



Greetings Friends and Families of DeSmet,

You may have received your ballot by now. To help understand what we are asking I have included a picture of our project. We are very pleased and grateful for your support in the renovation and expansion of the facilities, and the housing development. These were the Bond Measures you passed last fall. One of the elements we have in the plan is a multipurpose field. We were informed that the multipurpose field is not considered part of the building expansion and renovation because it is a field not a building. The money from the sale of the land can be used for the building and expansion, but not the multipurpose field without your permission. The Ballot measure hopes to clarify our desire to have the field included in this project.

There are also several zoning issues that have cropped up in our school district. They will need to be addressed legally. Rather than divert money from our general education fund, which we use for the education of the children; we would like to use money from the land sale for this purpose. Again, the ballot measure you received is to help you understand and clarify what we are addressing and what we feel is a better funding mechanism for these matters.

Thank you for your support, we are quickly putting the school together. I can't express how delighted and thankful everyone at DeSmet is for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Matt Driessen, Principal.