



Northeast Early College High School and International High School 2022 Bond FAQs

1. What projects will Northeast ECHS and International HS receive as part of the 2022 Bond?

Northeast ECHS and International HS will receive the first phase of 3-4 phases of modernization through the 2022 Bond, which will include a secure entry vestibule, HVAC, electrical, roofing and plumbing improvements, as well as, athletic upgrades, including a turf competition field and renovations to the gyms and locker rooms, and a school mental health center.

2. How much will this project cost?

The total project budget for Northeast is \$117,856,000. This includes the budget for construction, as well as associated fees for services and materials.

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

The design process for Northeast's modernization began in fall 2023 and construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2025. The modernization is expected to open to students in spring 2028.

4. 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. Future phases to complete the fully modernized vision will be included in future bond programs.

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

As outlined in the [2022 Bond Book](#), athletics spaces, including gyms and locker rooms will be modernized, as well as the addition of a mental health center. Additional improvements will be determined using the available budget and input from the Campus Architectural Team made up of members of Northeast and International students, parents, staff and community members in order to ensure the project best fits the needs of the school.

6. When will additional spaces be modernized at Northeast?

The 2022 Bond will construct the first phased modernization out of 3-4 total phases. The subsequent phases of Northeast's modernization will be contingent upon future bond planning and voter approval of future bond packages.

7. 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 may be necessary to relocate, or "swing" students and staff into

portable buildings on site, or at an off-site location. If a swing space is necessary, the location will be determined early in the design process and will involve community feedback on the available options.

8. 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.

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

All contractors and vendors who work on an Austin ISD campus will have gone 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 coordinates with campus leadership to minimize disruptions to the learning environment.

10. 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.

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

A Campus Architectural Team (CAT) has been formed 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 public 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 and AISDFuture.com once they are confirmed.

12. How will Northeast and International students be involved in the design process?

The Campus Architectural Team includes student representatives who will provide insight about Northeast's and International's needs and how the new campus can best serve the overall student population. There will be additional opportunities for student involvement throughout the project cycle.

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](#).