

The collective consciousness of Malad can be conveyed to the School Board and the School Superintendent by voting to FAIL THE SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY on March 10th. <https://scrutineer.scruta.com/issues>

The School Board and Superintendent are behaving with arrogance and presumptions that the district DESERVES to have a perpetual bond to finance new facilities. Without corrective input from THE VOTERS they WILL FLOAT a New Elementary School Bond. . . EVENTUALLY.

SEND A MESSAGE to the Board by voting to FAIL THE SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY. This levy has nothing to do with building a new school OR renovating the existing buildings, and failing it WILL NOT impact the School District operations, since this levy can be run again before the funds would be available anyway. If the behavior of the Board improves, it can be wholeheartedly passed by the voters NEXT TIME. <https://scrutineer.scruta.com>

However THIS SIGNAL to the Board that they DO NOT HAVE the absolute power to make facilities decisions that impact everyone without the consent of the voting residents might bring them to appreciate where the power lies in Oneida County.

YOUR VOTE is powerful ONLY IF YOU VOTE! Don't let the small fraction of voters who chronically turn out for these carefully timed votes speak for you. If you are registered, be sure to vote. If you ARE NOT REGISTERED it is easy to register at the courthouse, and you can even vote the day you register. <https://scrutineer.scruta.com/issues> <https://scrutineer.scruta.com>

There are MORE registered voters that DO NOT VOTE than the usual turnout of voters. That means YOU DO HAVE POWER and if everyone voted, whether mindlessly for, or SYMBOLICALLY AGAINST, this levy, it would be a true representation of the will of the people of the county.

The School Board under the advice of the School Superintendent voted to demolish the Old Malad High School and Gymnasium buildings. They are preparing to spend \$370,000 just to BEGIN the process (once started, they will find the money to pour into it, probably more than \$500,000 before it is a vacant lot). HOW DOES THIS IMPROVE the Malad Elementary School Building? This money is available NOW and could be better spent to begin renovation of the said buildings THIS SUMMER and with a new Renovation Levy passed LATER THIS YEAR then funding for further renovation of the school building Summer 2021 and beyond is assured. <https://scrutineer.scruta.com/issues> <https://scrutineer.scruta.com>

There is at least one PRIVATE DEVELOPER willing to assume all liabilities to renovate the Old Malad High School and Gymnasium buildings. This developer is willing to lease the dirt under these buildings from the school district so this \$370,000 can be invested in the Elementary School and Auditorium. The school district has already expressed the opinion that the structures on this dirt are worthless with their quest to demolish them. A private development will breathe new life into the sound and venerable buildings, releasing the school district from further concern. They will become a tax-paying asset to the community instead of a neglected and forlorn example of systemic poor decisions by the Oneida School Board over DECADES.

FAIL THE SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY if you'd like to see things change. Pass the Supplemental Levy if you wish to maintain the status quo.