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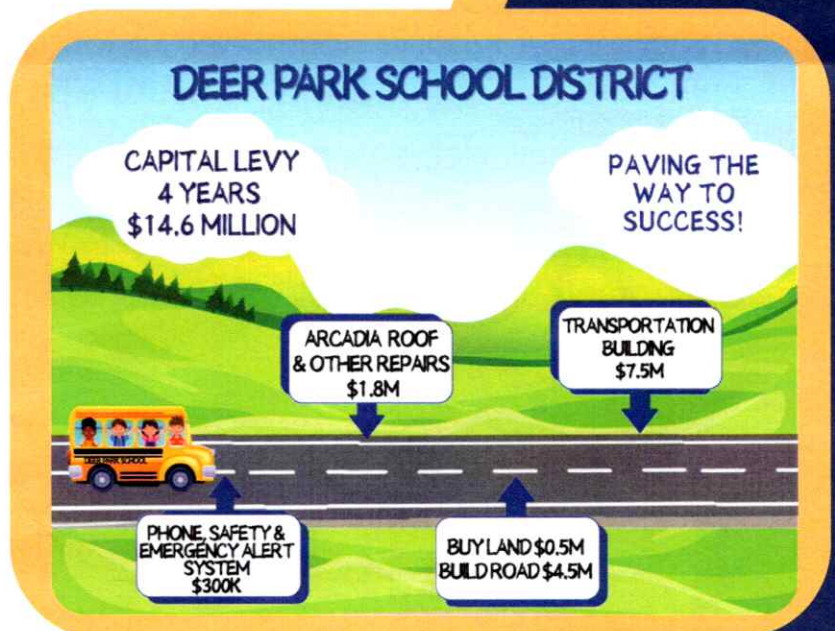
DEER PARK SCHOOLS CAPITAL LEVY

Preserving our Past.
Planning our Future.

The proposed 4-year, \$14.6 million short-term capital levy will provide vital funding as the district preserves our current buildings while planning for the future. Since we've paid off the High School bond, this will only increase our taxes temporarily by \$0.42/\$1000 and will fund the following projects: safety/security and communications district-wide, new roof and HVAC system at Arcadia, secure the last land available in Deer Park for the district and road infrastructure, and replace the nearly 100-year-old transportation facility. Your vote counts! Please vote yes for our kids!

**BALLOTS DUE
NOV. 4TH**

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Every Vote Counts!

Why a Capital Levy Instead of a Bond?

After two failed bond attempts in 2024, the Facilities Advisory Committee is recommending a short-term, 4-year capital levy to cover four priority projects.

- The projects are smaller in scope (\$14.6M total), which is better suited for a levy than a bond.
- Levies are shorter term, expire after four years, and require 50% voter approval (bonds require 60%).

When is the current bond paid off?

The existing High School bond will be fully paid off this year!

What will it cost taxpayers?

- Proposed levy: \$1.45 per \$1,000 assessed value
- Current bond (ending 2025): \$1.03 per \$1,000
- Difference: only 42¢ more per \$1,000 of assessed value. For the median Deer Park home valued at \$400,000, the cost comes to \$14 per month for just four years to invest in our schools and community.

How will funds be monitored?

A citizen-led Levy Oversight Committee will review spending and ensure transparency, accountability, & trust.

Why no athletics projects?

The Facilities Advisory Committee prioritized urgent facility needs. Athletic improvements will be considered in a future bond.

What about a new elementary school?

That need remains. After completing levy projects, the district may pursue a bond for a new elementary school and other improvements around 2030, designed to maintain stable and predictable rates long term.



Learn More!

<https://www.dpsd.org/page/levy2025>