



# ACT Now!

On Nov. 3, 2009, Springfield Public Schools will ask voters to approve a no-tax-increase bond issue that will leverage federal stimulus money to fund **Air conditioning, Construction & improvements and Technology.**

## **Maximize resources**

Approving this bond issue will save Springfield taxpayers millions of dollars in interest because SPS will be able to access \$5 million to \$7 million in interest-free bonds available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. These interest-free bonds, along with the district's current bonding capacity and available debt-service funds, enable SPS to request a \$50 million bond without having to increase the current tax.

## **Fulfill a promise**

With this bond issue, SPS will satisfy its pledge to air condition every school in the district. Air conditioning the remaining eight schools will complete the effort initiated a decade ago to achieve equity in the quality of learning environment available to students in every part of our community.

## **Invest in our community**

Quality schools create a quality community. The proposed bond projects will strengthen our community by upgrading schools in all areas of the district. This investment in our community will also create employment opportunities and generate demand for raw materials and supplies for local businesses. As intended by the stimulus package, the majority of the \$50 million will be spent locally to employ contractors and laborers and purchase materials and supplies required to complete the proposed projects.

## **Facilities to benefit**

### **A**ir conditioning

- Boyd
- Robberson
- Rountree
- Sunshine
- York
- Jarrett
- Reed
- Phelps Center
- Tefft Center

### **C**onstruction & improvements

- Hillcrest
- Westport
- Hickory Hills
- Jeffries
- Glendale
- Kickapoo

### **T**echnology

- Every classroom will be equipped with an LCD projector and interactive whiteboard.
- Aging student computers will be replaced as needed with N-computing units.

**For more details, visit [www.springfieldpublicschoolsmo.org](http://www.springfieldpublicschoolsmo.org).**



**Springfield Public Schools**  
**No-tax-increase bond proposal**  
**Nov. 3, 2009**  
**Proposed Projects**

<b>Air conditioning</b>			
<b>Site</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>Description of work</b>	<b>Subtotals</b>
Boyd Elementary School	\$1,210,000	Air conditioning	
Jarrett Middle School	\$3,190,000	Air conditioning	
Phelps Center for Gifted Education	\$1,408,000	Air conditioning	
Reed Middle School	\$3,190,000	Air conditioning	
Robberson Elementary School	\$2,090,000	Air conditioning + windows	
Rountree Elementary School	\$1,760,000	Air conditioning	
Sunshine Elementary School	\$1,485,000	Air conditioning	
Tefft Center	\$892,500	Air conditioning	
York Elementary School	\$2,090,000	Air conditioning + windows	
		<b>Air conditioning projects</b>	<b>\$17,315,500</b>
<b>Construction &amp; improvements</b>			
Hillcrest High School	\$7,400,000	Electrical and technology infrastructure upgrade; auditorium remodel; restroom remodel; elevator installation in gymnasium; enclose walkway between gym and main building; kitchen improvements; roof, ceiling, floor tile and hot water pipe repairs and replacements; and stadium lighting.	
Westport Elementary School	\$9,354,000	Expand to K-8 campus to accommodate Study Middle School students. Close Bailey, Berry and Peppertine buildings and relocate alternative programs to Study.	
Glendale High School	\$1,450,000	Electrical and technology infrastructure upgrades and installation of new stadium bleachers.	
Jeffries Elementary School	\$2,650,000	Construct gymnasium with a high-school sized court. Addition will include restrooms and connecting corridor.	
Glendale, Kickapoo high schools	\$330,500	Install new stadium lighting.	
Hickory Hills Elementary & Middle School*	\$9,000,000	Retire lease participation certificates currently being used to fund construction of new Hickory Hills School.	
		<b>Construction projects</b>	<b>\$30,184,500</b>
<b>Technology</b>			
All schools	\$2,500,000	Purchase and install LCD projectors, interactive whiteboards and N-computing units.	
		<b>Technology projects</b>	<b>\$2,500,000</b>
		<b>All 2009 bond projects</b>	<b>\$50,000,000</b>

\* Full funding of this project is dependent upon the district qualifying for the estimated \$5 million in interest-free bonds available through the federal stimulus program. If a lesser amount is allocated to the district, funding for this project will be reduced by the same amount.