



Community Consolidated School District 21

Preparing all students for success with future ready facilities

Who are we?

Community Consolidated School District 21 (CCSD21) serves 6,500 students across 13 schools, including one early childhood, nine elementary and three middle schools. Students reside in Wheeling, Buffalo Grove, Arlington Heights, Mt. Prospect, Prospect Heights or Northbrook and, upon completion of middle school, attend Wheeling or Buffalo Grove High Schools. More than 65 languages are spoken in homes of District 21 families, and CCSD21 offers bilingual instruction in Spanish, Polish, and Russian.

Our Mission

The mission of CCSD 21 is to prepare all students for success.



A Referendum to Issue \$69 Million in Building Bonds

Throughout the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education engaged the CCSD21 community in important discussions through its Design21 effort. Members of the greater CCSD21 community discussed how best to provide an outstanding education for all students in facilities which are safe, secure, and healthy in learning spaces which support the needs of 21st Century learners. On August 9, 2018, the Board of Education voted to place a referendum question on the ballot in the upcoming General Election on November 6, 2018.

CCSD21 is committed to being responsible stewards of taxpayer funds, produces balanced budgets, and maintains modest fund balances for day-to-day operations. Our current facility needs are beyond what can be supported by our current operating budget and available reserves.

A community investment of \$69 million through a voter-approved bond issue would provide CCSD21 with critical resources which will be used to:

- Ensure safe and secure schools including building entrances with secure vestibules, updated and expanded security cameras, exterior lighting, and improved internal security systems.
- Provide a healthier learning environment for students through the installation of air conditioning districtwide.
- Prepare learning spaces for a district wide full-day kindergarten program.
- Improve energy efficiency and lower future utility costs by converting to LED lighting districtwide and replacing aging mechanical systems with updated and higher efficiency units.
- Provide up-to-date, 21st century learning spaces for all children, through the replacement of aging and obsolete classroom furniture, meeting the needs of the learners of today and tomorrow.
- Ensure the efficient operation of school buildings for decades to come by addressing facility needs such as paving, roofing, plumbing, flooring and other critical mechanical systems.

This community investment will have an estimated annual tax impact of \$49 a year on a home valued at \$200,000, less than \$5 per month.

For more information and updates, visit www.ccsd21.org/referendum.