

APRIL 6, 2021 REFERENDUM

On January 13, 2021, the Board of Education adopted a resolution to place a referendum question on the April 6, 2021 ballot. The resolution follows months of evaluating our existing high school facility, working closely with community partners, and conducting a community-wide survey to gather feedback.

If approved, the referendum question will allow the District to update the high school tech ed department and improve site traffic. The Board of Education is committed to a plan that both reflects the priorities of our taxpayers and addresses the needs of our students.



THE QUESTION // as it appears on the ballot

Shall the Seymour Community School District, Outagamie and Shawano Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,550,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school improvement project at the Middle School/High School campus consisting of: renovations and construction of an addition to expand the technology education area; site improvements, including entry and parking improvements; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

☐ Yes ☐ No

THE INVESTMENT // tax impact

Referendum Amount (mill rate per \$1,000)	\$6,550,000	
	\$0.02	
Fair Market Property Value	Estimated Annual	Estimated Monthly
\$100,000	\$2.00	\$0.17
\$150,000	\$3.00	\$0.25
\$200,000	\$4.00	\$0.33

Assumptions | Represents additional levy to prepay existing debt; State aid based on incremental expenditure change vs. base year (Fiscal Year 2020-21) at the following aid level (2020-21 Oct. Cert.): Tertiary Aid Percentage 44.45%; Mill Rate based on 2020 Equalized Valuation (TID-OUT) of \$868,315,410 with annual growth of 1.00% thereafter.

Note: If expenditures for debt payments are reduced in future years, the state aid revenue in subsequent years will also be reduced. Exact amount will be determined by payment reduction and aid reimbursement % at that time. Provided by R.W. Baird.

THE NEED

TECH ED UPDATES

Demand is growing in our region for employees in the trades, including construction and fabrication.

At the same time, we have seen a large increase in the number of students interested in careers in these areas and enrolling in technical education (shop) courses. These numbers are up 52 percent in just five years. We also added several new course offerings in construction and computer-aided design.

While the district has invested in new tech ed equipment over the last few years, our classrooms and labs have not been updated in 20 years.

SITE IMPROVEMENTS

An expansion of the tech ed department gives the District an opportunity to review and improve our middle/high school site.

Our middle school lacks parking, making parent visits and hosting events challenging.

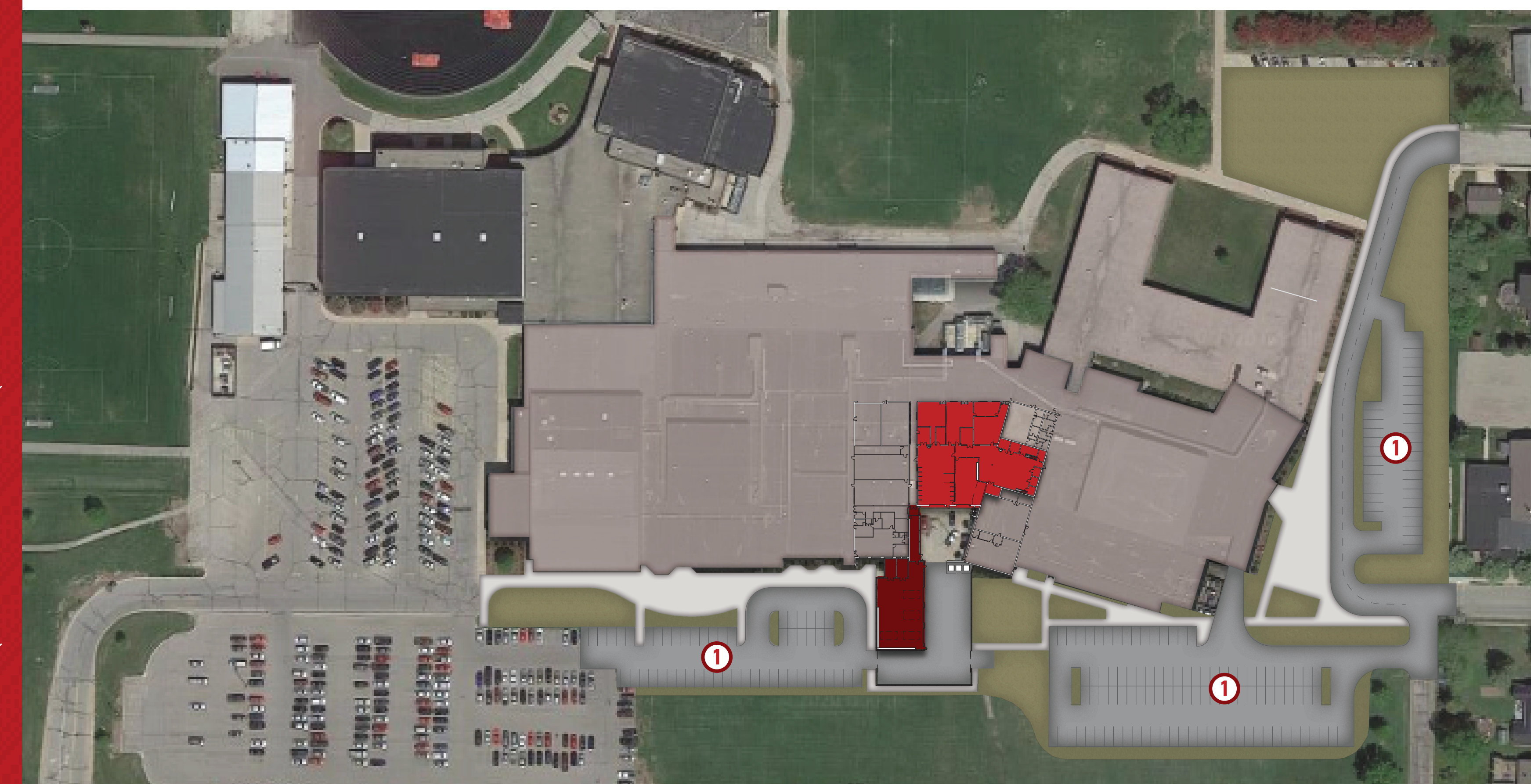
At the high school, student drop-off, traffic, and bus patterns need to be redesigned to better separate vehicles and pedestrians and to improve safety.

KEY

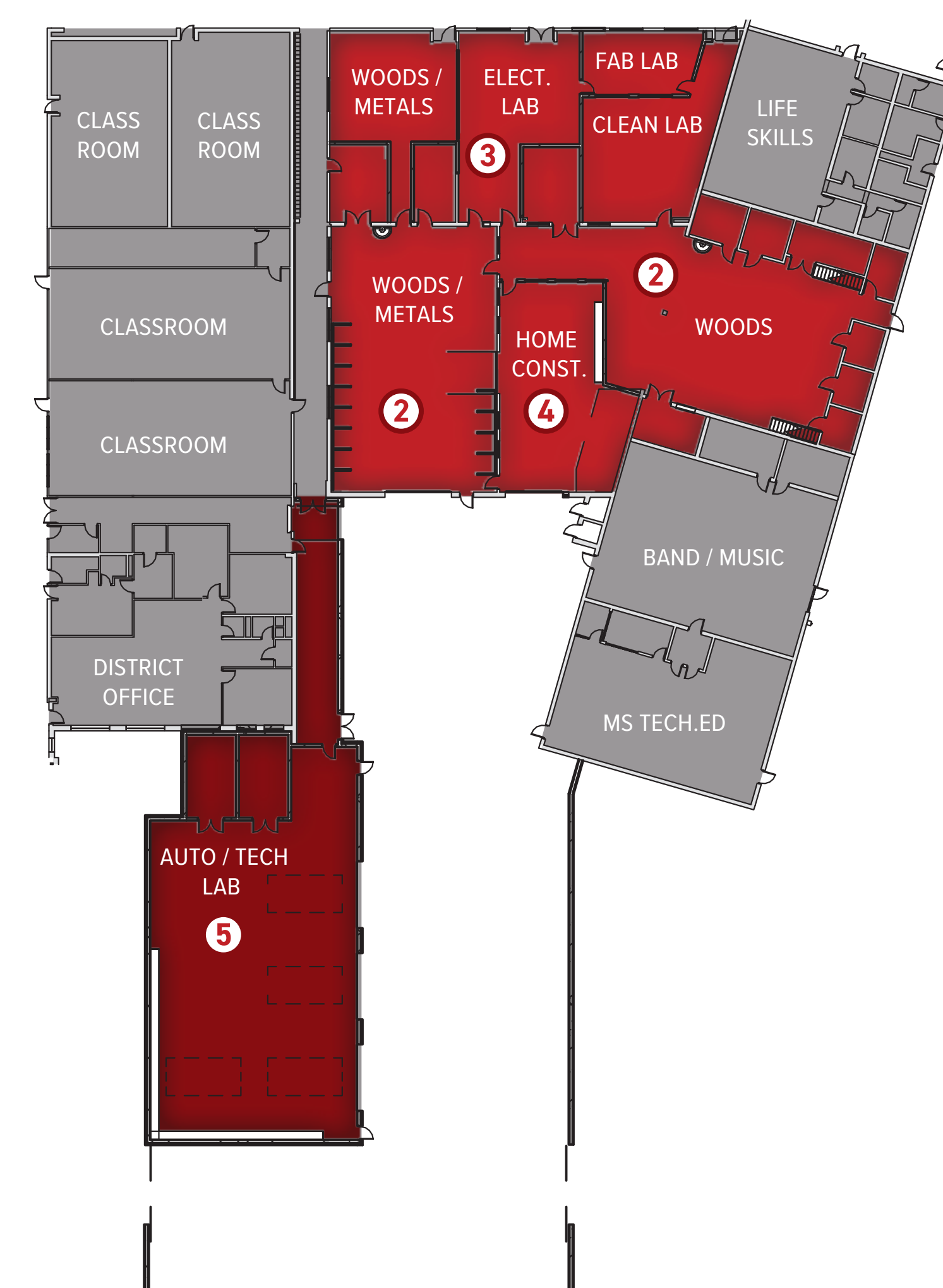
- 1 Improve site safety by changing traffic configurations, creating drop-off areas, and expanding parking.

73% of all resident respondents stated they would support a \$6.5 million referendum to upgrade and expand the tech ed (shop) areas and reconfigure traffic patterns

THE SOLUTION // conceptual site plan



THE SOLUTION // conceptual floor plan



■ New Construction
■ Renovation
■ Existing

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INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

February 22 & March 9

Meetings will be held in the high school library and virtually (details on the website) from 7:00-8:00 PM.

VOTE APRIL 6