



**Negaunee Public Schools
Community Update
July 31, 2017**

Sinking Fund Election Coming!

On Tuesday, August 8, 2017, the Negaunee Public Schools will be asking the voters of the Negaunee School District to decide on a 2.5 mill Sinking Fund millage for a period of 10 years. Negaunee Public Schools has been fortunate to have had a Sinking Fund for decades, so the request we are seeking is very important to the future of the District. Our current Sinking Fund expires in 2018, so in essence, this approval will replace that Fund when it expires.

*By law, Sinking Fund revenue
cannot be used for salaries, supplies or equipment.*

How has the sinking fund benefitted the district up to this point?

In the past, Negaunee Public Schools has used the revenue raised by the Sinking Fund millage to repair the roofs on all the school buildings, repair the heating and ventilation system in the Middle School, replace the lockers at the Middle School, upgrade the fixtures in the bathrooms at both the Middle and High Schools, replace flooring at all of the school buildings, replace the windows in the Administration Building, replace the exterior doors at all of the school buildings, remodel a building classroom into a science lab, upgrade the heating systems at Lakeview, install handrails at the Lakeview gym and football stadium, construct new tennis courts and expand the football practice field.

This is only a partial list of the upgrades we have been able to accomplish

As a result of these many projects, we have experienced a savings in our utility bills, which in turn has allowed the district to invest more of our General Fund revenues into instruction and classroom supplies. Without the Sinking Fund, the district would not have been able to do many of these projects.

If you will be out of town on the day of the election, are physically unable to attend the polls, or are 60 years of age or older, you may vote by absentee ballot. Absentee ballot applications are now available from your local township or city hall and must be submitted by the time the polls close at 8:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

Please vote on Tuesday, August 8!