

# Overview of MPSF

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### Our Mission, Our Work



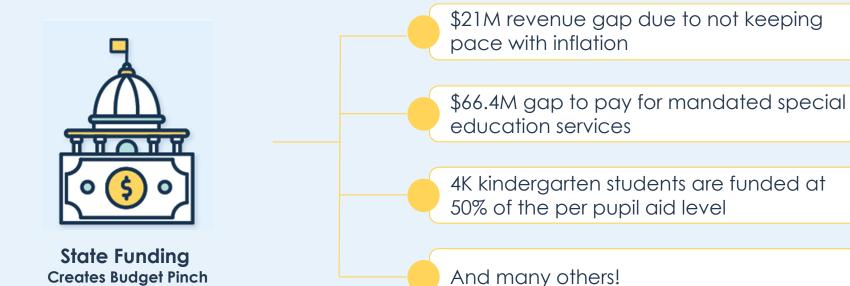
The Madison Public Schools Foundation is committed to supporting the education of every child by:

- Raising funds
- Developing community partnerships
- Advocating for Madison's public schools

Our vision: Supported by the Foundation,
Madison will have excellent, well-funded public
schools in which learning is celebrated and all
students graduate ready for college, career,
and community



### Why we're needed – bridging the funding gap





**Points for MMSD** 

### **School Endowment Funds**

- Launched in 2003
- Nearly \$1.2M has gone directly to MMSD schools over the past 20 years
- \$124,000 distributed for the 2023-24 school year
- Some projects from the 2022-23 school year include:
  - Gillespie Middle School supported their Student Regulation Room – a safe & friendly space for students who benefit from time away from the classroom.
  - Lowell Elementary purchased a new sound system that has been used extensively for assemblies, music concerts, & community events. They also purchased plastic bins to store & organize all the materials from the new literacy curriculum.



### Adopt-a-School Program

A dynamic bridge between schools & the community. In 2023, this equated to \$565,068 in total support:

- \$161,896 in direct financial contributions
- \$213,043 in-kind and/or material contributions
- \$190,147 value of planning/volunteer hours



### Teacher Support Network

- Teacher Support Network online store:
  - We provide a \$190,000 equity-based budget across 52 schools
  - Available 24/7 throughout the school year
  - Responsive new items added per teacher feedback
  - Deliveries typically made in 24 hours
- Play Every Day initiative invested \$150,000 in getting kids active
- \$50,000 worth of Lands' End winter outerwear



### Advocacy

#### **Local Efforts**

- Feature BoE elections & promote voting
- Communicate & educate on issues in our own backyard

#### **Statewide Outreach**

- Track state policy developments related to public K12 education
- Partner with statewide organizations to highlight public education issues & encourage discussion around those issues
- Build relationships with business & industry influencers who are willing to champion K12 investment

#### **National Monitoring**

- Understand any developing trends within public education
- Stay connected with local Congressional representatives & their staff



## Economic Impact Report



#### **Generating the Future**

Understanding the Economic and Fiscal Impact of Madison Metropolitan School District



This study was commissioned by Schools Make Madison Advocates, the 501c4 affiliate of the Madison Public Schools Foundation, and conducted by the University of Wisconsin Whitewater's Fiscal and Economic Research Center.

### 2020 Referenda Campaign



\$350M facilities referendum work is visible across Madison:

- New buildings for Southside Elementary & Capital High
- Major renovations at the four comprehensive high schools

Operating referendum has allowed MMSD to continue strategic equity projects:

- Invest in expanding & continuing 4K programming in 27 schools
- Implement school-based health centers to address concerns interfering with learning



### **2024 Priorities**

- Preparation for potential 2024 MMSD referenda package
- Engaging in strategic board expansion, with new ex officio seats representing:
  - City of Madison
  - Downtown Madison, Inc.
  - Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce
  - Madison College



