



2020 Construction Referendum FAQ

MSDWT PE/Athletic Summary of 2020 Improvements & Estimated Costs

Question: How will the 2020 Construction Referendum support PE/Athletics?

Answer: Below is a summary of the improvements for each school.

North Central High School PE/Athletics	
2020 Estimate PE/Athletics with Inflation	\$47,000,000
East Fields (Softball, Baseball & Soccer) Site Improvements (Parking Lots, Drainage, Traffic Flow)	
Softball Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, ADA Walks & JV Bleacher Pad, Scoreboard, Fencing, Backstop Fencing/Netting, Batting Cage, PressBox Improvement Allowance, Dugout Improvements, PA System, LED Site/Safety Lighting, New Locker Room Facility near East Fields	
Baseball Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, JV Bleacher Pad, Scoreboard, Fencing, Backstop Fencing/Netting, Batting Cage, PressBox Improvement Allowance, Dugout Improvements, PA System, LED Site/Safety Lighting, New Locker Room Facility near East Fields	
Soccer Field Improvements - Includes Drainage, ADA Walks, Scoreboards, Press Box Improvement/Relocation Allowance, PA System, LED Site/Safety Lighting, New Locker Room Facility near East Fields	
Tennis Facility Improvements - Includes Drainage, Rebuild Tennis Courts, Fencing, LED Site/Safety Lighting	
Main Football Stadium Improvements & Locker/Visitor Restroom Building - Includes Drainage, Scoreboards, Track Surface, Fencing, Site Lighting, New Home & Visitor Bleachers, New Pressbox, ADA Walks and Pathways, Additional Home & Visitor Restrooms, New Home Concessions	
South Football Parking and New Drive East of Football	
Student/Athletic Parking Lot Expansion	
North Tennis Parking Lot	
Wrestling Room and West Gym Addition	
Convert Existing Wrestling Room to Locker Rooms	
Convert Cardio Room to Classrooms/Meeting Rooms	
North Gym Bleacher Refurbishment	
Refinish Gym Floors - North and South	

Replace Bleachers in South Gym
Replace PA Systems - North and South Gyms
Paint - North and South Gyms
Replace HVAC in South Gym
Athletic & PE Locker Rooms - 1st & 2nd Floors - AC, Exhaust, Fixtures, Drains, Piping
Allowance to Repair Tile in Natatorium Deck and Pool
Replace Natatorium Scoreboard
Allowance - Natatorium Heater - Replace Pump
Repair Natatorium Roof/Soffit
North Gym Coaches Offices
JROTC and Dance - HVAC, Lighting, Paint
Upgrade and Reconfigure Athletic & PE Locker Rooms on 1st & 2nd Floors
Staff/Tennis Parking
Concession Building and Elevator (Below New Press Box)

Eastwood Middle School PE/Athletics	
2020 Estimate PE/Athletics with Inflation	\$6,525,000
Site Improvement – Drainage	
Softball Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, Scoreboards, Fencing, Bleachers	
Baseball Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, Scoreboards, Fencing, Bleachers	
Football and Track Improvements – Water Service to Field, Irrigation, Scoreboards, Goal Posts, Track Surface, Long Jump Board, Shot Put Pad, Discus Pad & Cage	
Soccer Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, Scoreboard, Fencing, Bleachers	
Tennis Court Improvements – Includes Drainage, Surface, Fencing, Striping, Bleachers	
Football/Track and Field Concessions	
Replace Bleachers in East Gym	
Refinish West Gym Floor – Replace East Gym Floor	
Replace Bleachers in West Gym	
Replace HVAC in Gym Locker Rooms	
Replace HVAC in East and West Gyms	
Convert Platform and Storage to Locker Rooms	
Upgrade East Locker Room	
Create PE Locker Corridor	
Upgrade West Locker Room	

Westlane Middle School PE/Athletics	
2020 Estimate PE/Athletics with Inflation	\$5,355,000
Site Improvement – Drainage	
Football and Track Improvements – Water Service to Field, Irrigation, Scoreboards, Goal Posts, Track Surface, Long Jump Board, Shot Put Pad, Discus Pad & Cage	
Soccer Field Improvements – Includes Drainage, Scoreboard, Fencing, Bleachers	
Tennis Court Improvements – Includes Drainage, Surface, Fencing, Striping, Bleachers	
New Football/Track and Field Concessions	
Replace Bleachers in North Gym and South Gyms	
Gym Floors – Replace North Floor and Refinish South with Partial Replacement	
Renovate Restrooms to the East of the Main Gym	
Convert Exterior Storage to Interior PE/Athletic Building Storage	
Create PE Locker Corridor	
Create Four Locker Rooms/Offices	
Create Fitness Room	

New Northview Middle School PE/Athletics
<p>2020 Estimate PE/Athletics with Inflation \$18,800,000</p> <p>Building PE/Athletics = \$10,800,000 Inflated Costs</p> <p>Site PE/Athletics = \$8,000,000 Inflated Costs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → The New Northview Middle School will be designed to meet the district’s educational specifications for equity across all district middle schools: Capacity/Educational Effectiveness, Safety, Security, and Code Compliance → The New Northview Middle School building will be designed for student enrollment of 1050 and the new educational space will be aligned with newly renovated Eastwood and Westlane Middle Schools: Compliance, Healthy Learning Environment and Technology → The New Northview Middle School will provide PE/Athletics facilities in alignment with Eastwood and Westlane Middle Schools including - Football Field, Outdoor Running Track, Tennis Courts, Gymnasium, Soccer Field, Baseball Field, Softball Field, Cross Country Course

Question: Why are athletics important?

Answer: Studies have shown that athletes perform better in school and have a higher graduation rate than non-athletes. Coaches, teachers and athletes maintain that high school sports are as beneficial to students in the classroom as they are on the field of play. We invite you to view this [video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OVlBBNM2BZM&feature=youtu.be) highlighting athletics in Washington Township:

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Question: How will the Athletic improvements benefit my child who does not participate in a sport?

Answer: One example is the New West Gym at North Central High School. It will support Physical Education and Health Classes, JROTC, Special Needs students, and the NC Dance Team. The new gym will reduce overcrowding and allow for more participation in NC sports, after school events, and extra/co-curricular activities.

Question: Are safety issues addressed under the current Referendum Scope?

Answer: Yes. Safety, Security, and Code Compliance are all being addressed. One of the main areas of focus while modifying Athletic Facilities is also adjusting the traffic flow on Central Campus. Moving the entire WT Transportation Center to the current Northview property will allow for a completely separate bus and car system for drop off and pick up at North Central High School.

Question: How many students participate in Athletics at North Central? How many at the Middle Schools?

Answer: There are over 1300 student athletes (or 35% of the student population) at North Central High School. If you include the student-athletes at the three middle schools, there are over 2600 students who participate in Athletics in the four Secondary Schools. There are also over 450 students who participate in the intramural programs.

Question: Why are referendums needed? Doesn't the state give our schools enough money to take care of everything?

Answer: State funds are NOT provided for major renovations and/or new construction projects. It is left up to each district to decide how to best fund capital improvements. In Washington Township, like most school districts, there is simply not enough money available in the Operations Fund to address significant capital improvements. For additional information:

[FAQ State Budget \(pdf\)](#)

<https://3iswt822djrf1w7fnq2odzfc-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/faq-state-budget.pdf>

Question: We just had a referendum a few years ago. Why do we need to have another one right now? How long will it be before the next referendum?

Answer: Renovations supported through the 2016 Construction Referendum, along with projects included in the 2020 Construction Referendum plan, are projected to prevent the need for major renovations and construction projects for the next 20-30 years.

Question: The football stadium is the exact same as it was when I played here in the 1980's. Are there going to be any improvements made to the stadium with this referendum?

Answer: Yes. The Football/Track & Field stadium will go through a complete renovation, including both home and visitor bleachers which will be replaced with aluminum structures. Other improvements include new concession stands, a locker room for several North Central teams and our visiting football teams, and a new press box. The venue will be designed and built to meet or exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Question: I heard that there was going to be an indoor Tennis Center. Is that really necessary?

Answer: The passing of the 2020 Referendum will allow Washington Township to replace outdoor tennis courts at all three middle schools and North Central High School. Construction of the proposed indoor Tennis Center has not been included in the 2020 Referendum. If built, the indoor facility will be privately funded.

Question: My daughter plays Volleyball in Middle School. In a few years, if she plays in high school, how will this 2020 Referendum benefit her?

Answer: The passing of the 2020 Referendum will allow for numerous improvements to the two existing gymnasiums at North Central High School, including new gym floors, replace/refurbish bleachers, new PA systems, additional locker rooms and coaches' offices, and a new HVAC system (South Gym). Also, the construction of the new West Gym will help all sports teams with conditioning, practice, and competition scheduling.

Comprehensive details on the Athletic Facility Assessment can be found at:
<https://www.msdt.k12.in.us/future-planning/athletic-facility-assessment-master-planning-project/>

Comprehensive details about both Construction and Operating Referenda can be found at: <https://www.msdt.k12.in.us/future-planning/>