

Where do I vote?

Early Voting:

October 19–23 and 26–30 7:00 am–7:00 pm Chambers County Courthouse

October 26–30 7:00 am–7:00 pm

East Chambers County Courthouse Annex (Winnie) – Precinct 1

West Chambers County Courthouse Annex (Mont Belvieu) – Precinct 4

Cedar Bayou Community Building (Baytown) – Precinct 6

October 20 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Anahuac Middle School Art Room

October 22 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Anahuac High School Cafeteria

October 29 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Anahuac Elementary School Music Room

Election Day Voting November 3rd 7:00 am–7:00 pm:

Wallisville Community Building – Precinct 1

Hankamer Community Building – Precinct 2

Pine Island School Building – Precinct 3

American Legion Hall – Precinct 6

Oak Island Community Building – Precinct 9

Where can I learn more?

Following are public forum places and dates:

White's Park September 28th

Smith Point Fire Department Building October 5th

Double Bayou Community Building October 12th

American Legion Hall October 19th

(All public forums will start at 7:00 pm.)

What happens if selected projects cost more than anticipated?

The scope of the individual projects will be adjusted to fit the budget.

What happens if selected projects cost less than anticipated?

The Board will reconvene a community committee and highly consider their recommendation.

Any registered voter whose primary residence is within the boundaries of Anahuac ISD is eligible to vote. For voters that are not already registered, you may become a registered voter by having your voter registration card post-marked no later than 30 days prior to election date of November 3, 2009.

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Puede obtener la informacion en espanol relativo bono de la escuela en la oficina de administracion de Anahuac ISD o puede llamar (409) 267-2000

Why a bond election?

To fill the following needs:

- A new Vocational–Ag building
- Expanded electrical capacity at all campuses
- Science Classroom updates to support curriculum at ES and MS, new classrooms at HS
- A larger Middle School Library to meet state requirements
- Intercom upgrades in all rooms with “call-back” ability to enhance student safety
- Security Cameras and secure entry systems at all campuses
- Technology Infrastructure at all campuses
- Fire alarm upgrades at all campuses to enhance student safety
- A new elementary computer lab
- Replacement of leaking windows at all campuses
- Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance in all campus offices and offices that facilitate student service
- Additional exterior safety lighting at ES
- Replacement of exterior doors at MS and HS that can no longer be repaired.
- Improved ES pick-up and drop-off
- Fencing at ES
- Storage at HS for Ag and Athletics
- Renovation of MS restrooms and teacher workrooms
- Improved locker room facilities for girls PE classes and athletics to follow Title IX regulations
- Upgrades to all classrooms
- New parking lot at HS to improve safety
- Lighting and AC control in the ES gym
- Replacement of HS gym bleachers
- New public restrooms at the stadium
- ADA compliance in HS restrooms

Estimated Homeowners Tax Impact of \$12,860,000 Bond

| Home Value Before Exemptions | Value Taxed After State Mandated \$15,000 and Local Option 20% Exemption | Monthly Tax Increase to be Paid 2010/11 with Bond Election @ \$1.41 Tax Rate |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| \$25,000 | \$5,000 | \$0.96 |
| 50,000 | 25,000 | 4.79 |
| 76,923 (a) | 46,538 | 8.92 |
| 100,000 | 65,000 | 12.46 |
| 125,000 | 85,000 | 16.29 |
| 150,000 | 105,000 | 20.13 |
| 175,000 | 125,000 | 23.96 |
| 200,000 | 145,000 | 27.79 |

(a) Represents the median home value before exemptions for Anahuac ISD

Taxpayers 65 years of age and older forever have the school taxes on their homestead frozen at the taxes paid at age 65. This means a successful bond election will not increase the school taxes for this group of taxpayers. For all other taxpayers, the proposed tax increase is below the \$1.61 tax rate you were paying in 2005/06.

What about potential state and Federal assistance?

The State of Texas assists local school districts with the repayment of voted bonds through Instructional Facilities Allotment (IFA) and Existing Debt Allotment (EDA). AISD will be assisted through the EDA program and will apply for assistance through the IFA program. As an example, these programs together currently pay approximately 30% on the District’s outstanding bond principal and interest payments. In addition the District may be able to further reduce annual principal and interest payments by selling bonds through a new federal program under which the District has taken the appropriate action and received permission to participate in.

Why now?

This is an opportune time because interest rates and building costs are at an all time low.

Why a new library?

Quote from 2003 independent library review “At 1533 square feet it is smaller than the requirements in the Texas Administrative Code and does not include the appropriate areas so that a quality library program can be implemented. A new library facility would be the appropriate solution to bring this campus into voluntary compliance with the *School Library Programs Standards and Guidelines for Texas* and in the *Texas Administrative Code*. “

Why not just remodel the high school Science classrooms?

The current classrooms are not capable of being remodeled in a manner that would bring them into compliance with state curriculum standards.

What is wrong with our electrical capacity and why do we need technology infrastructure?

Our “newest” building was constructed prior to the advent of the personal computer. Our buildings are not equipped to support current and future student technology needs.

Why do we need another computer lab at the elementary school?

Our current lab is not adequate to service the student population.

Why do we need a new locker room and weight room facilities for the girls?

Title IX requirements mandate equal facilities for female and male students. At present the girls do not have a sufficient locker room or weight room.