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Platte Valley thanks voters for their support

Platte Valley School District Re-7 once again earned the support of community members this election season, and the district would like to thank all who backed ballot measures 3A and 3B.

Thanks to the support of voters, students in Platte Valley School District will continue to enjoy the advantages of quality teaching and support staff, small class sizes, music, gifted and talented programs, full day kindergarten, and up-to-date textbooks and other materials. That is possible through the passage of 3A, an existing mill levy override that will carry us to 2016. The renewal will take us to 2021. Issue 3B, a \$16.5 million bond, will replace old school roofs and HVAC equipment, renovate the middle school kitchen to current health codes, resurface parking lots, provide a district preschool facility, replace outdated buses and vehicles and pay for many other needed improvements.

We respect the message from our community that 3C was not a priority at this time. We will do our best to provide for athletes and students with the facilities we do have, and we will continue to look for ways to help their programs succeed. We know parents and supporters will continue to help us accomplish great things in that regard.

Together, these bond issues represent a strong future in education for students living in Platte Valley. As design and construction begins, we'll keep you updated on where the project stands. We know that a positive vote on 3A and 3B means we must work together to honor the confidence of voters. The next two school board meetings will outline the next steps for the district.

While the mill levy override and bond issue represent a \$10.61 tax per month for a home valued at \$100,000, the district's overall mill levy will still decrease, thanks to increased oil and gas production that raises the district's total assessed value. The bottom line is the tax rate and your taxes will go down in 2015.

The community was so gracious to grant us the opportunity to continue the work we began nine years ago. Years down the road, we hope to still be showcasing the ways that these funds are making a difference in classrooms every day.

Today, we start the journey with a resounding thank-you.