



SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BOND FOR MAY 2018 BALLOT

\$619.7 million proposed bond package highlights



Add capacity to support enrollment and educational programs – \$442,200,000

- Add or expand general education classrooms, science labs, special education classrooms and expand or enhance career-technical/vocational education programs
- Expand traditional high schools to serve up to 2,200 students
- Renovate or expand libraries, gyms and cafeterias
- Integrate a technology data center into a high school expansion project
- Add space for music programs



Increase seismic safety of schools – \$67,000,000

- Strengthen areas that are potentially very high-risk of collapse in an earthquake, so students and staff can exit the building
- Increase the design standard of new additions to immediate re-occupancy performance level



Increase safety and security – \$21,100,000

- Upgrade electronic badge access and intercom systems
- Enhance security by relocating or renovating front offices at 34 schools



Future (non-routine) maintenance – \$76,700,000

- Improve roofs, floors, HVAC, electrical and plumbing systems, parking lots, sidewalks, exterior paint, etc.
- Upgrade support buildings



Technology and ADA upgrades – \$12,700,000

- Expand the wireless network and upgrade classroom infrastructure
- Upgrade power and cooling capability of network closets
- Address outdated restrooms and improve general access to buildings



Why a bond measure?

The Long Range Facilities Plan lists the district's facility needs to meet educational and operational goals, based on projected student enrollment. The cost of all the needs far exceeds the district's ability to pay from the operational budget. The School Board decided a general obligation bond is needed and they voted to place a bond on the May 2018 ballot for the community to consider.



What are the needs?

SPACE to Accommodate More Students

- Five of six traditional high schools are at capacity or over-capacity.
- Enrollment projections predict 1,000 new students in Salem-Keizer in only five years.
- Adding portable units in the past has created crowded cafeterias, gyms and libraries.

More **CAREER-TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL CLASSROOMS, SCIENCE CLASSROOMS** and **TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES**

- Students who take CTE courses graduate at a much higher rate than average:
CTE participants = 87%, all student average = 72%.
- Many spaces used for science labs are inadequate and don't meet modern standards.
- Improving equity of access to technology is an important factor in supporting student achievement.
- The district's data center is located in a flood plain, putting student and staff data at risk.

SEISMIC Strengthening

- Many schools have structures identified as very high-risk of collapse during a major earthquake.

SAFETY and **SECURITY UPGRADES**

- Safety of our students and staff is more important than ever.
- Electronic badge access and intercom systems need upgrades to keep working.

PROTECT THE COMMUNITY'S INVESTMENT

- Over time, mechanical and plumbing systems, roofs, exterior paint, etc. will need to be addressed at existing schools and support buildings.

How much will it cost?

Raising \$619.7 million through a general obligation bond is estimated to increase the property tax levy by \$1.24 per thousand of assessed value. This is less than the upper limit of \$2.50 per thousand the community indicated they could support when polled during a bond feasibility study.

**Follow the development of the bond package at
www.salemkeizer.org/about/2018-bond-measure**