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Voter-Approved Bond Projects Provide for Essential Maintenance While Strengthening Safety and Learning Environments Throughout the Agua Fria High School District

(AVONDALE, Ariz. - Dec. 17, 2025) Thanks to the continued support of the community, the Agua Fria High School District is making significant progress on facility and classroom improvements funded through the voter-approved bonds. These bonds were passed without an increase to the tax rate, allowing the District to maintain and expand our schools while honoring taxpayers' trust. Additionally, the District is scheduling regular preventive maintenance to ensure our facilities remain safe, efficient, and well-maintained for years to come.

Just as families care for and maintain their own homes, the District is dedicated to consistent upkeep, preventative maintenance, and scheduled repairs, so that our schools remain safe, welcoming, and long-lasting homes for our students. These investments are designed to protect and extend the life of our District's facilities, ensuring that we meet today's critical needs while preserving our campuses for future generations.

Over the next year, the District will provide additional updates on projects throughout our district, highlighting how bond funds are being used to protect community investments, address essential needs, and keep our facilities safe, functional, and welcoming for years to come.

Safety and Preventive Maintenance Highlights

Across all campuses, bond funds are being strategically utilized to enhance safety, preserve our buildings, and support efficient daily operations. These updates help protect District assets while ensuring that classrooms remain comfortable, secure, and conducive to learning.

District-Wide Safety Enhancements

- Weapons detectors installed at all campuses (Completed Summer 2024)
- Safety radios issued to all schools to improve emergency communication (Completed Summer 2024)
- Perimeter safety fencing upgrades (Ongoing; completion expected Summer 2025)

Preventative Maintenance and Upkeep

- A/C and heating unit replacements and energy-efficient upgrades Districtwide (In progress)
- High-efficiency A/C and heating unit systems installed at Verrado High School (Completed Summer 2024)
- Restroom updates and classroom flooring upgrades at Desert Edge High School (Completed Summer 2024)
- Parking lot repairs and resurfacing at Canyon View High School (Completed Summer 2024)

“The safety and longevity of our campuses are essential to student success,” said Superintendent Mark Yslas. “Through careful planning and proactive maintenance, we’re protecting our community’s investment and keeping our schools in excellent condition for years to come.”

Each of these projects is part of the District’s ongoing effort to repair, improve, and preserve our schools for future generations. Preventive maintenance protects taxpayer investments by addressing these issues early and extending the life of our buildings, ensuring that students and staff continue to thrive in safe, positive learning environments.

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The Agua Fria High School District was established in 1955. Today, the district serves the communities of Avondale, Buckeye, Goodyear, and Litchfield Park, with six high schools: Agua Fria, Canyon View, Desert Edge, Goodyear, Millennium, Verrado, and Agua Fria Online. Additionally, the District offers two alternative programs: Coldwater Academy and New Directions. More information can be found at www.aguafria.org