



VAN ALSTYNE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Van Alstyne Resident:

With the continued success of Van Alstyne ISD, the district is starting to experience rapid student enrollment. According to the demographic study conducted by Templeton Demographics in the Fall of 2020, student enrollment in Van Alstyne ISD has increased from 1475 students in 2016 to 1891 students in 2020. Templeton projections also show that by the year 2024 the district will have enrolled over 2700 students, and will have exceeded 3700 students by 2028. As a result, our district is proactively planning to expand district facilities in order to accommodate the anticipated growth.

On Monday, February 8, 2021, the Van Alstyne ISD School Board voted unanimously to seek voter approval for a \$325 million dollar bond issue that will be used to finance the Long Range Facility Plan of the district. This plan includes: construction of a new high school, 2 future elementary schools, classroom additions to the current high school, land purchase for a future middle school, and renovations to the current buildings.

The district's financial advisor has determined that there would be NO school tax rate increase to finance new bonds. The current tax rate of .50 cents per \$100 valuation would remain unchanged. For the homeowner in Van Alstyne ISD, this represents an increase of \$0 per year. Projects will be funded based on new valuations and growth within the district.

Major components of the district's 2021 bond program include:

Phase 1 (To be completed first)

- Construction of a new high school
 - Storm Shelter
 - Career Tech Building
 - Athletic and Band Expansions

Phase 2 (To be completed as soon as growth and funding allow)

- Additions to increase capacity at future and existing high school
- Purchase of land for future middle school site
- Construction of future elementary schools #3 and #4

In addition to the bond package, the district will also plan to restructure schools in order to maximize capacity and prolong the use of each building:

- The existing High school will become a 7th/8th grade Junior High.
- The existing Middle School will become a 5th/6th grade Intermediate School.

Van Alstyne ISD residents will have the opportunity to vote on the bond referendum beginning with early voting April 19 – April 27, 2021 and on Election Day, which is May 1, 2021.

If you would like more information please feel free to contact Dr. David Brown: dbrown@vanalstyneisd.org
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