



Westonka District facilities are maxed out.

New spaces would serve participants of all ages and interests, community-wide.

For many school teams and clubs, and community groups and classes, it has come down to one fact. The Westonka District is out of space—limited facilities are tapped out, leaving many with no place to meet, rehearse, practice, play and perform. Everyone is competing for the same rooms, often resorting to using inappropriate spaces, limiting activities or renting outside the district. To address the space shortage, the school board is asking Westonka voters to approve new multi-purpose facilities equipped to accommodate our activities and provide room to grow.

You have the opportunity to vote on May 10.

There will be one ballot question on a \$22.95 million bond for the construction of two new spaces: a community athletics & recreation center and a community performing arts center at Mound Westonka High School. The total cost translates to approximately **\$6.33/month on the average (\$300,000) home.**

An investment the whole community can enjoy.

Community Athletics & Rec. Center

Current reality:

35 sports teams and hundreds of community education participants competing for space, with many forced to use inappropriate spaces or forgo activities.

K–12 District Full Gyms:

Delano.....	10
Rockford.....	10
Waconia.....	10 (upon completion of bond projects)
New Prague.....	9
Watertown-Mayer.....	8
Dassel-Cokato.....	8
Annandale.....	8
Litchfield.....	6
New London-Spicer.....	6 (upon completion of bond projects)
Hutchinson.....	5
Glencoe-Silver Lake.....	5
Orono.....	4
Westonka.....	4

The solution:

- 3-station multi-purpose gym
- Elevated walking track
- Wrestling gym
- Fitness room
- Community meeting room
- Locker rooms and storage
- Open to students and community members

Community Performing Arts Center

Current reality:

A 200-seat high school theater that impedes the quality of performances and limits opportunities, with no other performance spaces accessible to the public within district boundaries.

Capacity of K-12 District Largest Auditoriums:

Waconia.....	950 ⁺ /- seats (upon completion of new PAC)
Dassel-Cokato.....	800 ⁺ /- seats
Hutchinson.....	700 ⁺ /- seats
New London-Spicer.....	650 ⁺ /- seats (upon completion of new PAC)
Delano.....	650 ⁺ /- seats (upon completion of new PAC)
Annandale.....	640 ⁺ /- seats
New Prague.....	600 ⁺ /- seats
Watertown-Mayer.....	600 ⁺ /- seats
Glencoe-Silver Lake.....	500 ⁺ /- seats
Rockford.....	500 ⁺ /- seats
Orono.....	330 ⁺ /- seats
Litchfield.....	250 ⁺ /- seats
Westonka.....	200⁺/- seats

The solution:

- 600-seat auditorium
- Orchestra area
- Scene/costume shops and storage
- Green room/dressing area
- Available for school and community performances

Learn more: www.westonka.k12.mn.us > Referendum Information



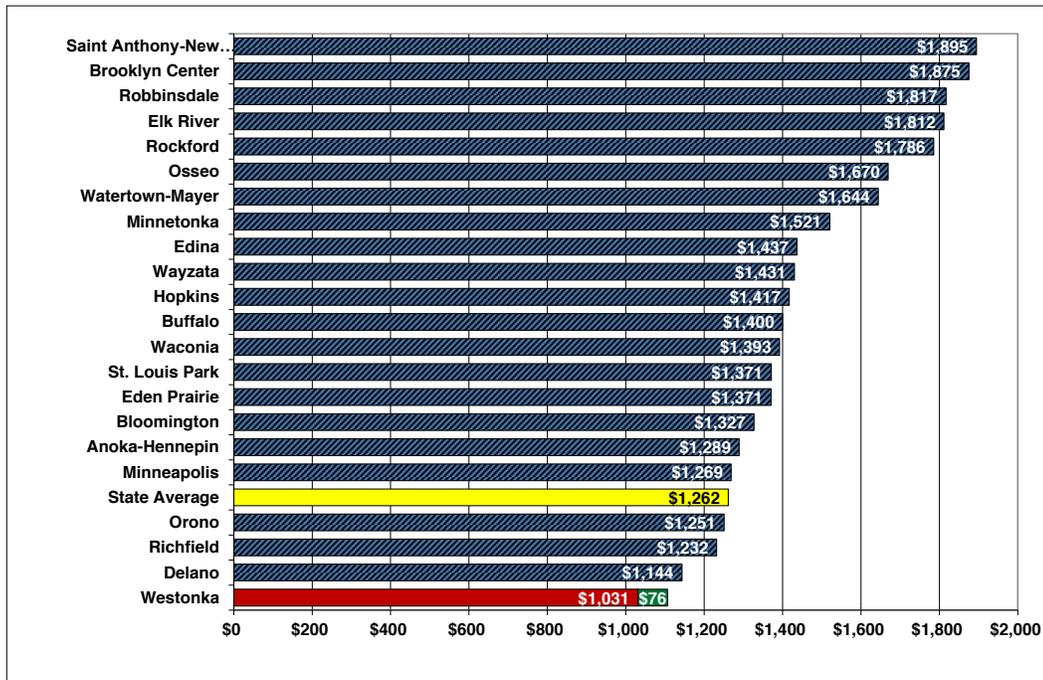
A great return on your investment.

Westonka has the lowest school taxes with best-in-nation results.

Westonka continues to have the lowest total school taxes in Hennepin County while consistently being ranked among the highest performing school districts by national publications, including Newsweek and the Washington Post.

Westonka School District No 277

Total School Property Taxes, Payable 2015, on a Home with an Estimated Market Value of \$300,000



Source: Pay 15 School Tax Report

Impact of proposed referendum

*The data in the chart for all districts represents taxes payable in 2015. The additional \$76 on the Westonka bar represents the estimated tax increase for the proposed bond issue for taxes payable in 2017.



How much will this cost me?*

Taxable Market Value	Estimated Monthly Tax Impact
\$150,000	\$2.75
\$300,000	\$6.33
\$500,000	\$11.00

Source: Ehlers. More tax information available on the Referendum Information page on the district website.

Learn more about the May 10 referendum

- Visit the Referendum Information page on the district website www.westonka.k12.mn.us for detailed tax charts, project descriptions and voting information.
- Find your polling location, register to vote or print an early voting application on the Minnesota Secretary of State website: www.sos.state.mn.us
- Questions? Contact Superintendent Kevin Borg at (952) 491-8001 or borgk@westonka.k12.mn.us

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