

Canutillo ISD Board of Trustees unanimously voted at its regular monthly School Board meeting held in September to call for a \$39 million bond election to build new schools and upgrade existing campuses.

Plans are to ask voters to consider two propositions:

Proposition One is \$38.3 million to purchase two land sites and build two new elementary schools for an estimated cost of \$23 million and include renovations and upgrades to all campuses at an estimated cost of \$11.9 million. Also part of proposition one is the \$3.3 million payout of the existing lease purchase agreement that was used to finance the phase two classroom additions to Canutillo Elementary School in 1998.

BOND ISSUE PROPOSITIONS	
PROPOSITION 1	
\$2,000,000 - Land Banking	
\$10,000,000 - New Elementary School #1	
\$11,000,000 - New Elementary School #2	
\$11,900,000 - Renovations & Upgrades to All Campuses	
\$3,400,000 - Lease Purchase Payout	
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\$38,300,000 - Subtotal	
PROPOSITION 2	
\$730,000 - Maintenance Tax Notes Takeout	
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\$39,030,000 - Total For Bond Election	

Proposition Two is to allow the District to refinance \$730,000 from the maintenance and operations (M&O) fund and move it over to the debt service (I&S) fund. The move is intended to free up money for use in school operations, according to school officials.

Board members said that they plan to educate the public about the importance of the bond issue.

“Canutillo ISD is growing rapidly. This bond issue is an investment in our children; it’s prudent planning for the future,” said Sergio Coronado, CISD Board president.

The cost to taxpayers will increase gradually because school officials said that the bonds will only be sold as needed. Should the bond issue pass, the monthly impact to the average homeowner could range from 5 cents in 2006 to about 22 cents by 2010. This year, the average home value in CISD is \$65,525 with the \$15,000 Homestead exemption.

School officials said that the tax outlook is a “worst case scenario” and that CISD could qualify for different state funding that would lower the impact on taxpayers.

School taxes on the homestead of persons who are currently receiving the over-65 homestead exemption will NOT increase as a result of this bond election.

2006 School Bond Issue For \$39 Million To Build New Schools And Upgrade Existing Campuses



**Early Voting By Personal Appearance
Begins Wednesday, January 18 and
Ends Tuesday, January 31, 2006**

**Early Voting Places:
(Monday through Friday)
From 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
at Canutillo Elementary School
651 Canutillo Avenue
and
From 3 to 6 p.m.
at Vinton Fire Station
510 Vinton Road**

**Election Day Voting
Saturday, February 4, 2006
from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
at Vinton Fire Station - Precinct #2
Canutillo High School - Precinct #3
Canutillo Elementary School - Precinct #4
Fire Station #2 (Borderland) - Precincts
#5, #11-2, #170**

Proposed CISD Facilities Enhancements Projects

Current Canutillo High School

7311 Bosque Road

(convert into a 6-8 middle school campus)

- Roof replacement
- Electrical, mechanical, plumbing upgrades
- Locker rooms / restrooms remodeling
- Concrete work (sidewalks, curbs, etc.)
- Windows / doors replacement
- Parking lot renovations & paving
- Compliance with ADA

Current Canutillo Middle School

801 Talbot

(convert into a 6-8 Middle School campus)

- New Library
- Classroom wing for science labs
- Roof replacement
- Locker rooms/restrooms remodeling
- Electrical system upgrades
- Windows/doors replacements
- Parking lot renovations & paving
- Compliance with ADA

Canutillo Elementary School

651 Canutillo Avenue, Canutillo

- Roof replacement
- Security cameras & monitoring unit
- Windows / doors replacement
- Landscape improvements
- Parking lot renovation & paving
- Drop-off zone improvements
- Concrete work (sidewalks, curbs, etc.)
- Compliance with ADA

Deanna Davenport Elementary School

8401 Remington Road, Westway

- Roof replacement
- Security cameras & monitoring unit
- Electrical, mechanical, plumbing upgrades
- Fire alarm, intrusion, PA systems upgrades
- Floor tile installation
- Grading & drainage improvements
- Concrete work (sidewalks, curbs, etc.)
- Windows / doors replacements
- Painting campus-wide
- Restrooms remodeling
- Landscape improvements
- Compliance with ADA

Bill Childress Elementary School

7700 Cap Carter Road, Vinton

- Roof replacement
- Security cameras & monitoring unit
- Electrical, mechanical, plumbing upgrades
- Fire alarm, intrusion, PA systems upgrades
- Floor tile installation
- Grading & drainage improvements
- Concrete work (sidewalks, curbs, etc.)
- Windows / doors replacements
- Restrooms remodeling
- Landscape improvements
- Compliance with ADA

Jose H. Damian Elementary School

6300 Strahan Road, Borderland/Montoya

- Roof replacement
- Security cameras & monitoring unit
- Electrical, mechanical plumbing upgrades
- Fire alarm, intrusion, PA systems upgrades
- Floor tile installation
- Grading & drainage improvements
- Parking lot renovations & paving
- Windows / doors replacements
- Restrooms remodeling
- Landscape improvements
- Compliance with ADA

Administrative Facility

- Roof replacement
- Parking lot paving
- Heating & cooling system improvements
- Intrusion system upgrade

Support Services Center

- Upgrade security cameras and fencing
- Roof repair work
- Pavement improvements

New Canutillo High School

- Stadium field house/visitors bleachers
- Security fencing

Estimated Costs For School Enhancements \$11.9 million

Current CHS (Canutillo Middle School	\$1.37 million
Current CMS (Alderete Middle School	\$3.673 million
Canutillo Elementary School	\$1 million
Davenport Elementary School	\$1.4 million
Childress Elementary School	\$1 million
Damian Elementary School	\$1 million
Administrative Facility	\$ 400,000.
Support Services Center.....	\$ 100,000.
New Canutillo High School	\$1.957 million

**DON'T
FORGET
TO VOTE**

**Voting Information
Canutillo ISD
Polling Places**

ELECTION DAY

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from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Vinton Fire Station - Precinct #2
510 Vinton Road

Canutillo High School - Precinct #3
7311 Bosque Road

Canutillo Elementary School - Precinct #4
651 Canutillo Avenue

Fire Station 2 - Precincts #5, #11-2, #170
111 East Borderland Road

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**BOND ELECTION
INFORMATION**

Canutillo Independent School District
P.O. Box 100
Canutillo, Texas 79835

**SATURDAY
VOTE
FEBRUARY 4, 2006**

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Canutillo, Texas 79835

**Canutillo
Independent
School District**



**Voter Information
for
Bond Election
Saturday
February 4, 2006**

**To The Citizens of
Canutillo ISD**

The Board of Trustees of the Canutillo Independent School District has called a Bond Election for a total of \$39,030,000 to construct school facilities and enhance existing campuses. The sole purpose of this brochure is to set forth the facts behind the Board's decision to call the election, to provide basic information regarding the election, and to assist the voter in making an informed decision concerning the Bond Election.

How the Bond Money Will Be Used

The money from the bond election will be spent in phases for the following projects:

- Purchase land for two new elementary schools (approximately two 40 acre sites with fully developed infrastructure) ...estimated at **\$2 million**
- Build new library, classroom wings and other renovations at Alderete MS (the current Canutillo Middle School) ...estimated at **\$3.673 million**
- Build two new elementary schools (complete with playground equipment) ...estimated at **\$21 million**
- Build field house/visitors bleachers at new high school stadium and install security fencing at new high school...estimated at **\$1.957 million**
- Enhance school facilities at all campuses (except new high school) at an estimated total of **\$6.27 million** including:
 - Security cameras
 - Roof replacements
 - Mechanical work
 - Floor replacements
 - Carpet replacements
 - Parking lot and pavement improvements
 - Landscaping improvements
 - Concrete work
- Upgrade HVAC system, intrusion system, improve parking lot pavement, and replace roof at Administrative Facility ...estimated cost **\$400,000.**
- Upgrade security cameras and fencing, repair roof, and improve parking lot pavement and curbs at Support Services Center ...estimated at **\$100,000.**
- Shift from operating fund to debt service the Lease Purchase (\$3.4 million) and Tax Maintenance Notes (\$730,000). This is intended to free-up money for the operating fund....estimated total of **\$4.13 million**

CISD Will Apply For State Aid Through The Instructional Facilities Allotment (IFA) Program

Canutillo ISD is asking for \$39.03 million bond referendum for new schools and enhancements to existing facilities. Estimates are that the State Instructional Facilities Allotment (IFA) program could reimburse the District approximately 60 per cent of the construction and enhancement costs.

- IFA funding is the most guaranteed of any form of state funding.
- To be eligible for IFA funding the school district must have passed a bond election prior to June 15, 2006.
- IFA funding total was increased to \$50 million and will be available in the June 2006 application cycle.
- Applications from districts receiving Existing Debt Allotment (EDA) funding will not be eligible for IFA funding (This gives CISD an advantage).

What Will the Bond Election Cost the Homeowners of Canutillo ISD?

If the bond election passes, CISD would issue \$39.03 million in bonds during the next five years to complete the various construction and enhancement projects. The following charts illustrate the annual impact on homes valued as shown for the tax rate impacts with and without state funding (IFA). State law requires that homeowners receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption on school taxes as shown below:

Impact on Homeowners Over Five Year Period

Home Value	\$40,000	\$60,000	\$85,000	\$100,000
<i>Less Homestead</i>	<i>(\$15,000)</i>	<i>(\$15,000)</i>	<i>(\$15,000)</i>	<i>(\$ 15,000)</i>
Taxable Value	\$25,000	\$45,000	\$70,000	\$ 85,000
With IFA (annual tax impact)				
2007	\$15.00	\$27.00	\$42.00	\$51.00
2008	\$15.00	\$27.00	\$42.00	\$51.00
2009	\$ 7.50	\$13.50	\$21.00	\$25.50
2010	\$ 7.50	\$13.50	\$21.00	\$25.50
2011	0	0	0	0
Total over 5 yrs.	\$45.00	\$81.00	\$126.00	\$153.00
Without IFA (annual tax impact)				
2007	\$15.00	\$27.00	\$42.00	\$51.00
2008	\$15.00	\$27.00	\$42.00	\$51.00
2009	\$10.00	\$18.00	\$28.00	\$34.00
2010	\$ 7.50	\$13.50	\$21.00	\$25.50
2011	\$ 5.00	\$ 9.00	\$14.00	\$17.00
Total over 5 yrs.	\$52.50	\$94.50	\$147.00	\$178.50

VOTER QUALIFICATION

Individual must be a registered voter with a current address in the District and must be a resident at least 30 days prior to the election.

OVER 65 TAX FREEZE

Homeowners with frozen taxes (age 65 and older) WILL NOT have any increase in their tax bill for their homestead (unless they have added significant structural changes). To have taxes frozen, applications may be made for free to the El Paso Central Appraisal District.

For more information on how the bond money will be used, please go to The CISD Bond Presentation at www.canutillo-isd.org or call (915) 877-7482.