ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL BOND UPDATE

Final Election Information

ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
Polls are open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Be an Informed Voter

Over the past several weeks, Arlington Public Schools has shared information about the proposed school bond, including the projects, financial impact and voting options. This final update brings the key information together so parents, staff and community members can review the proposal and make a plan to vote.

Please take the time to vote. Your voice matters in decisions about the future of Arlington Public Schools.

What Is on the Ballot?

On August 10, the Arlington Public Schools Board of Education voted to place a $10.5 million school bond issue on the November 3, 2026 ballot. The proposal was shaped by community feedback and focuses on expanding educational opportunities for students while addressing priority facility needs.

What Would the Bond Do?

The proposed bond improvements will:

- Expand and modernize hands-on learning and career opportunities for students.
- Create flexible learning space that supports academics, activities and athletics.

What Projects Are Included?

Hands-On Learning Spaces: New and improved classroom spaces for construction, manufacturing, agriculture and other career-focused learning.

Renovations and Upgrades: Improvements to existing learning spaces, locker rooms and equipment to better support current programs and future students.

Flexible Learning Space: A new space that will serve as a classroom during the school day and accommodate wrestling, cheer, dance, show choir and other student activities after school and in the evenings.

Drainage Improvements: Improvements associated with the additions and renovations to address recurring drainage issues.

Does the bond include routine maintenance?
No. Routine maintenance and repairs to existing facilities are funded separately through existing District funds, including the Building Fund. The proposed bond is designated for the new construction and renovations outlined in the proposal.

Financial Facts

Total proposed bond: $10.5 million.
Estimated tax increase: 4 cents per $100 of assessed valuation for four years (2027–2030).
Monthly cost: Approximately $3.33 per month or $40 per year for a $100,000 home.
Agricultural land: Estimated annual increase of

- $1.02 per acre for irrigated land
- $0.99 for dry land
- $0.35 for grassland

Why does the tax impact change after four years?
The District's existing bond requires a bond levy of approximately 6 cents for four more years until the bonds are retired. Paying off this bond will then neutralize the net tax increase of the new bond.

Fiscal Year(s)	Building Fund	Existing Bond	New Bond	Total	
2026	$0.059	$0.062	$0.000	$0.121	
2027-2030	$0.015	$0.062	$0.085	$0.161	+$0.04
2031 & after	$0.036	$0.000	$0.085	$0.121	Nuetral

**Projections based on current valuations and bond rates.*

Find your estimated tax impact using the District's online tax calculator: bit.ly/ArlingtonBond26

Make Your Plan to Vote

The deadline to request an early voting ballot by mail has passed. Registered voters can still vote early in person, return a previously issued early voting ballot or vote at their assigned polling place on Election Day.

1. Vote Early in Person
Early in-person voting is available through Monday, November 2, at the election office in the county where you are registered:

- **Washington County**: 1555 Colfax St., Blair, NE
- **Dodge County**: 435 N. Park Ave., Room 102, Fremont, NE
- **Douglas County**: 12220 W. Center Road, Omaha, NE

Check with your county election office for voting hours. Remember to bring an acceptable photo ID.

2. Return Your Early Voting Ballot
If you have already received an early voting ballot, it must be received by your county election office by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3. You may return your ballot to your county election office or an official county ballot drop box. To ensure your ballot is counted, please deliver the ballot in person, do not mail.

3. Vote on Election Day
Vote Tuesday, November 3, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Central Time at your assigned polling place. Bring an acceptable photo ID and confirm your polling place before Election Day.

Find your polling place and check your registration: www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov

Before You Vote
Confirm your voter registration and current address.
Know your assigned polling place.
Bring an acceptable photo ID when voting in person.
If you have an early voting ballot, make sure it is received by 8:00 p.m. November 3.

Questions?
If you have questions about the proposed bond issue, please email me at dawn.lewis@apseagles.org.

You can find more information about the proposed bond on our website: bit.ly/ArlingtonBond26

Thank you for taking the time to stay informed and learn more about the future of Arlington Public Schools.

Please review the information, make your voting plan and cast your ballot on or before Tuesday, November 3.
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