

SCOPE OF WORK

SAFETY & SECURITY

- Safety & security is and must be our first priority as a District. Our students and staff must feel safe every day for teaching and learning to occur in our schools. The 2023 Bond plans for safe and secure entrances at Lakewood Elementary School, Lakewood Middle School, and Lakewood High School include renovating the main entrances to prevent direct access to classrooms and common school areas.

INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS & FUTURE PLANNING

- Our buildings' infrastructure systems (such as roofs, parking lots, some classroom furniture, technology, and floors) have weathered decades of use and show signs of age. Most equipment has well outlived its expected useful life, and these select items will be replaced as needed.
- Looking to the future, we plan to create a main campus for Lakewood Schools by developing a new facility with specialized space for our community's learners. This building would be adjacent to Lakewood Middle School on thirty acres of land that could accommodate a new school.
- The Spring 2023 season will be Lakewood's last season to host track meets safely. The track was evaluated by a professional firm and, unfortunately, the track has surpassed its useful life, and replacing it is the only safe way it can continue to be used by student athletes and community members. Replacement of the track must be done to allow Lakewood to host future middle and high school track meets.

TRANSPORTATION BUS GARAGE

- Safe transportation of our students is a paramount goal for the District. Our proposal includes a new Bus Garage at the High School/Middle School main campus. In terms of square miles, our District is the 30th largest school district in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, much of which is dirt roads. Driving on rough, unpaved roads takes a major toll on the buses. A new bus garage, including a bus hoist and wash bay, would not only extend the lifespan of our fleet but would result in maintenance cost savings from our annual budget. The costs we incur to outsource maintenance that requires lifting buses off the ground can be eliminated with a properly equipped facility.

TIMELINE

