

Fort Stockton ISD Bond Election

(visit www.FSISD.net for more details)

Five Propositions that total \$110 Million Dollars to improve the District as follows:

Each Proposition can be Voted on Individually

- Prop A: \$84 million for ISD Educational Facilities & Transportation (Buses & Vehicles), etc.
- Prop B: \$12 million for Stadium Facilities: Field House, Turf/Track, Stadium needs etc.
- Prop C: \$6 million for FSISD Additional Employee Housing
- Prop D: \$3 million for Technlogy Devices: Individual items like laptops & Projectors, etc.
- Prop E: \$5 million for New Recreation Center joint project with City & County

TAX RATE WILL NOT BE INCREASED

The Board of Trustees is committed to keeping the Total Tax Rate at current levels. FSISD Total Tax Rate has been lowered 9.6¢ since 2019. The District will stagger use of Bonds to keep Taxes low. In addition, nearly \$2 million is available for debt payment services to provide a buffer for bond repayment shortfalls.

Joint Special Election (Elección Especial Conjunta)
Pecos County, Texas (Condado de Pecos, Texas)
May 7, 2022 (7 de mayo de 2022)
Official Ballot (Boleta Oficial)

Instruction Note: Vote for the statement of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval (●) provided to the left of the statement.
(Nota De Instrucción: Vote por la declaración de su preferencia en cada carrera llenando completamente el espacio ovalado (●) a la izquierda de la declaración.)

Constitutional Amendment Election (Elección sobre Enmiendas a la Constitución)	Fort Stockton Independent School District Bond Election (Elección de Bonos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Fort Stockton)	Fort Stockton Independent School District Bond Election (Elección de Bonos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Fort Stockton)
<p>STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 1</p> <p>*The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the reduction of the amount of a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead.*</p> <p>(PROPOSTA NÚMERO 1 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS)</p> <p>(“La enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la legislatura a proveer la reducción del importe de la limitación sobre la cantidad total de impuestos ad valorem que pueden fijarse, para fines generales de las escuelas públicas primarias y secundarias, sobre la propiedad residencial de una persona de edad avanzada o discapacitada para reflejar cualquier reducción reglamentaria del año fiscal anterior en la tasa compresada máxima de los impuestos de mantenimiento y operaciones fijados para esos fines sobre la propiedad.”)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p>PROPOSITION A</p> <p>THE ISSUANCE OF \$84,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.</p> <p>(PROPOSICIÓN A)</p> <p>(LA EMISIÓN DE \$84,000,000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORT STOCKTON PARA INSTALACIONES ESCOLARES Y LA O IMPOSICIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LO ANTERIOR. ESTE ES UNO INCREMENTO DEL IMPUESTO A LA O PROPIEDAD.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA)</p>	<p>PROPOSITION C</p> <p>THE ISSUANCE OF \$6,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL TEACHER HOUSING, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.</p> <p>(PROPOSICIÓN C)</p> <p>(LA EMISIÓN DE \$6,000,000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORT STOCKTON PARA VIVIENDA PARA MAESTROS Y LA O IMPOSICIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LO ANTERIOR. ESTE ES UNO INCREMENTO DEL IMPUESTO A LA O PROPIEDAD.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA)</p>
<p>STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 2</p> <p>*The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000.*</p> <p>(PROPOSTA NÚMERO 2 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS)</p> <p>(“La enmienda constitucional que aumenta el importe de la exención de impuestos ad valorem de la propiedad residencial para fines de las escuelas públicas de \$25,000 a \$40,000.”)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p>PROPOSITION B</p> <p>THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL STADIUM FACILITIES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.</p> <p>(PROPOSICIÓN B)</p> <p>(LA EMISIÓN DE \$12,000,000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORT STOCKTON PARA MAESTROS Y LA O IMPOSICIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LO ANTERIOR. ESTE ES UNO INCREMENTO DEL IMPUESTO A LA O PROPIEDAD.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA)</p>	<p>PROPOSITION D</p> <p>THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.</p> <p>(PROPOSICIÓN D)</p> <p>(LA EMISIÓN DE \$3,000,000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORT STOCKTON PARA MEJORAS DE TECNOLOGÍA ESCOLAR Y LA IMPOSICIÓN DE UNO IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LO ANTERIOR. ESTE ES UNO INCREMENTO DEL IMPUESTO A LA O PROPIEDAD.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA)</p>
<p><i>State Propositions above are designed lower Taxes for Home Owners. This does not impact Bond or FSISD's commitment to maintain current Tax Rate.</i></p>	<p>Fort Stockton Independent School District Bond Election (Elección de Bonos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Fort Stockton)</p> <p>PROPOSITION E</p> <p>THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,000,000 OF BONDS BY THE FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.</p> <p>(PROPOSICIÓN E)</p> <p>(LA EMISIÓN DE \$5,000,000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORT STOCKTON PARA INSTALACIONES RECREATIVAS Y LA O IMPOSICIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LO ANTERIOR. ESTE ES UNO INCREMENTO DEL IMPUESTO A LA O PROPIEDAD.)</p> <p>Prop E will fund ISD's portion of joint project between School, City, & County to build a new Rec Center.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA)</p>	<p><i>State Law requires "Property Tax Increase" Language on Ballot despite FSISD's scenario where Tax Rates will remain the same. An increase in property values may even result in lower Tax Rates.</i></p> <p>Note: Proposition E will be on Back Side of Ballot during Election</p> <p>Vote Both Sides (Vote ambos lados)</p>

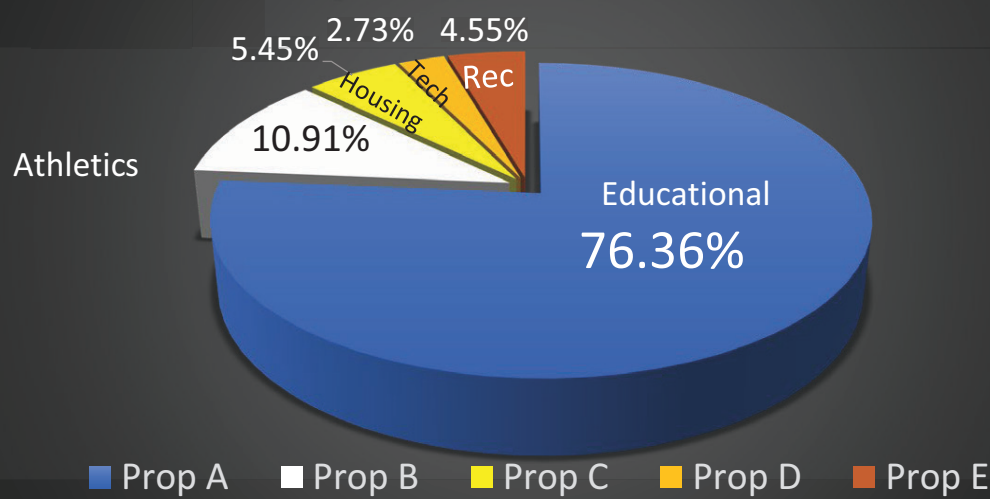
School District Tax Rate Comparison (As of 03/01/2022 - T.A.V. for 2021)

District Name	Taxable Assessed Value	Population	Total Tax Rate	Annual Tax Burden (\$300,000 Sample Home)	Gross Difference vs FSISD (\$300,000)
El Paso ISD	\$17,847,489,540	263,773	\$1.3542	\$4,062.60	\$675.90
Marion ISD	\$967,550,793	7,262	\$1.3203	\$3,960.90	\$590.70
Comfort ISD	\$1,098,281,757	6,263	\$1.2135	\$3,640.50	\$279.36
Alpine ISD	\$720,009,014	7,510	\$1.2124	\$3,637.20	\$297.00
Sweetwater ISD	\$962,284,816	11,641	\$1.2076	\$3,622.80	\$352.50
Fort Stockton ISD	\$2,603,153,481	14,743	\$1.1289	\$3,386.70	\$0.00
Iraan-Sheffield ISD	\$1,533,238,824	935	\$1.1234	\$3,370.20	(\$16.50)
San Angelo ISD	\$6,301,302,330	97,774	\$1.1204	\$3,361.14	(\$9.06)
Andrews ISD	\$4,693,462,531	21,240	\$1.1134	\$3,340.20	(\$20.94)
Big Spring ISD	\$3,052,418,467	29,581	\$1.0901	\$3,270.30	(\$69.90)
Monahans-Wickett-Pyote ISD	\$2,916,878,825	11,323	\$1.0793	\$3,237.81	(\$32.49)
Pecos-Barstow-Toyah ISD	\$14,925,115,466	17,334	\$1.0605	\$3,181.50	(\$56.31)

Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas

The Chart above displays Tax Rates for school districts you may be familiar with. Please note that School District Tax Rates are set using a formula that includes Taxable Assessed Values and the number of Students served. Districts with higher values are able to collect required funds with lower Tax Rates. **Fort Stockton ISD has positioned itself to be able to use approved Bonds without having to increase the current Tax Rate.**

Bond Proposition Fund Percents



Bond Proposition Goals & Outcomes

- * Bring Back Automechanic & Cosmetology programs including a retrofit of CTE facilities
- * Upgrade Security and Camera systems at all FSISD facilities and on buses
- * Demolish Abandoned Comanche Campus
- * Upgrade Student/Staff Transportation Fleet
- * Repair & Renovate existing Campuses using detailed comprehensive analysis results (12/21)
- * New Field House and Stadium upgrades
- * Work with City/County to build new Rec Center
- * Renovate HS Auditorium: stage lights, curtains, and sound system
- * Continue upgrades and replacements of HVAC Systems
- * Increase the number of Employee Housing units
- * Continue 1-1 Device Initiative for Students and update classrooms technology
- * This list is not comprehensive; many more areas and projects will take place at FSISD

An Open Letter From the Superintendent

It is difficult to convey through details of FSISD's facts associated with the Bond Propositions in a single page of our newspaper. After my initial walk through of our facilities, I knew it was imperative that a professional comprehensive assessment take place. The results of this analysis are available on our website and consists of nearly 300 pages with pictures of issues that must be addressed.

An interactive Cost Summary Dashboard, also available at FSISD.net, estimates it will take approximately \$51 million dollars to rehabilitate our district facilities (nearly 1 million square feet). All of this information is available publicly as proof that we must take action. Recently a district in our region had to modify their teams' schedules because their stadium was deemed to be unstructurally safe. This is not something that the people of Fort Stockton should allow to happen to ANY of our facilities.

This is the first time that I've worked as an administrator at a property rich school district. This makes reference to the state's funding system of taking from the rich to give to the poor, aka Robinhood. **FYI, each year Fort Stockton ISD must send a large sum of money to the state from local taxes so that they can fund districts in property poor areas. Tax money collected via Bonds is immune from the state system. This means that all of this money will benefit the staff and students of FSISD. To be blessed enough to live in a community where a Bond can be approved without the need to change the Tax Rate is something that property poor communities can only wish for.** Please take the time to Vote early or on May 7th. We kindly ask that you Vote with your heart and mind.

Respectfully,

Dr. Gabriel Zamora, CSM
 Fort Stockton ISD Superintendent
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