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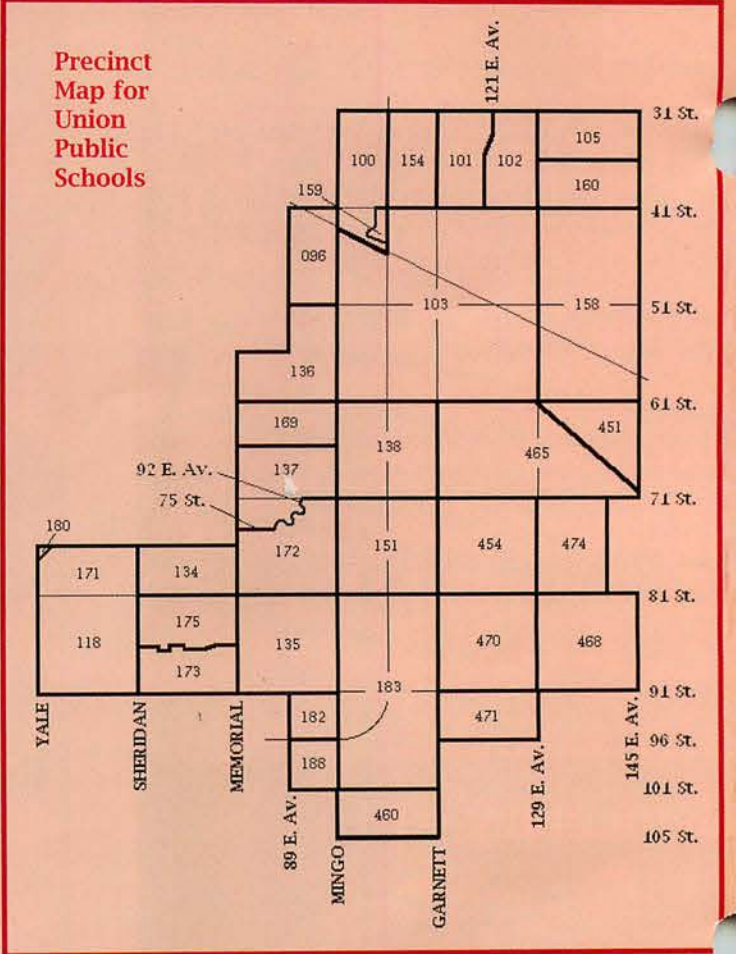
Precinct Polling Places & Addresses

Every ten years, following the Federal Decennial Census, election precinct boundaries are realigned. In accordance with state law, precinct boundaries must adhere to all Congressional, State Senate, State House and County Commission district lines. If your precinct number or your polling place has changed, you should have received notification and a new voter registration card from the Election Board. Please be sure to check the map at right and the precinct listing below. If you have any questions, please call the Tulsa County Election Board at 596-5780.

- 96 Regency Park Nazarene Church, 8707 E. 51
- 100 Hicks Community Center, 3443 S. Mingo Rd.
- 101 Garnett Church of Christ, 12000 E. 31
- 102 Briarglen Elementary School, 3303 S. 121 E. Ave.
- 103 Rockwood Village, 4130 S. 104 E. Ave.
- 105 Boevers Elementary School, 3433 S. 133 E. Ave.
- 118 Helmerich Library, 5131 E. 91
- 134 Central Church of the Nazarene, 7291 E. 81
- 135 Calvary Bible Church, 8555 E. 91
- 136 Volunteers of America of OK, 9605 E. 61
- 137 UMAC (Union Multipurpose Activity Center), 6836 S. Mingo Rd.
- 138 Asbury United Methodist, 6767 S. Mingo
- 151 Union Intermediate High, 7616 S. Garnett; B.A.
- 154 Cornerstone Family Church, 3434 S. Garnett Rd.
- 158 The Church at Battle Creek, 3025 N. Aspen Ave.; B.A.
- 159 Rockwood Village, 4130 S. 104 E. Ave.
- *160 Rosa Parks Elementary School, 13702 E. 46 Pl. S.
- 169 Country Club of Woodland Hills, 6333 S. 91 E. Ave.
- 171 Bethany Christian Church, 6730 S. Sheridan Rd.
- 172 Woodland Terrace, 9524 E. 71 Street
- 173 Heatheridge Baptist Church, 6901 E. 91 Street
- 175 Living Oaks Baptist Church, 8855 E. 91 Street
- *180 Aberdeen Heights, 7220 S. Yale
- 182 Forest Park Christian Church, 9102 S. Mingo
- 183 Tulsa Community College SE, 10300 E. 81 Street
- 188 Hardesty Regional Library, 8316 E. 93 Street
- 451 Arrowhead Elementary School, 915 W. Norman; B.A.
- 454 Forest Hills Assisted Living, 4304 W. Houston; B.A.
- 460 Tulsa Tech S.E. Campus, 4600 S. Olive; B.A.
- 465 Union 8th Grade Center, 6501 S. Garnett; B.A.
- 468 New Creation Church, 1200 S. Olive; B.A.
- 470 St Michael's Episcopal Church, 8837 S. Garnett; B.A.
- 471 Cedar Ridge Christian Church 4010 W. New Orleans; B.A.
- 474 Peters Elementary School, 2900 W. College; B.A.

* New polling place 2006-2007

Precinct
Map for
Union
Public
Schools



Voter Registration

Voter registration books close Friday, January 19 (24 days prior to the election). Completed registration forms must be post-marked by January 19. You can obtain a registration form at any Union school site, the Union Education Service Center, or the Tulsa County Election Board. For more information, call the Tulsa County Election Board at 596-5780.

Absentee Balloting

Absentee ballots must be requested by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 7 (Wednesday prior to the election). Completed and notarized absentee ballots must be mailed back and received by the Election Board by 7:00 p.m. on election day.

Walk-In absentee balloting at the Election Board office (555 N. Denver) is Friday, February 9, and Monday, February 12, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. For more information, call the Tulsa County Election Board at 596-5766 or 596-5780.

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Past Bond Issues Performance

The District Treasurer consistently monitors how bond funds are spent, and the Board of Education provides oversight and final approval of all bond expenditures on a monthly basis. Most bond project dollars must be spent within three years from the time the bonds are sold. Bond funds can only be allocated for capital expenditures and long-lasting equipment that has been approved by more than 60% of the voters.

This is the list of projects and purchases approved on Union's last two bond issues.

2005 Bond Issue - (Funds received in 2005)

Site	Project	Estimated Cost
6/7TH GRADE	Site Allocation	\$ 10,000
	Cooling Tower	150,000
	Two Keyboarding Lab Upgrades	110,000
	Curriculum Lab Upgrade	55,000
	Lockers	83,600
8TH GRADE	Site Allocation	10,000
	Phase 2 Construction	3,540,000
	Computer Application Labs	165,000
ALTERNATIVE ANDERSEN	Site Allocation	5,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,670
ATHLETICS/ SPIRIT	Chiller Overhaul	25,000
	8th Gr. Addition/Soccer Complex	500,000
	Athletic Uniforms & Equipment	70,000
BOEVERS	Spirit Uniforms & Equipment	70,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Security Surveillance System	2,500
BRIARGLEN	Exterior Lighting	1,500
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,666
CEDAR RIDGE	Site Allocation	10,000
	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,666
CLARK	Site Allocation	10,000
	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,666
CHILLER OVERHAUL	Chiller Overhaul	25,000
	Postage Digital Meter & Scale	10,000
COMMUNICATIONS	Scanner for TABE Tests	4,830
	Scanners for EDP	4,000
	Scanning Software for EDP	2,000
COMMUNITY ED.	Site Allocation	10,000
	Textbooks	450,000
	Teacher Computer Upgrades	350,000
DARNABY DISTRICTWIDE	Software for Web-based Assessment	66,000
	Special Education Assistive Technology	50,000
	Data Analysis Software Updates	15,500
BOND FEES	Bond Fees	200,000
	Construction, Rock Removal,	
	Site Improvements, Equipment,	
FURNITURE	Furniture	4,340,000
	Band Instruments	36,000
	String Instruments	4,000
FOOD SERVICE	Vocal Music, Drama and Art Equipment	20,000
	Recording Equipment for New Studio	16,870
	Equipment Replacement	20,000
GROVE	Site Allocation	10,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Security Surveillance System	200,000
LANGUAGE ARTS	Language Arts Lab Upgrade	80,000
	Business Lab Upgrade	55,000
	Foreign Language Lab Expansion	18,000
PHOTOGRAPHY	Photography Class Equipment	15,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Roof Repair/Replacement	200,000
CARPET/MEDIA	Carpet/Media	52,500
	Computer Business Lab Upgrade	55,000
	Science Lab Upgrade	55,000
STUDENT CLASSROOM	Student Classroom Furniture	50,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
	Security Surveillance System	7,500
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	Equipment Replacement	115,000

Union School Board Election to Fill Seat from Zone #2

Three names will appear on the ballot for the Zone #2 School Board seat on February 13, 2007. The seat is currently held by Derek Rader, who has opted not to run for re-election.



David Fisher

David Fisher is an attorney with Bonham & Howard in downtown Tulsa. He has been an attorney for the past four years, previously serving as a home owner's adjuster for State Farm Insurance for 11 years. He attended Oklahoma State University and earned a degree in business management and later his law degree from the University of Tulsa College of Law.

He and his wife, Jennifer, have three children in the Union School District. Fisher has been active for several years in the Union Youth Football Association and intramural basketball.

Ross Ford is a 22-year veteran of the Tulsa Police Department, currently serving with the Special Operations Division. He has also served as a DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Officer and as a Police Explorer Advisor to the Boy Scouts of America.



Ross Ford

He and his wife, Lisa, have two children - one a graduate of Union and one currently enrolled. Ford has been active in the PTA, Union Youth Football Association, Union Girls' Softball, Union Baseball and served on Union's Long-Range Planning Committee. He is also president of the Broken Arrow Civitan 2nd Vice President of the Tulsa Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #93, a member of Akdar Masonic Shrine and a Leaders. Broken Arrow alumni.



Guy Fortney

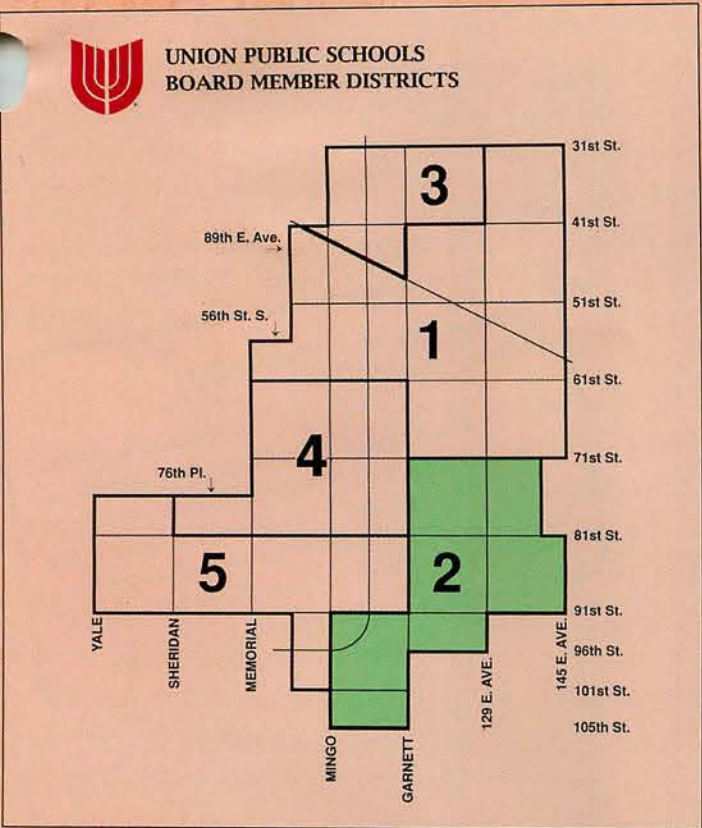
Guy Fortney is an attorney with Brewster & De Angelis in midtown Tulsa. He was recently named the 2006 Outstanding Junior Alumnus by the TU College of Law.

Fortney, who has lived in the Union School District for the past 30 years, graduated from Union High School in 1982 and attended TU where he earned his Bachelor of Science and law degrees.

Fortney and his wife, Stephanie, have two children in the Union School District. Fortney is active in youth activities, serves as a Little League T-Ball coach and serves as Pack Committee Chairman for Moore's Cub Scout Pack 985.

2005 Bond Issue (Cont.) - (Funds received in 2005)

McAULIFFE	Site Allocation	10,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
MOORE	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,666
	Hardware/Software	28,500
OPERATIONS	Equipment Replacement	40,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
PETERS	Computer Lab Upgrade	47,666
	Mobile Classroom	65,000
PROF. DEV.	Computer Replacement-Finance	800,000
	Computer Replacement-Technology	200,000
TECHNOLOGY	Antivirus Software	70,700
	Replace Video Recorders in Buses	25,000
TRANSPORT.	Update 2-Way Radio System	20,000
	Equipment Replacement	20,000
Total:		\$13,000,000



2006 Bond Issue (Funds received in 2006)

Site	Project	Estimated Cost
DISTRICTWIDE	Elem #13 Preconst Serv (Site Develop, Soil Testing, Consultants)	\$2,500,000
	Safe Room-Technology	
	Network Equipment	350,000
	Textbooks	800,000
	District Digital Clock Upgrade (9 Elementaries & 6/7th Grade)	140,000
	Districtwide Copier Replacement (All sites)	415,000
	Computers/Printers for Instructional Software (Successmaker/Orchard all sites)	257,800
	UTO Laptops (All sites)	40,000
	Technology Equipment	430,000
	Computers for New Teachers (25)	33,000
	School Office Staff Computer Upgrades	75,000
	Virus Protection and Web Filter (one-year subscription)	100,000
	Bond Fees/Contingency	350,000
	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
ANDERSEN	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
BOEVERS	Telephone System (Voice over IP)	29,500
	Site Allocation	25,000
BRIARGLEN	Media Books	10,000
	Site Allocation	25,000
CEDAR RIDGE	Media Books	10,000
	Site Allocation	25,000
CLARK	Media Books	10,000
	Telephone System (Voice over IP)	29,500
DARNABY	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
GROVE	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
JARMAN	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000

Past Bond Issues Performance (Cont.)

McAULIFFE	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
MOORE	Site Allocation	25,000
	Media Books	10,000
ROSA PARKS	Security Cameras	20,000
	Site Allocation	10,000
PETERS	Library Books/Library System (Destiny)	100,000
	Site Allocation	25,000
6/7TH GRADE	Media Books	10,000
	Roof Replacement	580,000
8TH GRADE	Upgrade Building Automation System to XBS 5000	48,000
	Site Allocation	50,000
INTERMEDIATE	Media Books	20,000
	Recreation Park/6/7 Playground/Field: - Phase I	1,075,200
HIGH SCHOOL	Cafeteria Tables (55)	71,500
	Curriculum Computer Lab (35 computers)	50,000
ALTERNATIVE	Site Allocation	35,000
	Media Books	10,000
OPERATIONS	Security System Upgrade	25,000
	Weight Room Equipment	30,000
MAINTENANCE	Site Allocation	50,000
	Media Books	20,000
ATHLETICS	8 Classroom Addition	2,075,000
	Roof Replacement (Phase III)	700,000
FINE ARTS	Computer Lab (business lab-replacement)	57,000
	Weight Room Equipment	30,000
PROF. DEV.	Language Arts Software	2,250
	Site Allocation	50,000
TRANSPORT.	Media Books	20,000
	TV Studio Equipment	150,000
ALTERNATIVE	Programming Lab Upgrade (32 computers/1 printer)	55,000
	Business Lab Upgrade (40 computers/1 printer)	65,000
OPERATIONS	Weight Room Equipment	30,000
	Theatrical Lighting Dimmer Rack (HS Studio Theater-replacement)	12,000
MAINTENANCE	Language Arts Software	2,250
	Alternative Education Expansion (Remodel ESC A & B)	1,800,000
ATHLETICS	Site Allocation and Books	30,000
	Equipment and Tools	40,000
FINE ARTS	Equipment Replacement	62,000
	Uniforms and Equipment (Athletics/Spirit)	75,000
PROF. DEV.	Baseball/Softball Complex Planning	65,000
	Band Equipment and Uniforms	75,000
TRANSPORT.	Orchestra Instruments	15,000
	Instructional Software (Quia)	15,000
ALTERNATIVE	Route Buses (10)	750,000
	Special Ed Buses (6)	450,000
OPERATIONS	Mini-Activity Buses (3)	180,000
	Video Recorders for Buses	15,000
MAINTENANCE	4 Cargo Vans	100,000
	2 Extended Cab Trucks	50,000
	Medium Duty Dump Truck (replacing 1985 Chevrolet 3/4 Ton Truck)	50,000
ATHLETICS	Shop Equipment	20,000
	Bond Fees and Contingency	30,000
TOTAL:		\$15,200,000

the Communicator

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2007 Bond Items

Districtwide

Elementary #13, Textbooks, Land/Building Purchase, Security Entrances/Access, Instructional Software Licenses and License Renewals, Copier Replacement, Contingency, Parent Communication Phone System

Andersen Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books; Carpet/VCT Hallway, Commons and Cafeteria; Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Boevers Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Briarglen Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Cedar Ridge Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Clark Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Darnaby Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Union's Recipe for Success...

Commitment

"This bond package will allow our district and individual sites to continue to provide a standard of excellence that our patrons expect and our students deserve."

Patti Pitcock
Principal, Jarman Elementary

...U at the Polls - Tuesday, February 13, 2007

New elementary school safety projects among items on \$17 million bond list

The recipe for success at Union has always been patron involvement and support of our annual bond issues. Providing the very best education and opportunities for our students requires a partnership between the community and the school district.

This February 13, voters have an opportunity to turn the number of our elementary schools from a dozen into a "baker's dozen" by passing the proposal for Elementary #13. The new school will complete Union's long-range plan to relieve overcrowding while giving schools the opportunity to offer all-day 4-year-old programs in their buildings. Elementary #13 will be built on land purchased from a previous bond issue between 81st and 91st streets and Garnett Road and U.S. 169.

Security is a priority in this bond issue. It is important that our buildings and buses are as safe as possible and that we have effective tools to quickly communicate with parents in an emergency. The February 13 proposal calls for upgraded recorders for the video cameras on our school buses; for security cameras at Union Alternative School and Union Intermediate High School for parking lots and hallways; and initial retrofitting of entrances at schools where needed to protect from intruders. The proposal also includes an upgraded phone communications system for calling hundreds of parents at one time very quickly if necessary during an emergency.

Stewardship

With more people moving into Union, bond issues are critical in providing classroom space. A new school will relieve overcrowding for elementary students across the district and the bond funds will also help pay for the upkeep on the buildings we already have.

Larry Williams
Jarman Elementary

Safety

Bond dollars will provide a quality camera system to help us maintain safe parking lots, hallways and building access points. Add that to a well supervised building, high academic expectations and plenty of encouragement and you have a recipe for success.

John Chargois
Union Intermediate High Principal

Not only do we need to secure our buildings, we must constantly maintain them as well. McAuliffe, Jarman and Andersen are slated for carpeting and tile replacement and Grove is due a new roof. The repairs, tiling and carpeting we started with past bond dollars at the Sixth/Seventh Grade Center will to be completed with funds from this

2007 Bond Items

Intermediate High School

Site Allocation, Textbooks, Media Books, Media Lab Replacement, New Security Camera System, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

High School

Site Allocation, Textbooks, Media Books, Graphics Art Lab, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Alternative Education

Site & Media Allocation, Textbooks, Surveillance Cameras, Upgrade of Existing Computer Lab, Classroom Equipment for Middle School, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Athletics/Spirit Department

Uniforms/Equipment

Finance Department

Expansion of the i5 (District's Mainframe Computer), Substitute Caller Software

Fine Arts Department

Band Instruments and Equipment, Concert Band Uniforms, Orchestra Instruments and Equipment, Stadium Concession Remodel - HVAC & Store Front, 200 Chairs for High School Music Suite and Storage Carts

Maintenance Department

Maintenance Equipment, Sidewalk/Concrete Repairs, Paint Fence Repairs, Ceiling Tile Upgrade

Grove Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Roof Refurbish/Replacement, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Jarman Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books; Carpet/VCT in Commons, Hallways and Cafeteria; Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

McAuliffe Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books; Carpet/VCT in Commons, Hallways and Cafeteria; Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Moore Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Rosa Parks Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Peters Elementary

Site Allocation, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Sixth/Seventh Grade Center

Site Allocation, Media Books, Textbooks, Remodel-Tile Hallways Phase Two, Pool Improvements, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Eighth Grade Center

Site Allocation, Textbooks, Media Books, Instructional Software, Student Management Software, Security Check-in System, Teacher Technology Upgrades

Principal, Assistant

proposal

With voter approval on February 13, every school and student benefits by receiving site allocations ranging from \$25,000 to \$50,000 (depending on school size) to spend on items needed at that school. Textbook and library book funds will enable Union to meet accreditation standards while ensuring all students have the books they need for all of their classes.

Technology enhancements at the Intermediate High include a media center lab that will enable students to expand their research capabilities; an additional lab at the High School will open a new world of graphic arts to students and an expanded lab at Union Alternative will meet the growing needs at that school. About a third of Union's faculty members will receive computer upgrades and there are software packages on the proposal to assist students with language, math and reading skills.

Funds are set aside for fine arts, athletic and spirit uniforms, instruments and equipment to make sure students' personal expenses for these items don't stand in the way of their participation in these activities.

Looking toward the future, the 75-member bond issue task force that assisted in prioritizing this year's bond items listed land purchase in our 28-square mile boundary as essential and set aside funds to buy land near Union High School as it is available.

Help turn our outstanding dozen elementary schools into an incredible "baker's dozen" and support efforts to make all of our schools even safer and more secure by going to the polls and casting your ballot Tuesday, February 13!



2007 Bond Issue Requests

Elementary #13.....	\$9,500,000
Textbooks/Instructional Software.....	888,200
Library/Media Books.....	190,000
Management Software.....	803,000
Land.....	500,000
Security Issues.....	622,800
Site-Specific Allocations.....	515,000
Remodels/Furniture.....	1,831,500
Computers/Copiers/Computer Labs.....	804,000
Maintenance/Operations/Transportation Equipment.....	495,500
Uniforms & Equipment.....	350,000
Contingency & Bond Fees.....	500,000
Total.....	\$17,000,000

Asphalt Repairs

Operations Department

Operations Equipment

Professional Development Center

Mobile Computer Lab, District Software Subscription

Transportation Department

Replace DVRs in Buses, Shop Equipment, Above-Ground Fuel Tank System, Trash Truck

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why is passage of this bond proposition important to Union?

A. The district's general fund is for salaries, utilities and other recurring operating expenses. It is through the issuance of bonds that Union is able to pay for capital expenditures such as textbooks, instructional technology, equipment and construction. That is why you see those items on bond propositions each year. Without bond propositions, the district would have to tap into its general fund to pay for the facilities and instructional tools our children need, leaving little money to hire teachers or conduct daily operations.

Q. How will passage of this bond proposition affect my taxes?

A. Because the district pays off existing bonds and its property base continues to grow, that portion of estimated ad valorem tax attributed to Union Public Schools will be maintained at its traditional level.

Q. Why is my vote important?

A. Contrary to most elections in which a simple majority carries an issue, state law requires school bond propositions to pass by a 60% super majority. This makes each vote that much more critical. Please remember to cast your ballot February 13!

Q. Where do I vote?

A. Vote at your regular polling place used in county, state and national elections. If you are unsure where to vote, please call the Tulsa County Election Board office at 596-5780. Polls are open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.