

Henrietta Board of Trustees calls first bond election since 2007 after recommendation by the community planning committee

(February 21, 2024) – The Henrietta Board of Trustees has called a $36 million bond election for the May 4, 2024 ballot. The recommendation by the long-range planning committee includes two propositions. Proposition A for $35 million includes a new high school campus building that would include a large, multifunction meeting space, 20 additional classrooms, updated science labs and innovative CTE workforce readiness spaces. Proposition B for $1 million would provide funding for athletic upgrades.

“The community-led long range planning committee brought forth a conservative recommendation that I believe reflects the priorities of our community and parents. “ said Board of Trustees president Brad Yurcho.

How was the bond program determined?
As part of the district’s conservative management of finances and facilities, Henrietta ISD commissioned a community-led Long Range Planning Committee in 2022 to develop a long-term capital program through a series of collaborative meetings.

The goal of the Long Range Planning Committee was to ensure students in Henrietta ISD continue to have access to modern classrooms and innovative programs by addressing the aging junior high facility and creating instructional opportunities for students by creating a centralized hub for all our campuses.

The new building would open in 2-3 years so that the community can help determine what will happen with the current junior high.

“We know there are many opinions about what to do with the current junior high. We are going to make sure that our entire community has the opportunity to weigh in on the best course of action for that facility,” said superintendent Jaime Clark.

When was the last bond election?
The last bond election was in 2007 when voters approved $12 million dollars for a new gym and other campus upgrades.



Will this be a tax-rate increase?
Yes. The 2023-2024 tax rate was the lowest tax rate in 19 years. In addition, the homestead exemption was increased to $100,000 this year, further reducing the tax burden on homeowners. If both propositions are approved by voters, the projected increase is 23 cents per $100 valuation. This tax rate would still be lower than the 2022 tax rate.

What's next?
The district will provide a series of informational meetings so that all members of the community can be well informed about the scope of work of the proposed bond election and how the bond will be funded.

Important Dates

Last Day To Register To Vote	April 4
Early Voting Begins	April 22
Election Day	May 4