



DSISD School Bond Program 2007

DRIPPING SPRINGS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bond Election: November 6, 2007

On September 4, 2007, the Board of Trustees of the Dripping Springs Independent School District called a November 6th bond election. The 7-0 vote by the DSISD Board to call the election caps another milestone in the more than two year district self-study of student enrollment, community preference in regard to secondary school size, and long range district-wide facility planning.

The facility needs addressed in this bond package were determined by a board-appointed Long Range District Facilities Planning Team comprised of 74 community members representing every part of the school district attendance area. The Planning Team included parents, grandparents, business owners, teachers, principals, district administrators and support staff, board members, retired community members as well as other taxpayers and consultants. The Planning Team reviewed current and projected enrollment demographic data, existing buildings and grounds, and projected future facility needs over the next fifteen to twenty years. The Planning Team then identified the facility renovation and expansion described as the most appropriate building program for this bond project.

If approved, the bond project will affect the DSISD tax rate in 2008/2009 when an approximate 7.47 cent increase per \$100 valuation will be implemented. The property tax increase on a \$200,000 home in DSISD is estimated at \$12.45 per month or an estimated total tax increase of \$149.40. Unless new improvements are made to their home, taxpayers with an over-65 homestead exemption will not see an increase in their taxes, because their taxes were frozen at the time of their 65th birthday. Taxpayers who are 65 or older and desire to have their taxes frozen must make application to the County Appraisal District.

Convert and Expand Existing Middle School to 1,800 Student High School	\$62,700,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Additions approximately 200,000 sf <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classrooms Administration Library Competition Gym and Locker Rooms Career and Technology Education - Ag, Auto Mechanics, Computer Tech, etc. Performing Arts Auditorium (approximately 25,000 sf with 600+ seats) Modification/Expansion of Core Facilities to Accommodate 2,500 Students Data, Security, Fire Alarm, and Bell System Upgrades Utilities and Drainage Wastewater Treatment Facility Sitework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excavation, Grading, and Site Demolition Sidewalks, Parking, Drives and Signage Fencing, Landscaping, and Irrigation Athletic Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Track and Turf Field Field House Buildings Practice Fields Tennis Courts 	
Convert Existing High School to 1,200 to 1,300 Student Middle School	\$13,600,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Entry Canopy, Parking, and Drives New Lobby and Main Office Data, Fire Alarm, and Bell System Upgrades Science Classrooms Remodel of Existing Facility HVAC and Electrical Improvements ADA/Accessibility Upgrades Technology Upgrades Security Improvements Stadium Improvements 	
Land For Future School Facilities	\$1,000,000
Fees and Other Bond Associated Costs	\$18,870,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FF&E) Design, Engineering, and Testing Infrastructure, Fees, and Permits Bond Issuance Costs 	
Estimated TOTAL Project Cost	\$96,170,000