

## The need or challenge:

The mission of Hamilton Southeastern Schools is to be a forward-thinking school district, providing education opportunities to ensure the success of each and every student, teaching them to become responsible citizens, and positively influencing an ever-changing world community. HSE is located northeast of Indianapolis and serves over 21,000 students on a daily basis.

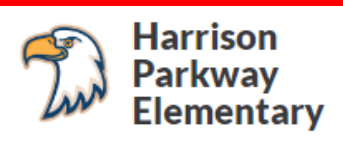
During the late 1990s and the early 2000s, Hamilton Southeastern Schools was the fastest growing school corporation in Indiana. In 1990 the population of Fishers Indiana was only 7,500 residents, but by 2000 the population was over 37,000 residents. The 2020 census for Fishers reports the population at 98,977 residents.

Between 1990 and 2010, HSE Schools built or renovated fourteen (14) schools to house the rapidly growing student population. At the time of construction, the equipment selected was efficient; however modern equipment options with higher efficiency are now available. Many of the buildings constructed during that boom are now approaching 20 years old and the initial equipment is reaching or surpassing its useful life.

Hamilton Southeastern Schools has traditionally been one of the lowest funded districts per student in the state. For several years, HSE has been the third lowest funded per pupil in the state receiving an average of \$5,918 per pupil. The average funding per pupil in the state in 2021 was \$6,444. If HSE were funded at the average rate, we would receive \$13.4 million in revenue.

Hamilton Southeaster Schools includes

- 24 schools, Transportation Center, Administrative Building, and storage Warehouses
- 962.58 acres of property
- Over 4,000,000 square feet under roof
- Over 10,000 pieces of equipment
- Facilities completes over 15,000 work order annually
- HSE replaced over 18,000 filters per year
- \$4,132,788 average annual electric and natural gas bill



## Energy Champion Team

- Energy Manager / Indoor Air Quality Coordinator – Team Lead
- Maintenance Manager
- Central Office Adminstrators
- 12 Light Maintenance Staff Members
- 22 Head Custodians
- Over 1,500 teachers and staff members
- Over 21,000 students

## Impact

If awarded this prize, HSE would be able to further train, grow, and develop our personnel on operations and maintenance, strategic energy management, and other related topics. Expanding our team’s bandwidth and knowledge will help serve our 21,000 students. This training will help HSE reduce energy consumption, increase efficiency, improve indoor air quality, and help ensure we have a healthy and happy classroom environment.

Proposed Facilities to Address	NCES ID	Address	City	State	Zip	Free & Reduced lunch eligible students	Title 1 Schoolwide Programming Eligible	Designated Community Shelter	Locale	Non-white %
Lantern Road Elem	181065000373	10595 Lantern Road	Fishers	IN	46037	10%	Yes	No	Not rural	25%
Harrison Parkway Elem	181065000967	14135 Harrison Parkway	Fishers	IN	46038	27%	Yes	No	Not Rural	29%
Hoosier Road Elem	181065001560	11300 E 121st Street	Fishers	IN	46037	18%	Yes	Yes	Not Rural	32%
Thorpe Creek Elem	181065002429	14642 East 126 <sup>th</sup> Street	Fishers	IN	46037	14%	Yes	No	Fringe	29%