

Potential views of a NEW Pendleton High School



# INFORMATION for the District 4 Bond Referendum

**A bond referendum is scheduled for Anderson School District 4 for:**



**TUESDAY,  
NOV. 7<sup>TH</sup>  
2023.**

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## How much will it cost me?

For a \$300,000 homeowner, only **\$16.00 per month**.  
With homestead exemption, only **\$13.33 per month**.

## When does the district anticipate schools to be at or above capacity?

Pendleton High, Riverside Middle, and Mt. Lebanon Elementary Schools will be at or above capacity by 2026-2027.

## What is a bond referendum?

District 4 can sell bonds and use the proceeds to fund building plan projects. Taxpayers then repay the bond debt over time through annual property taxes. In a bond referendum, registered voters in the district will decide whether to approve the sale of bonds. This vote will be held on November 7, 2023, at the usual polling places throughout the district.

## How did the Board of Trustees determine a new high school was needed?

Anderson School District 4 anticipates over 1,300 new students between 2022 and 2033 due to unprecedented growth in our area. The administration and school board anticipate **three schools to be at or above capacity by 2026-2027**. The board approved a ten year facility plan in February 2022 to address anticipated facility needs in the district through the 2032-2033 school year.

The bond referendum resolution approved by the Anderson School District 4 Board of Trustees is for \$115,000,000. The projects included in the referendum are a new Pendleton High School on district owned Boscobel Road property, renovating the current Pendleton High School to relocate Riverside Middle School, and adding classroom space to Mt. Lebanon Elementary School.

A new Pendleton High School will provide the district with the most student space to handle current and future growth. Having Riverside Middle School (RMS) and Pendleton High School (PHS) on the same campus will allow for shared programs and facilities, **located in the center of the district**. This plan would allow District 4 to find other district and community uses for the oldest facility in the district - Riverside Middle School. Reconfiguring grade attendance to K-5, 6-8, 9-12 will provide additional space for growing enrollment at each elementary school and provide 6th graders with an age-appropriate setting as they grow as adolescents.

## What are the impacts on students in District 4 if the referendum is approved by voters?

Bonds will be sold and proceeds will be used to build a new Pendleton High School on currently owned district property on Boscobel Rd. Riverside Middle School will move to the current Pendleton High School, 6th grade will move to Riverside Middle School, and renovations will occur. Classroom additions, cafeteria expansions, and other facility improvements will occur (as referendum funding allows) at La France Elementary, Mt. Lebanon Elementary, Pendleton Elementary and Townville Elementary.

- ▶ Middle/high school will impact every grade 6-12 student in Anderson 4.
- ▶ Middle school moves to the center of the district.
- ▶ Transportation for middle & high school students will become more efficient potentially reducing ride time by 10-15 minutes.
- ▶ Middle/high school academic and extracurricular benefit from shared campus.
- ▶ Reduces elementary school enrollment by moving 6th grade to middle school slowing capacity issues at elementary schools.
- ▶ Does not require redrawing elementary attendance zones.
- ▶ New HS and MS relocation would occur in 2026-2027 school year.



**Potential site plan for a  
NEW Pendleton High School**

## What are the impacts on students in Anderson 4 if the referendum is not approved by voters?

Anderson 4 is committed to our mission of preparing each student for their next step in a safe environment. Options for the future could include any or all of the following:

- Redrawing elementary attendance lines.
- Portable classroom additions as needed to reduce overcrowding.
- Freezing enrollment for new students in certain grades in individual schools that are beyond capacity.
- New facilities to address growth as funds are available.

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Information concerning the bond referendum can be found on District 4's and Growing Forward's websites. For easy access, you can scan the provided QR codes with your phone. Information will be updated as needed.

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