

BLUEPRINT 181

RESULTS ARE IN



Thank you for your interest in Blueprint 181!

Dear neighbor,

The election results are in - voters have approved the Blueprint 181 plan to develop facilities that promote opportunity, innovation and success for all learners!

Residents approved all three questions on the facilities plan to make our schools and our entire Brainerd Lakes community safer and stronger. This is great news for everyone in our community!

The Blueprint 181 plan approved by voters will address critical building security, health, safety, education and space needs in all of the district's schools. This includes major improvements to our neighborhood elementary schools and much-needed additional early childhood education space, improvements to Brainerd High School, Forestview Middle School and alternative education facilities, and a performing arts center on the high school campus. These exciting developments will allow us to better prepare Brainerd Public Schools students for the world and workforce of tomorrow, especially as enrollment continues to grow by a projected seven percent by 2025.

The Blueprint 181 plan voters approved was developed through over three years of community input and feedback. The community was deeply engaged in the plan development from the beginning, including through participation in listening sessions, more than 100 presentations to local community groups and nearly 1,800 responses to phone and online surveys. Community input is the foundation upon which the Board of Education developed the plan to meet the needs of local learners and local taxpayers. This plan will allow us to build on the

district's proud past to sustain a promising future for all learners.

Design work will begin in the coming weeks. Safe spaces will be provided for all students and staff during construction. As we move forward, the district will provide regular updates on design and construction on our website, in social media and through district mailings and other communications.

Official election results can be found at
<https://www.crowwing.us/ISD181SpecialElection>.

Thank you to the thousands of community members, staff, students, parents and members of the Board of Education who participated in the process to put together the Blueprint 181 plan for the future of our Brainerd Public Schools buildings. Thank you also to everyone who joined this important community conversation by voting in the referendum.

Sincerely,
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