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Bond approved to prepare all Bronchos for success

Bond to fund critical safety improvements, create new learning opportunities for all Bronchos

HOLLY, Mich. — Voters on Tuesday approved a \$97 million bond that will fund new and enhanced learning environments, districtwide building and site improvements, and safety upgrades to help prepare all Bronchos for careers and success with no tax rate increase to property owners.

"Our amazing community has again demonstrated its generosity and commitment to the success of all Bronchos, and I would like to personally thank them for passing this bond that will help us continue to prepare all students for the jobs of tomorrow," said **Scott Roper**, Holly Area Schools superintendent. "Our community's investment in our Bronchos will also help us continue providing a safe, nurturing and welcoming learning environment that helps prepare all students for bright futures."

The bond will fund:

- A new middle school with increased classroom space, career lab, enhanced fine arts and athletic facilities,
- Enhanced learning environments, including fine arts, athletics, instructional technology, and a new construction trades center, and
- Replacement of worn playground structures and septic systems, new fire protection upgrades and more safety improvements.

Holly Area Schools continues to demonstrate fiscal accountability and responsibility in its use of tax dollars. Over the past 15 years, the district has saved taxpayers nearly \$6 million in interest costs by refinancing outstanding bond debt. The district has also improved its Standard & Poor's credit rating from an "A-" to an "A."

"The trust of our community to make wise use of their tax dollars is the cornerstone of our continued success and ability to serve the unique needs of all Bronchos," Roper said. "We will continue to demonstrate fiscal accountability and responsibility as these projects get underway."

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