

**DU PAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 13  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Bloomingdale, Illinois**

Regular Meeting     December 16, 2024

**FOR ACTION**

**Subject:     Authorization to Submit Life Safety Amendments**

The School Code of Illinois requires school boards to conduct a health life safety survey every ten years for each of its facilities. With the successful referendum effort, DLA Architects is completing a Life Safety Survey in order that projects identified in the survey can be submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), who must approve the projects prior to Life Safety Bonds being issued. These submissions are called amendments, as they reflect the changes in the conditions of many elements in the three buildings in the District over time since the last survey was completed prior to 2016.

The recommendation this evening is to give DLA Architects the authority to submit these amendments between Board meetings. Since the Illinois School Code was revised to no longer require public school districts to get local voters approval to issue bonds in relation to school safety projects, many school districts are submitting amendments and the ISBE is taking more time to review and approve these submissions. With the building bonds getting ready to be authorized by the Board in a couple of months, this action will allow the projects to be funded and completed during the same timelines as the building projects focused on full day kindergarten renovations and upgrades to Westfield Middle School.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have about this request during this portion of the meeting.

**Recommendation:** The Board of Education authorize DLA Architects to submit Life Safety Amendments to the Illinois State Board of Education as presented.