

Frequently Asked Questions

What can sinking fund millage revenues be used for?

Under Michigan law, sinking fund millage revenues may be used for:

- Construction or repair of school buildings
- Safety and security improvements
- Technology infrastructure
- Other building and site-related projects

Sinking fund millage revenues cannot be used for:

- Employee salaries
- Routine operating expenses

How might the district use these funds?

If approved, the district may allocate sinking fund revenue toward eligible projects such as:

- Mechanical systems not addressed by prior bond work
- Safety and security-related improvements
- Instructional technology
- Facility and site upgrades
- Final decisions regarding specific projects are made by the Board of Education in accordance with legal requirements.

How is a sinking fund different from a bond?

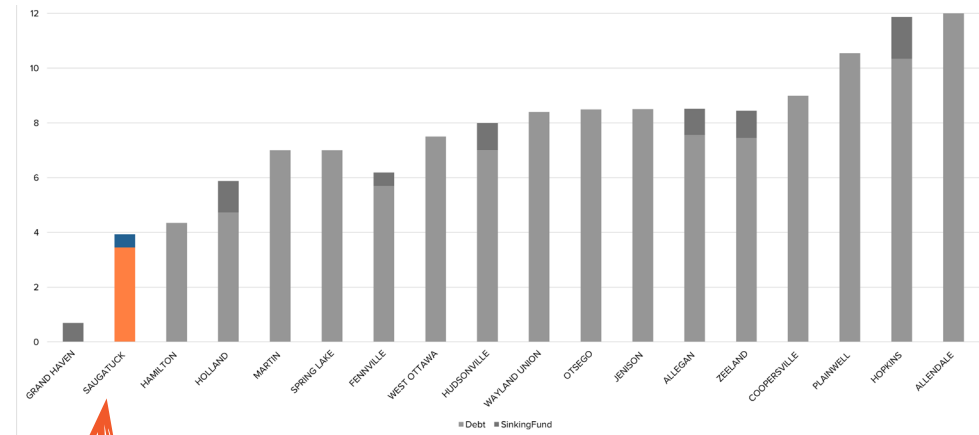
- A bond allows a district to borrow money for large projects and repay it over time.
- A sinking fund allows a district to collect funds annually and use them for eligible projects without borrowing.

What types of needs may be addressed over the next three years?

Historically, the district has used sinking fund revenues for purposes including:

- Mechanical system repairs
- Roofing
- School security measures
- Instructional technology

Area District Comparison Sinking Fund and Debt Millage Rates



Saugatuck Public Schools currently levies one of the lowest combined debt and sinking fund debt levies of districts in Ottawa and Allegan counties. If this proposal is approved, Saugatuck would remain the second lowest.

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