

Funding Proposal Details

The “Safer, Stronger 204” proposal would address upgrades to 33 of Indian Prairie School District 204’s school buildings, with a special focus on improving safety and security, addressing aging infrastructure needs, improving building efficiency, and providing quality learning environments across the District.



Capital Facility Needs at Each IPSD 204 School (Encompasses 10-Year Needs Assessment)

	Elementary Schools																				Middle Schools						High Schools								
	Brookdale	Brooks	Builta	Clow	Cowlishaw	Fry	Georgetown	Gombert	Graham	Kendall	Longwood	McCarty	Owen	Patterson	Peterson	Prairie Children Pre-K	Spring Brook	Steck	Watts	Welch	White Eagle	Young	Crone	Fischer	Granger	Gregory	Hill	Scullen	Still	Birkett Freshman Ctr	Metea Valley	Neuqua Valley	Waubonsie Valley		
✓ Safety and Security																																			
Vestibule Improvements, Line of Sight, Main Office Configuration	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fire Protection Systems (Sprinklers)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Systems (Access Controls, Security Cameras, Other)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
✓ Infrastructure - Systems																																			
Electrical Upgrades	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Technology/Low Voltage System Upgrades	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Partial Roofing Replacement	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Exterior Wall Repairs	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Window Replacement	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Asphalt Parking Lot and Sidewalk Improvements	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
✓ Infrastructure - Learning Environments																																			
HVAC Upgrades/Air Quality Improvements	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Energy Efficient LED Lighting	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Wall, Ceiling & Floor Finishes	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Furniture	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
✓ Comprehensive Improvements																																			
Phased additions and comprehensive renovations (including all items above) due to the age, size, and complexity of individual school sites																																			

Proposed Facility Improvements Include:

- **Districtwide security upgrades**, including the addition of secure entry vestibules, access controls, intrusion detection, and surveillance equipment
- **Districtwide infrastructure improvements** tied to air quality, building systems, roofing, health/life safety, site upgrades, and energy efficiency
- **Comprehensive renovation of four schools:** Waubonsie Valley High School, Hill Middle School, Gregory Middle School, and Neuqua Valley High School
- **Improving operational efficiency by repurposing the Birkett Freshman Center** and decommissioning the Wheatland and Indian Plains buildings
- **Renovating elementary schools**, including upgrades to classrooms, libraries, kindergarten, and student services and special education spaces
- **Expanding elementary school instructional space** on the north side of the District
- **Renovating middle schools**, including upgrades to classrooms, encore spaces, libraries, and student services and special education spaces
- **Establishing a consistent maintenance and capital improvement schedule** to protect long-term infrastructure investment

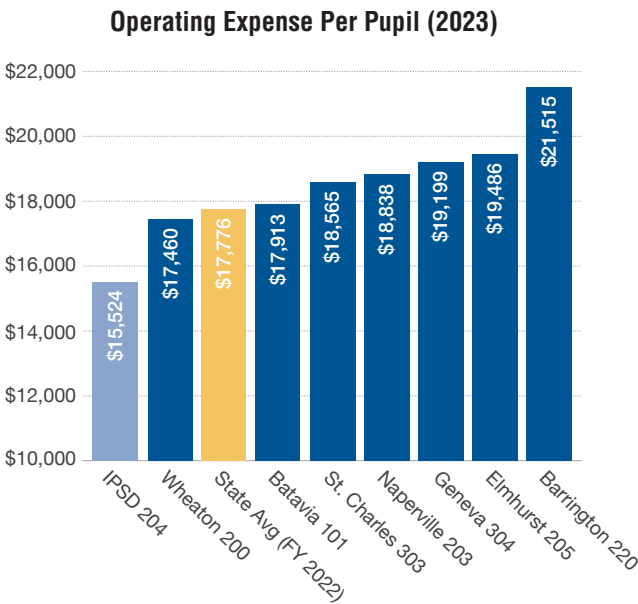


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The “Safer, Stronger 204” proposal would not only address Indian Prairie School District 204’s highest-priority facility needs, it would also reduce class sizes and improve students’ access to mental health services.

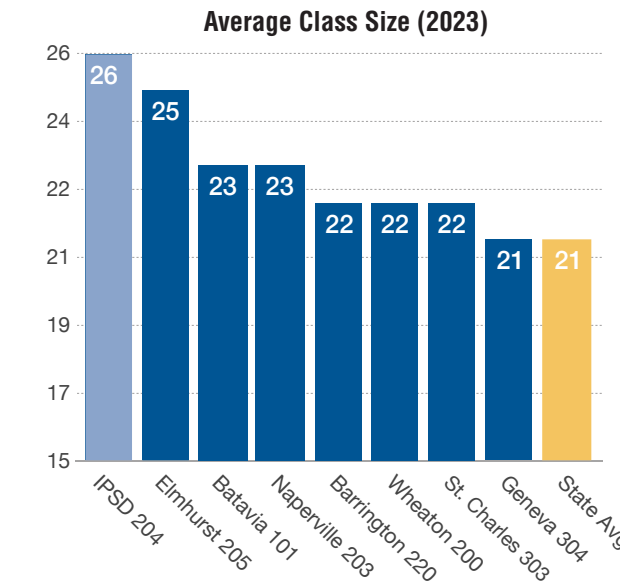


IPSD 204 spends less per pupil than its peer districts and the State average



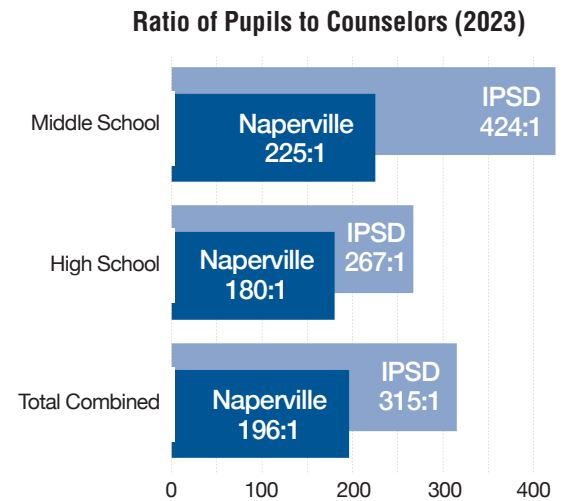
IPSD 204 works hard to live within its means, especially given its current funding challenges. All of the District’s peer districts currently spend more per student than what IPSD 204 is able to invest.

IPSD 204’s average class size is larger than its peer districts and the State average



IPSD 204’s student-to-teacher ratio is higher than its peer districts and the State average. A portion of the proposed limiting rate referendum funds would go toward hiring additional teachers to help reduce class sizes.

IPSD 204 has a higher pupil-to-counselor ratio than Naperville 203, among others



IPSD 204’s ratio of pupils to counselors is higher than peer districts like Naperville 203. With growing demand for mental health services, the District seeks to add counselors and other mental health professionals.



Addressing Facility and Operating Needs Without a Net Tax Rate Increase

IPSD 204 has long-term debt that will be paid off in 2026, eliminating the need for a net tax rate increase if voters approve the proposed limiting rate referendum.