



The FACTS about  
the November 6, 2007  
Bond Issue

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# Standards of Excellence

- National “Outperformer” from Standard & Poor’s
- 17 National Exemplary “Blue Ribbon” Schools
- 32 National Merit Semifinalists (2006-07)
- SAT scores among highest in the area—well above state and national averages
- TAKS gains in 23 of 26 performance areas (2007)





# Standards of Excellence

- **Five Texas Teachers of the Year**
- **Four Regional Teachers of the Year**
- **Two Texas Gifted Teachers of the Year**
- **Six West Houston Chamber of Commerce Teachers of the Year**
- **Outstanding Texas Board of Trustees nomination from Region IV**





# SBISD Facilities Facts

- **Average school construction year: 1967**
- **46 Campuses, 8 Support, 4 Athletic**
- **5.6 million sq. ft. (130 acres)**
- **Last Bond Issue: 1999**





## The Process

- **Demographic Study**
- **Facilities Capacity Study**
- **Facilities Committee**
- **Debt Capacity Study**
- **Bond Advisory Committee**



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## Bond Advisory Committee

- **65 members: business representatives, retirees, teachers, other patrons**
- **Every attendance zone**
- **Chaired by parents**
- **Reviewed Five-Year Educational Plan, Technology Plan, Long Range Facilities Plan**



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## Bond Advisory Committee

- **Seven meetings (February-May)**
- **“Transparent” process**
- **Unanimous recommendation to Board of Trustees in June**
- **Board study-July, August**





## Action of the Board

- **\$597.1 million package:**
  - Upgrade/maintain HVAC, electrical and plumbing systems, required maintenance, basic repairs
  - Replace 12 schools
  - Additions/renovations for growth, science lab mandates
  - Safety & Security, Technology, Transportation, Athletics





## Schools to be Rebuilt

- Spring Branch Elementary (1938)
- Housman Elementary (1950)
- Ridgecrest Elementary (1953)
- Pine Shadows Elementary (1955)
- Valley Oaks Elementary (1956)
- Hollibrook Elementary (1957)





## Schools to be Rebuilt

- **Shadow Oaks Elementary (1959)**
- **Frostwood Elementary (1960)**
- **Edgewood Elementary (1960)**
- **Westwood Elementary (1963)**
- **Meadow Wood Elementary (1964)**
- **Wilchester Elementary (1967)**



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## Rebuilt schools will:

- Retain recent additions (libraries, multi-purpose rooms, etc.)
- Save estimated \$55 million in renovation costs





## The Bottom Line

- **\$260.1** Upgrade/maintain systems
- **\$249.1** Rebuild 12 schools
- **\$ 66.8** Enrollment growth, safety & security, technology, unfunded mandates (labs)
- **\$ 21.1** Associated bond costs, construction contingencies over a ten-year period





## Estimated Tax Impact\*

- **\$100.78 a year**
- **\$8.40 a month**
- **\$1.94 a week**
- **27 ½ cents a day**

\*based on a \$200,000 home





NO Tax Increase  
for residents  
65 and older!





## Where and When to Vote:

- **Early Voting**  
**October 22-November 2**
- **Election Day**  
**Tuesday November 6**





Please VOTE  
on Tuesday,  
November 6.

Thank you!

