2026-2027
Long Term Facilities Maintenance Report to the School Board

July 21, 2025

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MANKATO AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Mission Statement

our core purpose

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Core Values

drivers of our words and actions

- Courage
- Student Centered
- Integrity
- Accountable
- Inclusive Practices

Strategic Directions:
Focus of Our Improvement Efforts

A. Improving our professional practices so that each learner achieves at high levels in an inclusive educational model that is relevant and flexible

B. Enhancing our student support structures to meet academic, social, behavioral, and mental health needs

C. Recruiting, developing, and retaining staff to ensure positive learning experiences for students

D. Strengthening our parent/caregiver partnerships and connections

E. Ensuring safe, efficient and effective operations

Timeline for LTFM Plan Creation

- **Fall/Winter**
  - Review facility assessment to identify high priority needs.
  - Meet with building administration to identify additional priorities at each building.
- **Late Spring/Early Summer**
  - Review current LTFM plan and budget projections with board facilities and finance committees to identify projects for the next fiscal year and beyond for our 10 year LTFM plan.
- **Mid-Summer**
  - Bring 10 year LTFM plan developed and reviewed by our Facility and Finance Committees to the school board for approval.

Board Committee Identified Needs

- **Fire Suppression/IAQ Needs at Hoover and Kennedy**
  - Fall 2024 - Determined code requires we fully fire suppress both buildings with the additions we are adding to each building.
  - This information was brought to our bond oversight, finance, and facility committees in the district to discuss potentially adding on HVAC improvements at each site.
  - A recommendation was made by all committees to move forward with creating a plan to issue IAQ bonds to finish the HVAC at those sites as well as two additional sites Eagle Lake and Bridges.
  - A school calendar adjustment was made and a plan was developed and submitted to MDE for approval to be included with our board approved LTFM plan for the 2025 pay 2026 levy certification.
- **Other Building Needs**
  - Identified through our facility planning process and brought forward to our committees for review and approval.
- **Need for Additional Pay as You Go Levy Funds**
  - With the large volume of roofing projects throughout the district and several other high priority projects the finance and facility committee reviewed our current pay as you go levy and is recommending an increase of $600,000 per year starting in FY 2027 to help provide some additional flexibility with our facility maintenance needs.

LTFM Alternative Facility Bonding and Levy Program

What is it?

- A program allowing qualifying Minnesota school districts to issue general obligation bonds and levy on a pay as you go basis to fund approved facility plans.

Who Qualifies?
Districts with the following:

- **Student Enrollment:** More than 66 students per grade.
- **Building Space & Age:**
  - Over 1,850,000 square feet of space AND average age of building space is 15 years or older, OR
  - **Over 1,500,000 square feet AND average age of building is 35 years or older.**
- **Approved Ten-Year Facility Plan:** Must have a plan approved by the Commissioner of Education.

LTFM – Expenditures

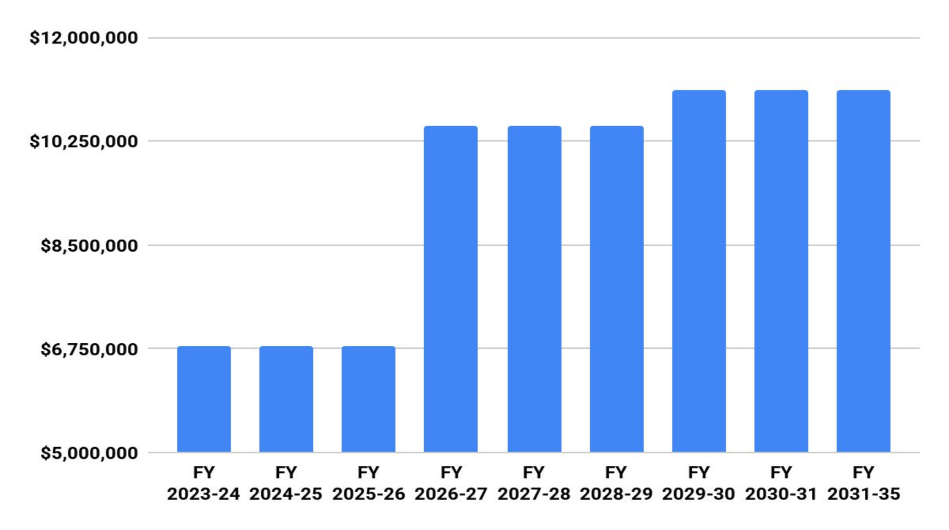
FY 2027

Health and Safety :	$ 640,000.00
Gender-Neutral Single User Restrooms :	$ 10,000.00
Deferred Maintenance :	$ 3,673,000.00
Total	**$ 4,323,000.00 (a)**
Indoor Air Quality Projects	**$ 37,588,716.00 (b)**

(a)These expenses will be paid via pay as you go levy through LTFM revenue.
(b) These expenses will be paid via bond proceeds issued and paid for through LTFM.

LTFM – Revenue

FY 2023-26	$ 6,800,000.00
FY 2027-29	$10,500,000.00
FY 2030-35	$11,100,000.00



LTFM - Ten Year Project Plan & Budget

- The revenue used for this FY 27 budget plan will be placed on the 25 Pay 26 Levy Certification for the 2026-27 school year.
- The revenue amount consists of 85 percent levy and 15 percent state aid. Formula allowance is $380 PPU.

Indoor Air Quality Projects

[Indoor Air Quality Bond Project]

Thank You

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