

INDIANA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FACILITY STUDY UPDATE  
FEBRUARY 22, 2010

Mr. Rick Witt and Mr. Rich O'Donald of L. Robert Kimball presented a draft copy of information on the eight options currently being considered as part of the school district facility study. The draft includes elementary classroom distribution and a range of cost estimates and state reimbursement for each option.

In addition, cost estimates for needed capital improvements (with no educational improvements) for each of the school district's six buildings and for capital improvements plus educational improvements (Option A-1) are included on the 11/16/09 progress report. Estimates of state reimbursement without education improvements range from \$8,830,000 to \$9,400,000. Estimates of state reimbursement with educational improvements range from \$9,890,000 to \$10,250,000.

Cost estimates for options that include closing one or two elementary schools and/or grade realignment range from \$41,830,000 to \$70,090,000. Estimates of state reimbursement range from \$8,290,000 to 10,170,000.

The administration presented a comparison of operating costs for each building and preliminary information on staff savings if an elementary school was closed. The elementary staffing information is still under review and is incomplete. The impact on staffing for grade realignment is still being evaluated.

Representatives from L. Robert Kimball will return for the March 8, 2010 school board meeting to answer board member questions on the information provided. The facility study is still a work in progress and will be made available to the public upon completion. All school board deliberations on the facility study and identified options will continue to occur during public meetings. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings.