

Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To request an absentee ballot, register to vote, or find your voting location, please visit www.michigan.gov/vote.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- September 19, 2015 - Absentee ballots available to voters
- October 5, 2015 - Final day to register to vote
- October 31, 2015, by 2:00 p.m. - Final day to request absentee ballot by mail

**Local Communities' Investments in Schools
BONDS PASSED WITHIN LAST 10 YEARS**

Van Buren Public Schools	\$79 MILLION
Dearborn City School District	\$76 MILLION
Milan Area Schools	\$49.1 MILLION
School District of Ypsilanti	\$49.1 MILLION
Wyandotte City School District	\$39.2 MILLION
Trenton Public Schools	\$37 MILLION
Lincoln Consolidated School District	\$35 MILLION
South Redford School District	\$32.6 MILLION
Southgate Community School District	\$0

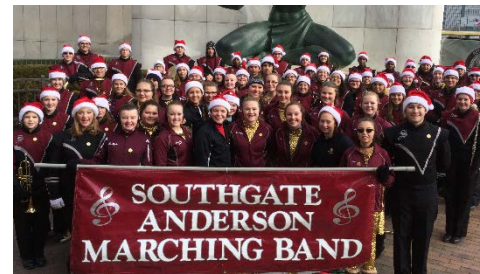
Source: Michigan Department of Treasury, ballotpedia.org, and district sites.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO:

www.southgateschools.com and click on School Election Information

Or, you can call any school principal or Superintendent of Schools Leslie Hainrihar at 734-246-4600.

You also can send an email to Superintendent Hainrihar at hainrihal@sgate.k12.mi.us.



The Best Choice for Students & Parents



VOTE:

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

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The Board of Education and Strategic Planning Committee developed a strategic plan for Southgate Community Schools which identified an important commitment of the School District: to provide first-class facilities for all students in order to be a top performing academic school district. This bond provides funding to improve facilities to meet that commitment.

WHY NOW:

- Technology is essential for a 21st century learning environment
- Facility and security upgrades/renovations needed
- Last technology and infrastructure bond: 2001
- School funding is declining; stress on operating budget
- Average age of facilities: approximately 58 years
- Favorable interest rates and NO estimated tax rate increase

Board of Education Goals with Bond Proposal:

- Establish Southgate as a destination district
- Improve educational opportunities
- Create modern learning environments
- Enhancements at all schools so all kids benefit
- Reduce maintenance and energy costs
- Provide school safety enhancements
- Maintain strong schools; an investment in the community and home values

How much more will it cost me?

Market Value of Your Home	Additional Tax Above Current Level
\$50,000	\$0 per month
\$100,000	\$0 per month
\$150,000	\$0 per month
\$200,000	\$0 per month

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Features of the Southgate Community School District Bond:

Safety & Security \$1 MILLION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add door access control points • Update security camera system • Enhance secure entry at elementary schools
District-Wide Facility Improvements \$12 MILLION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace select roofing and flooring • Replace select exterior doors and interior door hardware upgrades • Plumbing and piping valve replacement to improve reliability of heating/cooling system • Replace aging boilers • Upgrade auditorium lighting and sound system • Upgrade exterior and parking lot lighting • Replace walk-in freezer/cooler
Technology \$2 MILLION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace obsolete teacher and lab computers • Add mobile computer carts to meet State online testing requirements • Replace portions of classroom A/V system • Classroom instructional technology enhancements
Site & Athletic Improvements \$5 MILLION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace asphalt/concrete paving • Improve traffic flow and site drainage • Resurface tennis courts and track • Upgrade gym and stadium bleachers