



PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

KCSD has followed a Strategic Plan as a roadmap for facility improvements that help make the Knoxville community an even better place to call home. The list of accomplishments completed in recent years includes:



- IMPROVING AND EXPANDING WEST ELEMENTARY
- UPDATING SECURITY AND MECHANICAL SYSTEMS AT KHS
- RENOVATING RANDY WILSON TRACK
- UPGRADING THE BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL COMPLEX
- CONSTRUCTING NEW TENNIS COURTS

The next major project identified in our plan is addressing the challenges that students and staff face every day at Northstar. A facility assessment in 2024 identified \$22.5 million worth of deficiencies at the school.





OUR PROPOSAL

If the bond issue receives support of at least 60%, KCSD will build a **new school for grades 2-5**. The target size for the facility is 74,000 square feet, with a new gymnasium that will be designed to provide community access outside of school hours and capable of accommodating youth events, tournaments, and other activities.

With a new school in place, the district would be able to transition preschool students to West Elementary and eliminate the need to use portable buildings for our youngest learners. The Veterans District site would provide closer proximity and easier access to other KCSD facilities, community parks, public safety, the hospital, athletic fields, and new housing developments.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO NORTHSTAR?

Northstar Elementary would **not be demolished** under the proposal, allowing it to be sold and continue serving the community in a new manner. Possible options include redevelopment for senior or multi-family housing.







PROPERTY TAX IMPACT

The goal of the School Board and administration is for the proposed bond issue to be tax neutral, which is in line with current financial projections. However, the maximum possible tax impact that could result from an approved bond would be \$0.43 per \$1,000 of taxable value.

For a home worth \$200,000, the potential impact would be \$38.71 per year. Based on the Marion County average per-acre assessed value of \$1,264, the annual impact on agricultural property would be approximately \$0.40 per acre.



JOIN US!

KCSD is hosting two sessions before election day to provide community members with opportunities to see the challenges at Northstar Elementary and learn more about the bond referendum. SEPT **24**

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Both meetings at Northstar Elementary begin at 6:00 p.m., with tours available afterward







Find additional information and answers to FAQs at: www.knoxvillebond.org