Mark Harris Urges Support for Waupun Schools

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WAUPUN, WI - On November 8th, families in the Waupun Area School District will consider a \$36 million referendum to provide needed maintenance and infrastructure improvements at all four public schools. The referendum will place \$13 million towards deferred maintenance and safety upgrades and \$23 million towards classroom renovations and a new gymnasium at Meadow View Primary School.



"In recent years the state has failed to fully invest in education and failed to adequately support our public schools, forcing many communities like Waupun to resort to referendums," said Winnebago County Executive and State Senate Candidate **Mark Harris**. "While Republicans continue to expand tax breaks for the wealthy and corporations that ship jobs overseas, our local schools are struggling due to inadequate state funding."

General aid for the Waupun Area School District has dropped below 2010 levels. The funding cuts have increased classroom pressures and delayed needed infrastructure improvements — challenges now faced by many Wisconsin communities. Last spring, over fifty school districts across Wisconsin passed referendums similar to the one Waupun voters will consider.

"Our legislators need to stop shifting the cost of schools onto local taxpayers," noted Harris. "We know that a quality education is the key to success, and the Waupun School District has been nothing but a good steward of taxpayer dollars. I fully support the work of the Waupun School District and urge residents to vote yes on the referendum question Nov. 8th."