

Humble Independent School District

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What Your Ballot Will Say:

- [] For
- [] Against

PROPOSITION A
The issuance of \$730,000,000 school building bonds for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion, improvement and equipment of school buildings in the district, the purchase of the necessary sites for school buildings, the purchase of new school buses, the retrofitting of school buses with emergency safety and security equipment and the purchase or retrofitting of vehicles to be used for emergency, safety or security purposes, and levying and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements. This is a property tax increase. Required statement for all school district bond propositions pursuant to section 45.003, Texas Education Code.

- [] For
- [] Against

PROPOSITION B
The issuance of \$45,000,000 school building bonds for the design, construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion, improvement and upgrading of technology equipment and systems, technology infrastructure and instructional technology, and levying and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements. This is a property tax increase. Required statement for all school district bond propositions pursuant to section 45.003, Texas Education Code.

NO TAX RATE INCREASE

In compliance with new state law, bond ballot propositions must include the following statement: This is a property tax increase. Voters will see this language on all bond propositions; however, Humble ISD plans to keep the I&S tax rate at 35 cents, the same as it has been since 2008.

Early Voting Monday, April 25 - Tuesday, May 3

Election Day is Saturday, May 7

Get Polling Locations for Early Voting & Election Day

Get polling locations at harrisvotes.com/VotingInfo

Five Tax Exemptions Are Available

\$25,000 homestead exemption; additionally, a \$15,000 age 65 and older exemption; \$10,000 Disabled Homestead exemption, a \$5,000 to \$12,000 Disabled Veteran or Survivor exemption; and a 100% homestead exemption for certain qualifying disabled veterans. A tax deferral is available for homeowners with an Over 65 or Disabled exemption.

Additionally, the May 7 ballot includes a statewide ballot proposition to allow for those with elderly or disabled homestead exemptions to have their tax ceiling reduced if the school tax rate is lowered, and to increase the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000 for everyone who claims the homestead exemption. Humble ISD’s plan to maintain or lower the current tax rate takes into account the possibility of the homestead exemption going to \$40,000. Humble ISD voters can vote on the statewide ballot propositions when they vote on Bond 2022 Propositions A and B.

Humble ISD’s Bond Rating Is Among the Strongest in the State of Texas for Public School Districts

School districts are evaluated by ratings agencies to determine creditworthiness. Humble ISD received an AA rating from Standard & Poor’s (S&P) and an Aa1 rating from Moody’s Investors Service in 2021. This is equal to or higher than 98% of Texas public school districts.

“The Aa1 rating reflects the district’s growing economy in the Houston metropolitan area, with favorable resident income indices and a growing enrollment base even during the ongoing pandemic. The district’s stable finances have resulted in the build-up of healthy liquidity and reserves,” Moody’s news release stated. “The stable outlook reflects our expectation that the district will continue to exhibit sound financial management and maintain healthy general reserves.”

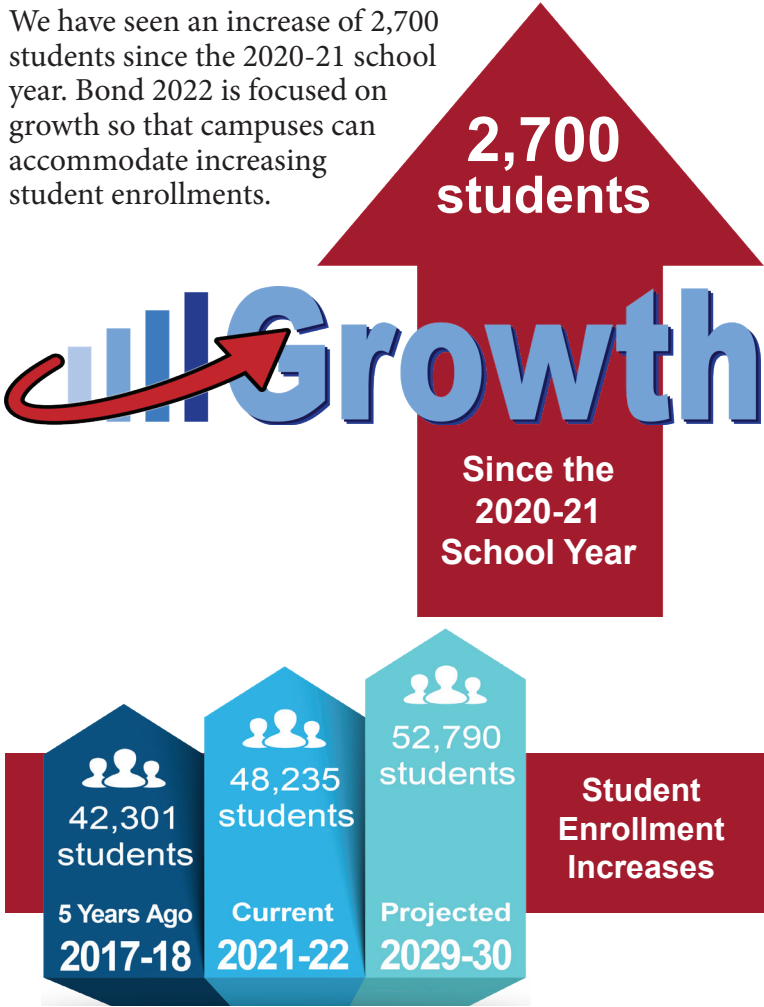
BOND 2022

Humble ISD Bond Election

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Humble ISD is a Fast Growth District

We have seen an increase of 2,700 students since the 2020-21 school year. Bond 2022 is focused on growth so that campuses can accommodate increasing student enrollments.

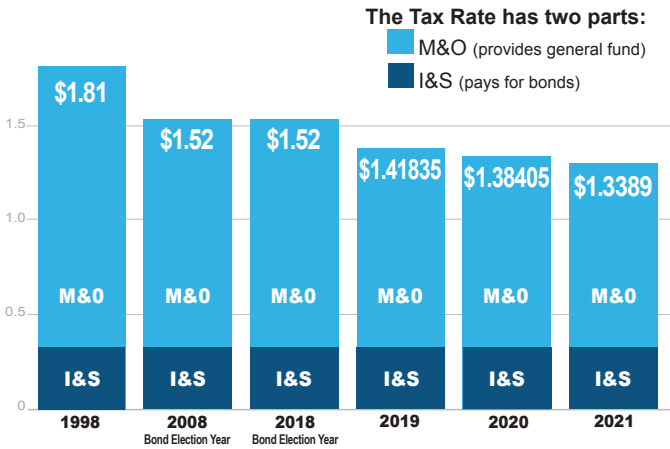


There Will Be No Tax Rate Increase as a Result of Bond 2022

Humble ISD Can Issue Bonds and Not Raise the Tax Rate

Two factors come together to enable Humble ISD to issue bonds without raising the property tax rate. First, Humble ISD is a fast growing district. As new homes are constructed, new businesses open, and existing property values rise, Humble ISD’s total tax value base grows, allowing the district to collect more tax revenue without increasing the tax rate. Property value growth has allowed the School Board to lower the tax rate three times since the 2018 bond referendum. Second, Humble ISD retires debt annually. Humble ISD does not plan to sell bonds until property value growth and payments toward existing debt allow the district to do so without raising the debt service tax rate.

Humble ISD Tax Rate History



Humble ISD’s Projected Tax Rate for 2022 Is Lower Than the Current Tax Rate



Anticipating 6 percent property value growth, Humble ISD projects the M&O tax rate can be lowered by 2 cents in 2022 based on current projected values and no change in the state formula for school funding. Humble ISD plans to keep the I&S tax rate at 35 cents, the same as it has been since 2008.

Some Humble ISD Schools Were Built Decades Ago

Bond 2022 is focused on renewal so that children who live in established neighborhoods, where schools were built years ago, experience educational facilities that are comparable to the schools built more recently in newer neighborhoods.





Proposed Bond Projects in the Construction Plan

NEW BUILDINGS



Middle School #11

A new middle school on West Lake Houston Parkway due to student enrollment growth



Foster Elementary Replacement

New building to the standard of today's schools - larger classrooms, technology and security features



Ross Sterling MS Replacement

New building to the standard of today's schools - larger classrooms, technology and security features



Mosaic Campus

A permanent building for Mosaic Special Ed program and offices for Special Education support staff on the same property

EXPANDED CAMPUSES



Humble HS Phase 2 & 3

New classrooms, science labs and Career Tech facilities, renovated fine arts areas, a gym and locker room



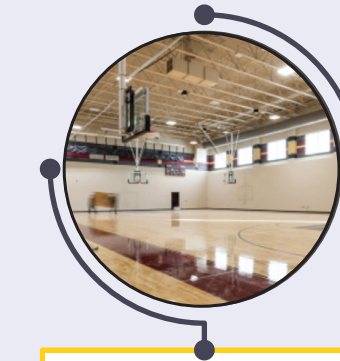
Summer Creek HS Classroom Addition

Two 20-classroom additions, more parking, additional dining spaces and designated areas for freshmen



Summerwood Elementary

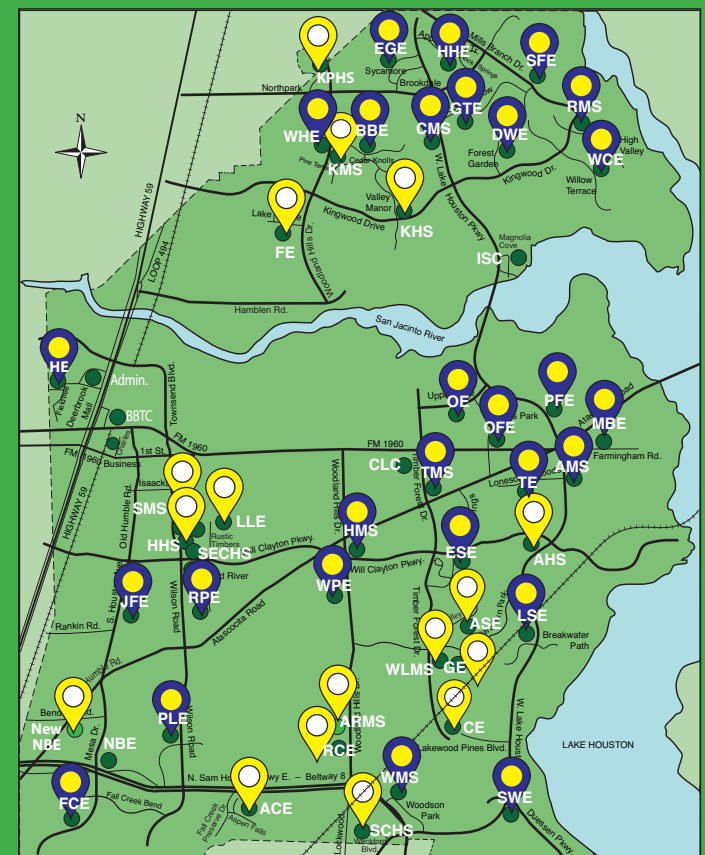
Additional classrooms in a fast-growing area of the district



Practice Gyms for Five Middle Schools

Brings older campuses—Atascocita, Creekwood, Humble, Riverwood and Timberwood—up to the standard of newer middle schools

CAMPUS RENEWAL



- Add playground equipment at elementary schools and add outdoor fitness equipment at middle and high schools
At elementary and middle schools, equipment would be available for community use outside of school hours
- In addition to adding playground/fitness equipment, 28 campuses would also be renovated to include more windows and/or skylights to let in more light

OUTDOOR FACILITIES for STUDENTS & COMMUNITY



Elementary Playgrounds

New or additional playground equipment, with themes focused on imaginative play and learning, installed at every campus on handicapped-accessible, poured-in-place rubber surfaces instead of mulch

Bond 2022 would fund the majority of playground and outdoor fitness equipment. Other funding sources that will be used include federal (ESSER), City of Houston (TIRZ), and District (savings).



Middle & High School Outdoor Fitness

Outdoor equipment for students, PE classes, and JROTC, installed on handicapped-accessible, poured-in-place rubber surfaces; at high schools, surfacing expands beyond the equipment for activities such as dance or cheer and provides fall protection; at middle schools, adult fitness equipment available for community use outside of school hours



Baseball / Softball Turf

Add turf to Atascocita, Kingwood, Kingwood Park and Summer Creek high schools

FINE ARTS



Performing Arts Rooms

Renovations to Atascocita, Kingwood, Kingwood Park and Summer Creek high schools, and Atascocita, Creekwood, Humble, Riverwood, Timberwood and Woodcreek middle schools, to provide more instructional and practice space for performing arts



Middle School Dance Classrooms

Add a classroom with dance floors, mirrors, and a sound system

DISTRICTWIDE

Capital Improvements

Replacing roofs, chillers, and other items to maintain taxpayer assets

Career Tech Labs

Funding for middle school STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) labs; middle school Culinary labs; high school Health Science Technology labs; and high school Veterinary Medicine labs

Child Nutrition Addition and Renovation

Technology (\$45 million, Proposition B)

Devices for staff and students; classroom instructional technology; upgrades to network infrastructure; cyber security; security camera & radio systems

Bond 2022 Would Preserve General Funds for Teacher Raises

When a district has bond funds available, capital expenses such as air conditioning, roof replacements and buses can be paid out of those bond funds. When a district does not have bond funds available, all expenses must be paid out of the general fund or from other sources. This depletes these revenue sources, leaving less money available for all other expenditures, such as teacher raises, new teacher positions, benefits, and student programs. Approximately 85% of the general fund is allocated to salaries and benefits of staff. Reallocating general funds for these types of capital improvements would reduce the funds available for raises.