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## SCHOOL REFERENDUMS SET FOR NOVEMBER 6

Wisconsin schools will be holding 82 school referendums on the November 6 ballot. With 71 referendums on the spring ballot, and an additional 82 for the fall ballot, that puts Wisconsin at 153 school referendums for 2018. In 2016, there were 154 referendums held, otherwise this is the largest number of referendum questions since 2001. ([Wheeler Report article on the history of school referendums](#))

District Name	Total Amount	Type	Brief Description
Bangor	\$2,500,000.00	NR - 2019	Permission to exceed the revenue cap for three years starting in 2019-20 on a non-recurring basis.
Belmont Community	\$9,850,000.00	Issue Debt	Initial Resolution authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$9,850,000
Beloit Turner	\$26,485,000.00	Issue Debt	New Construction (2-5 Elementary School) Addition/Improvements/Renovation (FJ Turner High School) Create Safe & Secure Main Entrances in District Instructional Buildings
Big Foot UHS	\$7,800,000.00	Issue Debt	for the public purpose of paying the cost of the construction and equipping of an outdoor athletic facility on district owned land
Big Foot UHS	\$1,050,000.00	NR - 2019	for non-recurring purposes consisting of expenses of employing a school resource officer, technology upgrades, and capital maintenance improvements, including roof and parking lot repair
Bonduel	\$900,000.00	NR - 2019	Technology
Brodhead	\$2,850,000.00	NR - 2019	To exceed the revenue limit for non-recurring purposes by \$950,000 in each of three (3) consecutive years, including the 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 school years, to be used to maintain school district facilities and programs.
Burlington Area	\$43,655,000.00	Issue Debt	Construct a new middle school and district-wide school building and site improvements
Cedarburg	\$59,800,000.00	Issue Debt	The debt will be used for an improvement program consisting of: classroom, common area, and other learning space additions, remodeling and renovations at District schools to accommodate increased enrollment and to update instructional areas, including Technical Education (STEAM); District-wide safety and security improvements, including upgraded secure main entrances; other capital and site improvements; and acquisition of related furnishings, fixtures, and equipment.

Delavan-Darien	\$11,200,000.00	NR - 2019	4 Year Non-Recurring Operational Referendum to exceed revenue cap by \$2,800,000 beginning in 2019-2020 and ending in 2022-2023
Dodgeville	\$10,000,000.00	Issue Debt	Issue debt for additions to Dodgeville High School not to exceed \$10,000,000.
Edgerton	\$1,250,000.00	RR - 2018	Question to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,250,000 beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of supporting additional space, recruiting and retaining staff and enhancing educational opportunities.
Edgerton	\$40,600,000.00	Issue Debt	Question to exceed \$40,600,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and improvement program consisting of: the construction of an addition and related reconfiguration and renovations at Community Elementary School; renovations at the High School, including the science labs, commons and office; District-wide building infrastructure and capital maintenance improvements, safety and security upgrades and site improvements; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.
Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah	\$8,746,073.00	NR - 2019	Resolution Authorizing the School District to Exceed Revenue Limit for Five Years for Non-Recurring Purposes consisting of operational and general maintenance expenses
Evansville Community	\$6,000,000.00	NR - 2020	
Evansville Community	\$34,000,000.00	Issue Debt	
Fox Point J2	\$12,400,000.00	NR - 2019	Non-Recurring Operational Referendum to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$3.1 Million per year for Four Years, 2019-20 school year through 2022-23 school year.
Gibraltar Area	\$4,200,000.00	RR - 2019	To fund educational programming for students
Gibraltar Area	\$4,500,000.00	Issue Debt	Cost of school improvements & remodel/renovate LMC & classrooms as well as upgrades for security & other capital improvements
Gillett	\$1,800,000.00	NR - 2019	Exceed revenue limit by \$600,000 per year for three years for non-recurring purposes.
Goodman-Armstrong	\$2,250,000.00	NR - 2019	Resolution to exceed revenue cap commencing with the 2019-2020 school year by an amount of \$750,000.
Greendale	\$33,800,000.00	Issue Debt	Issue debt for capital projects at all 5 schools including classroom additions and renovations, addition of multi-purpose rooms at 2 elementary schools, HVAC work at all 5 schools and other additions and renovations.
Gresham	\$6,500,000.00	Issue Debt	Issue debt not to exceed \$6,500,000 for the construction, renovation, and demolition of parts of the existing school facility.

Hartford J1	\$5,495,000.00	Issue Debt	Adding instructional space at Rossman Elementary and Lincoln Elementary
Hillsboro	\$2,000,000.00	NR - 2019	For non-recurring purposes to maintain District facilities and current programs.
Hillsboro	\$3,700,000.00	Issue Debt	For District-wide school facility improvement program consisting of: building infrastructure and capital improvement projects, replacements and repairs; remodeling for ADA compliance; site improvements; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.
Holmen	\$23,500,000.00	Issue Debt	Holmen High School renovations and addition of Fine Arts Center, gymnasium, and other spaces.
Holmen	\$460,000.00	RR - 2020	Ongoing operating and maintaining costs for the additional space at Holmen High School
Jefferson	\$3,100,000.00	RR - 2019	Referendum to exceed revenue limits on recurring basis for operational expenses.
Juda	\$350,000.00	RR - 2018	The district is seeking a \$350,000 recurring operational referendum.
Kiel Area	\$3,110,000.00	Issue Debt	Renovating and equipping the high school athletic facilities.
Kiel Area	\$7,000,000.00	Issue Debt	Building and equipping a new performing arts center and expanded technical education area at Kiel High School.
Lake Mills Area	\$6,900,000.00	Issue Debt	Building Classroom Additions and Remodeling to the Lake Mills High School
Lake Mills Area	\$2,490,000.00	Issue Debt	Improvements to existing outdoor athletic areas and construction and equipping of a multi-purpose outdoor facility at the High School
Loyal	\$2,980,000.00	NR - 2018	Exceed Revenue Limit for five years for non-recurring purposes.
Manawa	\$12,000,000.00	Issue Debt	Building and Site renovations
Manawa	\$365,000.00	NR - 2019	Former Elementary School demolition
Marathon City	\$4,265,000.00	Issue Debt	Renovations and construction of an addition at Marathon Elementary/Marathon Venture Academy, safety & security upgrades and construction of secure entrances, building infrastructure, capital maintenance and site improvements, acquiring furnishings, fixtures and equipment at Marathon Elementary, Marathon Venture Academy and Marathon High School
Marathon City	\$685,000.00	RR - 2018	Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$685,000 for Recurring Purposes
Middleton-Cross Plains	\$138,900,000.00	Issue Debt	construction and equipping of a new elementary; construction and equipping of an addition, remodel, demolition, and reconstruction at Middleton High School; construction and equipping of a new cafeteria at Park Elementary School; and remodel of the current Clark Street Community School for use as an early learning center
Middleton-Cross Plains	\$4,800,000.00	RR - 2019	exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$2,800,000 for the 2019-2020 school year

			and by an additional \$2,000,000 (for a total of \$4,800,000) for the 2020-21 school year and thereafter, for recurring purposes
Mineral Point	\$350,000.00	RR - 2019	Paying the costs of maintaining ongoing operational expenses.
Mineral Point	\$11,920,000.00	Issue Debt	Paying the cost of a school building and improvement program; renovating and updating existing elementary school; improving parking, bus lane, and stormwater; securing lobby, office and classroom addition; constructing a gym and physical education addition.
Mondovi	\$18,000,000.00	Issue Debt	Capital Improvement referendum not to exceed \$18,000,000
Monona Grove	\$57,000,000.00	Issue Debt	Issue debt in the amount of \$57,000,000 to build a new elementary school in Cottage Grove, renovations to District facilities, safety and security upgrades, and capital maintenance.
Monona Grove	\$930,000.00	RR - 2020	To exceed revenue limits by \$930,000 on a recurring basis beginning with the 2019-2020 school year for the purposes of paying operational and maintenance expenses of the District, including any additional costs associated with the new elementary school.
Monroe	\$7,500,000.00	NR - 2019	Maintain Current Educational Programs and Offerings
Monroe	\$3,360,000.00	Issue Debt	School Improvements and Maintenance at Parkside Elementary and Monroe Middle School
Montello	\$4,500,000.00	Issue Debt	Replacing portions of the roof, replacing roof-mounted air conditioning units, improving electrical controls, replacing carpet and removing asbestos, bringing the fire alarm system up to code.
New Glarus	\$1,200,000.00	NR - 2018	Exceed revenue cap by \$1,200,000 for non-recurring purpose to purchase land.
New Glarus	\$500,000.00	RR - 2019	Exceed revenue limit by \$500,000 for recurring purposes consisting of operational costs to maintain and grow instructional programs, staffing and facilities.
New London	\$13,000,000.00	NR - 2018	Non-recurring purposes consisting of building maintenance and operations, energy efficiency projects, life safety and security improvements, and debt service for additional functional space at Parkview Elementary and capital improvement projects at all schools.
Oak Creek-Franklin	\$60,935,000.00	Issue Debt	Safety improvements, elementary gyms, performing arts education center, tech ed renovations at the hs, equity improvements at all levels and athletic field improvements or new fields.
Onalaska	\$15,250,000.00	NR - 2019	Exceed the revenue limit for operational purposes
Oregon	\$44,900,000.00	Issue Debt	New Elementary School
Oregon	\$2,118,487.00	RR - 2020	Operation of New Elementary School, Capital Maintenance Projects and District Staffing Costs

Pewaukee	\$39,700,000.00	Issue Debt	campus-wide school building and improvement program consisting of: safety and security improvements, construction of additions and renovations at all school buildings; campus site improvements; other capital projects identified in the district's capital improvement plan; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment
Poynette	\$28,385,000.00	Issue Debt	Ballot Question: "Shall the School District of Poynette, Dane and Columbia Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$28,385,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and improvement program consisting of: construction of a new elementary school; safety and security improvements at the high school; remodeling and updates to the science and technical education areas at the high school; district-wide building maintenance and site improvements; and the purchase of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?"
Rhineland	\$17,000,000.00	NR - 2020	The referendum to exceed the revenue limit by \$4,250,000 for four years
River Valley	\$6,550,000.00	NR - 2019	To maintain the educational programs and current level of district operations.
Sevastopol	\$4,000,000.00	NR - 2019	Exceed revenue limit by \$2,000,000 per year for 2 years.
Sevastopol	\$25,100,000.00	Issue Debt	EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT BY \$25,100,000.00 FOR THE THE PURPOSE OF NEW CONSTRUCTION AND EXISTING BUILDING RENOVATIONS.
South Milwaukee	\$3,800,000.00	RR - 2019	Exceed Inequitable Revenue Caps
Southern Door County	\$450,000.00	NR - 2020	Operational expenses necessary to maintain educational programming and services.
Southern Door County	\$6,270,000.00	Issue Debt	Issue debt for the purpose of paying the cost of a campus-wide school improvement plan.
Stevens Point Area	\$3,500,000.00	RR - 2018	Maintain General Operations
Stevens Point Area	\$75,900,000.00	Issue Debt	Remodel/improve/equip schools
Swallow	\$8,300,000.00	Issue Debt	General obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8,300,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping replacement classrooms and instructional space; renovating the building, including classrooms, labs, restrooms and common areas; and making capital maintenance improvements.
Union Grove J1	\$7,995,000.00	Issue Debt	Academic addition, remodeling, building infrastructure, IT upgrades and capital maintenance improvements, reconfiguration of learning spaces, and acquisition of related furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

Viroqua Area	\$36,820,000.00	Issue Debt	District-wide school building and improvement program.
Waterford Graded	\$24,900,000.00	Issue Debt	Renovation and remodel of middle school and security upgrades district wide.
Watertown	\$16,600,000.00	NR - 2018	Resolution authorizing the School District to exceed the Revenue Limit for five years for Non-Recurring purposes consisting of operational and general maintenance expenses
Waukesha	\$60,000,000.00	Issue Debt	The purpose of this referendum is to approve borrowing of \$60,000,000 for improvements to our school buildings, with a large focus on safety improvements.
Wauwatosa	\$124,900,000.00	Issue Debt	For the public purpose of paying the cost of a building and improvement program consisting of: construction of four elementary schools on existing sites and removal of all or part of the existing buildings; District-wide renovation, site improvements, safety and security updates, capital improvements, HVAC systems upgrades, ADA updates, and classroom upgrades; acquisition of related fixtures, furnishings and equipment; and remodeling the technical education classrooms and lab spaces at East and West High Schools.
West Depere	\$64,800,000.00	Issue Debt	INITIAL RESOLUTION NUMBER I AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$64,800,000
West Depere	\$9,900,000.00	Issue Debt	INITIAL RESOLUTION NUMBER II AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,900,000
West Salem	\$7,635,000.00	NR - 2019	Non-recurring purposes consisting of maintaining educational programming and facilities.
Whitewater	\$12,800,000.00	NR - 2019	Permission to exceed the revenue limit for maintaining targeted class sizes, maintaining student support and mental health services, maintaining comprehensive instructional and co-curricular programs, and maintaining technology, safety, and facilities infrastructure.
Williams Bay	\$90,000.00	RR - 2018	Fund a School Resource Officer
Wisconsin Dells	\$33,685,000.00	Issue Debt	ISSUE DEBT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,685,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING A NEW HIGH SCHOOL AND RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS
Wittenberg-Birnamwood	\$13,105,000.00	Issue Debt	Borrowing would be used for the public purpose of paying the cost of a District-wide school building and improvement program consisting of: safety and security improvements, remodeling and building infrastructure improvements at District facilities, construction of an agricultural and maintenance facility at the High School, and the construction of classroom

			additions at the Elementary/Middle Schools.
Wittenberg-Birnamwood	\$4,420,000.00	Issue Debt	Borrowing would be used to construct and equip a new gymnasium at the High School.