

MEMO

To: Dr. Bartelt and
School Board Members

From: Greg Leyden,
Director of Buildings and Grounds

Date: January 15, 2019

Re: Facilities Master Plan Update

Background:

In 2008, I created a Facilities Master Plan to help guide the Board of Education with making decisions with regard to Capital Projects. Since the inception of the document this is the fifth update I have presented to the Board. The Plan has served us well as guidance for spending priorities and for financial planning. When one looks back at the original Plan from 2008 it is evident that the Board of Education has been proactive in maintaining District 13 facilities while remaining fiscally responsible.

Situation:

Roofs at DuJardin and Westfield were replaced roughly at the same time in the late 1990's, so they are aging at about the same rate. The Westfield addition was completed in 2001, so that roof is also approaching the need for replacing. The District will need to commit a significant amount of capital to replace these roofs in the coming years while keeping other needs within our sights. Similar to many Illinois School Districts the challenge of funding capital projects is becoming more difficult as construction costs continue to escalate at a significant rate.

Recommendation:

Tonight I will highlight items of importance for you. The Facility Master Plan is presented to help the Board, and administration, plan into the future. There is no recommendation for action from the Board at this point.