On November 5, 2019, voters approved a phased-in operating levy providing additional funding to bridge our budget gap and help maintain our excellent academic programs, student support services and class sizes.

Here’s a quick snapshot of our referendum commitments and progress as of the 2021-22 school year (Year 2):

☑️ Maintain or Reduce Class Sizes
   • We have reduced class sizes in elementary and middle school.

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☑️ Expand Mental Health Support
2019-2020
   • $147,000 one time money
   • 3 mental health staff members hired
   • Curriculum purchases

2020-2021 FY through 2029-30 FY
   • Referendum dollars will pay for those positions

☑️ Special Area Teachers in Elementary
   • Continue with specialist teachers in elementary, such as music, art and science
   • Referendum dollars will allow for programs to continue as they currently are

☑️ Maintain or Expand Real World Experiences
2020-2021
   • 5 new courses at AAHS and 2 new courses at DMS were offered
   • Implemented the Youth Skills Training program which included an OSHA 10 certification

2021-2022
   • 4 new courses at AAHS will be offered
   • Expansion of the Youth Skills Training program

2022-2023
   • 2 new courses and 1 restructured course at AAHS will be offered

☑️ Provide More Financial Stability
   • The tax impact for the approved operating levy funding was 43% lower than originally estimated for property owners in 2020.
   • The operating levy generated $1,662,810.08 for the district in 2020-21 (Year 1), and $2,226,293.83 in 2021-22 (Year 2).

Levies are for Learning
Operating levies are a legally separate funding stream that voters can approve to support classrooms and educational programs.

2020-21 NEW COURSES OFFERED
• Advanced Media Productions
• Advanced Metal Fabrication
• Advanced Woods
• Cardinal Innovations (implementation in 2021-22 due to impact of COVID)
• Cardinal Digital Productions & Advertising
• Digital Art
• Photography

2021-22 NEW COURSES OFFERED
• American Sign Language I
• Aviation
• Computer Hardware & Operating Systems
• Programming in Python

2022-23 NEW COURSES OFFERED
• Floral Design
• Sound Production & Technology
• Video Production (restructured)