

CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting 1

September 21, 2017



Citizens' Advisory Committee

AGENDA

Welcome &
Introductions

Overview of
the
Committee

State of the
District

Bond History

Bond Process

Overview of
Planning Work

Closing



COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those who have completed it!

A reminder for those who have not:

Please refer to email from Julie Zwahr and

1. click the link
2. complete the form &
3. hit submit.

Denton ISD Citizens' Advisory Committee Member Questionnaire

Getting to Know You

* Required

Name *

Your answer

Address *

Your answer

Email *

Your answer

Phone

Your answer



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INTRODUCTIONS

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AT YOUR TABLE

- Name
- City
- Number of Years in the Community
- Profession/Role in the Community
- Children in the District – Grade & Campus
- Where you graduated from High School



AS A GROUP

- Choose one word to describe Denton ISD.





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OVERVIEW OF THE CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- 56 citizens committed to the students of Denton ISD.
- Represent a diverse cross section of our district.
- Bring varying perspectives from our communities.
- Approved by Board of Trustees at Sept. 12, 2017 school board meeting.



Board of School Trustees

Empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.

2017-2018 CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Purpose of the 2017 Citizens' Advisory Committee

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YOUR PURPOSE & CHARGE

Serve in a temporary advisory capacity to the Board of Trustees and Administration to:

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- Represent the entire community, its values and perceptions in the facility-planning process
- Assess and prioritize the district's current and long-term facility needs, including new construction, renovations and capital improvements
- Bring forward recommendations to the Board of Trustees as to how to address the district's facility needs, including what should be included and how much money should be requested in a possible bond election



YOU WILL ENGAGE IN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT...

Existing Facility
Conditions

Demographic
Reports and
Enrollment
Projections

School Finance

Bonding Capacity
& Impact of
Potential Bond

Building Needs,
Potential Solutions
& Cost Analysis



COMMITTEE PROCESSES

Representatives from the District, along with consultants, will serve in an advisory role.



Define goal for consensus.



Work as a collective to prioritize needs and define recommendations.



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Meeting 2

Thursday, Oct. 5

Meeting 3

Thursday, Oct. 19

Meeting 4

Thursday, Nov. 2

Meeting 5

Thursday, Nov. 16

Meeting 6

Thursday, Nov. 30

Meeting 7

Thursday, Dec. 14

Meeting 8

Thursday, Jan. 11

**Recommendations
to the Board**

Tuesday, Jan. 23

meetings dates subject to change

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

Chairperson Roles:

- Help lead each committee meeting and make adjustments to agendas, when needed.
- Facilitate large group discussions on all information provided.
- Ensure all ideas and/or positions of committee members are heard and given equal time.
- Maintain group focus and guide committee to its goals.
- Give formal presentation to Denton ISD Board of Trustees with the CAC's final recommendations.



COMMITTEE WEBSITE

- CAC website will serve as a resource for committee members and general public.
- Summary notes will be posted the week following each committee meeting.
- Questions that arise from committee meetings may be added as FAQs to the website.





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STATE OF THE DISTRICT

OUR MISSION

Empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.



ABOUT DENTON ISD

- Founded in 1882
 - A \$15,000 bond election financed the construction of Denton's first public school
- 180 square miles
- 940,454 acres owned and maintained
- 5.6 million square feet of facilities
- 17 cities, communities and major developments

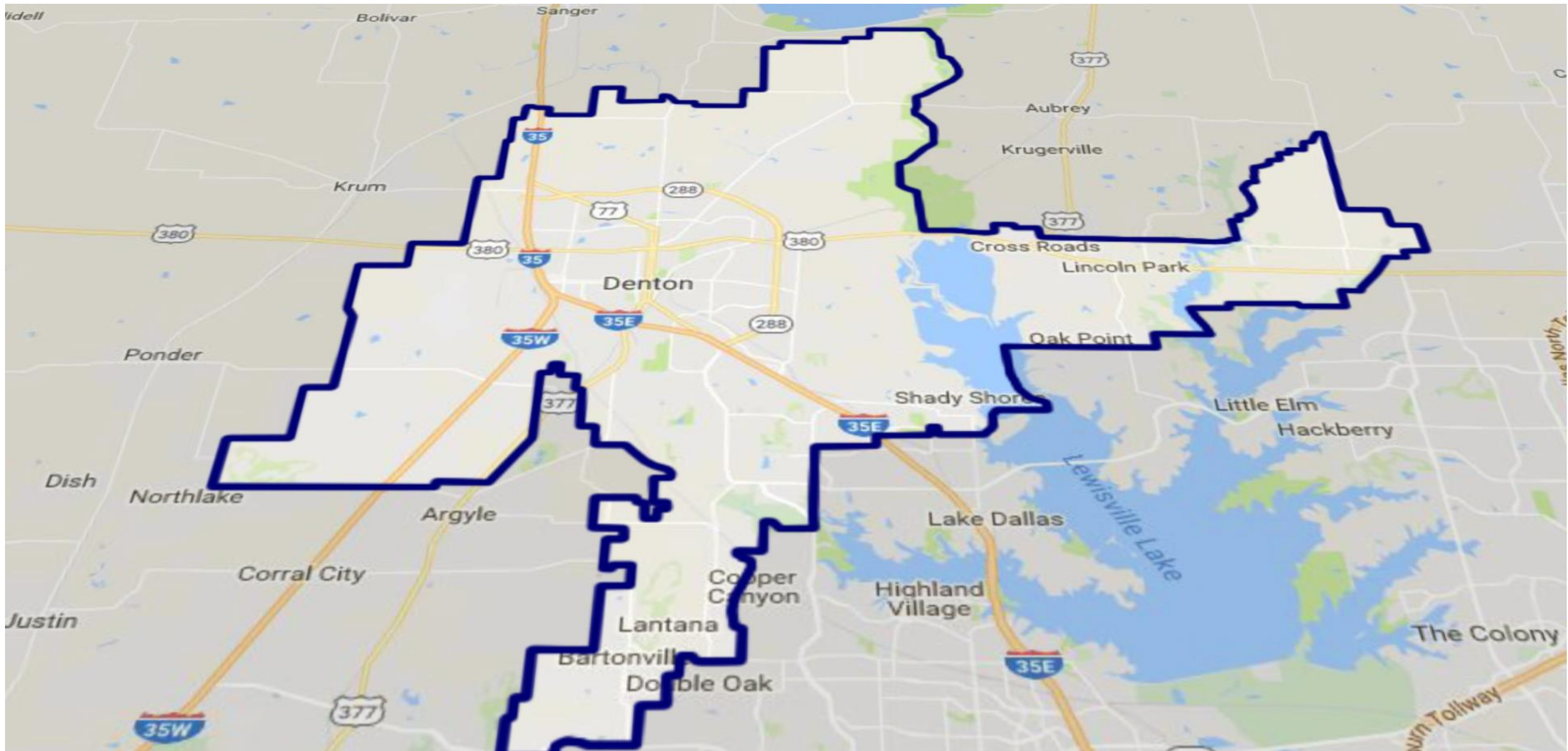
Argyle
Bartonville
Copper Canyon
Corinth
Cross Roads
Cross Oak Ranch

Denton
Double Oak
Lantana
Little Elm
Oak Point
Paloma Creek

Pecan Creek
Providence
Robson Ranch
Savannah
Shady Shores



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4 comprehensive
high schools

8 middle schools

23 elementary
schools

2 early childhood
centers

4 specialized
schools and
facilities

SCHOOLS IN DENTON ISD

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

28,217

students reported
to class on the
first day of school

31,000

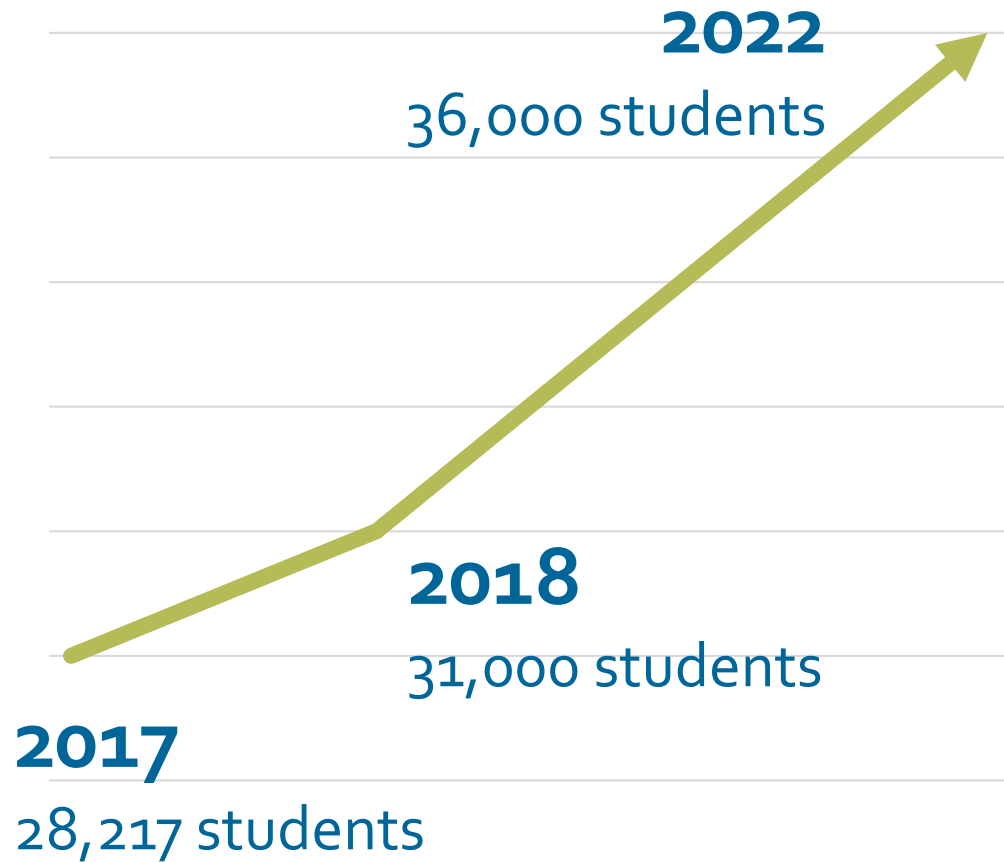
students are
expected to enroll
by 2018

36,000

students are
expected to enroll
by 2022



GROWTH IN STUDENT ENROLLMENT



That's nearly 8,000 more students in the next 5 years – which would mark 12 consecutive years of student growth.

HOUSING GROWTH IN DENTON ISD



3rd
Ranking among school districts in DFW for new homes

2,300
Number of lots available

648
Number of homes currently under construction

2,102
Number of home closings in 2016

28,600
Number of planned future lots

Source: Templeton Demographics



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OUR SUCSESSES

Denton ISD is continually recognized for excellence in academics, fine arts, athletics and innovation.



FINE ARTS



DID YOU KNOW

All elementary students receive weekly instruction in art and music with approximately 88 percent of the secondary student population receiving training in one or more fine arts disciplines. The district's student participation in arts instruction (K-12) averages 94 percent.



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MARIACHI



DID YOU KNOW

New in the Fall of 2016, more than 18 strong, the Mariachis Los Broncos have matured into an outstanding group of young musicians who enjoy performing different genres of music and learning more about the Hispanic culture which is rich in tradition and musical style.



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DUAL LANGUAGE



DID YOU KNOW

Two elementary campuses offer a two-way dual-language bilingual education program model where instruction is split between English and Spanish among students that are native speakers in each language.

The program is housed at Pecan Creek Elementary in the southern section of the district and Wilson Elementary in the northern section.



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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE



DID YOU KNOW

Denton ISD is one of only three school districts in the Dallas-Fort Worth area to offer IB instruction (Primary Years, Middle Years and Diploma Programmes) from kindergarten through high school. International Baccalaureate (IB) is an educational curriculum created to meet university expectations and adopted by countries across the world.



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95%
Graduation
Rate

92% of
Graduates
Attend College

130
AP Scholars

1,000+ Graduates
Earn Professional
License/Certificate

473 Student Athletes
Honored for Scholastic
Achievement

ACT Scores
Higher than State &
National Averages

SAT Scores
Higher than
State Average

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

100%
Highly Qualified

91%
Teacher Retention
Rate

30%
Teachers Hold a
Master's Degree

72%
Teachers Have 6+ Years
of Experience

13.7 to 1
Student to
Teacher Ratio

4,679 Total
Employees

OUR TEACHERS

CLASS OF 2017 WAS AWARDED MORE THAN \$23.2 MILLION
IN SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FROM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
ACROSS THE UNITED STATES



SINCE 2013,
DENTON ISD HAS
INCREASED THE
TOTAL NUMBER
OF STUDENTS
TAKING THE ACT
AND BOASTED A
HIGHER
COMPOSITE
SCORE THAN THE
STATE AVERAGE,
EACH OF THOSE
FIVE YEARS.



SINCE 2000,
DENTON ISD
ATHLETIC TEAMS
HAVE CLAIMED 7
UIL STATE
CHAMPIONSHIPS
(4 FOOTBALL, 2
GIRLS' SOCCER &
1 BASKETBALL)
AND COMPETED
AT THE STATE
TOURNAMENT IN
EVERY SPORT IT
FIELDS TEAMS IN
AT LEAST ONCE.



DENTON ISD HAS
BEEN NAMED AS ONE
OF THE "BEST
COMMUNITIES FOR
MUSIC EDUCATION"
IN THE UNITED
STATES BY NAMM
(NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION OF
MUSIC MERCHANTS)
FOR 10
CONSECUTIVE
YEARS.





CLASS OF 2017
EARNED 856
PROFESSIONAL
OR INDUSTRY-
STANDARD
LICENSES OR
CERTIFICATIONS
IN A VARIETY OF
TECHNICAL
FIELDS

Class of 2017:

44

International Baccalaureate
Diploma Graduates

45

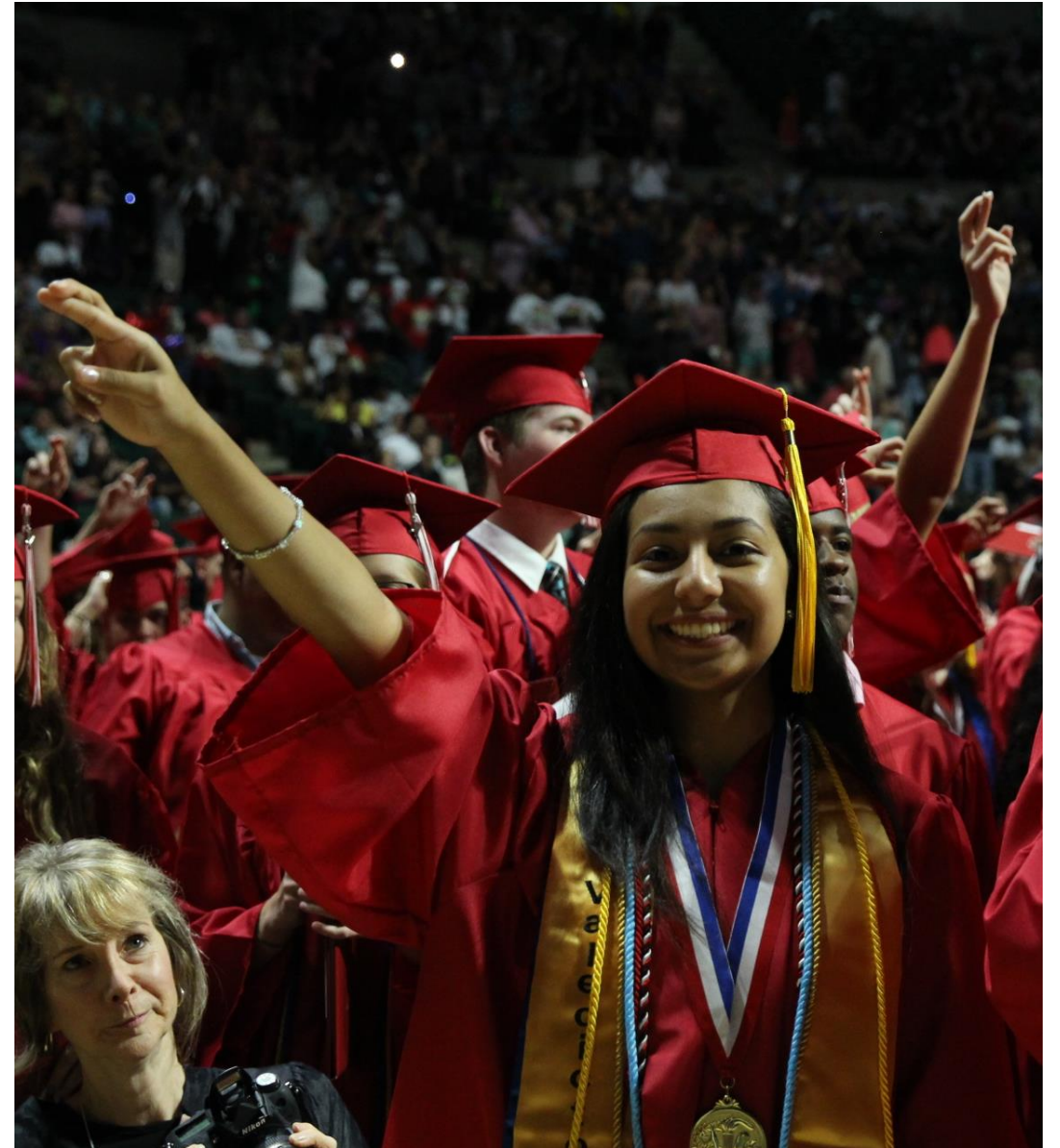
AP Scholars

8

AP Scholars With Distinction

11

National Merit Commended
Scholars





SINCE 2005,
THE BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
HAS PAID
DOWN DEBT
AND
REFINANCED
BONDS
WHICH HAS
SAVED
TAXPAYERS
\$134.2
MILLION.



"SUPERIOR
ACHIEVEMENT"

12
CONSECUTIVE
YEARS



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BOND HISTORY

2007 BOND

- Land Purchases
- DHS & RHS Athletic Additions and Renovations
- Band Hall Additions at Strickland and McMath Middle Schools
- *Giese Professional Support Services Bldg., Estimated Completion 2018*
- Elementary Renovations
 - Hodge, McNair, Calhoun, Borman, Rivera, Ginnings, Lee & Wilson

... and Four New Schools





BLANTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OPENED 2008



CROSS OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OPENED 2010



GONZALEZ SYC
OPENED 2010



MYERS MIDDLE SCHOOL

OPENED 2013

2007 BOND

PROJECT CATEGORY	TOTAL
Growth	\$118,186,633
Elementary School Renovations	\$ 39,316,676
Secondary School Renovations	\$ 77,547,252
Technology & Security	\$ 18,372,077
Support Services	\$ 15,000,000
Other (buses, childcare center, MEP)	\$13,577,362
TOTAL	\$282,000,000



ELECTION DAY – NOV. 6, 2007

	VOTES CAST	6,761
FOR	4,002	59.19%
AGAINST	2,759	40.81%



2013 BOND

- Renovations across the district
- Guyer High School 9th Grade Addition – Estimated Completion in 2018
- Elementary #24 – Estimated Completion in 2019

... and

- **Two Elementary Schools that have already opened**
- **New Middle School**
- **New High School**





BRASWELL HIGH SCHOOL

OPENED 2016



RODRIGUEZ MIDDLE SCHOOL

OPENED 2017



ADKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OPENED 2014



BELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OPENED 2016

2013 BOND

PROJECT CATEGORY	TOTAL
Growth	\$231,147,575
Guyer HS 9 th Grade Addition	\$49,903,352
Land	\$18,000,000
Elementary School Renovations	\$7,706,704
Secondary School Renovations	\$ 3,659,369
Improvements for Energy Conservation	\$ 1,583,000
TOTAL	\$312,000,000



ELECTION DAY – NOV. 5, 2013

	VOTES CAST	8,841
FOR	6,029	68.19%
AGAINST	2,812	31.81%



VOTER SUPPORT FOR BOND ELECTIONS

Since 2004, voters have approved and supported \$627 million in new construction or renovations.



DID YOU KNOW



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DISTRICT FINANCES



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Denton ISD's total operating fund for the 2017-2018 is \$256,409,296. More than 82 percent of the district's general operating budget is attributed to salaries.

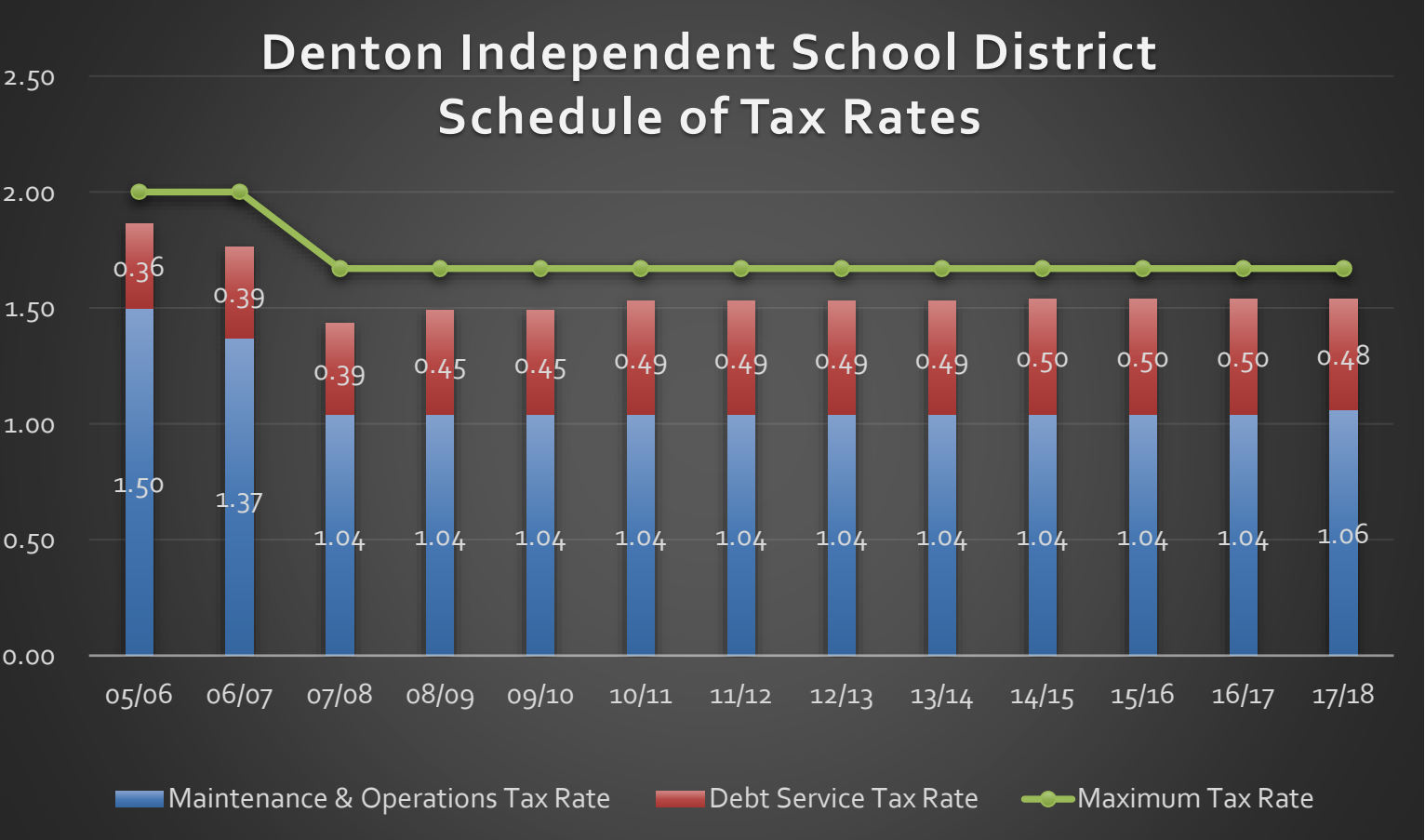
For the 2017-2018 school year, only 31.3 percent of the district's budget will be funded by the State of Texas.

The district has maintained a AAA Bond Rating for Texas General Obligation Funds with an underlying rating of AA rating from Standard & Poor's and Fitch.



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HISTORY OF OUR TAX RATE



TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION (TRE)



- Voters overwhelmingly approved on September 9
- **80** percent voted in favor of TRE!
- Moved **2** cents
from Interest & Sinking (I&S)
to Maintenance & Operations
- \$1.54 Ad Valorem Tax rate remained the same for the 4th consecutive year



BOND ELECTIONS v. TAX RATIFICATION ELECTIONS

Revenue from Bond Elections add funds to the district's Interest & Sinking (I&S) budget, which is used to repay debt for capital improvements.

I&S funds cannot by law be used to pay M&O expenses, like teacher salaries or utilities and services.

Revenue from the TRE will add approximately \$7.9 million to the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) budget.

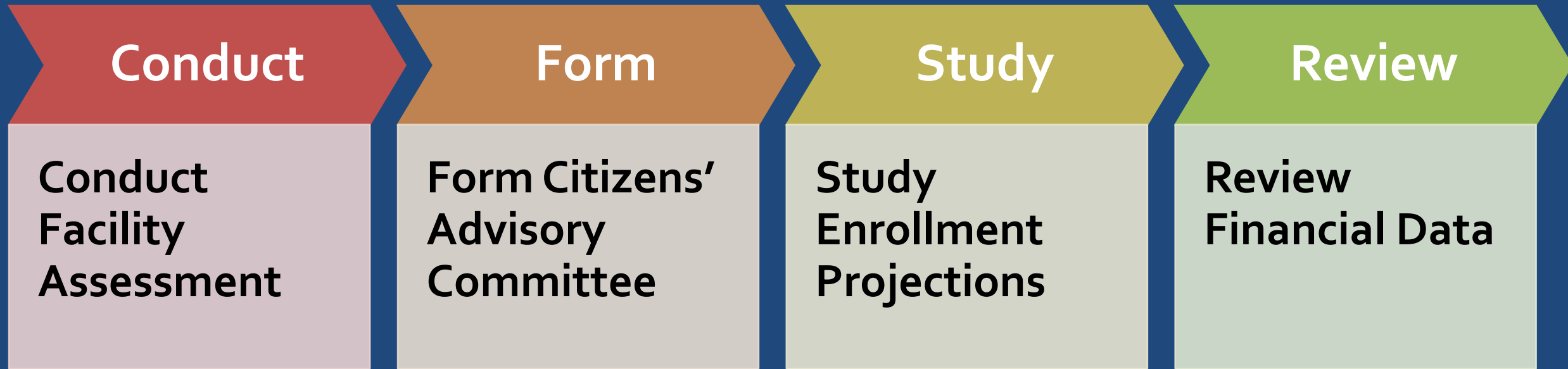
M&O funds are used for daily costs like teacher and staff salaries, supplies, food, and utilities.



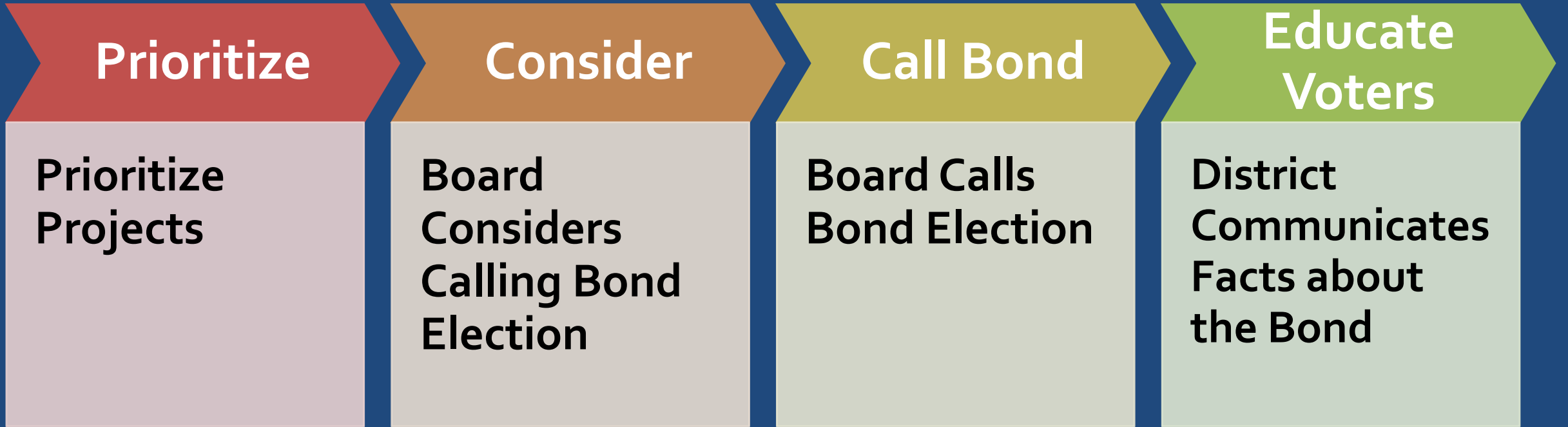


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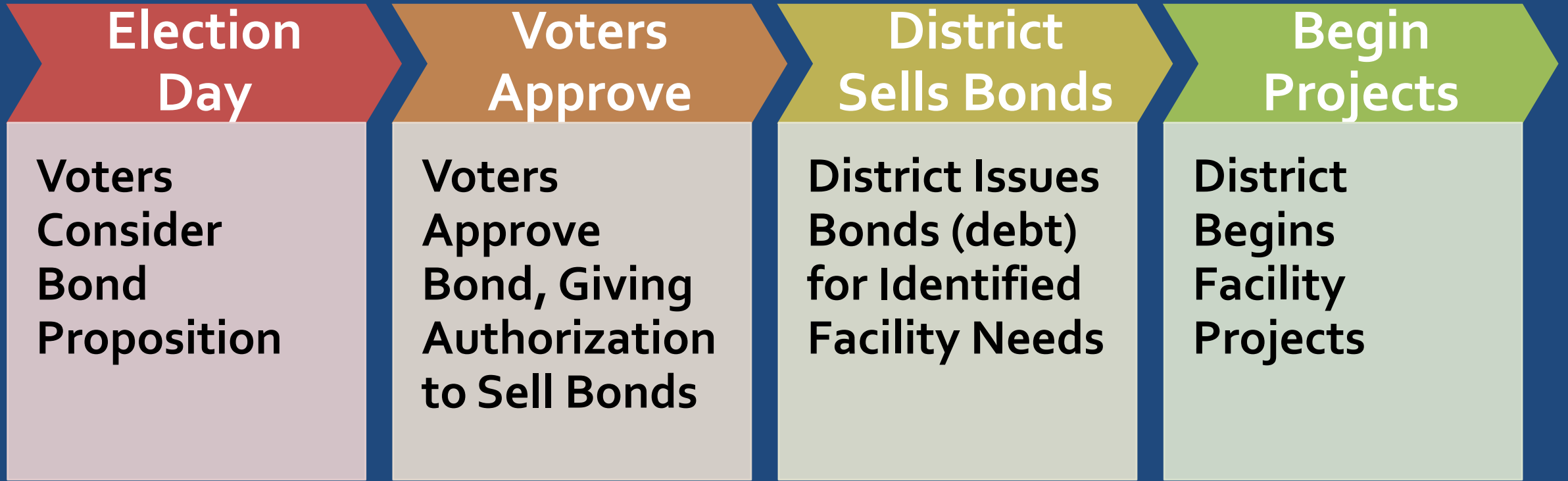
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OVERVIEW OF PLANNING WORK

PLANNING WORK COMPLETED TO DATE

Regular Demographic Projection Updates



Denton ISD receives demographic projection updates from Templeton Demographics who studies current student locations, potential growth based on new housing, trends occurring in student relocation patterns throughout the district, and relevant economic factors.

Facility Condition Assessment



Huckabee, engineers and specialty consultants conducted a comprehensive condition assessment in which each observed, recorded and determined the present conditions of the facilities owned and maintained by the district. The assessment outlines deficiencies in each component area and provides basis for ongoing planning for operation and maintenance, as well as provides data to support decisions about additions, renovations or new construction.

Program Meetings



Huckabee facilitated Long-Range Planning Discussions with Denton ISD campus and program leaders to identify program and instructional needs, new facilities and expansion needs, aging conditions and facility challenges, and equipment and technology needs.

PLANNING WORK IN PROGRESS

Finalize Prioritization of Assessment Scope and Capital Improvement Considerations



Complete Program Needs Considerations (curriculum, CTE, fine arts, athletics, technology)



Develop Potential Projects and Review with Administration



Develop Costs for Projects





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REMEMBER YOUR CHARGE



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You're Invited to Board Meeting
to Hear Facility Assessment Presentation:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 26TH



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NEXT MEETING – THURSDAY, OCT. 5

- Preferred Time – 6 or 6:30 pm?
- Agenda:
 - School Finance 101 & Denton ISD Financial Overview
 - Bonding Capacity & Tax Impact Scenarios
 - Demographic Projections



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