

MILTON



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COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MILTON

F.A.C.T. NEWS

WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT OUR SCHOOL'S FACILITIES?



Dear Community Members,

Our Facilities Advisory Community Team (F.A.C.T.) met several times over the last 3 months in their on-going effort to help address our instructional and facilities needs. F.A.C.T. has reviewed several presentations from our administrative and teaching staff and are now in the process of developing solutions designed to best and most affordably meet those identified needs. The team's goal is to present a recommendation for a possible solution to the Board by the end of June, 2016. There is a lot of great information on their work to date located on our website at <http://www.milton.k12.wi.us/community/fact.cfm>.

If you have any questions or concerns about this process, please contact me directly at schigurt@milton.k12.wi.us.

Tim Schigur
District Administrator
School District of Milton



WHAT ARE THE FACILITY NEEDS THAT F.A.C.T. HAS IDENTIFIED?

- SAFETY AND SECURITY OF ALL BUILDINGS
- ADDRESS OVERCROWDING IN SEVERAL SCHOOLS
- ACHIEVE ADA COMPLIANCE IN ALL SCHOOLS
- ADDRESS AGING FACILITIES
- KEEP EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN MILTON AFFORDABLE
- MAINTAIN EXISTING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING AND STAFFING



DO YOU KNOW THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MILTON'S DEMOGRAPHICS?

3,526
TOTAL STUDENTS*
THIS IS CURRENTLY THE LARGEST
ENROLLMENT IN DISTRICT HISTORY
*CERTIFIED NUMBER AS OF 1/2016

+22%
INCREASE
IN STUDENTS
672 MORE STUDENTS
IN THE LAST 15 YEARS

TOP 15%
54TH LARGEST
OUT OF 424
ENROLLMENT RANKING
IN THE STATE

2,000
STUDENTS BUSSED
100
SQUARE MILES



DO YOU KNOW WHERE MILTON IS RANKED IN THE STATE ON SPENDING PER PUPIL?

MILTON IS RANKED
#424 of **424**
ON SPENDING PER PUPIL

School
District
of Milton
\$10,443

State
Average
\$12,546

LOWEST IN THE STATE ON SPENDING

TOP 6 TRUTH VS MYTH

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is F.A.C.T. looking at a \$151 million dollar referendum?

1

MYTH F.A.C.T. started with all the facilities needs and is working to prioritize the greatest needs into a meaningful, affordable proposed solution for our school board to consider.

Does the District really spend the lowest amount of money per pupil in the entire state of Wisconsin?

2

TRUTH Milton spending per pupil is more than \$2,000 below the state average and ranks 424 out of 424 (lowest) out of all school districts in the state in spending per pupil.

Is the District looking to buy land in the industrial park to build a new school?

3

MYTH F.A.C.T. discussed possible locations for a potential new high school that included discussions along HWY 26. However, the board has not taken any steps to begin analysis of alternate sites, or look at land acquisition.

Has enrollment in our District really increased more than 22% in the past 15 years?

4

TRUTH Since the 1999-2000 school year, our enrollment has increased by 672 students (2,854 to 3,526), which is over a 22% increase.

Hasn't the board already raised our taxes the last two years?

5

MYTH The school board has reduced school district taxes two years in a row.

Is the District's tax rate really the lowest in Rock County and the Badger Conference?

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TRUTH At \$8.20 per \$1,000 of equalized value, our school district has the lowest tax mill rate among all Rock County districts and all districts in the Badger Conference.

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Opportunities for public input and participation in developing a shared vision for our future will be posted on the district website's homepage:
www.milton.k12.wi.us



To keep the community informed on our instructional and facility needs, the District will have a video series titled "Tim Talks." Find these on the district website homepage or at:
youtube.com/user/RedHawkMedia1/videos



For any questions please contact:

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