

Here in the Douglas County School District (DCSD), we have so much to celebrate!

- **1.** For the first time in a decade, DCSD is the TOP scoring district in the Denver/Metro area!
- **2.** DCSD is one of the only districts in the country to have met or exceeded our 2019 (pre-pandemic!) scores in every subject and every grade.
- **3.** DCSD is ranked number 11 on the list of the 250 "most envied" school districts in the country by Test Prep Insight.

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Building Bright Futures

Looking to the Future

PROUD TO BE

We are faced with growing challenges in our school district, including capital investment for the future and the need for new schools. This is why the DCSD Board of Education is considering a Bond initiative for the November ballot.

FACT: Bond funding is critical towards ensuring we have safe and comfortable schools for all of our kids (today and in the future).

A potential 2024 Bond Initiative would help DCSD to provide safe and comfortable learning environments for all of our kids, by:



Implementing safety and security upgrades at every school;

Addressing capital improvement backlogs at our schools that includes **urgent repairs** to mechanical and electrical systems, roofs, intercom systems, parking lots, and playgrounds;



Constructing and equipping **two new neighborhood** schools and an addition to one existing neighborhood school to accommodate growth and reduce overcrowding;



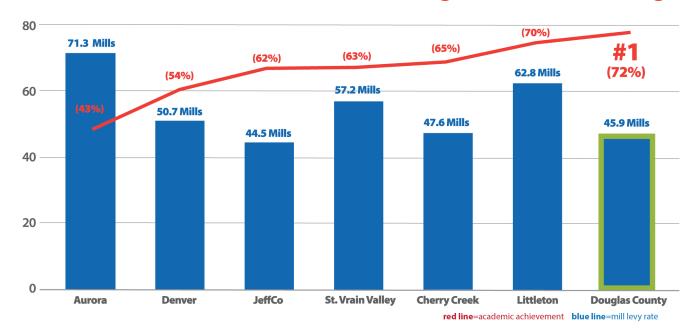
Funding urgent needs to **support special education**, **information technology**, **athletic and activity upgrades**, **and buses**.

Enhancing the District's **career and technical education offerings** for students.

FACT: The quality of DCSD's learning environments continue to deteriorate. DCSD is using \$20M of reserves for emergency capital needs, but the backlog is \$300M, which will continue to grow by an average of \$35M per year.



2024 School District Return on Investment School District Tax Rate vs. Metro Area Ranking (State Academic Rating)



What Would a Potential Bond Cost Taxpayers?

A \$490M Bond would not increase the current tax rate for Douglas County homeowners.

FACT: A potential \$490M Bond would allow the district to restructure its debt in order to keep the tax rate from increasing.

Learn more about how funding works in DCSD. DCSDK12.ORG/FUNDING

Note: The Board of Education will vote on whether to place a potential Bond on the 2024 ballot at its August 27, 2024 meeting.



