



# 2026 Bond Report

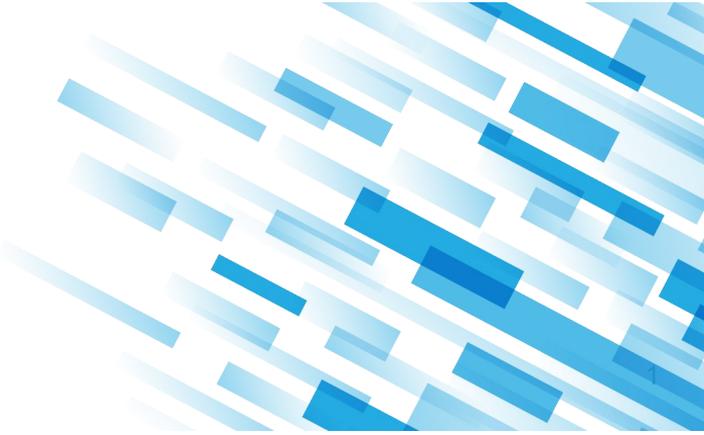
## Dec. 16, 2025

*Discussion tonight:*

**Brief recap of the current draft package**

**Review summary of staff and community feedback**

**Spotlight on Postsecondary Readiness & Career  
Academy investments**





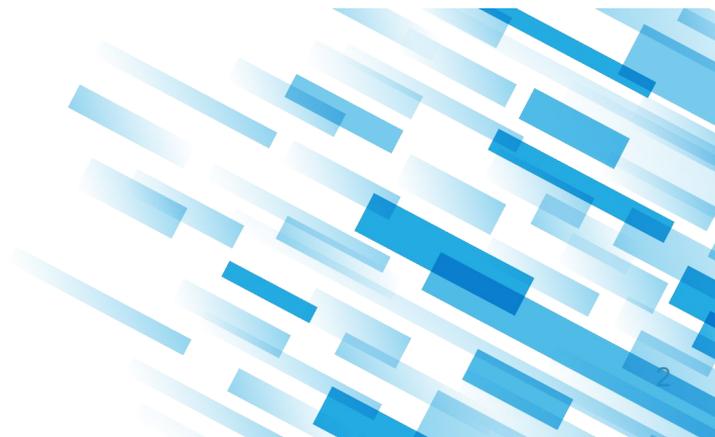
# Bonds play a major role as part of our funding for students.

Bonds have become a critical source for funding the day to day maintenance and operation of all TPS schools.

Since 1996, we have developed four separate propositions allowing voters more voice in supporting specific funding areas.

The 2026 Citizen Bond Development Committee has worked with district staff to shape the packages for these four areas; the draft package will **not** increase property tax rates.

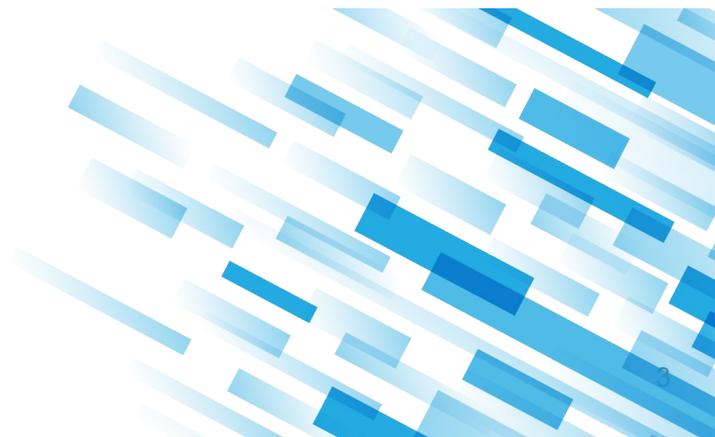
Once a bond is issued, any changes to the projects must be approved by the Citizen Bond Oversight Committee.





# Bond Development Timeline

Oct 2024	Board members provide recommendations to Dr. Johnson for committee
Nov/Dec 2024	Citizen committee introductions / orientation
Jan to July 2025	CBDC reviews projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Department and team presentations</li><li>• Sub-committee reviews</li></ul>
Aug to Oct 2025	Community information sharing and feedback Report back to CBDC
Nov/Dec 2025	CBDC makes recommendations to Superintendent and Board
Jan/Feb 2026	Pre-election informational activities
April 2026	Election





# 2026 Bond Election Timeline

## November 17

First review of bond package with the TPS Board of Education

## December 8

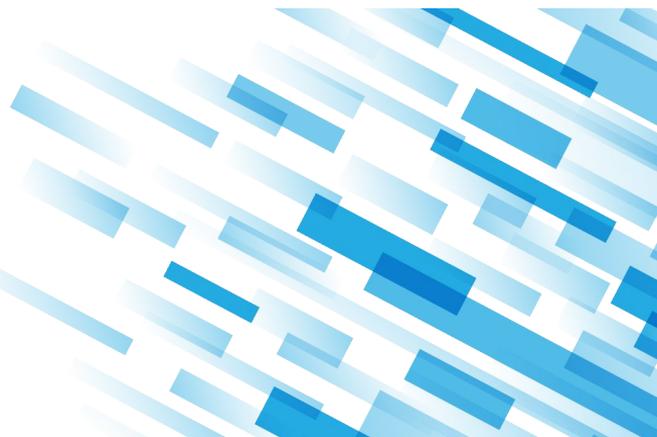
Bond package on the TPS Board agenda for additional discussion

## December 16

Special meeting of the board to vote on the bond package

## April 7, 2026

Bond Election Day





# Where we are headed ... 2026 Bond

The 2026 bond will focus on addressing the following challenges:

## Safety

Maintain safe, consistent, and connected learning environments

## Engagement

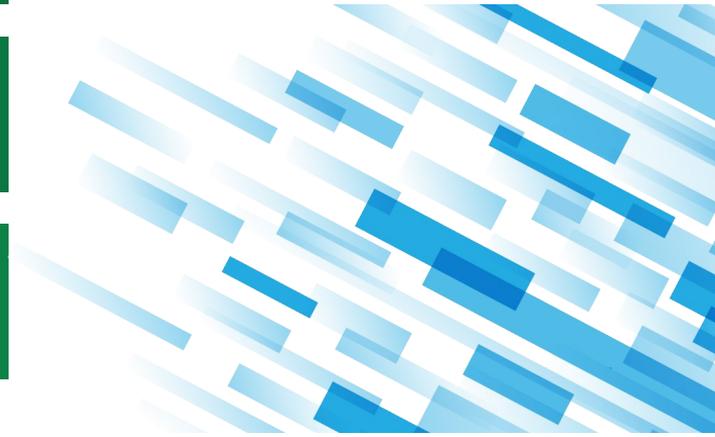
Create consistent student engagement and participation

## Attendance

Lower chronic absenteeism across the district

## Academics

Increase student academic performance





# Recommended Package and Propositions

These amounts include contingency/inflation within each proposition

## Learning Opportunities and Career Development \$200,985,000

- Curriculum materials and equipment, including digital and hands-on learning resources
- Language and cultural program resources
- Fine arts program resources
- Athletic program resources
- STEAM and Science
- School libraries
- College and career initiatives and programs
- Special needs supports
- Early childhood programs
- Teacher development

## Safe Learning Environments \$276,000,000

- School and program space renovations
- Addressing ADA, life safety and codes
- Improving air quality/HVAC and windows
- Maintaining existing assets (e.g., roofing, foundations, walkways, parking lots, lighting)
- Repairing/replacing infrastructure (e.g., sewer, plumbing)
- Child nutrition upgrades
- Furnishings

## Student and Staff Technology \$104,785,000

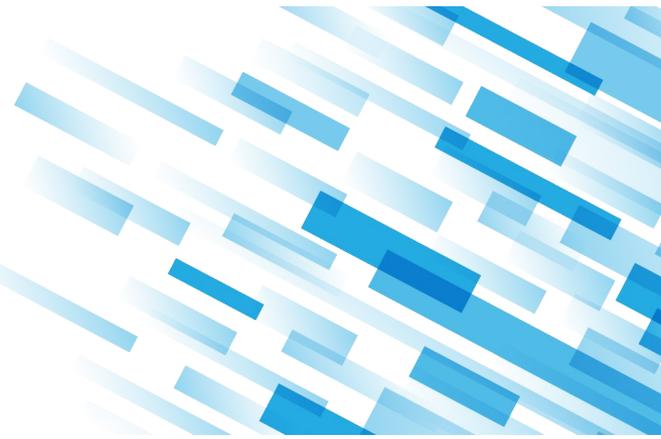
- Cybersecurity
- Security and life- safety services
- Student and staff technology, including audio visual tech
- Cloud-based services including district-license d applications
- Network infrastructure upgrades

## Transportation \$27,230,000

- School buses
- Passenger, vans and small buses for student transport to activities and programs
- Special needs buses
- Drivers' Ed vehicles and software
- Bus monitoring safety systems
- Service fleet vehicles

\$609M total bond package

97% of the package is fully planned (state law requires 70%)





# A smaller package would significantly affect the experiences of students.

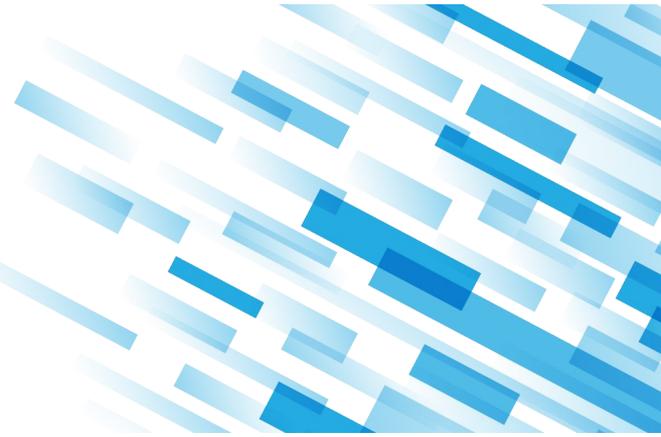
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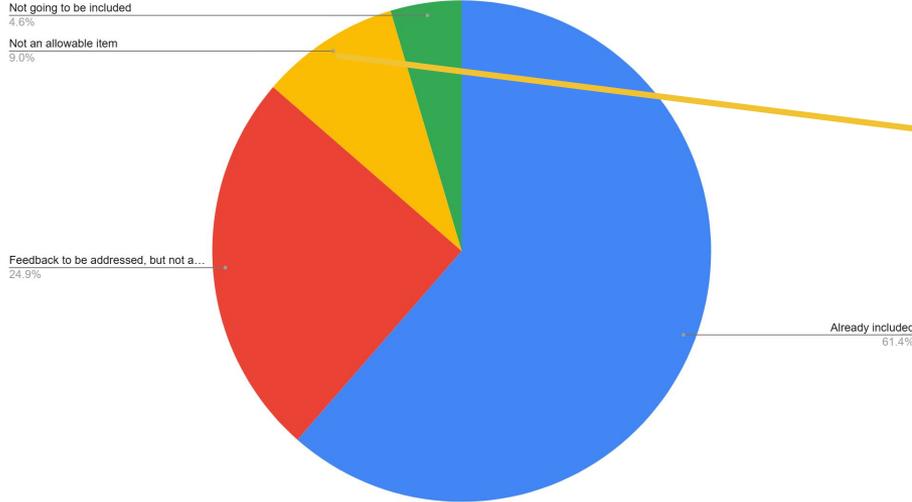
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# We have learned a lot from our bond community survey.

We collected 542 individual responses to Bond questions.



## The non-allowable responses included:

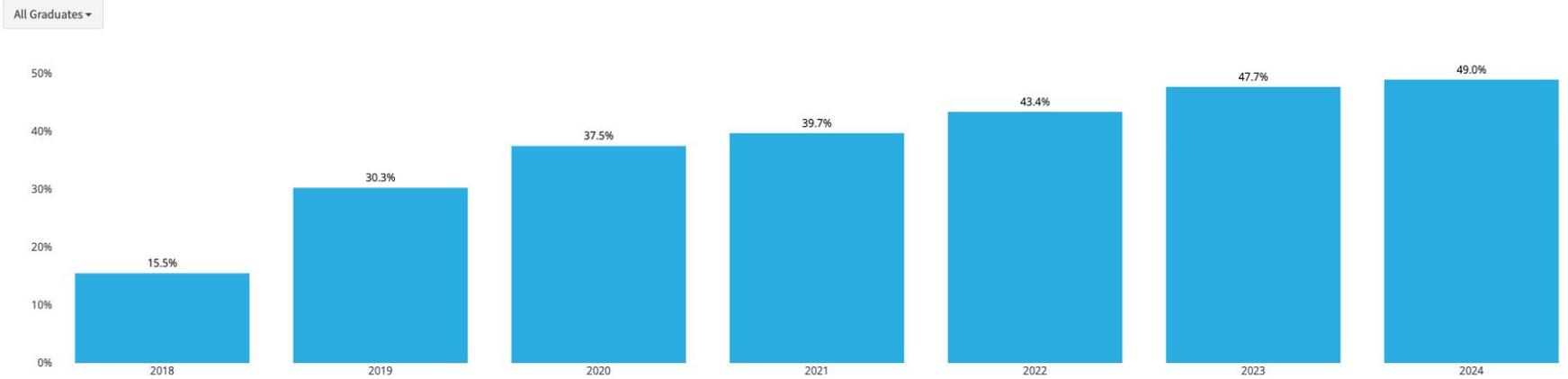
teachers/TAs or smaller class sizes	25
Salary increases or bonuses	19
non-durable goods	6
programs/partners/OST programs	6
mental health professionals	4
construction projects out of our control	1
extended day	1

Status	COUNTA of Status
Already included	333
Feedback to be addressed, but not a separate item	135
Not an allowable item	49
Not going to be included	25
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>542</b>



# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

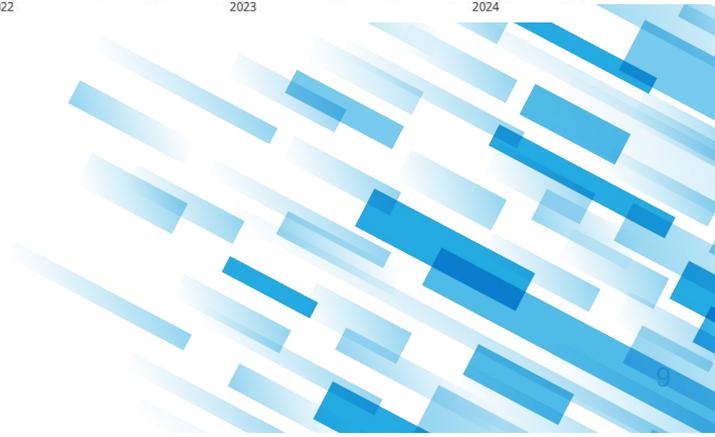
Percentage of Graduates Earning Post-Secondary Credits and Qualifying Credentials (HS)



96% of students enrolled in AP/IB courses are passing

69.5% of juniors and seniors are enrolled in at least one postsecondary opportunity

1,838 middle school students are taking HS credit courses this year



# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

## A Shift in Focus

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In the upcoming years, our high school redesign work will center on college and career preparation by implementing structural changes in our academic programs and pathways for elective courses.

## The Career Academy Model

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Career Academies can be structured as a small number of opt-in pathways (course sequences) at a site or a site-wide strategy where all students choose a pathway that aligns with their career interest.

This model can be seen in districts across the country like Dallas, Akron, Indianapolis, Nashville, and many others.



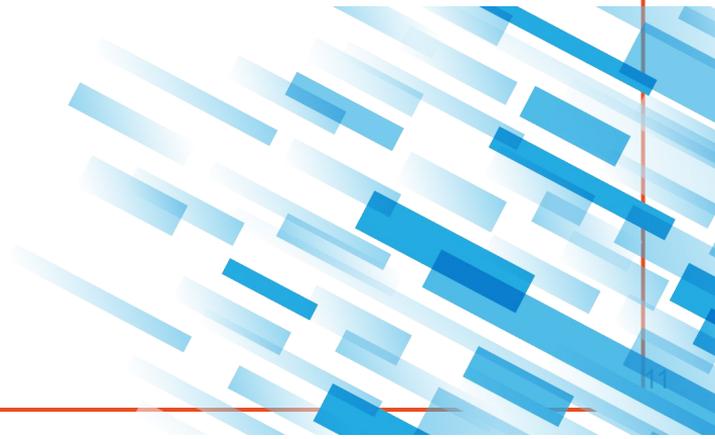
# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

*Why now...*

Our students deserve an educational experience that prepares them for maximum success after graduation.

Early indicators from districts that have adopted a Career Academy model point to ***increased attendance, graduation rates, student engagement, and postsecondary success***. These outcomes align to our existing TPS Board Goals.

**2024 House Bill 3278** removes the CTE or Foreign Language requirement for the class of 2030. Instead, it adds “Pathway Units” to the graduation requirements, which can include Career and Technical Education courses, internships, apprenticeships, Junior ROTC, or other career-related courses. This change will remove constraints on elective course offerings and allow School Leaders to build Career Academy pathways and course sequences around student interest and workforce demand.

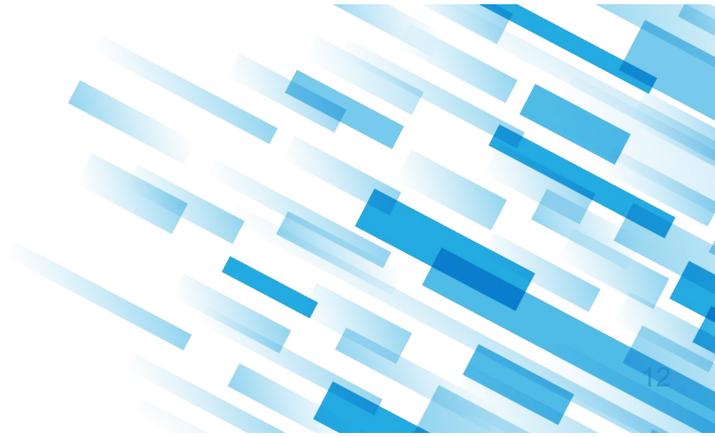




# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

11-12th Enrollment	Tulsa Tech Enrolled Students	TCC Enrolled Students	Internships
2,046 / 12th 2,217 / 11th <b>4,263 total</b>	<b>607</b> 14.2% of 11-12th graders	<b>964</b> 22.6% of 11-12th graders	<b>47</b> 1.1% of 11-12th graders

While close to 50% of our students are earning some type of post-secondary credit or credential before they graduate, their participation in higher education post-secondary opportunities like Tulsa Tech and TCC are limited by both internal and external factors.



# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

## EXAMPLE A

### Tulsa High School

#### Aerospace Academy

*Pathways:*

1. Aviation Maintenance
2. Drones and Flight
3. Air Traffic Control

#### Construction & Manufacturing Academy

*Pathways:*

1. Residential Construction
2. Commercial Construction
3. Manufacturing

#### Health & Human Services Academy

*Pathways:*

1. Healthcare
2. Athletic Training
3. Education/ECE

## Tulsa High School

## EXAMPLE B

*Pathways:*

- |                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Construction         | 5. Air Traffic Control |
| 2. Manufacturing        | 6. Healthcare          |
| 3. Aviation Maintenance | 7. Athletic Training   |
| 4. Drones and Flight    | 8. Education/ECE       |

# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

## ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

Northeast Oklahoma has become a hub for major manufacturers, including AAON, Sofidel, Whirlpool, Zeeco, Enel, and others, which are investing significantly and expanding operations in the region. Enel is establishing a \$1 billion solar cell and panel facility at the Port of Inola, while Whirlpool employs over 2,000 people in Tulsa.



## AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

The Tulsa region boasts a rich aerospace history, contributing over \$11 billion to the economy. It is home to American Airlines' world-leading maintenance base and major companies like NORDAM and Spirit AeroSystems.

## TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

NE Oklahoma's central location provides cost-effective access to much of the country, attracting major distribution centers. Macy's operates its largest fulfillment center in Owasso, and Amazon's 2.6-million-square-foot Tulsa facility employs about 3,000 workers. The area also features extensive rail access with two Class 1 and three short-line railroads.



## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & DATA CENTERS

In 2024, Tulsa celebrated a \$51 million federal investment in Tulsa's Tech Hub, positioning the region as a global leader in technology. Led by Tulsa Innovation Labs, the Tech Hub aims to create nearly 60,000 high-paying tech jobs and drive innovation across multiple industries.

## HEALTHCARE SERVICES

Healthcare remains a high interest career field for our students across sites. In Tulsa, the overall employment numbers for healthcare services signal a strong sector and job outlook for future workforce entry.



# Post Secondary Readiness & Career Academies

As part of the upcoming Bond package, spaces will be renovated to house specialized programs focused on high-demand careers, including Aerospace Manufacturing, STEM, Construction, Healthcare, and Human Services.

Businesses and industry professionals will work directly with students and open doors for mentorships, internships, and job-shadowing experiences that help students connect with real-world career opportunities.

