



Dear BISD Community Member,

On Aug. 18, BISD's Board of Trustees called for a bond proposal to be placed on the November 8 ballot. This proposal was developed by a Bond Planning Committee (a diverse group of over 50 parents, community members, business/city leaders, and staff taxpayers) to evaluate the condition of BISD facilities.

**The package being presented to BISD voters addresses:**

- enhancing safety and security districtwide;
- renovations, repairs and upgrades to current facilities;
- technology upgrades districtwide;
- property purchase/renovations for the new Shannon High School and select special education programs;
- rebuilding Mullendore Elementary;
- building a new partner school for David E. Smith and W.T. Francisco elementary schools;
- buses; and
- adding indoor multipurpose activity centers at all three high schools.

Current election law now requires that certain categories of improvements be included in separate, standalone propositions. As a result, BISD voters will see three propositions on the November ballot as follows:

- **Proposition A:** Safety and Security/Renovations/Rebuilds/Buses
- **Proposition B:** Technology Upgrades
- **Proposition C:** Indoor Multipurpose Activity Centers

**The District is presenting this as a package and asks voters to cast a vote on each of the three propositions.**



**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**Here's what every BISD citizen should know before voting in November:**

1. The bond package on the November ballot impacts every campus in BISD.
2. If approved, school property tax rates will not increase as a result of this bond proposal.
3. Beginning with the May 2020 election cycle, Education Code §43.003(b-1) requires specific ballot language stating:  
a.) "THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE." b.) Per law, this language must be included on the ballot, even though it is not true for Birdville.
4. If you are a homeowner, age 65 or over, and have not filed an application with the Tarrant Appraisal District for the "Over 65" exemption, you may do so in or after the year you turn 65. If approved, this exemption ensures that for as long as you own and live in that home, your school property taxes will never exceed the amount they were the year you turned 65.
5. Computers and technology are paid for in five years or less, not 20–25 years.

In the future, if you have any questions about the BISD bond program, I encourage you to contact Mark Thomas, BISD Chief Communications Officer, at 817-547-5799, or my assistant, Brenda Ryan, at 817-547-5722. We are here to provide you facts about the upcoming bond election. In addition, we always welcome the opportunity to share information about the progress BISD is making in the education of our students.

Sincerely,

Gayle Stinson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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