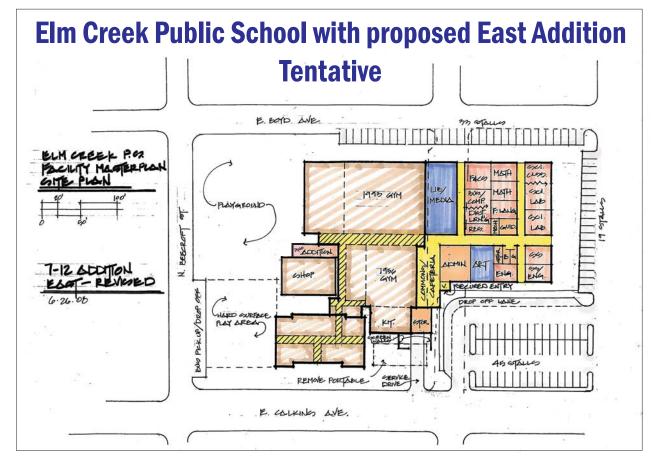
## **Our Solution**

- Increased Classroom Space The new facility will provide 31,434(+ Vocational Tech. classroom space) additional square feet of academic classrooms for the 7th 12th grades, including new spaces for Math, Science, English and Social Studies, and this project would also provide new spaces for Art, Foreign Language, Computers and Technology, Business, Home Economics and Vocational Tech. The new facility will free up space in the existing school for the elementary programs to utilize, and to reduce class size in some grade levels.
- Enhanced Security New entrances will provide controlled access for improved safety and security.
- Services The new facility will provide accommodation for our specialized services to include; expanded office/ reception area, guidance, resource/ special services, nursing /sick facilities, and restrooms.
- Separate Cafeterial Commons
  Space A cafeteria and commons space will
  help to preserve the old gym and allow it to be
  used more effectively for our theater program,
  P.E. classes, and recesses during inclement
  weather.
- Expanded Library & Media A new library and media area with outside access will allow for these areas to be expanded and even utilized for after hour projects and study.
- Fire Safety Measures This project includes the installation of fire code sprinklers in our current 3-story building and the peace of mind in knowing that our children are in a safer environment.



#### **Financial Information**

The Elm Creek School Board has approved the holding of a special bond election on September 9, 2008. The reason for the election being held on September 9 is that the school district would save in the range of \$200,000 to \$300,000 (because of bond interest) by having the election in September, instead of

# Project Scope: \$5,700,000 Bond Size: \$5,750,000 (15-Year Amortization) Track/Football Valuation \$146,000,000

Levy: 2009 – 2.28 cents per \$100

2010 – 2.52 cents per \$100 **School/Gym** Valuation \$102,000,000

Levy: 2009 – 22.80 cents per \$100 2010 – 17.74 cents per \$100

New Bonds Valuation \$146,000,000 Levy: 2009 – 15.46 cents per \$100

2010 – 19.57 cents per \$100 2011 – 39.83 cents per \$100

### Levy - cents per \$100 of Taxable Valuation

	Track/Football	New Bonds	Total	School/Gym	Total
2009	2.28 cents	15.46 cents	17.74 cents	22.80 cents	40.54cents
2010	2.52 cents	19.57 cents	22.09 cents	17.74 cents	39.83 cents
2011		39.33 cents	39.33 cents		39.33 cents
2012		39.27 cents	39.27 cents		39.27 cents
2013		39.47 cents	39.47 cents		39.47 cents
2014		39.27 cents	39.27 cents		39.27 cents
2015		39.35 cents	39.35 cents		39.35 cents
2016		39.36 cents	39.36 cents		39.36 cents
2017		39.31 cents	39.31 cents		39.31 cents
2018		39.17 cents	39.17 cents		39.17 cents
2019		39.31 cents	39.31 cents		39.31 cents
2020		39.35 cents	39.35 cents		39.35 cents
2021		39.31 cents	39.31 cents		39.31 cents
2022		39.19 cents	39.19 cents		39.19 cents
2023		39.34 cents	39.34 cents		39.34 cents

To calculate your tax increase: ( Taxable valuation x .001546)

Taxable	Net Levy	Yearly	Monthly
<u>Value</u>	Increase	Increase	Increase
\$50,000	15.46 cents	\$77.30	\$6.44
\$75,000	15.46 cents	\$115.95	\$9.66
\$100,000	15.46 cents	\$154.60	\$12.88

### **Key Dates:**

- August 22 Mail in registration must be postmarked by or before August 22
- August 25 Open House
- August 29 Last day to register in person registration at the County Election Commissioners Office
- September 9 Election Day

**Who May Vote:** District Residents who will be 18 years of age by November 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 are eligible to register to vote in this election.

**Absentee Ballot:** Absentee ballots may be requested from the Election Commissioner in your county.

**Where To Vote:** The special election will be held at one polling place, which is the Elm Creek Village Hall, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Homestead Exemption** will apply to this bond issue. Homeowners may apply for exemption at the County Assessor's office. State funding will replace local property taxes for those who qualify.

If you would like to publicly endorse this project with a yard sign or be listed in our endorsement ad prior to the election please let us know at

abc@elmcreekabc.com or contact Becky Marshall at 856-4841 or Staci Worthing at 856-4414.

For more information about this project go to www.elmcreekabc.com



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