



PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Information for the Board of Education

Meeting: May 20th, 2025

Item: Facilities Update (Discussion)

Facilities Analysis

The bulk of the analysis is now complete. Tremco, an affiliate of Larson & Darby Group, will be at the schools later this month to do an assessment of the roofs.

Larson & Darby Group is anticipating finishing and providing the report in mid-June. Pending no further delays, Steve Nelson is likely to present the report to the Board of Education at the regular meeting on June 24th, 2025.

The Board of Education will need to determine how to share the findings of the analysis with the community.

PCHS Media Center Fenestration

The District received zero (0) bids for this project. This project would have been the replacement of the wall of windows and doors facing east. This entire fenestration has been prone to water issues for many years. Further, the doors present security issues due to settling. These issues have been noted in both ROE annual walkthroughs as well as the 10-year health-life-safety report.

I have talked with Larson & Darby Group about rebidding this project and scaling the work to other walls and windows needing replacement. Specifically, I recommend the Board of Education consider the construction of double-entry vestibules at PCJH and PCHS.

PCJH Wastewater Treatment Plant

Larson & Darby Group and Eriksson Engineering Associates, Ltd. have reviewed the existing plant at PCJH. They found that the current system would benefit from replacement due to the age of the infrastructure and that it is overcapacity for the volume of the school. They shared that a replacement of the system would be several million dollars. However, their analysis of the current water usage leads them to believe that a smaller system would be more efficient for the school. In fact, the usage is so slow that it is likely the cause for freezing in the winter.

As of this moment, they anticipate that the school could be serviced by a large septic tank and field. This new system would cost approximately \$250,000.

The current plan is also monitored by the Illinois EPA, requiring regular testing and certificates be filed with them. Moving to a septic system would remove those requirements and allow the District to coordinate sewage needs with the county.

Eriksson is going to contact the EPA to discuss this possible change of the system. Pending no issues with those discussions, our next step would be to do testing around the school to identify the ideal location for the septic.

Summer 2025 Projects

Building	Project	Status	Anticipated Cost
PCES	Mulching of playground	June	\$5,600.00
PCES	Gym floor refinish	July 21st	\$1,675.00
PCES	Main entrance sidewalk repair	June	\$5,979.00
PCES	East entrance sidewalk repair	June	\$6,831.00
PCES	Intercom and synchronized clock system	May 29th	\$65,860.30
PCES	Hallway door replacement	Done	\$16,015.00
PCHS	Shot Clocks	June (needs power)	\$13,133.00
PCHS	Gym floor refinish	July 21st	\$2,195.00
PCHS	Network upgrades	June 2nd	\$53,073.28
PCHS	Art room upper cabinets	June 4th	\$16,248.63
PCHS	Ag shop HVAC	TBD	\$179,200.00
PCHS	Rooftop 10	TBD	\$150,900.00
PCHS	Lighting for Ag shops	Done	\$9,197.00
PCHS	Parking lot spots repairs	June	\$8,900.00
PCHS	Exhaust fan replacement	June	\$24,880.00
PCHS	Toilet replacement	Done	\$9,251.00
PCHS	Auditorium doors to Commons	July	\$31,688.00
PCHS	East door controlled access	Done	\$7,655.00
PCHS	Media Center fenestration	X	TBD
PCJH	Bleacher repairs	Done	\$21,204.00
PCJH	Gym floor refinish	July 21st	\$1,650.00
PCJH	Parking lot spots repairs	June	\$5,150.00
PCJH	Desk replacement (50 desks)	Done	\$15,539.50
PCJH	Cafeteria table replacement	Done	\$24,510.00

TOTAL COST \$646,224.71