

NOTICE OF VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§
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COUNTIES OF GREGG AND RUSK	§
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KILGORE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL	§
DISTRICT	§

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TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE

KILGORE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE ELECTION HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED CAN BE FOUND AT <https://www.kisd.org>, <https://www.greggcountyvotes.com/> and <https://www.ruskcountytexas.gov/page/rusk.Elections>.

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Kilgore Independent School District on November 4, 2025 in accordance with an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees of the Kilgore Independent School District on August 18, 2025, which order reads substantially as follows:

**AN ORDER CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE
KILGORE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING
RATIFYING A VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE, MAKING PROVISION
FOR THE CONDUCT OF A JOINT ELECTION, AND RESOLVING
OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION**

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WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the Kilgore Independent School District (the *District*), located in Gregg and Rusk Counties, Texas (individually, the *County*, together, the *Counties*), has set the District's tax rate at \$1.1551 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation, which is a rate that exceeds the District's voter-approval tax rate, and therefore the Board is obligated to call an election to ratify such tax rate pursuant to Section 26.08, Texas Tax Code, as hereinafter ordered (the *Election*); and

WHEREAS, the District will contract with the Elections Administrator of Gregg County (the *Gregg County Elections Administrator*) and the Elections Administrator of Rusk County (individually, the *Election Administrator*, and together, the *Election Administrators*) to conduct all aspects of the Election; and

WHEREAS, the Election will be conducted by each County and held jointly with other political subdivisions for which each County is also conducting their elections (such other political subdivisions, collectively, the *Participants*), as provided pursuant to the provisions of an election agreement and/or a joint election or similar agreement between or among (as applicable) the District, each County, and/or any Participants, entered into in accordance with the provisions of Section 271.002, as amended, Texas Election Code and the respective agreements for election services (each, an *Election Contract* and together the *Election Contracts*); and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the actions hereinbefore described are in the best interests of the residents of the District; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE KILGORE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1: The Election shall be held in the Kilgore Independent School District on the 4th day of November, 2025 (*Election Day*), which is a uniform election date under the Texas Election Code, as amended, and is 78 or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the *Order*), for the purpose of submitting the following proposition to the qualified voters of the District:

PROPOSITION A
THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Shall the Board of Trustees of the Kilgore Independent School District be authorized to levy, pursuant to an order of such Board adopted on August 18, 2025, an ad valorem tax rate of \$1.1551 per \$100 of the taxable assessed valuation of property within the Kilgore Independent School District for the current tax year, being a rate that is comprised of a maintenance and operations tax rate of \$0.7169 per \$100 of such taxable assessed valuation (the maximum rate for maintenance and operations for which the District may, if now approved by the district’s electorate at this Election, levy in each year hereafter, being then subject only to annual Board approval) and a debt service tax rate of \$0.4382 per \$100 of such taxable assessed value (an amount that is set annually by the Board), which combined tax rate of \$1.1551 adopted by the Board on August 18, 2025 represents an increase of an additional \$706,913 in maintenance and operations tax revenue to the District in the 2025-2026 school year, which is approximately 7.34% higher than the amount of maintenance and operations tax revenue collected last year pursuant to section 26.08, as amended, Texas Tax Code?”

SECTION 2: On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the locations designated by the Election Administrators in accordance with the Election Contracts. The locations of such polling places on Election Day are set forth in **Exhibit A-1 and Exhibit A-2** which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Order for all purposes. **Exhibit A-1 and Exhibit A-2** shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places designated by the Election Administrators and to conform to the Election Contracts.

SECTION 3: Early voting shall be administered by each Election Administrator. Early voting shall be conducted by personal appearance at the locations and during the period early

voting is required or permitted by law on the dates and at the times set forth in **Exhibit B-1 and Exhibit B-2** which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Order for all purposes. **Exhibit B-1 and Exhibit B-2** shall be modified to include additional or different early voting locations designated by the Election Administrators and to conform to the Election Contracts.

SECTION 4: The Election Administrators will appoint the Presiding Judges, Alternate Presiding Judges, Election Clerks, and all other election officials for the Election.

An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of an Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by each of the Election Administrators for their respective County. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the District to serve as members of each such Early Voting Ballot Board.

The District shall utilize a Central Counting Station (individually, the *Station*, and together the *Stations*) as provided by Section 127.001, *et seq.*, as amended, Texas Election Code. The Election Administrators, or the designees thereof, are hereby appointed as the Manager of each respective Station who will establish a written plan for the orderly operation of the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The Board authorizes the Election Administrators, or the designees thereof, to appoint the Presiding Judge, the Tabulation Supervisor, and the Programmer of their respective Station and may appoint Station clerks as needed or desirable. The Election Administrators will publish (or cause to be published) notice and conduct testing on the automatic tabulation equipment relating to their respective Station and conduct instruction for the officials and clerks for the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 5: The official ballot shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, and Texas Tax Code, as amended, so as to permit voters to vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the aforesaid measure which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION A
THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.1551 per \$100 valuation in the Kilgore Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 7.34 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the District for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$706,913.”

SECTION 6: All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at the Election, and on Election Day, such voters shall vote at the designated polling place. The Election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, except as modified by the provisions of the Texas Education Code, as amended, and as

may be required by law. To the extent required by law, all election materials and proceedings relating to the Election shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 7: Notice of Election, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be provided in accordance with State law.

SECTION 8: The Board authorizes the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, the Chief Financial Officer, or the respective designee of either of such parties, to negotiate and enter into one or more joint election agreements, election services contracts, and/or similar contracts or agreements with the Counties, acting by and through the Election Administrators, and any Participants if desired or if required to comply with applicable law, as permitted and in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended. In addition, the Board authorizes the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, the Chief Financial Officer, or the respective designee of either of such parties to make such technical modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced herein. By incorporating all essential terms necessary for a joint election agreement, this Order is intended to satisfy Section 271.002(d) of the Texas Election Code, as amended, without further action of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 9: The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

SECTION 10: All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

SECTION 11: This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 12: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 13: If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 14: This Order shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage, and it is so ordered.

YOU WILL, THEREFORE, take notice of all the matters and facts set out in the foregoing Notice of Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election.

//s// Rachel Harrington, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Kilgore Independent School District

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Exhibit A-1

ELECTION DAY POLLING INFORMATION

Gregg County

Election Day: Tuesday, November 4, 2025

Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Presiding Judges and Alternates: to be appointed by the Election Administrator

Gregg County Election Day Voting Locations

Location (ubicación)	Location Address (dirección del sitio)
WHITE OAK COMMUNITY CENTER	1103 S White Oak Rd, White Oak, TX
HUGH CAMP MEMORIAL PARK (Sabine)	5716 Old Hwy 135 N, Kilgore, TX
JUDSON COMMUNITY CENTER	1129 FM 1844, Longview, TX
PINE TREE COMMUNITY CENTER	1701 Pine Tree Rd, Longview, TX
COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS	501 Pine Tree Rd, Longview, TX
LONGVIEW COMMUNITY CENTER	500 E. Whaley Street, Longview, TX
BROUGHTON RECREATION CENTER	801 S Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Longview, TX
ELDERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER	10450 HWY 349, Longview, TX
MEADOWBROOK COUNTRY CLUB	1306 Houston St., Kilgore, TX

Gregg County participates in the Countywide Polling Place program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code. Registered voters of Gregg County will be able to cast their Election Day ballots at the Vote Centers identified above in Gregg County or as identified on the County's website. Preliminary, subject to change. If any locations are changed, this will be reflected on the County's website: <https://www.greggcountyvotes.com/>.

Exhibit A-2

ELECTION DAY POLLING INFORMATION

Rusk County

Election Day: Tuesday, November 4, 2025

Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Presiding Judges and Alternates: to be appointed by the Election Administrator

Rusk County Election Day Voting Locations

Location (ubicación)	Location Address (dirección del sitio)

Rusk County participates in the Countywide Polling Place program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code. Registered voters of Rusk County will be able to cast their Election Day ballots at the Vote Centers identified above in Rusk County or as identified on the County's website. Preliminary, subject to change. If any locations are changed, this will be reflected on the County's website: <https://www.ruskcountytexas.gov/page/rusk.Elections>.

Exhibit B-1

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, DATES, AND HOURS

Gregg County

Early voting begins Monday, October 20, 2025 and ends on Friday, October 31, 2025.

Voters entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may do so at any Early Voting site in their County of registration.

Applications for voting by mail should be received no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Friday, October 24, 2025. If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original application so that the early voting clerk receives the original no later than four days after receiving the emailed or faxed copy..

Days/Dates	Times
Monday, October 20 – Friday, October 24	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Monday, October 27 – Wednesday, October 29	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday, October 30 – Friday, October 31	7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Location (ubicación)	Location Address (dirección del sitio)
Gregg County Election Office (Main early voting location)	100 E. Methvin Street

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Early Voting By Mail: Applications should be sent to: Jennifer Briggs, P.O. Box 2827, Longview, Texas 75601, phone: (903) 236-8458, fax: (903) 309-2562, email: elections@co.gregg.tx.us

Early Voting Clerk: Jennifer Briggs, 101 E. Methvin Street, Longview, Texas 75601.

Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board: to be named by the Election Administrator.

Exhibit B-2

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, DATES, AND HOURS

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Location (ubicación)	Location Address (dirección del sitio)
Rusk County Elections Office (Main early voting location)	204 N. Main Street, Henderson, TX 75652
Kilgore Chandler Street Church of Christ	2700 Chandler Street, Kilgore, TX 75662

*Preliminary, subject to change. If any locations are changed, this will be reflected on the Gregg County elections website: <https://www.ruskcountytexas.gov/page/rusk.Elections>

Early Voting By Mail: Applications should be sent to: Rusk County Elections, P.O. Box 668, Henderson, Texas 75653, phone: (903) 657-0321, fax: Attn. Early Voting Clerk, (903) 657-0319, email: elections@ruskcountytexas.gov

Early Voting Clerk: Shannon Brown, 204 North Main Street, Henderson, Texas 75652.
Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board: to be named by the Election Administrator