To: Calallen ISD Parents and Guardians

From: Emily Lorenz, Superintendent

Date: February 15, 2023

Re: CISD Board Bond Call

During the regularly scheduled board meeting Monday night, the Calallen Independent School District Board of Trustees unanimously approved calling a School Bond Election for May 6, 2023. The proposal was developed by a Bond Planning Committee consisting of 47 community members from across the district, including parents, community and business leaders, representatives from school and civic organizations, staff, and board members. The primary task of the committee was to develop and present to the Board of Trustees a bond project list designed to meet the needs of the district today and into the future.

We are very grateful to the planning committee for all of their hard work. They carefully studied needs and prioritized projects to develop a final list that will impact students across the district. Their work included a review of district finances, enrollment projections, facility assessment, and stakeholder feedback.

The most recent Calallen ISD bond was passed eight years ago in 2017. CISD was able to complete many projects, including construction of West Intermediate and the new science wing at Calallen High School.

The 2023 Bond will ask voters to consider a $67,755,000 package with two propositions:

Proposition A includes safety and security upgrades, academic improvements, a Performing Arts Center, and deferred maintenance projects. The total of Proposition A is $55,182,000.

If Proposition A is approved in May, the estimated tax impact would be a $4.77 per month increase, or $57.24 per year increase, for the average home valued at $175,506.

Proposition B includes stadium upgrades at Phil Danaher Stadium, Steve Chapman Stadium, and Ladycat Softball Stadium. The total for Proposition B is $12,573,000.

If Proposition B is approved in May, the estimated tax impact would be a $1.08 per month increase, or $12.96 per year increase, for the average home valued at $175,506.

If both bond propositions are approved in May, the estimated tax impact would be a $5.85 per month increase for the average home valued at $175,506.

This bond has the potential to impact students from Pre-K through high school in a very positive way from the moment they first begin their learning to the moment they graduate and begin to pursue their academic and professional goals.

Homeowners age 65 and older will not be impacted by the passage of the bond propositions if they have filed for and received the Over 65 Homestead Exemption. Their school district taxes are frozen and will not exceed the frozen dollar amount.

Today's message is the first in a series of correspondence that we will share to provide information about the bond to our community before election day. Early voting begins April 24 and ends May 2, and Election Day is May 6, 2023. For more information, visit the Calallen ISD Bond 2023 website at www.calallen.org/bond2023.