



## Richardson ISD Bond Steering Committee

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### **Purpose of the 2025 Bond Steering Committee**

The purpose of the 2025 Bond Steering Committee is to ensure that the district's short and long term facility, equipment and infrastructure needs are met with the next bond election. A future bond election recommendation will be made to the Richardson ISD Board of Trustees after the committee reviews data and other relevant information from district staff with the goal of designing and maintaining learning environments that align with the district's North Star Goal.

### **Charge of the Committee**

To help the district continue to plan for the future, the Bond Steering Committee is charged to:

- Review and prioritize the Middle School Transformation recommendation
- Prioritize recommended projects, including new construction, renovations/additions, technology, equipment, and buses
- Review and prioritize traditional Bond projects, including:
  - Uniforms and instruments
  - Instructional equipment
  - Student & staff technology devices
  - Facility needs, including Athletic Stadium ADA requirements
  - Technology networking needs
- Consider the educational needs of all students and ensure needs are aligned with the district's North Star Goal
- Represent the entire school district community, their values and perceptions, and seek input from other residents
- Consider the district's current financial position and funding methods to ensure the district's financial stewardship with RISD stakeholders.

### **Parameters for the Committee**

- The Committee will be composed of parents and other community members who represent the diverse demographics and multifaceted interests of the district that includes 70 facilities, covering more than six million square feet, and serving nearly 37,000 students.
- Committee Chairpersons may be selected to lead the committee process, assist with facilitation of meetings and represent the committee in its presentation to the Board of Trustees.
- The Committee shall engage in productive dialogue, strive to be objective and maintain a district-level perspective at all times.

- The Committee may work in subgroups to allow for more efficient and effective evaluation.
- The Committee will establish its own goal for consensus.
- The Committee will support recommended bond projects that are based on current, relevant data and best practices, and adhere to relevant law and policy.
- District staff members will aid the Committee and serve as information providers.
- The Committee will review data and resources provided by Richardson ISD in order to prioritize future bond projects.
- The Committee recognizes that significant recommendations for renovating existing facilities and/or building new facilities will require a source of funding that is only available with a voter-supported bond election.
  - If a bond issue is recommended, it should be fiscally responsible, emphasizing cost effective recommended solutions, and to the extent possible, reflect the support of registered voters.
  - The Committee recognizes that their role is to provide feedback to the Board of Trustees and that the Board of Trustees has the obligation and responsibility to make decisions regarding tax and bond issues.
- The Committee process will be transparent. All presentations, materials and meeting minutes will be posted on the district website for Committee member use and public consumption.