

BOND UPDATE

May 2020

Smarter Schools, Stronger Schools, & Safer Schools



Phase 1



Phase 1 focuses on Holbrook and Beagle so the district's restructuring initiative can begin in 2021-2022 school year.



Phase 1



Major Projects for Phase 1

- Transition to Beagle Middle School for Grades 7-8
- Transition to Holbrook Elementary for Grades K-4
- Build New Competition Pool & New Community Pool
- Add M-43 Connection

Why are the bond improvements being completed in three phases?

- Keeps millage rate low
- Maximizes planning time
- Provides adequate time for construction
- Adds technology in all three phases
- Adds buses & transportation improvements in all three phases

Phase 2



Major Projects for Phase 2

- Improvements at Grand Ledge High School for Grades 9-12
- Build a New Wacousta Elementary for Grades K-4
- Improvements at Delta Center Elementary for Grades K-4
- Remodel Old Pool into Walking Track & Multipurpose Space

Add M-43 Connection

A connecting road will be built from M-43 to our secondary campus of Beagle Middle School and Grand Ledge High School. It will be designed to improve traffic flow as well as help with drop-off and pick-up. Some challenges in building this road are Michigan Department of Transportation bureaucracy, access to a GLPS Operations building, and relocating an athletic facility.

Phase 3



Major Projects for Phase 3

- New Dave & Betty Morris Building (completed by 2025)
- Improvements to Hayes Intermediate for Grades 5-6
- Improvements to Willow Ridge Elementary for Grades K-4
- Improvements to Neff Early Childhood Center



Bond Construction Getting Started at Holbrook and Beagle!



photos from mid-May, 2020

The New Holbrook

Hobrook is being redesigned to be a K-4 elementary school to fit with the district's restructuring initiative which is planned to begin in the 2021-2022 school year. The outdated classrooms at the North end of the building are being remodeled into kindergarten classrooms and a second floor is being added with 3rd and 4th grade classrooms. The existing portion of Holbrook will have 1st and 2nd grade classrooms. The main entry by the office will be a secure entrance.



A new, bigger parking lot for parents and staff is being built on the Northwest corner of the Holbrook property. It will include better traffic flow for student drop-off and pickup with an entrance and exit on Schoolcraft Street and Jones Street. Busses would not be using this parking lot, and that will improve traffic flow as well.

A bus parking lot is being built to the Southeast of Hobrook. Busses will enter and exit using Green Street, and a gate will be used to keep the lot empty during school. Busses will be able to all be parked at the end of the day to make dismissal simple. The lot will also provide parking space to be used for after-school events (parent-teacher conferences, community use of the new multipurpose gym, etc.).



Floor Plan for the New Holbrook Elementary School (K-4)

Second Floor



First Floor



There will be mechanical and electrical system upgrades for efficiency along with technology infrastructure upgrades.

New Multipurpose Gym

A new multipurpose gym will be added to Holbrook. This will allow physical education classes to happen throughout the day since the space will no longer be required to be used as a cafeteria in the middle of the day. Our growing community recreation program will also be able to use the additional gym for activities it offers.



The New Beagle

Beagle is being redesigned to be a 7-8 middle school to fit with the district's restructuring initiative which is planned to begin in the 2021-2022 school year. There will be 16 classrooms added to Beagle: a two-story, 14-classroom wing will be added to the Southwest corner of Beagle next to the existing classrooms, and two specialized music classrooms for band and choir will be added to the Northeast corner of Beagle as a small wing.



From Southeast
Looking Northwest



From East
Looking West

A new administrative office area will be constructed near the main entry, and the main entry will be updated to create a secure entrance. The kitchen, serving area, and cafeteria will be remodeled. The gym will be enlarged, allowing for increased use for physical education, interscholastic athletics, and community recreation activities.

A new, bigger parking lot for parents and staff is being built on the East side of Beagle, and it has been designed to improve traffic flow for student drop-off and pickup. Buses will drop students off and pick them up on the West side of Beagle, so busses will not be a part of traffic in the parent/staff parking lot.



From Northeast
Looking Southwest

Floor Plan for the New Beagle Middle School (7-8)

News about the Pools

Proposal Two plans include a new cold-water competition pool, an additional warm-water community pool, and an indoor walking track. Currently, the competition pool is designed to be added to Beagle as shown. The community areas are still under development, and the plans will be shared when they are completed.

COLOR KEY

- ASSEMBLY
- CIRCULATION
- CLASSROOM
- GYM/POOL
- KITCHEN/ SERVERY
- MECH / ELEC / STORAGE
- OFFICE / ADMIN
- TOILET



First Floor

Addition to Second Floor

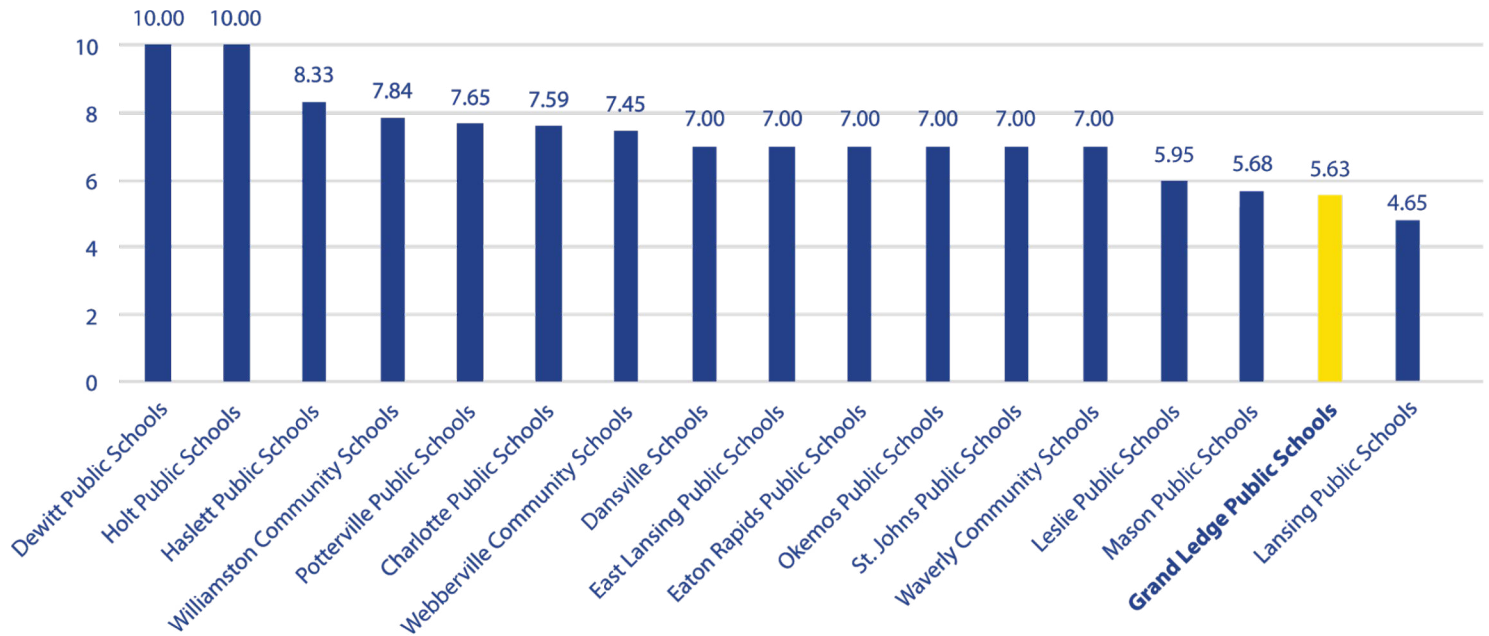


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Millage Rate Remains 2nd Lowest in the Region!

Even after the community passed both bond proposals on November 6, 2018, Grand Ledge Public Schools still has the **2nd lowest debt tax millage rate in the region**. Grand Ledge Public Schools is very fiscally responsible with the tax-payers' money and provides a great value as we educate our community's children.



Create **SMARTER** Schools

- Start district's grade restructuring initiative
- Build additional classrooms
- Improve technology for students & staff



Create **STRONGER** Schools

- Upgrade critical needs
- Increase operational efficiencies
- Replace roofs as needed



Create **SAFER** Schools

- Provide secure entrances at all schools
- Improve traffic flow
- Replace aging bus fleet as needed

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