

HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017 BOND

Overview

The Hillsboro School District Board of Directors has voted to place a \$408 million capital construction bond on the November 2017 ballot. The bond would prioritize safety and security, update and repair aging school buildings, address overcrowding while planning for future growth, and provide a modern education for students.

The bond would renew the existing tax rate of \$2.24/\$1000 assessed value and would not increase the current property tax rate.



Prioritize Safety and Security

The bond would add security cameras, enhance emergency communications and upgrade security measures that would help keep students, staff, and school visitors safe.



Renovate & Repair Aging Schools

The bond would repair and update aging building systems at schools across the district, replace 15 of the portable classrooms in the worst condition, as well as complete significant upgrades at two of the District's oldest schools: Reedville Elementary and Hilhi.



Relieve Crowded Classrooms, Plan for Growth

The bond would construct additional elementary schools where future growth is happening as well as expand two existing middle and high schools to accommodate expected growth and reduce overcrowding.



Provide a Modern Education for Every Student

The bond would update our schools to provide a modern educational environment, which would include technology, labs, and spaces for hands-on learning. These modern spaces would expand access to up-to-date job training opportunities in partnership with Portland Community College and local employers, giving students a head start on career and college.



Wise Use of Taxpayer Dollars

Maintain Current Tax Rate

- Renew the existing tax rate (\$2.24/\$1000 assessed value) and would not increase the current property tax rate.

Be Part of a Long-Term Plan

- The 2017 Bond would be part of a long-term plan to maintain and improve our school facilities.

Provide Independent Oversight

- An independent citizen Bond Oversight Committee would monitor the progress of the bond, issue regular reports and ensure that projects are being managed responsibly.
- The bond would require at least 90 percent of the money raised be spent on construction and repair projects, not administration.