

FAST FACTS

YPS BOND 2017

Why do we need the bond proposal?

Because of the excellent education provided by Yukon Public Schools, our enrollment has increased by nearly 2,000 students in the last ten years. This bond issue contains a proposal to build a new intermediate school, which will alleviate some of the large class size and transportation issues we are experiencing at the middle and intermediate schools. In addition to a new facility, the revenue from this bond will provide a complete refresh across the district facilities for carpet, furniture, technology and other resources vital to the school district.

What expenses can be paid from bond funds?

Perhaps the most important thing to know is that, by law, districts are not allowed to pay salaries from bond funds! Bond funds are used to provide band equipment, textbooks, technology, transportation, school desks, carpet, software, security entrances, buildings, etc... All of the items purchased with these funds enable districts to provide buildings that are designed and maintained to provide the highest quality education and safety. While at the same time being aesthetically pleasing and welcoming to our community.

What is the focus of the current bond proposal?

Our focus as a district is always to first provide the best possible learning experience and safety for our students. School bond funds allow us to go above and beyond what we can provide if we relied solely upon state funding. As a district, we will responsibly use these funds to improve our facilities across the board, build a new school to alleviate crowded classrooms, provide safe and efficient transportation, educational software, classroom and individual technology, resources for the fine arts programs, security entrances and much more. All designed to provide a world-class education for our students.

What is the timeline for the projects?

We will receive our first payment from this bond proposal in the fall of 2018. Many of the projects will begin immediately. The timeline for the purchase of items and the maintenance schedule can be found on our website under the link to the bond proposal. The new elementary facility is planned to open in the fall of 2021.

Why does the bond have a new elementary school listed in all four series?

YPS strives to be fiscally responsible in all areas. We have set aside a large portion of the funding we will receive each of the four years to pay for the building, by doing so we can move forward with other initiatives while we are constructing the new school. This will not delay the construction on the new facility; it will however allow us to renew all our facilities and continue to improve the educational environment across the district without delay.

How will this affect my taxes?

Yukon understands the level of taxes that we all pay. Our current proposal will NOT RAISE TAXES. YPS has an outstanding reputation as one of the top districts in the state and with your continued support we will maintain that reputation.

Voting Information

It is important to note that any registered voter residing in the Yukon Public School District is eligible to vote at their regular polling place in the election regardless of the city limits. The election will be held on September 12th, 2017, from 7:00am to 7:00pm.