

# Oakdale Public Schools

## Bond Proposal

### Election Facts

Voting Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2011  
Regular Polling Places: Oakdale Baptist Church and Lonestar Baptist Church  
Polls Open: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Amount of Proposed Bond: \$3.75 Million

#### The Need:

#### 1 - Classroom space and dedicated music room - estimated 55% Of the bond issue funds

This area would add a dedicated music classroom, elementary classrooms, a common area, storage and restrooms. Our enrollment is approaching 600. Last school year ended with 555 students and the future growth is expected. This expansion should balance our need to match current growth while planning for the future without overbuilding. This expansion would also help us meet our building needs concerning students with special considerations.

#### 2 - Adding an auxiliary gym - estimated 25% of the bond issue funds

Currently there are two or more PE classes being held concurrently. We have limited space available for activities. This auxiliary gym would be designed for PE, sports practice, and community use.

#### 3 - Kitchen remodeling and repurposing - estimated 5% of the bond issue funds

This remodel area will provide for more dry storage, better sanitary disposal, loading and receiving of school wide materials, more efficient food serving, elimination of environmental hazards, and will improve aesthetics. While not the most exciting of renovations, it will greatly help address our needs caused by increased student population and our improved and expanded lunch offerings. This remodel would absorb one classroom into the total kitchen space.

#### 4 - An estimated 15% of the bond issue funds

Fortunately, we will also be able to address some issues dealing with our driveway system, safety alarms, intercoms, and general upkeep to the buildings and grounds. Fees to all the service providers can be paid and no funds will have to be spent from our general operating money.

#### ◆ There is no projected tax increase ◆

How can that be? Several previous bonds are retiring at the time this bond would go on the tax roles and our overall tax base continues to grow. The projections indicate that your individual taxes will remain at the current level.

#### Bond issues require a 60% super majority to pass

Trent Pipes, Kelli Mitchell, and Fred Leibrock are your school board members. They, as well as Mrs. Honeycutt or Mr. Lanier, would be happy to answer any questions you may have.