

# SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION LOAN APPLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SCHOOL FINANCE AND ORGANIZATION SFN 52306 (06-23)

School District		Date of Application	
Mailing Address		Contact Person	
City		Phone Number	
State	Zip	Fax Number	
The Superintendent of Public Instruction or the State Board of Public School Education has approved the school district's construction project.			
Has your school district received approval for this construction project within the last three years?			
What is the estimated cost of the project?		Loan amount requested? \$	
Is the expected utilization of the project at least 30 years?			
☐ Yes ☐ No			
What is your district's existing indebtedness? \$			
What is your district's total assessed value? \$			
What is your district's taxable valuation? \$			
The existing indebtedness is what percent of the district's assessed valuation?			
Does your school district intend to issue and sell evidence of indebtedness to finance the proposed construction or improvement of the project?			
Tes No  Does your district intend to finance the school construction loan for this project partly or solely from the district's allocation of oil and gas tax production			
tax in accordance with NDCC 57-51-15?			
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Please submit appropriate verification regarding the bond issue.			
Does your district have a bonding rate?  Yes No			
If so, what date was it issued? Please include documentation of the bond rating.			

applicable. Also explain why other methods of financing were discarded.			
Please provide your best estimate as to when construction will begin.			
I certify that the information contained in this application	is true and correct to be best of my knowledge.		
Date	President's Signature		

- Please attach a copy of the board resolution authorizing this loan application. Loan closing and other submission requirements are on the following "Instructions" page.
- Failure to provide any required documentation could negatively effect the consideration of this application.
- All documents may be submitted electronically.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

## **School Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund**

 With local board approval, submit the school construction loan application with an approved facility plan or updates.

Provide proof that the requirements for application have been met:

- The district has received school construction approval from the Department of Public Instruction
- The minimum loan request is \$1,000,000
- Maximum Loan request
  - \$30 million if the project costs more than \$75 million.
  - \$15 million if the project costs less than \$75 million.
- Received tax statements from tax commissioner and published in the official newspaper of the district and the school's website.
- Received authorization for a bond issue in accordance with chapter 21-03 (canvassing results)
- Submit the application to the Department of Public Instruction by April 1.
  - Additional application date August 1, 2023, for districts previously awarded \$10 million that would have been eligible for additional loan amount in SB 2284.
- Application is acted upon in April. Applications are prioritized with the following criteria consideration:
  - Student occupancy and academic needs in the district
  - The age of existing structures to be replaced or remodeled.
  - Building design proposals that are based on safety and vulnerability assessments.
  - Community support
  - Cost
- The Department of Public Instruction forwards the prioritized list to the Bank of ND.

### **Coal Development Trust Fund**

- With local board approval, submit a school construction loan application with approved facility plan or updates.
- Provide proof that the requirements for application have been met:
  - The district has received school construction approval from the Department of Public Instruction
  - The loan reguest is greater than \$250,000 but less than \$5,000,000.
  - The term of the loan is 20 years or less.
  - Documentation that the loan is for an unanticipated construction project, unanticipated replacement project, an emergency repair, or unanticipated construction inflation occurring for projects bid after January 1, 2021, and before June 30, 2024.

#### SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION LOANS - CLOSING REQUIREMENTS

The Bank of North Dakota will be handling the loan closing for school construction loans forwarded by the Department of Public Instruction. An additional Bank of North Dakota application will be sent to the districts on the list. The documents required are outlined below and must be submitted to the Bank for review prior to the closing date:

- Initial Resolution
- Bond Issuance Resolution
- Final Resolution
- Closing Certificate
- Non-arbitrage Certificate (Tax-exempt financing only)
- Bond (One bond with amortization schedule) dated the date of closing
- Recognized Bond Counsel Opinion

Note: The school district will have the option to prepay the debt at any time. The principal and interest are payable annually on June 1.

Upon receipt and review of the executed documents, the Bank will fund the loan and pay the school district either by check, wire transfer, or account credit at the Bank. The school district will need to provide the Bank with payment instructions.

The Bank may charge a fee for managing and servicing the loan.

If you have any questions, the school district or your recognized bond counsel may contact the Bank of North Dakota Commercial Loan Department at 701-328-5694.