



Midland Public Schools
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SINKING FUND MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Investing in Safe and Secure Schools

The Midland Public Schools Sinking Fund Millage Proposal will appear on the **Tuesday, November 3, 2026 ballot.**

- **The Proposal:** A 1.5-mill, 10-year Sinking Fund Millage
- **The Purpose:** To address some of MPS' most pressing school safety, security, and basic infrastructure needs.
- **The Goal:** To support safe, skill-building environments that help prepare students for success in college, careers, and the workforce.

If passed, the Midland Public Schools Sinking Fund Millage Proposal would support projects in these priority areas over the next 10 years:

STUDENT SAFETY AND SECURITY

- ✓ Installing secure buzzer entry systems at all schools
- ✓ Updating security cameras
- ✓ Improving site and playground safety

NECESSARY REPAIRS TO AGING INFRASTRUCTURE

- ✓ Repairing roofs
- ✓ Updating heating, cooling, and ventilation systems
- ✓ Updating electrical and plumbing systems

TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY REPLACEMENTS

- ✓ Replacing school buses to ensure a safe bus fleet
- ✓ Updating technology infrastructure

The Sinking Fund Millage Proposal is an important component of the MPS Strategic Plan and supports the district's mission.

MPS MISSION:

Midland Public Schools is committed to creating a safe, innovative, and student-centered learning community where every learner is challenged, supported, and inspired to reach their full potential.



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WHY A SINKING FUND?

After months of community input, Midland Public Schools proposes a sinking fund because the “pay as you go” approach allows for essential repairs and necessary improvements, as well as bus purchases. A sinking fund also keeps the district’s General Fund dollars in the classroom.

OUR STRATEGY:

Over the next 10 years, MPS would implement a rolling 4-year sinking fund plan prioritizing projects identified in the 2025 Facilities Assessment of our 16 buildings. Near the end of year one, MPS would review the Facility Assessment, assess current needs, and develop the project plan for year 5, and so on for the remaining years. This approach would allow MPS to balance future-focused planning with responsiveness to emerging needs.

OUR PROMISE:

If passed, MPS commits to managing the funds with transparency and accountability:

- Funds would be spent in alignment with the priority areas of our Strategic Plan.
- MPS would regularly share sinking fund progress and updates.
- The sinking fund would receive an independent audit each year.
- Should a critical need emerge that these funds could resolve, the Board of Education would have an open discussion about an adjustment to the plan.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

For more information about the MPS Sinking Fund Millage Proposal, visit www.midlandps.org/sinkingfund



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