

The Pewaukee School District's referendum to expand Pewaukee High School goes to the voters on November 2, 2010. Among the proposed facilities improvements at the high school are:

- Eight new classrooms
- An expanded cafeteria
- A new gym
- A new auditorium and fine arts area

These improvements are essential to accommodate our growing district. Enrollment at Pewaukee High School is currently more than 700. Within five years, high-school enrollment is expected to reach 800. School administrators have extensively studied the growth patterns in the district and have determined that PHS is the school needing immediate expansion. The elementary schools and middle school already have rooms that can be converted to create additional classrooms. PHS does not have the same flexibility. The proposed improvements are designed to address our facility needs for the next 8-10 years, but these facilities will also meet immediate needs:

- The PHS cafeteria is so small that students eat lunch in three shifts, interrupting class time for students in the middle lunch period.
- Our auditorium, built in 1968 when the school had half as many students, can't accommodate parents who attend band and choir concerts.

This forward-thinking referendum addresses students' immediate and future needs, but it's not just about the kids. By providing facilities comparable to the districts that surround us, the referendum helps home buyers maximize their property value. Strong schools with updated facilities attract home buyers and maximize resale value for sellers. We hope you will support our schools and our property values by voting YES on November 2nd.