

## MARSHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

Work on the main campus of Marshfield High School (MHS) is not included in the bond measure. Bond projects would instead address all near-term building needs at the K-8 level. This will allow the District to focus all of its other resources on needs at Marshfield (grants, annual facilities spending, community-supported projects).

The District has already begun to take on major projects at Marshfield in anticipation of bond-funded upgrades at the other schools. These include:

- **Seismic Grant and Upgrades: Auditorium:** This year, the District received a \$950,000 seismic upgrade grant for reinforcement of the auditorium, which will include a new roof.
- **Seismic Grant and Upgrades: Main Gym:** At the same time, the District received a \$1.5 million seismic upgrade grant for reinforcement of the main gym. This will also include a new roof.
- The District has set aside an additional \$192,000 from its Capital Projects Fund to complete both of these projects. Together, these upgrades will preserve these buildings for the future and as safe places of refuge for the community in the event of a disaster.
- **Annual Capital Spending:** The District maintains a Capital Projects Fund for major projects. Each year the District transfers money from its General Fund to Capital Projects for future projects. Money is currently set aside for:
  - **Library Roof:** The contract for replacement of a portion of the roof over Marshfield's library will go out for bid this fall.
  - **HVAC:** The Capital Projects Fund also contains money set-aside for a comprehensive upgrade of the heating and ventilation systems in the Marshfield main building.
- **Community-Backed Projects:** Community support for Marshfield runs strong. Following the model established by the Heritage Hall project, three

community-funded projects are currently underway. These projects are supported by donations and do not use District funds.

- **Raise the Roof:** a project to complete the south seating at the stadium, including a roof over the center section. Phase One—finishing the upper seating tier—has already been finished.
- **Tribute Hall:** a project to build a two-story, multi-purpose building next to the south seating at the stadium. The upper floor will serve as both classroom/meeting space and also as a memorial and museum to the rich history of Marshfield graduates in the armed forces.
- **Baseball Field:** The Marshfield baseball field has been made level and the infield renewed with donated materials and labor. Students in the Marshfield construction program will build new dugouts and improved seating.

Taken together, these projects involve more than \$3 million of currently planned spending on capital upgrades at Marshfield. Other projects will be added to the list on an annual basis. The past two years have included interior painting, bathroom renovations, boiler replacement, auditorium air handler repair, and cafeteria equipment upgrades.

Other effects of the bond proposal on Marshfield include:

- **Removal of the Eighth Graders to a new 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> school:** This will free-up valuable newer classroom space in Pirate Hall.
- **Potential KMHS Studio Upgrades:** Portable, modular buildings will no longer be needed at Madison or Blossom Gulch. One or more may be suitable to replace the KMHS studio building (a much older, modular building).