



**MAINTAIN, IMPROVE, INVEST
VOTE MAY 23, 2017
North Branch Area Public
Schools**

On May 23, North Branch Area Public School District residents will be asked to vote on **three** school funding requests:

- Q1** **Maintain** our schools
- Q2** **Improve** athletic spaces
- Q3** **Invest** in classroom technology

WE LISTENED

The School Board's unanimous decision to bring these requests to voters was based on extensive research and community input on how best to meet students' needs and maintain district facilities.

COST

The estimated tax impact for the average homeowner (\$175,000 value home) if all three questions are approved is less than \$9.50 per month.

WHY ASK FOR FUNDING?

NBAPS voters have not approved a property tax increase to fund school needs for nearly 15 years. In the meantime:

- district facilities are aging and in need of repair,
- classroom equipment and furniture are outdated,
- athletic space is limited, and
- advances in classroom technology make it increasingly difficult to keep up without additional funds.

WHAT WOULD FUNDS BE USED FOR?

- Q1** **Maintain** our schools: Safety and security improvements, deferred maintenance and updates to classrooms and other district facilities.
- Q2** **Improve** athletic spaces*: Build a gym addition on the high school, improve air quality at both secondary schools and other updates.
- Q3** **Invest** in classroom technology: Funds to support technology used for classroom instruction.

**Q2 is contingent on Q1 – Q2 can only pass if voters approve Q1.*

QUESTIONS?

- o Visit www.isd138.org/referendum
- o Email referendum@isd138.org
- o Call 651-674-1082

Strong Schools = Strong Community



Prepared and paid for by North Branch Area Public Schools,
38705 Grand Avenue, North Branch, MN 55056.