What is a sinking fund?

A sinking fund is a millage that a district can levy with voter approval. It is generally utilized for **"pay as you go"** projects and allows timely execution of infrastructure improvements. At GHAPS, the sinking fund would help address our most pressing aging facility issues and repairs.

On **Tuesday, August 6th**, our community will vote on a sinking fund proposal for GHAPS.

Sinking fund value & cost

The 2024 0.70 mill sinking fund proposal would be first levied on the 2025 tax bills. It is estimated to raise \$2.2 million dollars in the first year.

Taxable Value	Estimated Annual Property Tax
\$100,000	\$70.00
\$200,000	\$140.00
\$300,000	\$210.00

Example Projects

- Upgrades to safety equipment district-wide
- Improve safety lighting in parking lots
- 1-to-1 devices for students
- Update the public announcement system
- · New parking lots
- Site upgrades
- GHHS roof replacement
- Classroom carpet replacement
- Air handler upgrades
- Boiler upgrades
- Elevator upgrades for 2028 code

Added Transparency

- Adopt language in board policy
 6220 that requires the Sinking Fund budget to be approved by the Board of Education annually.
- Annual Financial Overview board report each September.
- Capital Projects Dashboard to be available on the District website.
- Implementation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).
- The Sinking Fund is required by law to be audited each year.
- Capital Projects Committee made up of staff and community members.

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