

BOND UPDATE



Grisham Middle School

Dec. 2009

The following Grisham Middle School projects were part of the 2006 and 2008 Bond Packages, which were approved by RRISD voters. Included below is a list of projects and their current status:

2006 Bond Projects

- Install security cameras system - *Complete*
- Replace vinyl tile in cafeteria - *Complete*
- Refresh notebook computer carts - *Complete*
- Plumbing projects - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*
- Install security/access systems - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*
- Replace fire alarm system - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*
- Replace roofing system - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*
- Interior renovations (marker boards & cabinets) - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*
- Interior renovations (gym ceiling & lights) - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2010*

2008 Bond Projects

- Add sink/counter at the existing art room - *Est. Completion Date: July 2010*
- Band-install additional music instrument lockers - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2011*
- Replace all classroom carpet - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2011*
- Interior renovations (nurse's office) - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2011*
- Convert 2 classrooms to 2 science labs/renovate 2 science classrooms - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2011*
- Safe & Secure front campus entry - *Est. Completion Date: Aug. 2011*

*From the desk of RRISD Superintendent
Dr. Jesús H. Chávez*

Since voters passed the 2006 Bond Program, we have added more than 5,200 new students, opened three elementary schools and one middle school, and performed countless upgrades at existing campuses and facilities.

With a district of this size that continues to grow and with many facilities needing upgrades and facelifts, it has taken time to complete all Bond 2006 projects. Voters approved more than \$267 million in bonds and the district has \$26.5 million remaining in projects to complete. It is our goal to complete 2006 projects by the end of 2010. Campuses with incomplete 2006 projects that are tied to 2008 Bond projects might not have all projects complete by the end of 2010. Campuses with linked bond projects are being informed of the changes in the completion timeline as it is best to tie these projects together for cost saving and efficiency purposes.

In order to keep the tax rate at the promised amount of \$0.34 for debt service we were required to prioritize projects and pace out our bond sales. District officials were required to space out projects and prioritize the projects by immediate need.

Due to the constant growth and severe overcrowding issues we faced at several campuses around the district, building the new schools was paramount to continue providing the quality of education we pride ourselves on here at Round Rock ISD.

We have numerous existing campuses scheduled for smaller projects and upgrades, and we have had questions from parents and staff asking when these projects will be addressed. I want to remind everyone that the 2006 Bond Program was laid out as a four-year plan and we are adhering to that timeline. We are working tirelessly to ensure that all campuses receive the needed upgrades while maintaining the district's tax rate commitment to voters.

Thank you to all our campuses and parents as they bear with us while we work to complete all projects to ensure that all students will learn... *whatever it takes!*

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2006 Bond Program

New Construction.....	61.7%
Renovations & Additions.....	18.2%
Furniture & Equipment.....	9.5%
Technology.....	8.6%
Land & Improvements.....	2%

Total Bond Package.....\$267,600,000
Remaining Funds.....\$26,455,000

2008 Bond Program

Renovations & Additions.....	40.4%
New Construction.....	28.6%
Land & Improvements.....	12.9%
Technology.....	10%
Furniture & Equipment.....	8.1%

Total Bond Package.....\$293,940,000
Remaining Funds.....\$166,810,000

NEW SCHOOLS

Bond dollars fund new schools

The 2006 Bond Package included funding for three new elementary schools and one middle school which opened August 2008 as well as funds to build Cedar Ridge High School, the district's fifth high school located on the east side of the district.

Cedar Ridge High

School will open with grades 9-10 in August 2010. With the opening of CRHS, the Stony Point 9th Grade Center will revert to a middle school in August 2010. The school has been named Cpl. Robert P. Hernandez Middle School.

The 2008 Bond Program includes funding for Chandler Oaks

Elementary, elementary schools in the Paloma Lake subdivision and the Parmer Lane corridor, and land for future schools.

Chandler Oaks Elementary will open its doors to students next school year and the elementary in Paloma Lake is slated to open August 2011.