# Perpich Center for Arts Education

# **Projects Summary**

(\$ in thousands)

			Project Requests for State Funds					
Project Title	Priority Ranking	Funding Source		2026		2028		2030
Asset Preservation	1	GO	\$	6,000	\$	6,000	\$	6,000
Perpich Center Building Improvements Predesign	2	GO	\$	150	\$	0	\$	0
Total Project Requests			\$	6,150	\$	6,000	\$	6,000
General Obligation Bonds (GO) Total			\$	6,150	\$	6,000	\$	6,000

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### Asset Preservation

AT A GLANCE	
2026 Request Amount:	\$6,000
Priority Ranking:	1
Project Summary:	Perpich Center requests \$6 million in general obligation bonds for asset preservation for improvements and betterments of a capital nature of state buildings and building system equipment.

### **Project Description**

Perpich Center requests \$6 million for asset preservation to address deferred maintenance needs. Asset preservation funding allows Perpich Center to preserve the condition of all the buildings located on the Golden Valley campus, including all related building systems, i.e., boilers, air handlers, chillers and elevators.

### **Project Rationale**

Most campus buildings were built in the early to mid 1960s and 1970s and are inadequately designed for their current purposes. The state purchased the 33 acres campus with its five major buildings in 1990. The previous owner performed little facility maintenance and invested minimally in building infrastructure; the campus has required upgrades. Poorly designed heating and ventilating systems impact health, staff productivity, and the life cycle of facility equipment. Three buildings have been demolished due to asbestos and mold contamination. Perpich currently spends upwards of \$25,000 from our operating budget each year to provide maintenance to buildings that would otherwise not be needed if major improvements can be made.

### **Project Timeline**

N/A

### **Other Considerations**

School districts have the authority to issue bond referenda. The center is funded through state appropriations including funds for the facility to keep it up-to-date and provide an effective, healthy and safe learning environment for students of the Perpich Arts High School and the statewide teachers we serve at the facility.

#### Impact on Agency Operating Budgets

Perpich receiving sufficient asset preservation funds will eliminate some of the need to use Perpich operating budgets to address building and structural maintenance needs.

### **Description of Previous Appropriations**

2014 - \$2,000,000 Asset Preservation

- 2018 \$250,000 Asset Preservation
- 2020 \$750,000 Asset Preservation
- 2023 \$900,000 Asset Preservation
- 2025 \$1,260,000 Asset Preservation

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# **Project Narrative**

(\$ in thousands)

### Perpich Center Building Improvements Predesign

AT A GLANCE	
2026 Request Amount:	\$150
Priority Ranking:	2
Project Summary:	Perpich Center requests \$150,000 for pre-design funding to be able to address safety and security issues with the lobby and front entrance to the main school building and to expand the auditorium to be able to accommodate the entire student body and faculty/staff.

### **Project Description**

Perpich had a security assessment completed in 2018 and numerous security/safety issues with the lobby and entryway were noted. Part of the assessment noted that the security office should be relocated to the front entryway, along with enhanced security measures when entering the building. The pre-design will include expanding the main entrance and adding restrooms on two levels. It will also address the handicap lift that currently only goes from the entryway landing to the 2nd floor.

The performance hall was part of the expansion to the facility that was completed in 1999. The performance hall only has seating for 173. The pre-design would expand seating to be able to accommodate the entire student body and faculty/staff.

### **Project Rationale**

Pre-design for school building improvements is the first step in aligning school facilities to the Perpich Center's strategic plan. Perpich seeks to have a campus that is accommodating, accessible, and functional for all students, staff, and visitors. This work will also provide a safer environment for our students, staff, and visitors that are on campus. The safety and security of Perpich students and faculty is a high priority.

### **Project Timeline**

Upon receiving funding, the agency would work with the Department of Administration to contract for the pre-design work.

### **Other Considerations**

School districts have the authority to forward operation, technology and bond referenda. The center must rely on the Governor and state legislature to provide funds for the facility to keep it up-to-date and provide an effective, healthy and safe learning environment for students of the Perpich Arts High School and the statewide teachers we serve at the facility.

### **Impact on Agency Operating Budgets**

N/A

## **Description of Previous Appropriations**

N/A

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