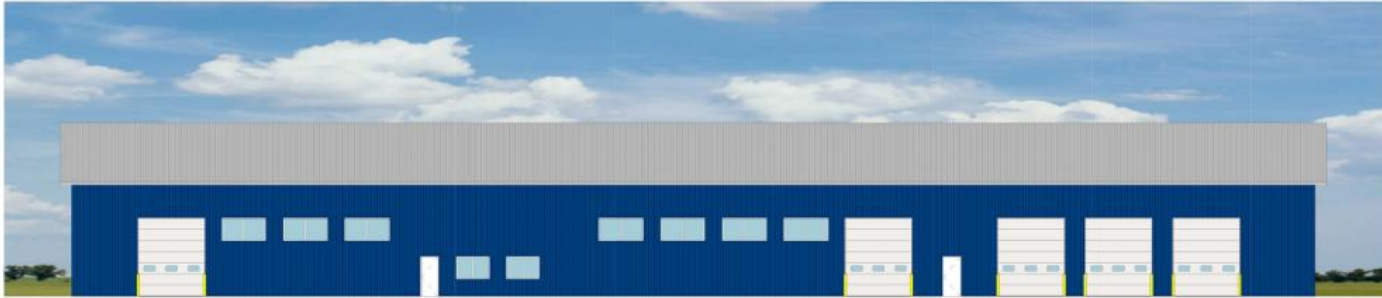


- Demolish buildings
- Create new parking lot for district use
- Abatement

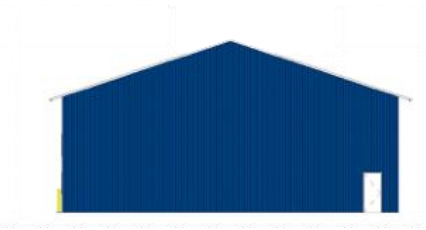




New Transportation / Maintenance Building



*conceptual, final subject to change



New construction of a Transportation / Maintenance Center on the north side of the 6th-12th Grade Campus (property currently owned by the district) inclusive of:

- Bus canopy for 12 buses
- Sitework
- Loose furnishings and equipment
- Technology



Voting Information

Register to [vote](https://michigan.gov/vote) online [Michigan.gov/vote](https://michigan.gov/vote) or visit your local Clerk's office up until election day

You can request an [absentee ballot](https://michigan.gov/vote) online at [Michigan.gov/vote](https://michigan.gov/vote) or at your local Clerk's office on or after [June 25, 2026](#)

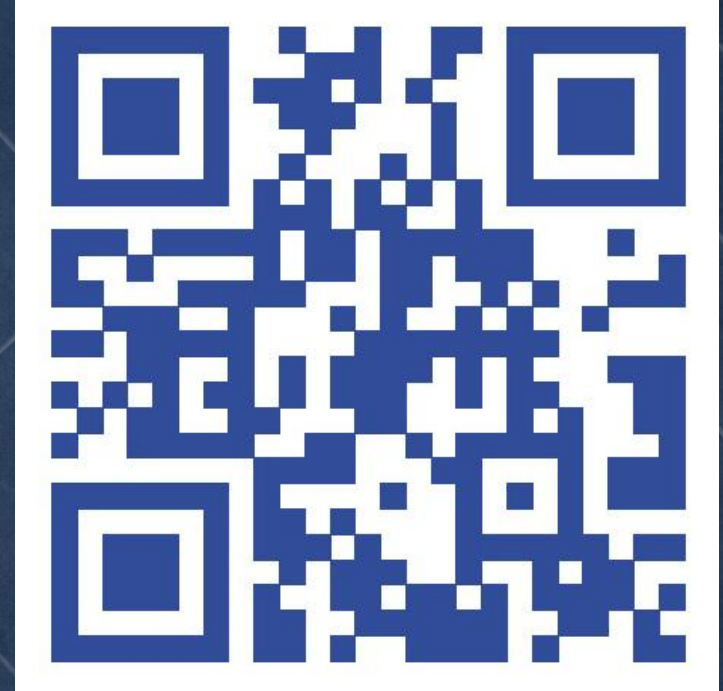
Election Day is:

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

7am-8pm



Q&A



More info available at:
owosso.k12.mi.us/bond



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