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On May 1, the Richardson ISD community will vote on the district's \$750 million bond package.

If approved by voters, Bond 2021 will not increase RISD's tax rate.

# RISD PROJECTS THAT BOND 2021 **WILL IMPACT ALL CAMPUSES**

# CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATION

bonds. Anticipated projects in Bond 2021 include infrastructure and security upgrades and the purchase of technology devices and instructional materials. In addition, several campuses have been identified as in need of renovation or expansion due to student growth, the age and condition of the school building, or recommended safety upgrades. Campuses targeted for major construction efforts were built between

1953 and 1980. Bond 2021 school construction begins a long-range vision to address RISD's aging campuses that will span bond proposals through 2036.

**FISCAL EXCELLENCE** 

RISD has consistently earned the **highest** 

underlying bond ratings available to Texas school districts, which saves millions of tax dollars

when issuing

# MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION BEGINS

As the initial stage of RISD's planned Middle School Transformation, the two junior high schools in the Lake Highlands Learning Community will undergo significant construction to permanently welcome sixth-grade students as RISD adopts the grade 6-8 middle school model. This shift will open up Pre-K classroom space at all elementary schools and permit full implementation of RISD's Pre-K for All initiative to offer high-quality, full-day Pre-K to every interested RISD family.

## **HOW WILL THE BOND AFFECT TAXES?**

Although RISD plans to keep its current debt service tax rate if the voters approve Bond 2021, voters should know that a new state law requires that the statement "This is a property tax increase" must appear as part of every Texas school district bond proposition ballot, regardless of whether passage of the proposition would result in a tax rate increase. Visit risd.org/bond2021 for a Voter Information document, which explains how ad valorem taxes could be affected based on assessed property values with new bond debt.



Early Voting Begins April 19

Find where to vote at www.dallascountyvotes.org.

www.RISD.org/Bond2021

## **BOND PACKAGE BREAKDOWN**

The \$750 million bond package is split into two propositions. Anticipated projects include:

#### PROPOSITION A (\$694 MILLION):

### BUILDINGS, BUSES, & SAFETY

INFRASTRUCTURE & SAFETY EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS INCLUDE:	
3	Roofing, HVAC, floor repair and replacement \$237 M
The state of the s	Safety/security upgrades, cameras, vape detection, health services \$8 M
	School buses, maintenance and security vehicles\$11 M
	School, classroom, cafeteria, and maintenance equipment \$30 M

## CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATION

PLANNED PROJECTS INCLUDE:



MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION: Rebuild Lake Highlands JH,



Renovate Forest Meadow JH . . .\$110 M Additions for Growth:



Pearce HS (final of four high school renovations), Mohawk ES, **Brentfield ES.....**\$114 M

RENOVATIONS FOR STUDENT SAFETY: Brentfield ES.

Hamilton Park Magnet . . . . . . . \$25 M

RENOVATIONS DUE TO FACILITY CONDITION: Northrich ES, Stults Road ES . . . \$20 M

## **TEACHING & STUDENT SUPPORT**

**EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS INCLUDE:** 

Instructional materials,

digital teaching applications....\$59 M

Digital network equipment, enterprise applications . . . . . . . \$43 M

CTE (instructional and curriculum materials) . . . . . . . . \$14 M

Fine Arts (instruments, equipment, uniforms)..... \$12 M

Athletics (baseball/softball turf, locker room renovations, uniforms).....\$11 M

PROPOSITION B (\$56 MILLION):

#### **TECHNOLOGY DEVICES**





Examples include devices such as Chromebooks, iPads, and laptops for students, teachers, and staff