

DSISD CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION & CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER RELOCATION PROJECT

SUPPORTING OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: The renovated facility will offer much-needed space for training and professional development. All eight of our campuses will have access to presentation rooms and collaborative spaces to allow teachers and staff to receive continuous learning and work together to plan for our district's future.

EXPANSION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (CDC): Attracting and retaining the highest-quality teachers and staff is a high priority for our district, and caring for the youngest members of our DSISD families supports that goal. The CDC provides child care for DSISD employees and is an important benefit to many teachers, but the current facility has been at capacity for several years. The new location will allow for expansion of the CDC to 125 children, doubling the current capacity. These little Tigers receive a strong foundation for learning in a safe, caring environment.

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

SPECIAL SERVICES: The DSISD Special Services Department uses a central location for evaluations and therapeutic services (such as speech therapy) for DSISD students and other qualifying children in the community.

EXPANSION OF DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES: District growth has resulted in the need for additional space for district-wide support systems. The building will house offices for more than 70 employees, and allow room for future departmental growth, in Learning and Innovation, Business and Financial Services, Technology, Special Services, Human Resources, Facilities and Construction, Community Services, Dripping Springs Education Foundation, Child Nutrition, Communications and the Superintendent's Office. The goal is to design these spaces in a collaborative setting to encourage a cross-functional approach to our work of managing a growing district.

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY EDUCATION SPACE: The DSISD Community Services Department offers a variety of programs not only for students in our school district, but for adults in our community. From Driver's Education to GED classes and English as a Second Language, DSISD is committed to supporting the Dripping Springs community.

MEETING SPACE: The board room and other areas will have the potential to accommodate larger gatherings for community use.

BACKGROUND

The current DSISD Administration Building was built in 1948 and is well beyond its useful life. Multiple facility assessments spanning more than a decade have identified significant issues that can potentially impact the effectiveness and safety of employees in the work environment. Deficiencies exist with internal and external building components including roofing, walls, windows, HVAC, electrical, and plumbing. The approach of repurposing a former school has a much lower cost than constructing a new administrative building.

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION & CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER RELOCATION BUDGET TIMELINE

November 2018

Original relocation project budget of **\$4.12 million** was communicated to voters
(Was reduced through the 2018 Bond Steering Committee process from \$9 million to \$8.0 million to \$4.5 million and ultimately to \$4.12 million due to bond capacity limitations)

**December 2018 -
August 2021**

District begins bond projects, prioritizing student-impacting projects first.

- High School Additions and Renovations
- Dripping Springs Elementary Renovations and Furniture Upgrades
- Athletic Improvements (Turf/Track Replacement)
- Rooster Springs Elementary Renovations
- DSISD Transportation Site and Building Improvements
- Walnut Springs Elementary Relocation/Dripping Springs Middle School Renovations
- Cypress Springs Elementary (Elementary #5)
- District-wide Technology upgrades

January 2021

The district team completes programming/conceptual design and determines the budget was not sufficient to meet the needs of the district in providing functional work spaces for departments.

March 2021

The Bond Advisory Committee recommends the budget be increased to **\$7.85 million** to meet the programming/design needs.

August 2021

The Board of Trustees accepts the BAC recommendation and increases the budget.

May 2022

Construction pricing from Weaver & Jacobs comes back 25% over budget due to rising inflation costs.

June 2022

The BAC recommends increasing the total project budget to **\$9.95 million** to the Board of Trustees. The Board accepts the recommendation and increases the budget.

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