



Hill Elementary School 2022 Bond FAQs

1. What projects will Hill Elementary School receive as part of the 2022 Bond?

Hill Elementary School will receive Phase 2 of 3 of its modernization through the 2022 Bond, building upon the work of the 2017 Bond. Improvements will include a secure entry vestibule, flexible learning spaces to support a variety of learning styles, and educator collaboration areas.

2. What is the total budgeted cost of this project in the Bond Program?

The total project budget for Hill is estimated to be \$30,715,000, as referenced in the Bond Book. This includes the budget for construction, as well as associated fees for services and materials. The final cost may vary due to fluctuating prices of goods and services.

3. What is the project timeline? When will it be open to students?

The design process for Hill's modernization began in fall 2025, with construction anticipated to begin in summer 2026. The modernized campus is expected to be open to students in spring 2028.

4. Why is Hill receiving Phase 2 of 3 instead of completing the modernization, as outlined in the [2022 Bond Book](#)?

The Austin ISD Construction Management Department evaluated multiple possible scenarios for accommodating students and staff during construction, including onsite and offsite swing locations for the campus and phasing of the modernization construction. It was determined that students and community would remain at the current Hill campus, with the remaining modernization being constructed in two phases. However, in every scenario that was considered, the funds allocated in the 2022 Bond program would only be adequate to cover one of the two phases required to complete the campus modernization. The final phase will need to be included in a future Bond project.

5. What is a phased modernization project?

A phased modernization is part of a full modernization plan (to address building deficiencies, educational suitability, capacity, etc.) that is in line with the Educational Specifications and Project Development Manual.

6. Which spaces will be renovated as part of the phased project?

Improvements will be determined using the available budget and input from the Campus Architectural Team made up of Hill parents, staff and community members in order to ensure the project best fits the needs of the school.

7. When will the remaining spaces be modernized at Hill?

The 2022 Bond will construct phase 2 out of 3 total phases. The remaining phase of the Hill modernization will be contingent upon future bond planning and voter approval of future bond packages.

8. How will construction impact students and teachers? Will they have to relocate to portables or another location during construction?

The safety of our students and staff during construction is our top priority. In order to achieve this, it will be necessary to relocate, or “swing” students and staff into portable buildings on site.

9. How will construction impact neighbors who live near the school?

Neighbors in the immediate area surrounding the school will be notified before the start of construction and will be made aware of any major changes during construction. While every project is different, activities to expect include; temporary fencing installed around the active construction site, trucks entering and exiting the primary construction area; neighbors may hear backup alarms while equipment and trucks are on site. There will also be hammering, drilling and other general construction equipment noises.

10. What steps are being taken to keep students safe during construction?

All contractors and vendors who work on an Austin ISD campus will go through a full background check. Any areas of the campus that are under construction will either be fenced or have temporary walls to prevent students from entering active construction areas. The project team is coordinating with campus leadership to minimize disruptions to the learning environment.

11. What happens to the contents of a building that is being modernized?

Austin ISD is committed to sustainability and recycles or re-purposes as much as possible from buildings that are being modernized or remodeled.

12. How do I get involved with the project and provide input?

A Campus Architectural Team (CAT) was formed in fall 2025 to provide input on the project. CAT meetings are open to the public and public comment will be allowed at the start of each meeting. There will also be community meetings over the course of the project for families, staff and community members to get an update on progress and provide input. Those meeting dates and times will be published at [AustinISD.org](https://austinisd.org) and AISDFuture.com once they are confirmed.

13. Who can I contact with questions or feedback?

For additional information on the 2022 Bond, please reach out to the district using the [Comment Form](#).