

Press Clippings - 4/6/2023

– The Daily Herald –

U-46, Sugar Grove Library requests are approved, but Kane County voters reject other ballot measures

April 5, 2023

Susan Sarkauskas



McKinley Elementary School is one of several schools in Elgin Area Unit District 46 that will be rebuilt. Rick West | Staff Photographer

Elgin Area Unit District 46 can proceed with a plan to replace five elementary schools. And the Sugar Grove Public Library got a long-sought "yes" to increase taxes to run the library.

But almost all the other propositions on the Kane County ballot failed on Tuesday.

Results are unofficial because vote-by-mail ballots can be counted through April 18.

Elgin U-46

Voters have given **Elgin Area Unit District 46** permission to borrow \$179 million to rebuild aging schools.

The ballot measure from the state's second-largest school district received 10,523 "yes" votes and 6,346 "no" votes, according to unofficial counts from Kane, DuPage and Cook counties.

U-46 plans to replace **Lowrie and McKinley schools** in Elgin, both of which were built in the 1800s. It also proposes rebuilding **Century Oaks in Elgin, Parkwood in Hanover Park and Glenbrook in Streamwood**. They were built in the 1970s.

The overall construction program is estimated to cost \$300 million, but the district says it will use money it has in reserve to cover the rest of the cost. Because the district is replacing old debt with new debt, the new loan will not result in a property tax increase, officials said.

"This was a unique opportunity," said **U-46 Chief of Staff Brian Lindholm**, adding that the ability to present a bond request without a tax rate increase likely contributed to voter support.

In addition to new buildings, the building program will help the district move to a full middle school model after a planned conversion of **Hawk Hollow Elementary School** into a middle school is complete. Currently, sixth-grade students attend elementary schools. The district plans to move sixth-grade students to middle schools within the next two years.

While the main focus is on replacing five elementary schools, the district plans to earmark an additional \$10 million per year over the next 10 years to make improvements to the district's other schools. In all, **U-46** has 57 buildings.

To read the full article, click [here](#).

- Chicago Tribune –

Baseball, softball and girls soccer scores for the Southland, Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County

April 5, 2023

Daily Southtown - By From Staff Reports

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

GIRLS SOCCER

Antioch 4, Zion-Benton 1

Glenbard East 1, East Aurora 0

Glenbard South 4, **Streamwood** 3

Streamwood (2-3-1, 1-1-1 Upstate Eight): Daniela Sanchez 2 goals. Dayanara Huerta 3 assists.

St. Edward 1, Westminster Christian 1

Thornwood 5, Beecher 2

Waukegan 2, Round Lake 1

Waukegan (2-2-1): Xiaoxu Mejia goal, Jocelyn Rogel goal.

Compiled by Josh Krockey.

To read the full article, click [here](#).