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North Lamar Trustees call school bond to address aging schools



Paris, Texas, February 9, 2021 – The North Lamar ISD Board of Trustees unanimously voted to add five propositions to the May 1 election ballot for a bond referendum. A bond was called for May 2020 but was cancelled due to the pandemic. If approved by voters, the new proposal will address aging school facilities, new bus replacements, student devices and energy efficiency. It has been 12 years since a bond passed at NLISD. That one provided \$4.68 million for four new science labs, five new computer labs, and repairs and improvements to the North Lamar High School.

The North Lamar ISD Community Advisory Committee recommended Trustees consider a bond proposal after the group spent over a year studying and prioritizing the district's most critical facility needs. This group of parents, grandparents, graduates, staff, business owners, ministers and community members volunteered and donated countless hours to examine needs and develop a plan. They toured schools, studied reports and evaluated the condition of existing buildings. The Committee's efforts provided the district with a Master Facility Plan and a recommendation to the Board of Trustees on how to address facility needs through a bond proposal.

The bond proposal projects include:

- 15 new buses to replace current fleet that are past their useful life;
- the construction of a new energy-efficient elementary school with a storm shelter for 650 students in grades 2-5;
- the renovation of Everett Elementary for PK-1 that includes an updated exterior, new roof, restrooms, HVAC, and intercom system for increased safety;
- upgraded safety and security features around the district, replacement of end-of-life HVAC units, repairs to the high school auditorium, gym, and athletic facilities along with a fine arts addition at North Lamar High School;
- repurpose Bailey Intermediate;
- and Chromebooks, iPads and charging stations so that every student can participate in interactive and remote learning.

Community Advisory Committee member **Aaron Barnes** said serving on the committee was an eye-opening experience. “I was impressed by the transparency of the entire process of creating the bond package,” said Barnes, a North Lamar parent and graduate of the district. “Having the administration, our school board, and our advisory committee totally unified around this bond package makes me very excited for the future of our district.”

Superintendent **Kelli Stewart** commends the Community Advisory Committee for the time and energy they put forth to help develop a master plan that Trustees could consider. “State standards are increasing every year, and we strive to progress beyond to provide a modern teaching and learning experience here in North Lamar ISD. It’s been rewarding to watch our community and Board work together to build this plan.” said Stewart. “It’s a critical step and I know the Board has weighed all the options.”

School districts in Texas have two budgets: one for maintenance and operations (M&O) and one for capital improvements (I&S). School boards can consider rates for the I&S budget after voter-approved bond referendums. Currently, NLISD has a zero I&S tax rate. If voters approve all five propositions in May, the financial impact to taxpayers will be \$27 per month on a \$100,000 home. Property owners that are 65 years of age and older would not be impacted if they have filed for and received a homestead exemption with the state of Texas. Their taxes are frozen.

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Voter

Key Messages



Voter Education Key Messages

HIGHLIGHTS

BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY!

The Community Advisory Committee, made up of 33 diverse community members representing all areas of the community, worked for over 12 months to study and prioritize the District's most critical needs. Their work culminated in a Master Facilities Plan which will address facility issues for the next 10 years.

This bond is largely their recommendation to the Board of Trustees and the proposal addresses six key things:

- New Elementary School Grades 2-5
- Address Aging Facilities
- New Buses
- Technology
- Energy Efficiency
- Safety & Security

- Community Advisory Committee:
 - 33 people / 8 meetings over two school years
 - Committee members included community leaders, business owners, parents and staff.
 - The committee studied and prioritized the district's most critical needs and made a recommendation to the Board of Trustees on how to address three goals:
 1. Provide capacity for 10-year projected student enrollment growth,
 2. Support the District's education improvement efforts, and
 3. Develop a recommendation to address facility needs.

- The Committee Did Their Homework
 - Demographic Study
 - Facility Assessment & Building Capacity Study (conditions of buildings)
 - District Program Needs (academic, athletic, fine arts, CTE)
 - District Technology Needs
 - Safety Needs
 - Financial/Budget Review
 - Campus tours to evaluate current facilities
 - Community Opinion Survey
 - Current and Future Educational Adequacy

IMPACTS EVERY STUDENT IN THE DISTRICT

The proposal includes upgrades at every school, every district facility, and impacts every student and teacher in NLISD.



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IT HAS BEEN 12 YEARS SINCE THE LAST BOND

The last bond program was in 2009 for \$4.68 million to build classrooms for science, math and computer labs at the high school to meet the TEA 4x4 requirements. The last significant investment in school facilities was in 1995 to build the high school, which is 26 years ago. Most elementary schools have not had an investment since they were built almost 50 years ago. If voters approve, the 2021 Bond Proposals are only the eighth investment in public schools in NLISD history.

VOTE THE ENTIRE BALLOT (pending Ballot)

PROPOSED PROJECTS WOULD ALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY

- Design of renovation projects and new elementary school will begin immediately with construction activities beginning in the first months of 2022. Construction projects have been planned to keep students in permanent buildings, utilizing summers, and campus-wide sequencing.
 - Buses and Technology – Procured Fall 2021
 - New ES – Open Fall 2023 (Starts Construction 2/2022)
 - Athletic Improvements – Summer 2022
 - Frank Stone Improvements – Summer 2023
 - Everett and Parker – Open Fall 2024
 - Repurpose Bailey – Open Fall 2024
 - HS Fine Arts Addition – Open Late Spring 2025
 - HS Improvements – Open Fall 2025
- All buses will be purchased starting in 2021 to get the district on a regular replacement schedule.
- All student devices will be purchased in 2021 and distributed as needed so every student will have access to a laptop or iPad for school use.

GRADE ALIGNMENTS

Currently the district's four elementary schools have different grade alignments and some students change schools three times before they get to middle school. Proposition A could allow the district to create more consistent grade alignments in their elementary schools which will increase student performance and collaboration among teachers. With a strong desire to foster positive relationships between students, parents, and staff, we believe that having students remaining on the same campus for longer periods of time will help North Lamar better support families in all areas, including, but not limited to, academics and social emotional development.



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BOND PROJECTS

PROPOSITION A

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADES 2-5

NEW ELEMENTARY GRADES 2-5

\$23.8M

- New campus built on land owned by the district to the north of the High School with a student capacity of 650
- Storm shelter for staff and students
- Gym, cafeteria, library, art room, music room, age group play areas, outdoor classrooms, bus drop off, drop off / pick up lanes, parking

ADDRESS AGING SCHOOL FACILITIES

The average age of a school building in North Lamar ISD is 47 years. These proposals address age-related facility issues and provide students with adequate learning environments.

RENOVATE EVERETT ELEMENTARY GRADES PRE-K – 1

\$8.5M

- Campus built in 1975. It is approaching 47 years old with no significant investment since it was built.
- Upgrade intercom system for safety and security – fire alarms, surveillance cameras
- Renovate and relocate existing restrooms, roof & HVAC replacements, new gym floor, electrical upgrades, ADA accessibility upgrades, exterior doors, windows
- New brick exterior, new front entrance canopy, site drainage, enclose north exterior canopy with a new corridor

PARKER ELEMENTARY

\$2.2M

- Campus built in 1940.
- Roof and HVAC replacements, additional insulation to the building, new canopies for student drop-off, ADA accessibility upgrades, repair gym wall
- New electrical panel and technology infrastructure that includes expanding Wi-Fi access points, cabling, terminations, pathways, network equipment to accommodate for student and teacher devices
- New fire alarms



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REPURPOSE BAILEY INTERMEDIATE

\$675,000

- Campus built in 1986. This campus will provide centralized office space for district professionals in intervention and therapy services and house the Deaf Education program. NLISD currently provides these services to its students and two neighboring school districts.
- New safety and security features such as fire panel, ADA accessibility, and new sidewalks
- Demo north wing and gym/fine arts and replace with grass

DEMOLISH HIGGINS ELEMENTARY

\$245,000

The foundation at Higgins ES is cracked and breaking away from support piers, and engineering studies have determined that it is structurally deficient and failing. In parts of the buildings, the floor is sloping so much that furniture is leveled out using wood shims. It is no longer feasible to fix the foundation without tearing down most of the school, which would cost almost as much as building a new school

FRANK STONE MS

\$3.7M

- Upgrade intercom/bell system and ADA accessibility for increased safety
- Replace roof and 24 HVAC units, restroom upgrades, new gym floor (A), electrical service and panel upgrades, and site drainage

NORTH LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL

\$3.95M

- Upgrade intercom/bell system, fire alarm panel and ADA accessibility for increased safety
- Replace gym floors, repair floor structure, and improve ventilation
- Replace lighting and sound system in auditorium
- Replace 38 HVAC units
- Exterior repairs for drainage, sidewalks to ECC building, drainage and lighting around Ag Barn, and new roof and fans for greenhouse

ATHLETIC UPGRADES

\$2.1M

- Proposition D includes turf replacement at the indoor practice field, drainage and elevation of the football, baseball, and softball fields to prevent flooding and damage to the playing fields.
- Flooded fields result in missed class time, missed practice time, and lack of home field advantage in UIL competitions.
- Currently, NLISD has to rent baseball fields for home games at Chisum ISD when our field is too wet to play on at a cost of \$500 per game.
- The varsity baseball program has only had six home games out of 30 in two seasons. The field conditions are unsuitable for practice or competition play.
- Athletic courses are taught by college-degreed, highly qualified teachers for high school graduation credit. Often these courses are taught in gyms or in outdoor classrooms like playing or practice fields.



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FINE ARTS ADDITION

\$4.2M

- Just over one-third of all high school students participate in fine arts programs like band, choir, and theater.
- The current band hall is half the size of recommended state standards, and other fine arts programs lack adequate instructional space as well. Band students currently practice and store instruments in the hallways, posing a safety concern during an emergency.
- Proposition E would provide for the construction of a new band hall and reconfiguring the existing band hall for shared use by theater, choir and band.

NEW BUSES

\$1.8M

- Proposition B includes the purchase of 15 new buses and gets the district on a replacement schedule thru 2023.
- NLISD covers over 428 square miles, and its buses travel over 477,254 miles per year.
- 50% of students ride the bus to and from school each day.
- The useful life of a school bus in NLISD is 10 years, and 75% of the current fleet is approaching or past its useful life.

TECHNOLOGY & MODERN LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

- Proposition C includes the purchase of 800 laptops, 275 iPads, and 27 charging carts
- This bond provides wireless access points, new student and lab computers, and servers for storage in the new elementary school, Parker and Everett ES.
- NLISD buildings were built to train for jobs and careers of the 1970's and '80's. Older buildings do not have the technology and electrical infrastructure needed for modern teaching and learning tools. We are preparing our students to compete in today's high tech economy, and students need access to devices in the classroom and at home.
- The pandemic has demonstrated that students need to have remote access to their learning to prevent performance drops. Currently, not every student has their own device to learn at home or while they are at school. This bond provides a 1:1 rollout of devices so that every student has a learning device.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

This bond will provide end-of-life system replacements and will increase energy efficiency and lower operating costs.



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SAFETY & SECURITY

- Modern safety and security features will be included at the new elementary and at Everett ES.
- Secure entryways, access card-reader systems, and centralized lockdown systems will be installed at the new elementary school.
- Updates will be made to fire alarms, intercom systems, exterior campus lighting, new surveillance cameras, and to increased handicap accessibility.
- Only three campuses in the district have fire detection systems – NLHS, Bailey and Higgins.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Prop A = \$14.92 per month for a \$100,000 home

Prop B = \$2.58 per month for a \$100,000 home

Prop C = \$.67 cents per month for a \$100,000 home

Prop D = \$3.00 per month for a \$100,000 home

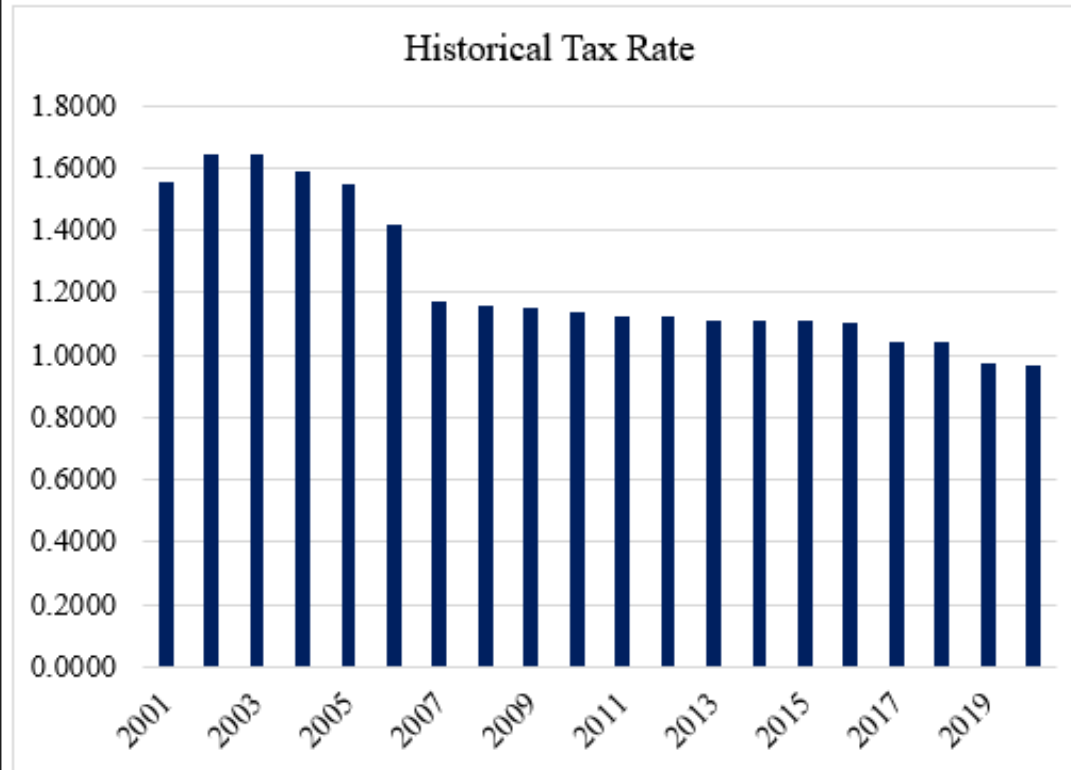
Prop E = \$5.92 per month for a \$100,000 home

65 & OLDER (Use the house infographic to portray)

Property owners ages 65 and older who have applied for and received the over 65 homestead exemption will see NO TAX increase over their frozen dollar amount as a result of these bonds.

- NLISD has one of the **LOWEST** tax rates among its peer competition districts. (use Tax Comparison Chart)
 - NLISD has **ZERO** I&S tax rate for capital improvement debt.
 - NLISD has held and/or lowered the same total tax rate since 2007 (14 years).
 - NLISD has had the same I&S tax rate for the last 4 years.
 - Even after the passage of the bond, property owners will still pay a lower tax rate now than they did in 2006.
 - Delaying implementation of the bond program exposes the District to escalating construction costs, which are expected to increase the total cost of the proposed bond projects by an additional \$3 million per year.
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Tax Year	Tax Rate
2001	1.5555
2002	1.6455
2003	1.6455
2004	1.5890
2005	1.5453
2006	1.4200
2007	1.1682
2008	1.1581
2009	1.1481
2010	1.1365
2011	1.1265
2012	1.1215
2013	1.1111
2014	1.1075
2015	1.1075
2016	1.1025
2017	1.0400
2018	1.0400
2019	0.9700
2020	0.9664





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VOTING INFORMATION

Early Voting Monday, April 19 – Tuesday, April 27

- April 19-23
Monday thru Friday
7 AM – 6 PM
- April 26 & 27
Monday & Tuesday
7 AM – 6 PM

Early Weekend Voting Available April 24 & 25

- April 24 & 25
Saturday & Sunday
1 – 4 PM

Early Voting Locations:

- **NLISD Roy C. Chadwick Administration Building**
3130 N. Main St.
Paris, TX 75460
- **Direct Volunteer Fire Department**
20317 FM 79
Sumner, TX 75486
- **Aaron Parker Elementary**
98 County Road 44112
Powderly, TX 75473
- **City Hall of Reno**
160 Blackburn St.,
Reno, TX 75462

Election Day is Saturday, May 1 (7AM-7PM)

- **NLISD Roy C. Chadwick Administration Building**
3130 N. Main St.
Paris, TX 75460



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Employee Dos and Don'ts



SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS

Rules for District Employees.

DO

GET TO KNOW THE BOND PROPOSAL

Talk about it with family, friends, etc. outside the scope of your professional duties and when you are not viewed as a representative of the district. After work you can express a position.

UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS

What was used to package the bond?

SHARE THE FACTS

Educate people with factual bond information any time you want.

ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO VOTE

Don't encourage them "how" to vote.

KNOW BOND INFORMATION RESOURCES

Who to call, online content, print materials, etc.

VOTE!

As a registered voter, it is your privilege to make your voice heard.

RULE OF THUMB

After a school bond election is called, district employees are not allowed to use district-owned resources to advocate (encourage support or opposition). District-owned resources include your paid time, as well as all district equipment (telephones, computers, printers, copiers). However, you can share FACTS at any time.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [ETHICS.STATE.TX.US](https://ethics.state.tx.us)



SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS

Rules for District Employees.

DON'T

ADVOCATE DURING WORK HOURS

You can share facts only.

SPEND OR AUTHORIZE THE SPENDING OF DISTRICT MONEY FOR POLITICAL ADVERTISING

CONDUCT POLITICAL ADVERTISING USING DISTRICT-OWNED RESOURCES

Includes creating or forwarding pro-bond phone messages, emails, printed materials, etc.

CONDUCT POLITICAL ADVERTISING ON DISTRICT PROPERTY

No pro-bond meetings or pro-bond literature should be on campus or at district functions.

BE AFRAID TO SHARE FACTUAL INFO

Talk about the bond and educate people on the facts, but only advocate after hours.

WHAT IS POLITICAL ADVERTISING?

A communication that advocates a particular outcome of an election. It can be a communication in almost any written or broadcast form, such as billboard, flyer, newsletter, poster, television or radio advertisement, email, or website.

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FAQ

North Lamar ISD May 2021 Bond FAQs

What is a bond?

A school bond is similar to a home mortgage. It is a contract to repay borrowed money over time with a fixed, tax-exempt interest rate. Bonds are approved by voters and sold by a school district to lenders/underwriters to raise funds to pay for the costs of construction, renovations, and equipment. Almost all school districts in Texas utilize voter-approved bonds to finance new facilities and major renovation projects.

How are bonds repaid?

Bonds are repaid by a debt service tax rate called the Interest and Sinking Fund tax rate, or I&S tax rate. It can only be used to service debt on school bonds and is not used to pay for staff or normal maintenance or operations expenses. The I&S tax rate is levied against the appraised value of taxable property in the district, less qualifying exemptions like a homestead exemption.

What is the payback period of the bond?

Prop A was based on a 30-year useful asset life and all other propositions were based on a conservative 5-year useful asset life.

What makes up a district's tax rate?

Funding for public schools in Texas comes from three main sources: local property taxes, state funds, and federal funds. The majority of funding for North Lamar ISD comes from local property taxes, which is comprised of two tax rates: Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate and Interest and Sinking Fund (I&S) tax rate.

The M&O tax rate funds the general daily operations of the district such as salaries, utilities, gasoline, and supplies. It's all the things it takes to run a school district. School districts are a people-intensive business making salaries the largest part of the M&O budget. More than half of our staff are teachers.

The I&S tax rate is also referred to as the debt service tax rate. Funds generated from this tax rate pay off the debt of school bonds. This is similar to the part of the household budget that pays for the home mortgage. School bonds are issued as funds that are needed for voter-approved projects that include new construction and renovation of school buildings as well as technology infrastructure improvements.

Why did the foundations fail at Higgins Elementary and Bailey Intermediate?

- Moisture in expansive clay soils have induced vertical heave on floor slabs and some pier foundations
- Where floor slabs have incurred upward movement (piers without movement), it is compressing floor bearing walls into the roof and structure above. Because vertical movement varies throughout the building, many different conditions are present including doors not opening or stuck closed, walls pushing the structure upward causing roof damage, and walls spanning over floor depressions.

- Where piers have incurred upward movement, various issues have occurred from pushing floor slabs vertically to piers breaking the floor slab and attempting to penetrate the floor. Both observations are creating various vertical movements inside the building and at the roof structure.
- The overall effects of foundation damage are due to the presence of moisture in the soils under the building and the presence of groundwater.

What is the total amount of the bond program?

The total amount of the bond program is \$51,550,000. However, the projects that make up the bond program are broken into five separate propositions for voting. A voter may vote for or against any or all of the propositions individually.

Proposition A is for \$43,070,000 and includes Parker ES Improvements, New 2nd – 5th Grade Elementary School, Renovate Everett for PK-1st Grades, Demolish Higgins, Repurpose Bailey, Stone Middle School Improvements, and North Lamar High School Improvements.

Proposition B is for \$1,800,000 for new buses.

Proposition C is for \$405,000 for Technology Devices.

Proposition D is for \$2,075,000 and includes Resurface of Track, Improvements to Baseball Field, Improvements to Softball Field, Improvements to Football Field, and Improvements to Indoor Athletic Facility.

Proposition E is for \$4,200,000 for High School Fine Arts Addition.

What process was used to determine the bond program?

The District sought the input of a group of citizens who met regularly to review the results of past facilities studies which led to a long-range plan to address facility needs. The Community Advisory Committee included 33 members and was comprised of teachers, parents, business owners, senior citizens, partner institutions, professional and civic organizations, and other community members. The Committee members met from November 2019 to January 2021 to examine the district's facility needs, enrollment projections, vision for curriculum and instruction, safety and security, technology, and financial capacity. The Committee's recommendations focus on academics, fine arts, athletics, technology, and transportation. This Committee ultimately recommended that the Board of Trustees call for a bond election.

When would construction begin and end on projects?

Design of renovation projects and the new elementary school will begin immediately, with construction activities beginning in the first months of 2022. Construction projects have been planned to keep students in permanent buildings, utilizing summers, and campus-wide sequencing.

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- Repurpose Bailey – Open Fall 2024
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- HS Improvements – Open Fall 2025

When will the new tax rate go into effect?

The election will be held on May 1, 2021, and your taxes will not change until you receive your tax bill in October 2021.

What is my potential tax impact?

The estimated impact can be located on our website at https://www.northlamar.net/301207_2

How am I financially impacted if I'm over 65 years old?

According to state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years old or older cannot be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65. This amount remains the same regardless of changes in tax rate or property value unless significant improvements are made to the home. Individuals 65 and over must apply for this exemption.

When and where can I vote?

Early voting: Monday, April 19, 2021 – Tuesday, April 27, 2021

Hours of early voting:

- April 19-23 – 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- April 24 & 25 – 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- April 26 & 27 – 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Early Voting Polling Locations:

- North Lamar ISD Roy C. Chadwick Admin. Building at 3130 N. Main, Paris, TX 75460
- Direct VFD, 20317 FM 79, Sumner, TX 75486
- Aaron Parker Elementary, 98 County Rd 44112, Powderly, TX 75473
- City Hall of Reno, 160 Blackburn St. Reno, TX 75462

Election Day: May 1, 2021

Election Day Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Election Day Voting Location:

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2021
Bond Programs

NORTH LAMAR **NEXT** BOND 2021

May 2021 Bond Program

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NLISD Community Advisory Committee

- 33 diverse citizens from around the district
- 8 meetings- November 2019-January 2021
- Reviewed over 60 million dollars worth of projects
- Studied and prioritized district's strategic goals & critical needs
- Studied the community survey results
- Recommended a bond for May 2020 (cancelled) and May 2021

NLISD Community Advisory Committee

Melissa Allen
Debbie Allred
Whitney Blount
Stephanie Easton
Cody Head
Sara Hess
Kim Lacey
Yolanda Lasenby
Karen Leonard
Jaycie McEwin
Teresa Niblett

Angela Chadwick
Carla Coleman
Melissa Darrow
Rick Landis
Kelli Stewart
Leslie Watson

Aaron Barnes
Paul Bayer
Derald Bulls
Bart Chadwick
Sonny Daughtrey
James Dawson
Jimmy Fendley
Lana Fischer
Jack Hoskins
Cory Jones
Debbie Jones
Jason Stephens

Alan Weatherford
Wade White
Justin Wideman
Matt Wolfe

NLISD Challenges

- Aging buildings cost more to maintain & operate – increasing funds from the M&O budget and diverting funds from the classroom and instruction.
- Older buildings cannot support the electrical load for every student to have their own learning device.
- Declining enrollment over the last five years has created a drop in funding.
- Changing campuses every two years reduces ability for campus personnel to collaborate vertically and foster family relationships.

BOND 2021 – 5 PROPOSITIONS

Proposition A- Academics

\$43,070,000

- New 2-5 School \$23,800,000
- Renovate Everett for PK-1 \$8,500,000
- Parker Elementary Improvements \$2,200,000
- Repurpose Bailey \$675,000
- Demolish Higgins \$245,000
- Frank Stone Middle School Improvements \$3,700,000
- NLHS Improvements \$3,950,000

New 2nd-5th Grade Elementary School

- Approx. 650 students
- Storm Shelter
- 30 year roof
- Brick Exterior
- Carton Foundation like NLHS
- Location- north of the high school

Renovate Everett for PK-1

- Replace roof
- Renovate and relocate existing restrooms
- Renovate hallways through existing restrooms.
- Replace gym floor
- Upgrade intercom system
- Replace 22 HVAC units
- Replace north exterior canopy and enclosed corridor
- Accessibility upgrades as code requires
- Site drainage improvements
- Upgrade electrical
- New entrance
- Redevelop exterior with brick

Elementary Campus Improvements

PARKER ELEMENTARY - (\$2,200,000)

- Replace the roof & 26 HVAC units, new fire alarms, technology upgrades, electrical service, improve site drainage, repair gym wall, replace canopies, and new entrance canopy.

BAILEY INTERMEDIATE - (\$675,000)

- Create office space for intervention staff. New fire alarms, ADA accessibility, new sidewalks. Demo north wing, gym & arts to replace with grass.

DEMOLISH HIGGINS ELEMENTARY - (\$245,000)

Frank Stone MS Improvements (\$3,700,000)

- Replace roof on “A” Gym and “A” wing.
- Renovate toilets in “A” and “B” buildings.
- Replace (24) HVAC units.
- Upgrade Intercom and Bell system.
- Replace flooring in “A” Gym.
- Upgrade electrical service and building electrical.
- Improve drainage near cafeteria.
- Accessibility alterations required by code.

North Lamar High School Upgrades (\$3,950,000)

- Replace gym floors, repair floor structure, and improve ventilation.
- Update intercom/bell system and fire alarm panel.
- Replace lighting and sound system in auditorium.
- Replace (38) HVAC units.
- Exterior repairs for drainage and sidewalks to ECC building.
- Replace greenhouse roof and 4 fans.
- Improve drainage around Ag barn and provide lighting.

Proposition B- Transportation \$1,800,000

Replace 15 buses

Proposition C- Technology

\$405,000

- Purchase 800 Chromebooks
- Purchase 275 Ipads
- Purchase 27 charging carts

Proposition D- Athletics \$2,075,000

- Resurface existing track
- Improvements to Baseball- raise field and replace grass, implement drainage, replace dugouts and field perimeter
- Improvements to Softball- raise field and replace grass, implement drainage, replace dugouts and field perimeter
- Improvements to Football- raise field and replace grass and provide drainage pipes outside of the track
- Improvements to Indoor Facility- improve drainage around the building and replace the turf

Proposition E- Fine Arts

\$4,200,000

- 9,000SF Band Hall Addition on north parking lot
- Alterations to ensemble rooms in existing building for access to band and choir from corridor
- Replace parking lost due to building over parking
- 2,000SF allowance area for theater arts to alter (not renovate) could allow existing band hall to be 2nd band hall and black-box combo

Bond Program Overview

Bond Program Benefits

- Enhanced accessibility and access for all students, particularly the most vulnerable (ADA and code upgrades).
- Provide safe and dependable transportation for students
- Align grades with state testing requirements and provide means for improved teacher communications and collaboration.
- Upgrade infrastructure to support teaching and learning initiatives (a device in every student's hands).
- Improve access and availability for facilities that serve students' extra-curricular and co-curricular activities (mitigate numerous drainage issues at athletic facilities and other sites).
- Enhance safety and security for students, parents and teachers by bringing building up to current codes and standards.
- Improvements required for accessibility.
- Save the District maintenance and operations dollars by replacing aged air conditioning and heating systems with higher efficiency units and demolishing unused and/or obsolete building square footage
- Improve/enhance the District's "facilities image" to potentially attract new or returning students.

NLISD Proposed Bond - May 2021 Propositions

Proposition A - Academics

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Demolish Higgins	\$245,000
Repurpose Bailey	\$675,000
Stone MS Improvements	\$3,700,000
North Lamar HS Improvements	\$3,950,000
	\$43,070,000

Proposition B - Transportation

New Buses (15)	\$1,800,000
	\$1,800,000

Proposition C - Technology

Technology Devices	\$405,000
	\$405,000

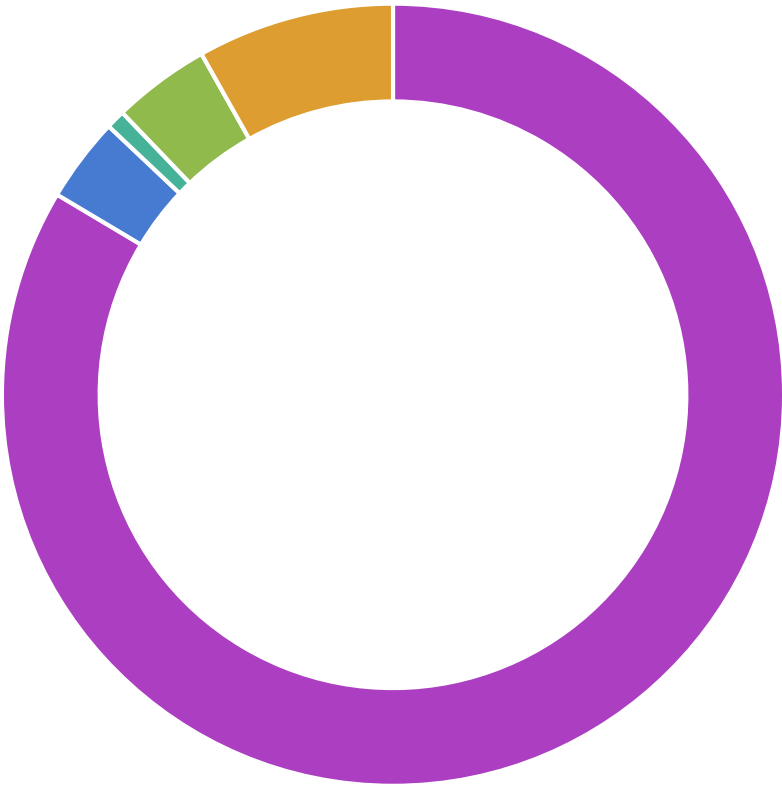
Proposition D - Athletics

Resurface Track	\$250,000
Improvements to Baseball Field	\$475,000
Improvements to Softball Field	\$255,000
Improvements to Football Field	\$485,000
Improvements to Indoor Athletic Facility	\$610,000
	\$2,075,000

Proposition E - Fine Arts

High School Fine Arts Addition	\$4,200,000
	\$4,200,000

May 2021 Bond Program Recommendation



- Prop. A - Academics: \$43,070,000
- Prop. B - Transportation: \$1,800,000
- Prop. C - Technology: \$405,000
- Prop. D - Athletics: \$2,074,000
- Prop. E - Fine Arts: \$4,200,000

Total:
\$51,550,000

Estimated Impact

Estimated Impact to Tax Rate by Prop

Prop A – Academics (\$43,070,000)	\$0.179 (\$14.92 /mo)
Prop B – Transportation (\$1,800,000)	\$0.031 (\$2.58 /mo)
Prop C – Technology (\$405,000)	\$0.008 (\$0.67 /mo)
Prop D – Athletics (\$2,075,000)	\$0.036 (\$3.00 /mo)
Prop E – Fine Arts (\$4,200,000)	\$0.071 (\$5.92 /mo)

Estimated monthly tax impact is per \$100,000 of appraised property value.

Regional Tax Comparison



**Total Tax Rate
SAME OR LESS
OVER LAST 14 YEARS**

2020 ISD Total Tax Rates

Spring Hill ISD	\$1.5532
Gilmer ISD	\$1.3990
Pleasant Grove ISD	\$1.3678
Paris ISD	\$1.3116
North Lamar ISD (Proposed if all 5 pass)	\$1.2914
Rivercrest ISD	\$1.2884
Liberty-Eylau ISD	\$1.2547
Honey Grove ISD	\$1.2111
Chisum ISD	\$1.1464
Pittsburg ISD	\$1.1437
North Lamar ISD (current)	\$0.9664

Estimated tax impacts are calculated by individual proposition with consideration for matching debt life to the useful life of the proposed assets within each proposition. These estimates are provided for comparative purposes only to aid decision-making. Final tax impact will depend on several factors and will change if propositions are revised from the current recommended program.

Tax Impact

ages
65 & Older
\$0 TAX
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Early Voting:

Monday, April 19th- Tuesday, April 27th

Hours of Voting:

April 19th -23rd 7:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

April 26th -27th 7:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Weekend Voting Available:

Saturday, April 24th 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 25th 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Early Voting Locations:

NLISD Roy C. Chadwick Admin. Bldg.

Aaron Parker Elementary

Direct VFD

City Hall of Reno

Election Day

Saturday, May 1

7AM-7PM

NLISD Roy C. Chadwick Admin Building

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