

BOND 2020

DICKINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ELECTION DAY: MAY 2, 2020

BOND 2020: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

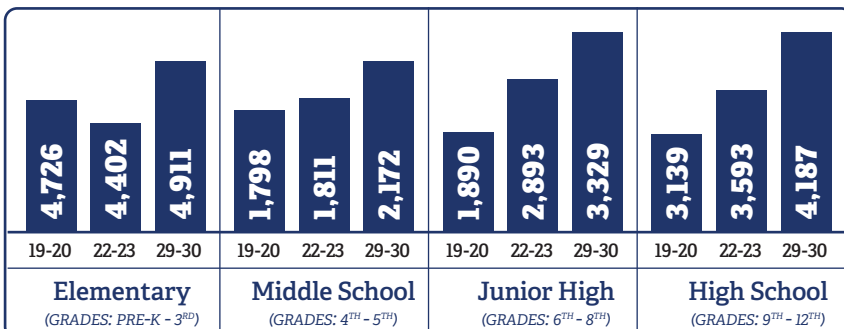
Dickinson ISD is a fast growing district, having increased by approximately 3,200 students over the past 10 years to now more than 11,600 students attending school within the district. A decade from now, student enrollment is projected to increase to 14,500 as more housing developments continue to build out, including the large Lago Mar development in the southwest corner of the district, which will feature 4,000 homes.

In addition, recently approved legislation requires the district to develop a plan to implement full-day pre-kindergarten throughout the district to qualifying students. The district currently does not have the classroom space to change from half-day to full-day pre-kindergarten at all elementary campuses.

The Dickinson ISD Facility Task Force began meeting in November to review demographic projections, various scenarios to address identified district needs, financial capacity, and priority needs at multiple campuses and district facilities. The final result of these meetings is a \$94.2 million bond package, which the group recommended to the Board of Trustees as the scenario they believe best addresses student growth, as well as the requirement for full-day pre-k classes.

If the bond is approved, the district will realign grade levels when the third junior high opens to have Pre-K to grade 3 in elementary school, grades 4-5 in middle school and grades 6-8 in junior high school.

WHAT IS DISD'S PROJECTED GROWTH?



*These numbers are based off the proposed realignment of grade levels that would take place no earlier than August 2022.

2020 BOND OVERVIEW

TOTAL: \$94.2 MILLION

PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- New 1,200 student junior high school
- Transportation Center additions and renovations
- Agricultural center additions and renovations
- Parking lot replacement/expansion and drainage at Hughes Road Elementary
- Technology center additions and renovations
- Security improvements district-wide to campus vestibules
- Lobit Education Village & Kranz Junior High safety upgrades
- McAdams Junior High running track replacement

TAX RATE INFORMATION:

If the bond is approved, it is estimated to raise the tax rate by 2 cents, which for a \$200,000 home is the equivalent of \$3.33 per month or \$40 per year. Taxes on the homestead residence of taxpayers age 65 or older will not increase, provided there is not an improvement in the residence that increases the taxable value.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Voter Registration Deadline: **April 2, 2020**

Early Voting: **April 20-24, 2020 (8 a.m.-5 p.m.) and**

April 27-28, 2020 (7 a.m.-7 p.m.)

Election Day: **May 2, 2020 (7 a.m.-7 p.m.)**



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LEGISLATION REQUIRING FULL DAY PRE-K

The Texas Legislature approved House Bill 3 in 2019, which requires school districts to offer full-day pre-k classes to qualifying students and that classes meet high quality requirements. The two main ways a student qualifies for pre-k are that the family meets the income guidelines for the free/reduced meal program or the child is limited English speaking. In order to offer full-day pre-k, the district will need additional classroom space at the elementary level.

REALIGNMENT OF GRADE CONFIGURATIONS

Realignment of grade configurations will open space at each elementary school to accommodate the implementation of full-day pre-k. The proposed configuration will provide a secondary alignment for grades 6-8. If the bond is approved, the realignment of grades would take place when the third junior high opens no earlier than August 2022.

Elementary: Pre-K - 3rd Grade

Middle School: 4th - 5th Grade

Junior High: 6th - 8th Grade

High School: 9th - 12th Grade

"Dickinson ISD is a fast-growing district, and we are committed to providing high quality experiences in safe and secure learning environments for our students. The 2020 Facility Task Force developed a recommendation that is fiscally sound, aligns with our district's mission and goals, and it will prepare DISD for future growth as well as provide us with space needs to meet the recent legislative requirement for full-day pre-kindergarten."

*- Carla Voelkel
DISD Superintendent*



CONSTRUCTION OF JUNIOR HIGH #3 - \$73.7 MILLION

The district would construct a third junior high school with the capacity of 1,200 students in grades 6-8. It will be located on land the district is purchasing in the rapidly developing area on the southern edge of the district between Hughes Road and Mall of the Mainland.



TRANSPORTATION CENTER ADDITIONS/RENOVATIONS - \$11.6 MILLION

Funds would be used for additions to the driver's room, lunch room, offices and support spaces as well as renovations to the existing space. Also included is six new service bays, relocation of the bus wash equipment, additional parking and lighting, a new bus entrance, a new bus fueling station and two portable buildings at DCC.



AGRICULTURAL CENTER ADDITIONS - \$3.2 MILLION

The bond would provide 6,000 additional square feet to house cattle and lamb pens and an arena, installation of a 10 foot wide permeable grid system, expanded concrete parking for vehicles and trailers, a new 1,000 square foot Ag Shop and support spaces adjacent to the drive-thru, and a 10 foot wide roll off waste management system.



HUGHES ROAD ES PARKING LOT REPLACEMENT - \$2 MILLION

Funds would address the major subsidence and drainage issues in the parking lot at Hughes Road Elementary with the demolition of the current parking lots, replacement of the underground storm drainage system and the construction of new parking lots drives and bus loops.



TECHNOLOGY CENTER ADDITIONS & RENOVATIONS - \$1.5 MILLION

The bond would provide minor renovations and the construction of an addition to the existing warehouse for more cubicles and storage. It will also fund renovations to the existing Technology Cottage to accommodate a new conference room and additional support spaces.



DISTRICT-WIDE SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS - \$1.5 MILLION

Security improvements would be made to all campus vestibules. Front entrances would be renovated so that visitors do not directly enter the school's front office. Instead, visitors would check-in at a secure transaction window before entering the main school building. In addition, ballistic window film would be added to all front entrance areas.



LOBIT VILLAGE AND KRANZ JHS SAFETY UPGRADES - \$400,000

Manual operated opaque window shades would be installed on all interior classroom windows at Lobit Elementary, Lobit Middle School and Kranz Junior High. Since these campuses have large classroom windows on all interior walls, the shades would provide privacy and security to the classroom.



McADAMS JHS RUNNING TRACK REPLACEMENT - \$300,000

The cinder running track at McAdams Junior High would be replaced with an asphalt running track similar to the track at Kranz Junior High. The current McAdams track poses serious safety and health concerns.