**ALVARADO ISD BOND ELECTION** 

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022



# Facilities Steering Committee Developed Recommendation for May 2022 Bond

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#### Committee's Work & Analysis



Existing
Facility
Conditions



Demographic Report & Enrollment Projections



School Finance
Bonding Capacity
Cost Analysis



Building Needs & Potential Solutions



## Board of Trustees Approved FSC's Recommendation

On February 14, the AISD school board voted unanimously to call a bond election for May 7, 2022, asking voters to consider authorization of \$125,000,000 to fund a new elementary school, an expansion at Lillian and renovations at the intermediate and high schools.





#### Planned Grade Alignment

Elementary

Junior High

High School



PreK-5









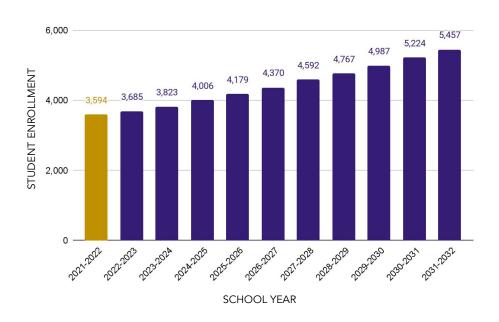
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#### Demographer's Growth Projections

300-400 new homes per year

23% growth by 2027 900 new students in 5 years

54% growth by 2032 2,000 new students in 10 years





# Growth Projections\* by Campus, based on current grade configuration

Campus	Capacity	Current Enrollment	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
North	372	286	300	325	357	381	408	433	453
South	402	329	351	381	409	432	456	478	502
Lillian *PK-2 only	435	245	268	255	257	259	264	265	267
Intermediate	871	729	738	793	844	922	977	1,044	1,095
Junior High	956	826	824	838	876	903	971	1,034	1,109
High School	1,376	1,179	1,181	1,225	1,276	1,300	1,339	1,382	1,434

<sup>\*</sup>Lillian will become a PreK-5 campus Intermediate will become a PreK-5 campus

## More Students Than Capacity

#### Elementary Schools: 2026



Students: 2,105

Capacity: 2,080

Exceed the combined capacity of <u>all elementary</u> campuses by 2026-27.

All Schools: 2027



Students: 4,592

Capacity: 4,412

Exceed the combined capacity of <u>all</u> campuses by 2027-28.



### Add Approximately 500 Seats for PreK-5

#### Proposed Projects:

- New Elementary North
- Expand Lillian
- Convert AIS to Elementary South







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#### Current Conditions at Elementary North

- Room sizes are below what is required by current TEA facility standards
- Kitchen is undersized for the campus population.
- Site paving and drainage issues
- Texas Accessibility Standards/Americans with Disabilities Act issues with floor levels
- Multipurpose classroom serving as gymnasium
- Traffic flow is not adequate for campus / concrete work needed



#### Current Conditions at Elementary South

- Room sizes are below what is required by current TEA facility standards
- Outdated infrastructure (electrical, sewage, water)
- Safety/security inequities
  - No controlled vestibule
  - Scholars exit building to get to other wings
- Site paving issues (unpaved parking for staff).



#### Gym at AHS

- Capacity issues
  - Only one court for games/competition
  - Creates scheduling challenges
  - Bleachers cover the practice portion of the gym



#### Baseball & Softball Fields

- Drainage issues
  - Fields are often under water, creating cancellations and scheduling challenges
- Press box
- Storage







#### New Elementary North





750-student capacity 1,000-student core areas



Opens Fall 2024



#### **Expand Lillian Elementary**





750-student capacity 750-student core areas



Complete Fall 2024



#### Convert Intermediate to Elementary South



Grades PreK-5





- Interior Renovations
- Handicap Accessibility
- HVAC Replacement
- Roof Replacement
- Safety & Security Upgrades



1,000-student capacity

1,000-student core areas



Complete Fall 2024





## New Competition Gym at AHS

- Increase gym space at AHS
  - Additional space for volleyball, basketball, dance, PE
  - Provides more flexibility with scheduling
- Add spectator seating
  - Additional space for Alvarado fans and visitors
  - Allows AHS to host additional competitions

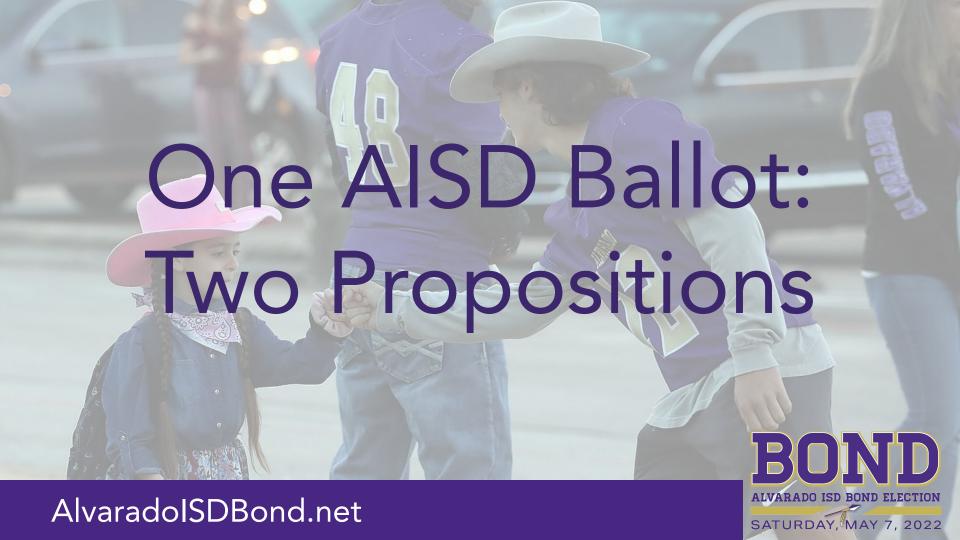


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#### New Baseball & Softball Fields

- Repair drainage issues
- New field base & surface
- Covered spectator seating





#### One AISD Ballot: Two Propositions

#### Proposition A

- ★ Elementary North: Build a New School to Replace AEN
- ★ Lillian Elementary: Expand Campus
- **★** Intermediate:
  - Expand & Update Campus
  - School Becomes Elem. South
- ★ Add New Competition Gym at High School

#### Proposition B

★ Baseball & Softball
 Renovations to Improve
 Site Drainage and
 Update Fields



#### On Your Ballot: Proposition A

Proposition A Projects	Cost
New AEN: 750 students, 1,000 core	\$45,309,000
Expand LES: 750 students, 750 core	\$23,367,000
Convert AIS to AES: 1,000 students - Address Aging Needs	\$17,539,000
New AHS Competition Gym (2,000 seat)	\$21,235,000



## On Your Ballot: Proposition B

Proposition B Projects	Cost
AHS Baseball & Softball Field Renovations	\$17,550,000



## Potential Project Timelines

	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
Voter Approval	May 2022 Election				
New AEN	3	8	8	Campus Opens	
Expand LES		8	8	Campus Opens	
Convert AIS to AES		8	8	Campus Opens	
New AHS Competition Gym		8	8	New Gym Completed	
Renovations to AHS Baseball & Softball Fields		A	8	Fields Completed	



#### Alvarado ISD Current Tax Rate

M&O <u>Tax Rate</u>



I&S <u>Tax Rate</u>



Total Tax Rate

\$0.872

The state will lower this rate as part of property tax relief bill.

\$.50

This amount is capped at 50 cents, so the AISD tax rate will not increase as a result of this bond election.

\$1.372

per \$100 of property value



#### Tax Rate History

AISD's total tax rate is 8.9 cents lower now than it was in the 2013-2014 school year.

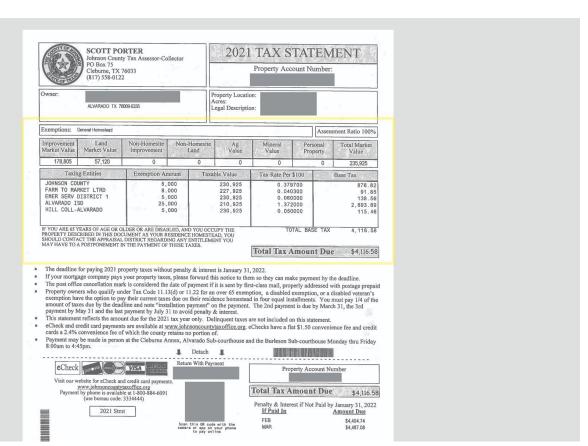


## Fiscal Management & Property Tax Relief

- The M&O tax rate has been compressed each of the past three years, lowering the total AISD tax rate.
- AISD has taken advantage of 9 bond refundings since 2008, resulting in \$22,472,832 in savings.
- Bond interest rates are at an all-time low in the history of the Bond Buyer Index.
- The homestead exemption is projected to increase from \$25,000 to \$40,000, saving taxpayers money.

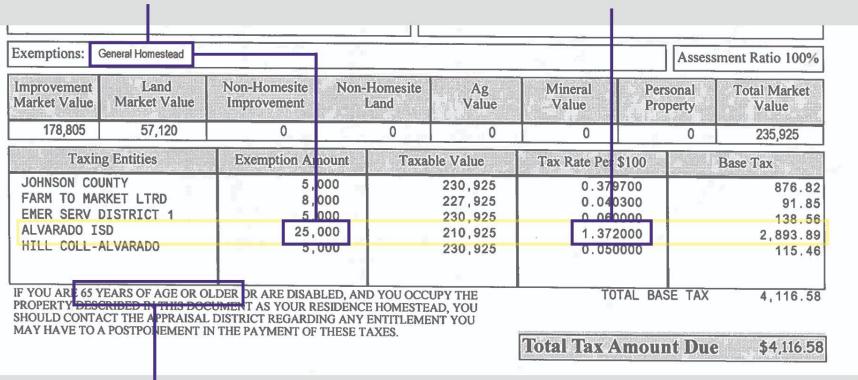


## **Understanding Your Tax Bill**



There will be a statewide proposition in May asking voters to consider a property tax relief amendment that would increase the exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

This tax rate (\$1.37) represents the total tax rate in AISD, and it will not increase as a result of this bond election. Compared to previous years, this rate is lower than it has been since 2012-2013.



Voters 65 & older are eligible for a tax freeze on their AISD taxes. Contact the appraisal district for more information.

## **Bonding Capacity**

- AISD has higher bonding capacity now than it has in recent past due to strong financial planning, growth, and refundings.
- AISD can issue \$125,000,000 in bonds with no increase to I&S tax rate.
- AISD can consider a larger bond amount due to growth,
   rising Taxable Assessed Values, and the current I&S tax rate.



## New Ballot Language Requirement

House Bill 3 added this requirement for school bond elections, regardless of the impact on the ISD's tax rate:

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SECTION 1.008. Section 45.003, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (d-1) and amending Subsections (d) and (f) to read as follows:

(b-1) The ballot proposition under Subsection (b) must include the following statement: "THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE."
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The Alvarado ISD tax rate will not increase as a result of this election. The I&S rate is capped at the current rate of 50 cents.



#### Voter Registration Deadline:

Thursday, April 7, 2022

#### Early Voting:

Mon., April 25 – Tues., May 3

## Election Day:

Saturday, May 7, 2022





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