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L'Anse Creuse Public Schools Place a Revised Bond Proposal on November Ballot

CLINTON TWP, Mich. – L'Anse Creuse Public Schools (LCPS) officials are placing a revised bond proposal on the November 5 ballot. The revised \$188.7 million **no-tax-rate increase bond proposal** is about half the amount of the previous bond proposal and only addresses priority upgrades.

"Residents told us that they know our facilities need updating, but they would like to see the scope of the projects and the overall size of the bond proposal reduced," said Erik Edoff, L'Anse Creuse Public Schools Superintendent. "The previous proposal included a wider range of projects. This time, projects have been prioritized to address only priority upgrades that address needs to support the educational programs for our students. No new facilities will be constructed."

The revised bond proposal, unanimously approved by the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools Board of Education, will target six key areas:

- Roofing, HVAC, & parking lot upgrades
 - roofs
 - parking lots, sidewalks, driveways, & bus loops
 - masonry
 - heating & cooling systems
- Enhanced safety & security features
 - update secure entrances
 - install emergency alert systems
 - enhance security system cameras
- Upgrade instructional technology & replace student devices
- Athletic field improvements & playground replacements
 - tracks, baseball & softball fields, & tennis/pickleball courts
- Renovate existing spaces to support educational programming
 - classroom interior updates

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- expand STEM & Robotics learning spaces
- Fine arts & music program upgrades
 - performing arts, band, & choir

The last bond proposal passed in 2005, 19 years ago. Essential upgrades are now necessary to keep the schools in good working order. "Careful fiscal management allowed the school district to go nearly two decades without another bond request," said Kathy Konon, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations. "The November 5th bond proposal is designed to keep L'Anse Creuse Public Schools safe and up-to-date and provide technology and facilities that support a well-rounded education for all students."

In the coming weeks, there will be informational meetings, website updates, social media posts, news media stories, and informational mailings to inform residents about the bond. In the meantime, residents with questions can contact call 586-783-6300 ext. 1206 or visit the school district's website (www.lc-ps.org).

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