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Dear Community Member:

Our teachers and staff do a great job educating our students, and we have some of the highest performing schools in the area. However, we need to provide modern classrooms and facilities to maintain high quality schools so students can better compete and be prepared for college, career, and competitive job opportunities after high school. After careful deliberation, the Board of Trustees has placed a \$38.5 million general obligation bond measure for voter consideration on the November 6, 2018 ballot to fund school improvements.

If approved, Measure "I" improvements will include:

- ***Ripona Elementary:*** Replace older portables with new permanent construction as well as modernize existing school building infrastructures and facilities, including playground surfaces, to make the school comparable to other Ripon schools. Replace roofing as needed.
- ***Ripon High:*** Construct a new science lab, improve and reconfigure career technical education, modernize buildings and replace older portables with permanent construction, build new restrooms at the stadium, and enhance student safety and security.
- ***Ripon Elementary:*** Renovate restrooms, improve classroom learning environments including replacement of window glazing, and enhancing student safety and security with fencing.
- ***Park View Elementary:*** Enhance student safety and security with the installation of cameras, security fencing, and stucco repair.
- ***Weston Elementary and Colony Oak Elementary:*** We celebrate the successful completion of the modernization of our two schools under Measure "G". We plan to continue to improve classroom learning environments, as well as enhance student safety and security with the installation of cameras.

Measure "I" requires an independent oversight committee and yearly audits to ensure funds are only spent on voter-approved school improvement projects, not on teacher or administrator salaries. We are in the process of recruiting individuals to serve on the oversight committee for the proposed bond. I encourage you to apply. In addition, enclosed you will find a fact sheet with additional information regarding Measure "I".

If you are interested in being considered for the oversight committee, or wish to volunteer in another capacity please call me at (209) 599-2131. I look forward to speaking with you and would be happy to answer any questions.

Respectfully,

Dr. Ziggy Robeson
Superintendent