



# Moorestown Township Public Schools Bond Referendum

*Vote* Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Supporting our Students, Strengthening our Schools

## WHY A BOND REFERENDUM?

- The Board, Administration and District Architects explored many options to address our need for space and recommend addressing these needs through a referendum.
  - **Fact:** Our elementary populations are approaching or above totals from 8 years ago.
  - **Fact:** Many classes are at capacity as per board policy in grades K-3.
  - **Fact:** Our special education populations have significantly increased in the past 10 years.
- A successful referendum will allow class sizes to be maintained to at the current levels established in Board Policy.
- A successful referendum will allow the similar security upgrades at the elementary schools and WAMS that have been grant funded at the High School, improving safety at all of our schools.
- A successful referendum will ensure the proper maintenance of and operational improvements for our physical plant.
  - **Fact:** Many of the identified systems will need to be replaced in the near future.
  - **Fact:** Systems will be replaced with energy efficient systems, saving money.
  - **Fact:** These needs will not go away. Costs will only increase with time.
- A successful referendum means that the state of NJ will pay for up to 40% reducing direct costs to the Moorestown Taxpayer.
  - **Fact:** Given NJ's mandate that restricts the annual tax levy cap to 2%, we would be unable to address these needs totaling \$26M in our regular operating budget, without impacting current programs and staff.
- This referendum is a financially responsible way to meet mandates and achieve improvements to space, security and systems for our children, the community, and the taxpayers of Moorestown.

**Your VOTE matters. Please VOTE on December 10!**

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