

**Graham Independent School District  
Board Agenda Item Synopsis**

**Subject: Consider and Take Action to Adopt an Order Calling School Building Bond Election in an amount not to exceed \$60,000,000 to be held on November 3, 2026**

**Background Information:** The Board-Adopted Strategic Plan calls for a commitment to excellence in facilities that promote innovative, healthy, and welcoming learning environments. The plan has a strategic objective to create a sustainable and comprehensive long-term facility plan. As a result, the GISD School Board approved a Framework for seating a 50+ member Facility Planning Committee to serve in an advisory capacity to the School Board and Administration on a temporary basis regarding the topic of facility planning and capital needs. The committee charge was to keep students at the center of all recommendations and maximize the district's financial resources. On June 3, the FPC presented recommendations to the School Board that included calling a school bond election to build a new Grades 1-5 elementary school and fund prioritized safety/security, accessibility and capital improvement projects. The district received stakeholder feedback on the recommendations during a Community Survey in June/July. The Board was also presented with a Long-Range Facility Plan as required in [Policy CS \(Legal\)](#).

**Administrative Consideration:** Based on the strategic goals in the Board-Adopted Strategic Plan, the work and recommendations of the Facility Planning Committee, along with the results of Graham ISD's Community Survey and the presentation by the district's financial advisor regarding bond capacity, the Administration recommends the Board of Trustees call a school bond election for November 3, 2026.

**Alignment to District Goals:**

- ☒ 1. **Academics:** All students will be prepared for success at the next level.
- ☒ 2. **Our People:** Recruit and retain highly qualified employees at all levels.
- ☒ 3. **Finance and Facilities:**
  - Optimize revenues and impact student achievement by increasing attendance rates at all campuses.
  - Commit to excellence in facilities that promote innovative, health, and welcoming learning environments.
- ☒ 4. **Culture:** All stakeholders will take ownership in creating a welcoming, compassionate, unified school community striving for aspirational achievements.
- ☒ 5. **Safety:** Provide a safe, healthy and secure environment for all stakeholders.

- ☒ 6. **Communications:** Support student success through clear, consistent, and inclusive communication and marketing that builds trust, reflects our diverse community, and empowers all stakeholders.

**Budgetary Impact:** Election costs will be shared with Trustees at a future meeting.

**Recommendation:** The Facility Planning Committee and Administration recommend that the Graham ISD Board of Trustees Consider the adoption of an Order Calling a School Bond Election.

**Meeting Date:** August 11, 2026