

May 12, 2022



## Message from Superintendent



Today, I am grateful for the way our community came together this past week.

First, I want to thank the community partners who came alongside us over the past week and offered support. Everyone from the Belton and Temple police departments, local pastors and counselors, and central Texas school districts served as tremendous supports in our greatest time of need. Seeing our students back at BHS on Monday

was a big step in the healing process for the school, although we will grieve as a community for some time. I ask that thoughts and prayers continue for all those impacted during these difficult times.

On Saturday, voters in Belton ISD approved both of the district's two bond propositions. This funding will build two new elementary schools — one in the north and one in the south — to accommodate enrollment growth. We'll also be able to update aging facilities, make safety and security improvements and address program inequities across the district, among other things.

This outcome is the result of a process that began with community voice through the work of the Bond Exploration Committee. It has concluded with community voice through the election process. We will work hard to be worthy of the community's trust by continuing our sound financial practices while also continuing to increase transparency as our bond program begins.

Saturday's election results were good news for our students and community but that is balanced by the grief we are experiencing. Thank you, Big Red Community, for supporting Belton High School and our district as a whole through these challenging times.

Matt Smith, Ed.D.  
Superintendent



**THANK YOU, VOTERS,  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

**PROPOSITION A** ✓ **PROPOSITION B** ✓

**VOTERS APPROVE BOTH BELTON ISD BOND PROPOSITIONS**

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**Board Incumbents Win Re-Election**

**District Partners with Cisco Networking Academy to Train Students for Future Careers**

**LBMS Student Combines Passions in Quest to Become Second Female Eagle Scout in Bell County**

## What's Happening

### End-of-Year Celebrations

We're almost to a single-digit countdown to the last day of school on May 25! Be sure to read your school's communication carefully to know the details about campus-specific end-of-year celebrations like award ceremonies and field days.



### School Behavior Listening Session

Parents, staff and students are invited to attend a come-and-go listening session to share their perspectives about school behavior in Belton ISD. Sessions will be held from 5-8 p.m. on May 17 at Sparta Elementary.

### Come Work in Belton ISD!

We're hosting a job fair on June 1 at Chisholm Trail Elementary from 1-3:30 p.m. For an up-to-date list of openings, visit [www.bisd.net/employment](http://www.bisd.net/employment) and select "Current Job Opportunities."

**BELTON ISD JOB FAIR**

**JOIN OUR TEAM OF WORLD-CLASS EMPLOYEES!**



**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1**

### Returning to BISS Next Year? Let Us Know!

If your student will be returning to Belton ISD

next school year, please log into Skyward Family Access to complete the returning student verification process. [Learn more.](#)

**2022-2023**  
**OPENS APRIL 18**  
**ENROLLMENT**

### Deadline Approaching to Register for Summer Academic Programs

Register your elementary and middle school students by May 18 for Belton ISD's summer academic programs that aim to keep students excited about learning year-round. The high school registration deadline is May 31. [Learn more.](#)



## Upcoming Events

- May 16: Board Meeting**
- May 25: Last Day of School (Early Release)**
- May 26: Graduation**
- May 31: Summer Hours Begin**
- June 2: Teacher Job Fair**
- June 6: Policy Committee Meeting**
- June 13: Facilities Committee Meeting**
- June 20: Board Meeting**

## Additional Resources

**Mental Health**

Please remind your student to take advantage of these resources.

**Anonymous Alerts**

**Take the Journey**

**Stay Connected**

**We're Hiring**





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