

ARROWHEAD HIGH SCHOOL

Referendums are part of the Wisconsin funding mechanism for public schools.



Wisconsin's school funding mechanism requires referendums for significant facilities improvements and annual operations. State legislators have told school districts, "If you need more funds, ask your taxpayers."

That is what districts across the state are doing.



All Arrowhead Area

20

\$115,630,000

*Southeast Wisconsin Referendums Passed Since 2000

*These numbers are not adjusted for inflation; construction costs have increased significantly since the early 2000s.

REVISED PLAN NEW SOLUTION	*Southeast Wisconsin Referendums Passed Since 2000 Source: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction								
VOTE APRIL 1, 2025 ARROWHEAD HIGH SCHOOL 163 passed.	District	Number Passed	Cumulative Funding - Debt, Nonrecurring, & Recurring Referendums	Recurring Revenue Authority, to Date, (each year forever)		District	Number Passed	Cumulative Funding - Debt, Nonrecurring, & Recurring Referendums	Recurring Revenue Authority, to Date, (each year forever)
	Racine	11	\$1,265,435,000	0		Grafton	4	\$67,670,000	0
	Milwaukee	2	\$339,000,000	\$87,000,000 (since 2023)		Greendale	5	\$65,915,000	0
	Waukesha	4	\$317,200,000	4,900,000 (since 2002)		South Milwaukee	3	\$61,605,000	\$9,625,000 (since 2023)
Sussex	Wauwatosa	3	\$249,300,000	0		St Francis	4	\$57,300,000	0
Hamilton &	Franklin	4	\$221,300,000	0		Menomonee Falls	3	\$56,250,000	0
Kettle -	Mukwonago	5	\$164,450,000	0		Brown Deer	5	\$55,960,000	0
Moraine	Kenosha	6	\$162,053,000	\$2,427,000 (since 2010)		Greenfield	6	\$53,520,000	0
	Oconomowoc	4	\$153,000,000	0		Port Wash-Sauk.	3	\$52,025,000	0
recently	Muskego-Norway	5	\$148,685,700	\$1,156,700 (since 2003)		Cudahy	8	\$50,760,000	0
passed	Pewaukee	5	\$114,450,000	\$450,000 (since 2002)		Maple Dale-Indian Hills	5	\$34,040,000	0
recurring operational	Sussex Hamilton	6	\$111,100,000	\$1,500,000 (since 2019); \$7,600,000 (since 2024)		Glendale-River Hills	5	\$24,790,000	0
referendums	Nicolet UHS	4	\$110,950,000	0		Hartland-Lakeside	3	\$23,009,000	\$598,000 (since 2001)
	Mequon-Thiensville	3	\$100,300,000	0	•	Whitefish Bay	2	\$22,600,000	0
so they have \$7 million or	Kettle Moraine	4	\$96,667,000	\$485,000 (since 2001); \$7,000,000 (since 2020)		Northern Ozaukee	2	\$19,350,000	0
more in	Whitnall	2	\$95,260,000	0		Lake Country	2	\$19,000,000	
annual	Shorewood	6	\$94,870,000	\$275,000 (since 2019)	H	Arrowhead UHS	2	\$16,100,000	0
	Germantown	3	\$88,100,000	0		Swallow	3	\$14,200,000	\$100,000 (since 2000)
revenue	West Allis	3	\$87,800,000	\$5,800,000 (since 2025)		New Berlin	1	\$8,500,000	0
forever.	Cedarburg	4	\$81,800,000	0		Merton Community	2	\$7,060,000	0
	Fox Point J2	6	\$81,655,000	0		North Lake	2	\$5,660,000	0
	Elmbrook	2	\$80,090,000	0		Stone Bank	1	\$2,500,000	0



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*Wisconsin public school districts depend on local referenda!

- 194 districts have put forth at least 3 referenda.
- 42 districts have put forth 4 referenda.
- 35 districts have put forth 5 referenda.
- 30 districts have put forth 6 referenda.
- 18 districts have put forth 7 referenda.

*From 2000 through April 2023

Custom Referenda Reporting



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- 14 districts have put forth 8 referenda.
- 8 districts have put forth 9 referenda.
- 7 districts have put forth 10 referenda.
- 3 districts have put forth 11 referenda.
- 2 districts have put forth 12 referenda.

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- 2 districts have put forth 13 referenda.
- 1 district has put forth 15 referenda.
- 1 district has put forth 16 referenda.
- 1 district has put forth 20 referenda.