

By recommendation from the district’s Project Kids, a facilities planning committee of approximately 60 local citizens and staff members, the Allen ISD Board of Trustees voted unanimously on July 26, 2021, to call a bond election for November 2, 2021.

The bond package totals \$23,600,000 and is made up of two propositions. The proposal provides renovations and replacements to aging student facilities in order to accommodate the continued growth in student programs, extracurricular activities, fine arts and athletic programs.

PROPOSITION A: \$15,900,000



**TENNIS COMPLEX FACILITY
\$550,000**

The district’s tennis complex facility, built 20 years ago, is used year-round by Allen ISD students and is open to the public.

Repairs include:

- Complete surface replacement on all 12 courts
- Concrete and drainage improvements
- Additional storage
- Repair hitting walls
- Replace fencing
- Update security and lighting systems



**ALLEN ISD ACTIVITY CENTER
\$12,750,000**

Built 21 years ago, the Activity Center has not received significant updates since opening, and usage has significantly increased over the years, as the enrollment in AISD has grown.

Renovations include:

- Additional programming space to accommodate growth
- Security updates and additional storage
- Reconfigure meeting rooms to utilize space more efficiently
- Resurface indoor and outdoor fields
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing efficiency updates



**LOWERY WEIGHT CENTER
\$2,600,000**

The Lowery Weight Center (also known as “The Barn”) was built more than 20 years ago and has not received significant updates since opening.

Renovations include:

- Update ventilation system
- Bring water and sewer to the building to add bathrooms *(facility does not have these utilities)*
- Security updates
- Update interior and exterior finishes
- Building envelope updates
- Electrical and plumbing efficiency updates

PROPOSITION B: \$7,700,000



**FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL
\$4,500,000**

Ford Middle School was built in 1982 and is the only middle school in the district without a turf field or a track on campus.

Additions include:

- New turf field and track



The track surfaces and turf fields at the following facilities have reached the end of their life cycle which ranges 6-8 years for track and 8-10 years for turf.

TRACK RESURFACING \$700,000

- Resurfacing at Lowery Competition Field and AHS Band/Track Field



TURF REPLACEMENT \$2,500,000

- Replacement at Curtis Middle School, AHS Band/Track Field, Lowery Competition Field and Eagle Stadium



Voting Information

DON'T FORGET! Only registered voters residing within the Allen ISD boundaries can vote in the upcoming bond election. The final day to register is October 4.

Early Voting: October 18 - October 29, 2021

Early voting locations:

- Allen ISD Service Center
- Allen Municipal Courts Facility

ELECTION DAY: Tuesday, November 2, 2021

Election Day voting locations:

- Allen ISD Service Center
- Allen Municipal Courts Facility

To view all locations, visit the Collin County Elections website.



FAQ

What is the financial impact if the bond passes? Based on current projections, the District would not need to increase the tax rate regardless of the outcome of this bond election.

How is it possible to fund a bond without increasing the tax rate? More than \$468 million of new properties, both commercial and residential, are expected to be added to the tax rolls this year, allowing the Allen ISD Board to maintain the tax rate while adding a new bond proposal and paying down the principal on existing bonds. Allen ISD pays off debt earlier through redemptions and saves money through refunding and refinancing.

Upon approval, is the entire bond amount issued all at once? No. The district will only issue bonds to cover the cost of projects at the time they are needed and approved by the Board of Trustees. The Board can consider the economic outlook, market rates, and project timelines before selling any bonds.

Are turf and track financed by long-term bonds? No. Items in the bond package that have a short lifespan will only be financed by short-term bonds.

Why does the ballot language say “This is a property tax increase” despite Allen ISD saying the tax rate will not increase? In compliance with a new state law, ballot propositions must include the following statement: “This is a property tax increase.” As a result of this new requirement, voters in Allen ISD will see this language on both propositions; however, the district’s tax rate will not increase as a result of the 2021 bond election.