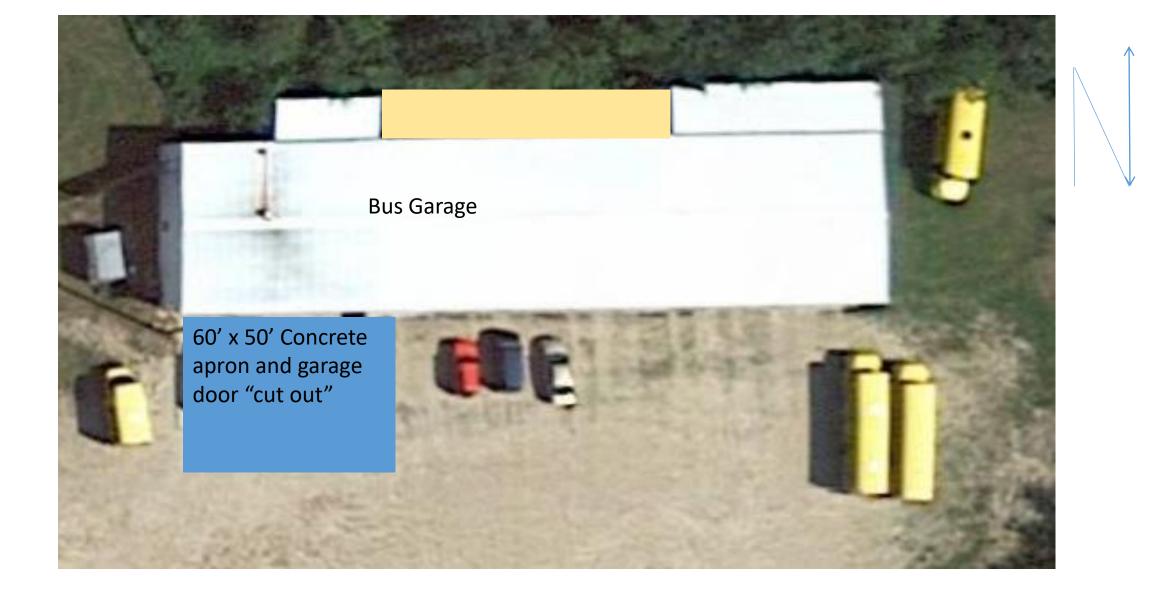
Summer 2023 School Improvement Projects



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Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue Program

The 2015 Minnesota Legislature established a Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) revenue program (Program) providing districts with options to help invest in the ongoing maintenance of their facilities. Funding is a combination of local tax levy and State Aid. FY 24 = \$77,000 local levy and \$22,00 State Aid = \$99,000 est.

MDE will calculate the amount of LTFM revenue that is available each year based on the average age of school buildings and student enrollment. If the district's average building age is less than 35 years, the amount of revenue is reduced. *GMR* average building age is 65.70 years

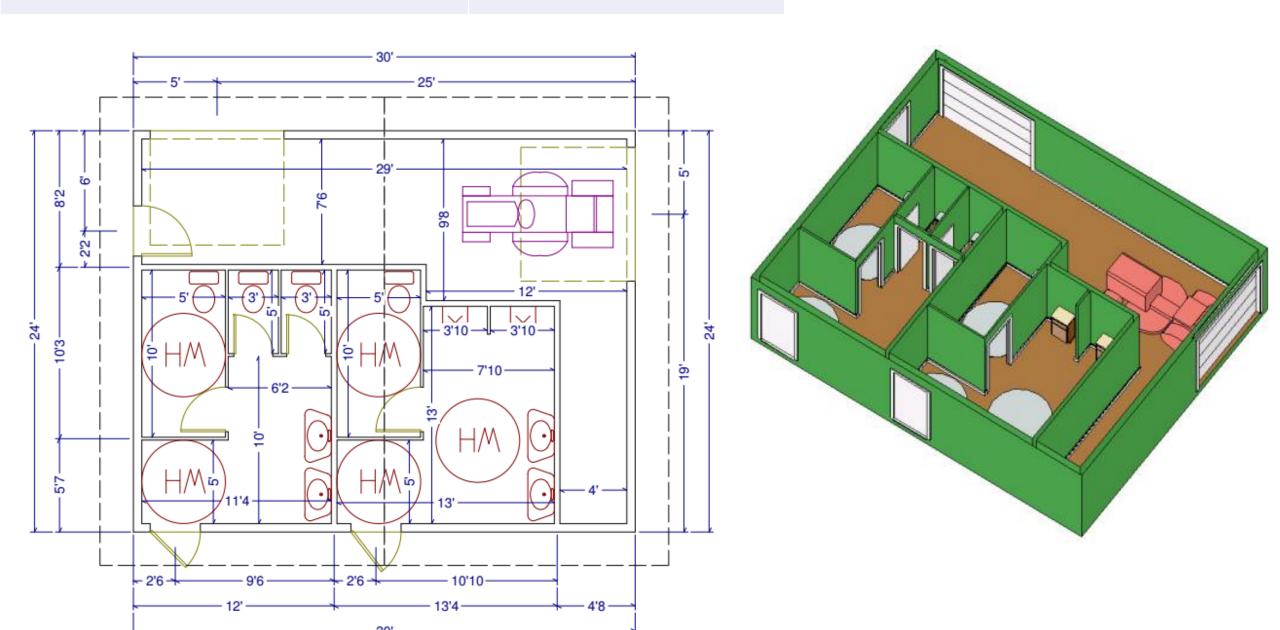
The Program requires districts to submit and adopt a 10-year plan (Plan) to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) for approval. The Plan needs to be updated and submitted to the Commissioner of Education annually for approval. The Plan can be part of a comprehensive financing plan to address facility needs.

The revenue can be used for the following expenses:

- Deferred expenditures and capital maintenance projects necessary to prevent erosion of facilities;
- Increasing accessibility of school facilities; and
- Health and safety projects that qualify under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.57.

The revenue cannot be used for:

- Construction of new facilities, remodeling of existing facilities, or the purchase of portable classrooms;
- Financing a lease purchase agreement, installment purchase agreement, or other deferred payments agreement;
- Energy-efficiency projects under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.65 for a building or property (or part thereof) used for post-secondary instruction or administration, or for a purpose unrelated to elementary and secondary education; and
- Violence prevention and facility security, ergonomics, or emergency communication devices.



School Improvement Project (Summer 2023)	Approx. cost	Funding Source
General Summer Maintenance		
GYM CLOSED July 31 thru Aug 6 for floor refinishing		
Exterior siding of Wrestling Room and Music Room	\$7,300 est.	Long Term Facilities Maintenance Funds
Fuel Spill monitoring wells (Continuous)	TBD	90% reimbursement by State Petro Fund
Heat system improvements to transition away from aging Steam heating system		

Wrestling / Music Room Exterior Wall Improvement

In an effort to [continue to] improve GMR School "curb appeal" I am proposing spending Long Term Facilities Maintenance Funds (LTFM) this summer to up-grade part of the exterior wall of the Wrestling / Music Room facing the south parking lot.

The current exterior wall finish (Photo #1) indicates age-old green treated lumber on the lower (3.5" feet) of the building. It is likely this was put in place to cover and / or avoid nicks or dents in the metal siding since it is so close to the parking lot.



The suggested improvement idea is to simply remove the green-treated lumber and replace it with installing a "fake rock" type siding as conceptually shown in Photo #3. The estimated cost for this would be \$7,300.00

