



# Community Meeting

Dr. Shannon Luis, Superintendent

# Welcome

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ERA ISD  
BOND 2022

Thank you for being a part of Era ISD's future!

- It's a great day to be a Hornet!
- Update on exciting things taking place in the district
- Information about upcoming bond election



# How We Got Here

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- The Board of Trustees tasked me with addressing our facility needs
- We got the assistance of licensed financial planners, school architects/engineers and construction professionals along with a demographer

# Committee

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- A group of 30 Community members, parents, administrators, faculty and students met over the course of several months.
- Presented with various data and information, including:
  - Demographic Reports
  - Capacity Studies
  - Facility assessments
  - Program needs
  - Financial information/Bond capacity
- Toured facilities

# Building Capacity

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## Elementary School

- Current Enrollment: 217
- Capacity: 237

## Secondary (Junior High and High School)

- Current Enrollment: 276
- Capacity: 370

**Total Building Capacity Surplus: 114**

# Building Capacity

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Total Building Capacity: 607

10 Year Aggressive Projected Enrollment: 559\*

There is *some* room for growth if we hit the aggressive model

Based on SDS Demographics



# Facility Review

# Building Conditions- Elementary



SAFETY, SECURITY

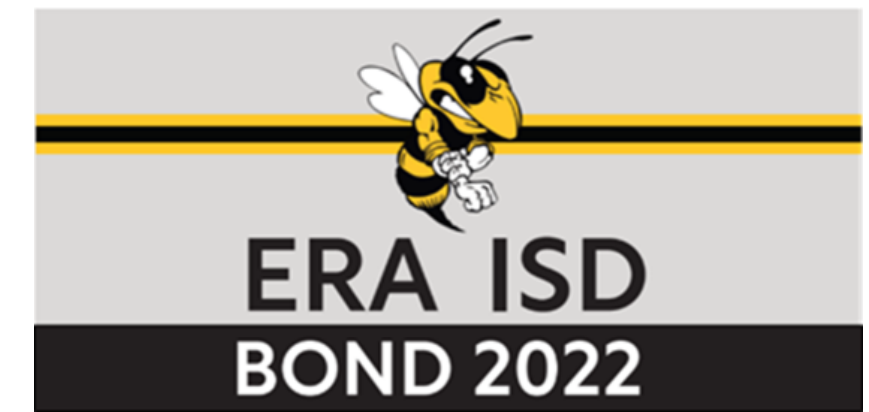


NON-COMPLIANT RESTROOMS (TAS/ADA DOORS ARE NOT FIRE RATED. NO FIRE ALARM IN THIS BUILDING.





# Building Conditions- Elementary



PLUMBING DEFICIENCIES THROUGHOUT BUILDING



NO COVERED WALKWAY AT LIFESKILLS ENTRANCE OR MAIN ENTRANCE.



# Building Conditions



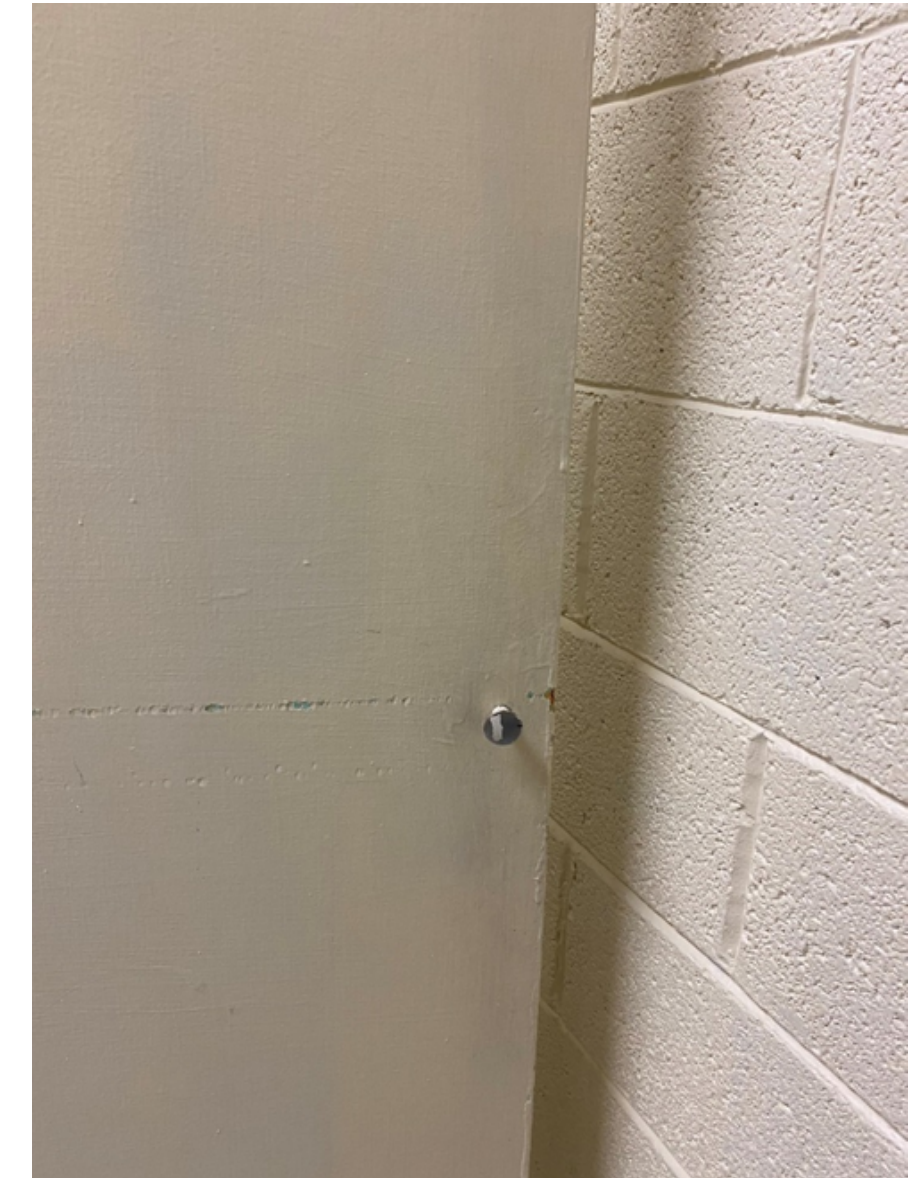
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ENTRANCE DOES NOT MEET ADA



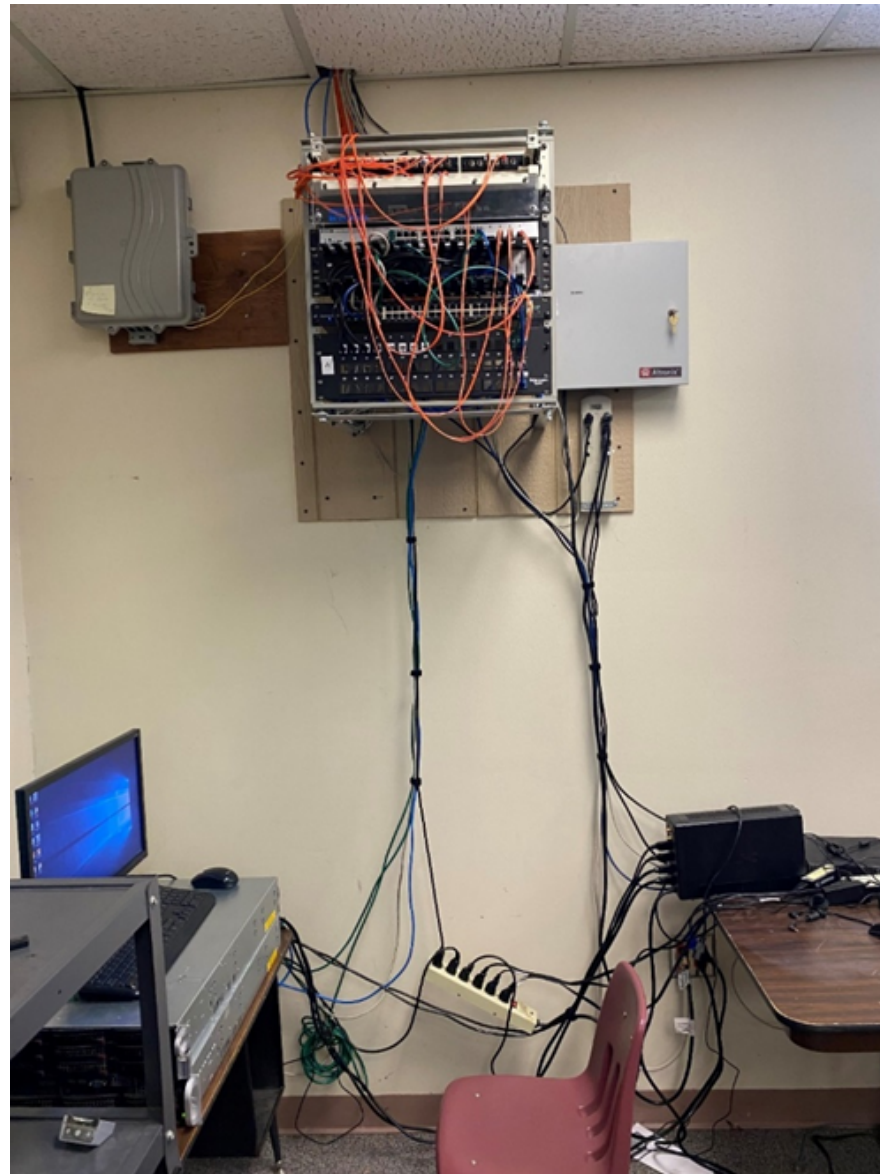
# Building Conditions



RESTROOMS DO NOT MEET TAS/ADA



# Building Code- Damage



INADEQUATE ELECTRICAL  
SERVICE AND NO DEDICATED  
AIR SUPPLY



FAILING PAINT ON DOORS AND NON-COMPLIANT





# Building Code – Damage



DAMAGED LOCKERS



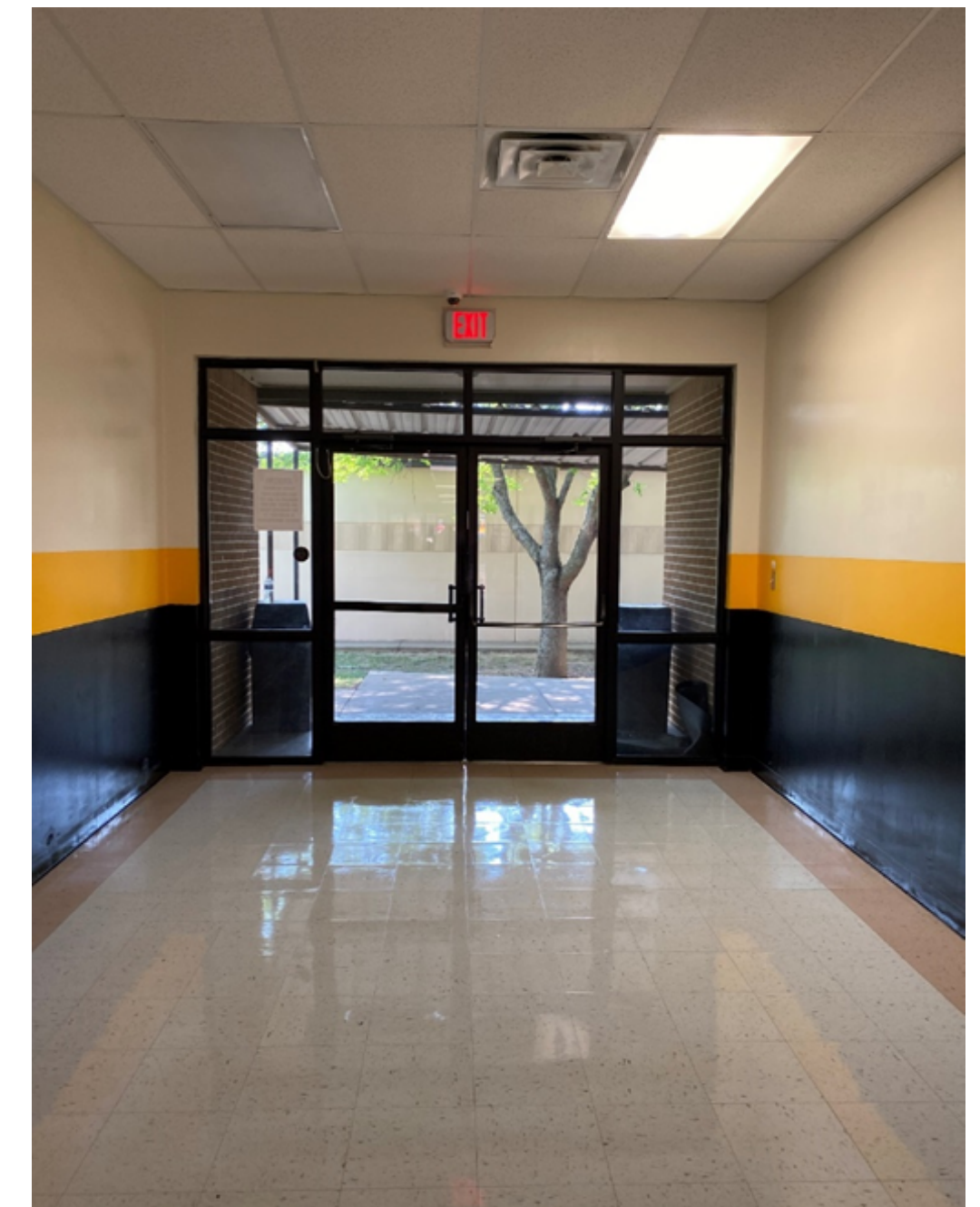
SEPARATING FLOORING



EVIDENCE OF MOISTURE DAMAGE



# No Secure Vestibule





# Interior-TAS/Building Code



NON-COMPLIANT RECEPTION  
DESK



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INADEQUATE ELECTRICAL SERVICE



# Old Gym Interior- TAS/ADA





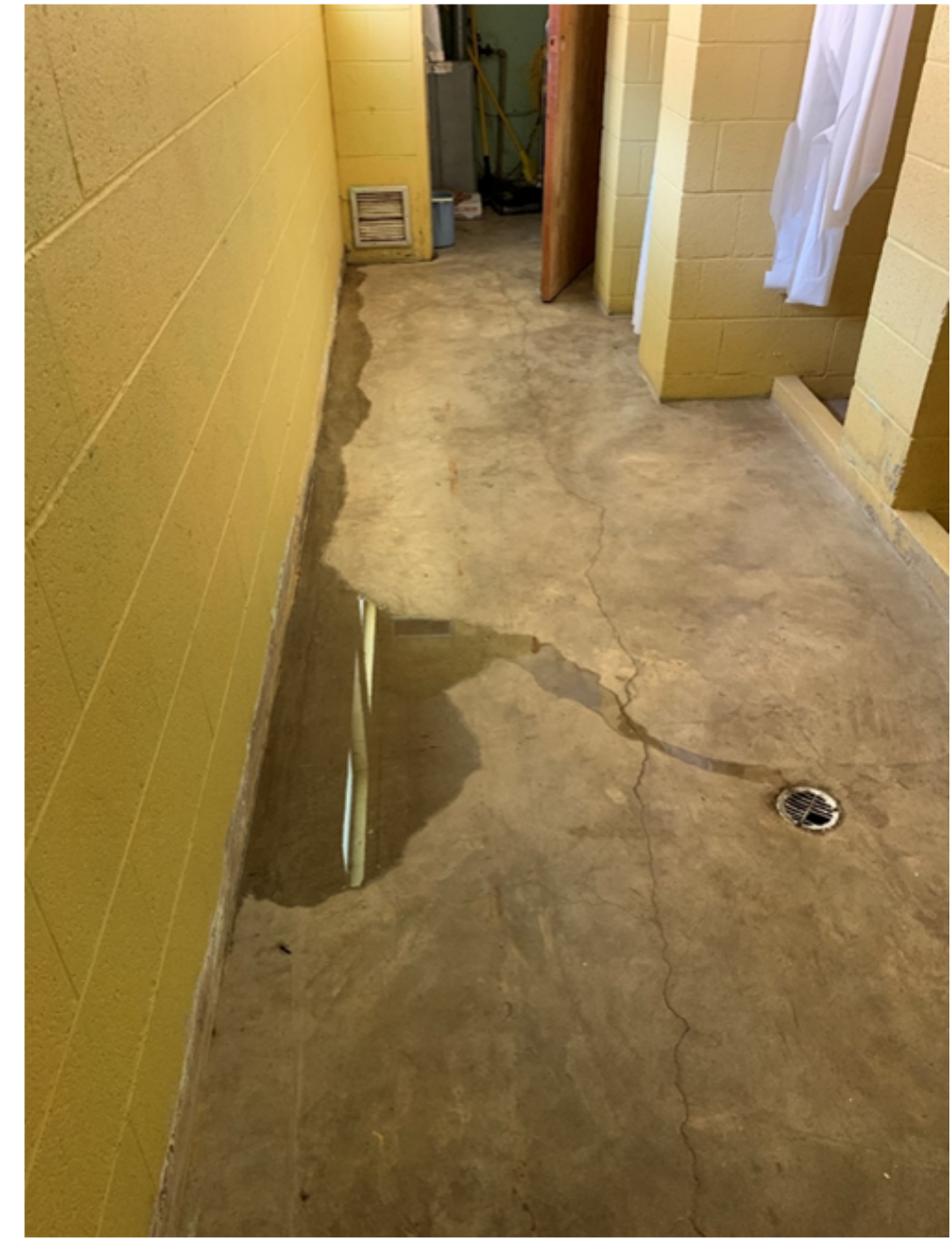
# Old Gym



SHOWERS DO NOT MEET TAS/ADA



WATER PENETRATION/DAMAGE





# School Finance



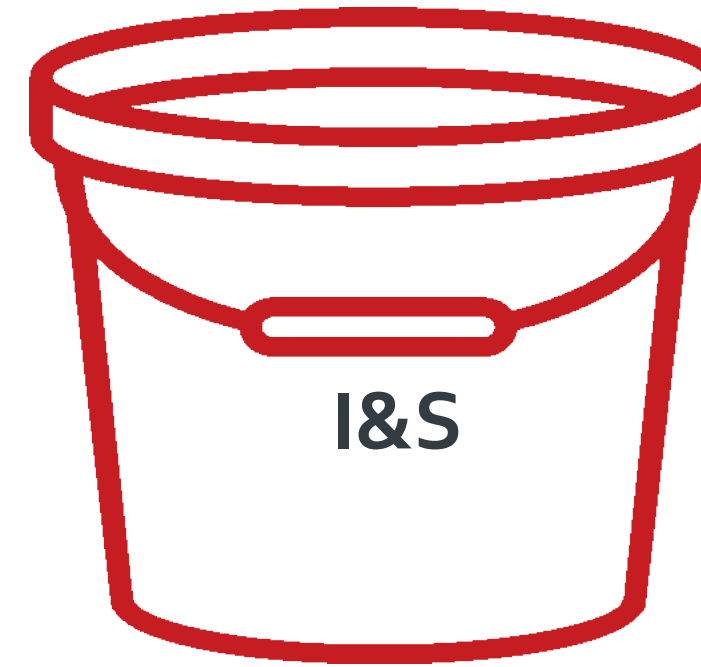
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## MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS

- Day-to-day operations and expenses for salaries, utilities, supplies, repairs, fuel (*Appx 75% of the district's M&O budget goes to teacher and staff salaries.*)
- This is similar to groceries, minor house repairs, utilities, car fuel, and routine services.



## INTEREST & SINKING

- Principal and interest payments on debt issued for new construction, renovations, heating and AC systems, roofing and land.
- This is similar to mortgage, home renovation, land, major appliances, car.

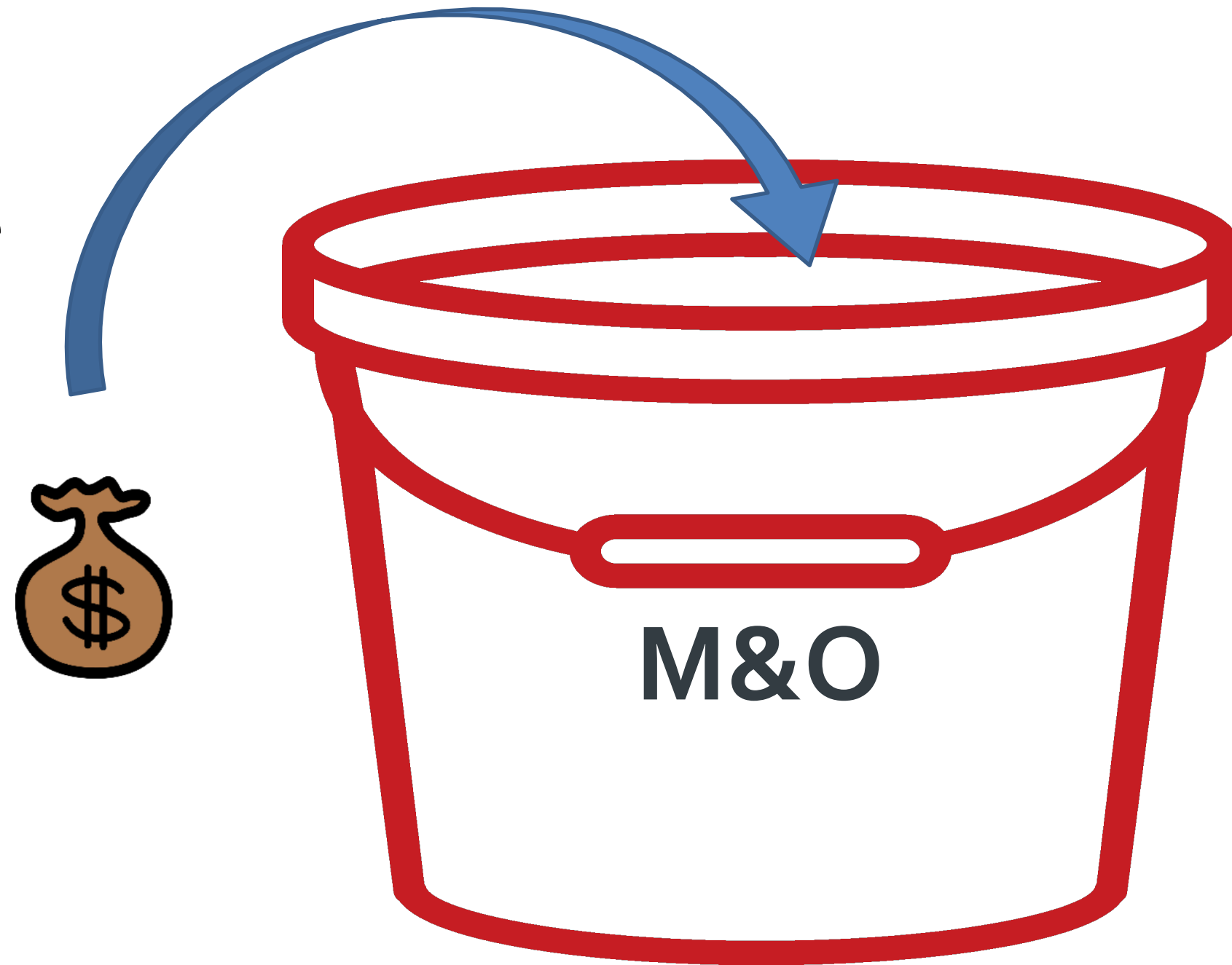
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The State dictates the size of our bucket based on the number of students we have and our local property tax values

We fill that bucket with the dollars generated by the M&O rate which is also determined by the state



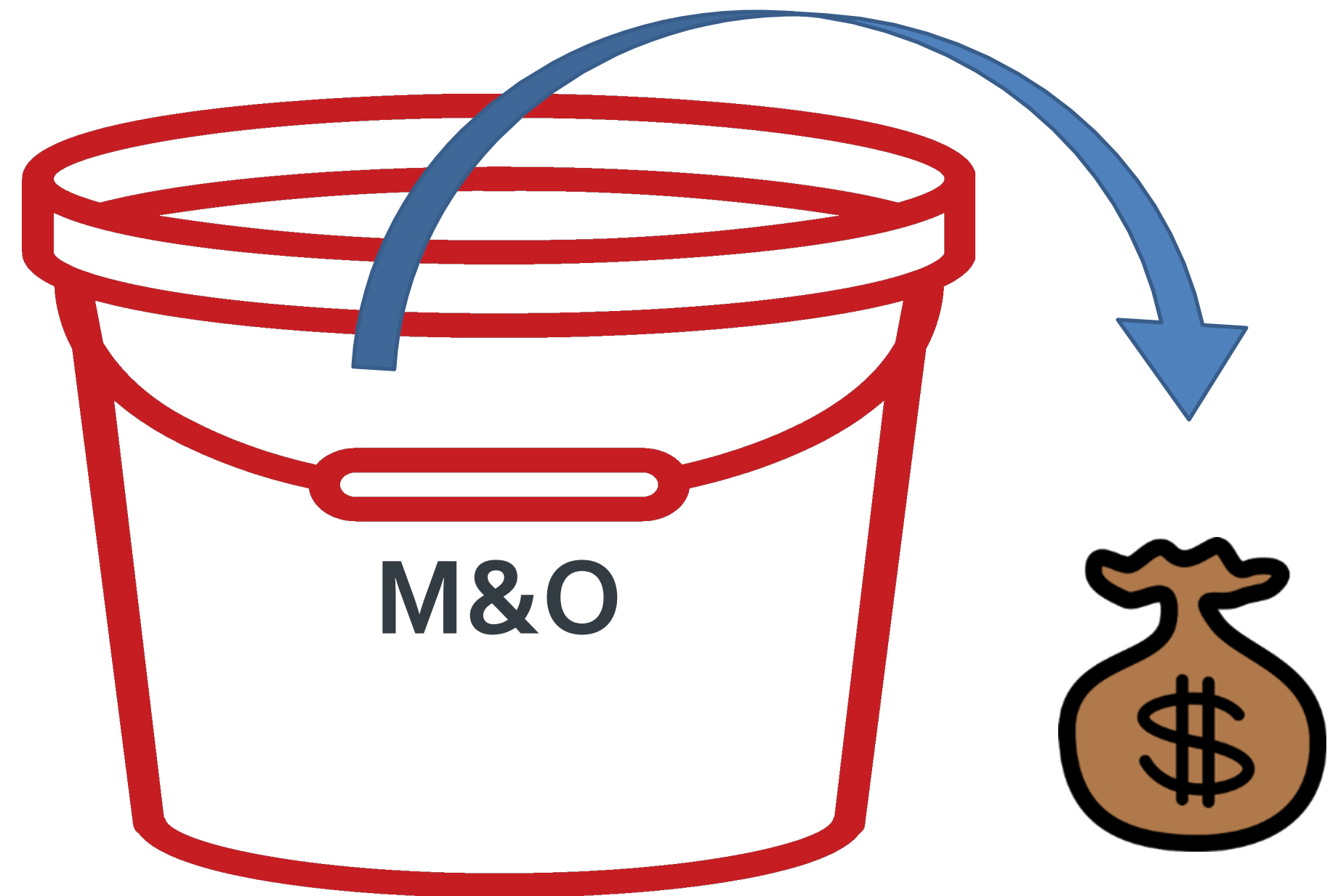
**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

# School Finance

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Once the State determines we're getting more money than we should, it takes money out of our bucket to help pay for districts with fewer students and less value.



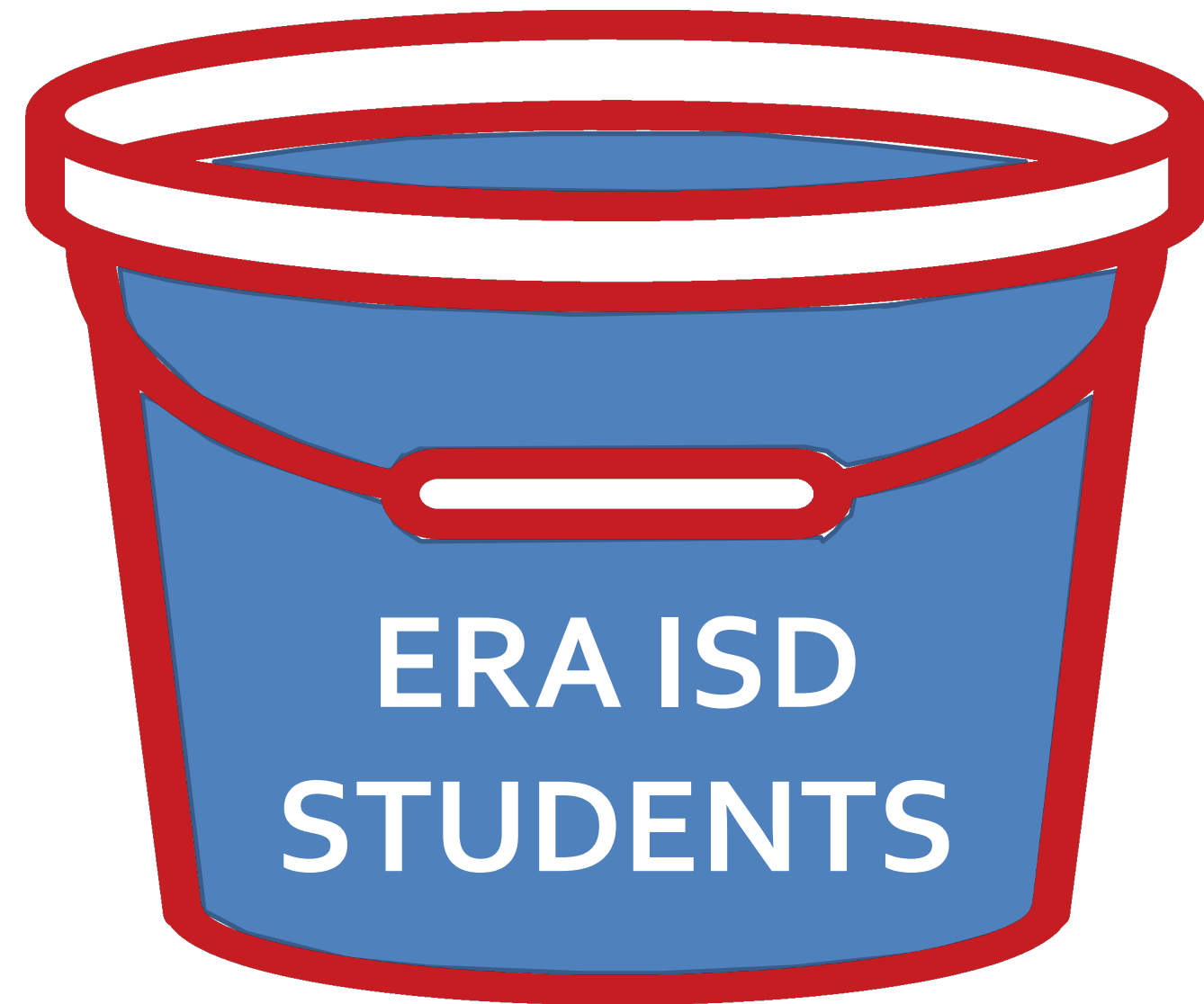
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The I&S taxes go directly to ERA ISD. The State has no authority to use any portion of it for any other district.

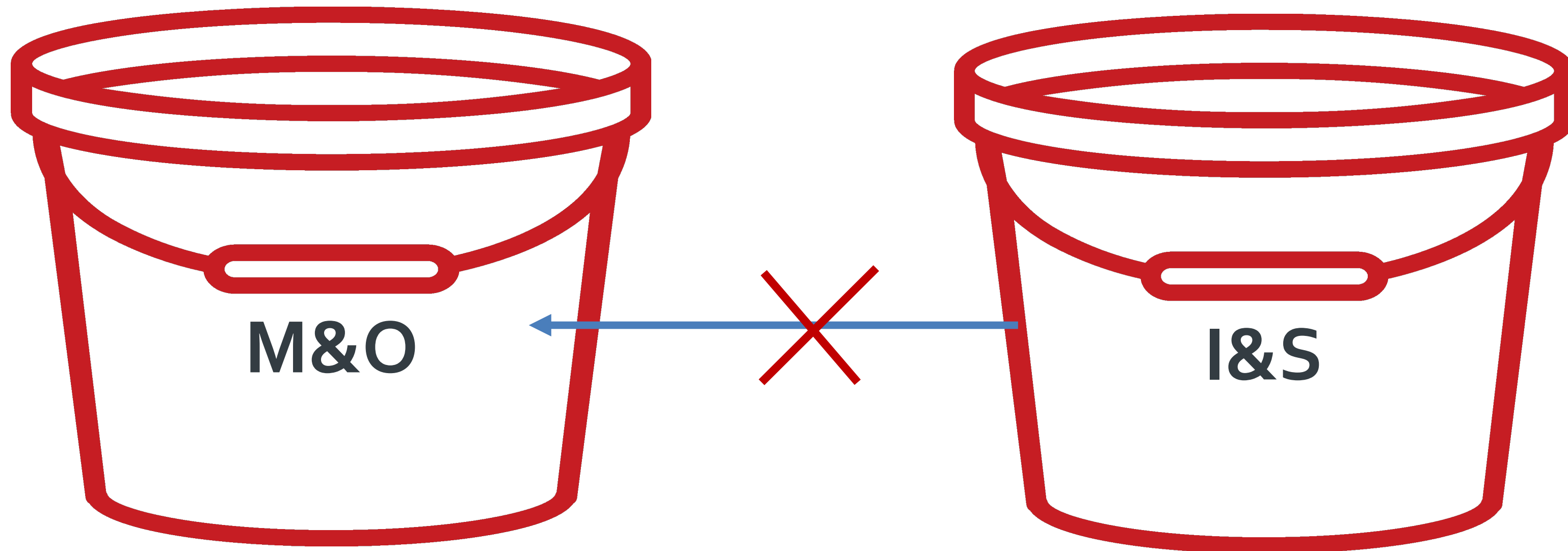


**INTEREST & SINKING**

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I&S CANNOT BE USED FOR M&O EXPENSES (SALARIES, ETC.)

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- Think of it like the M&O rate is your budget for groceries, gas, clothes, kid's expenses, etc.  
*(day to day living expenses)*
- Think of the I&S money being used solely for your mortgage payment.



# Bonding Capacity

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	Scenario 1	Scenario 2
<b>Amount of Bond Proceeds to the District</b>	<b>\$9,300,000</b>	<b>\$14,200,000</b>
<b>Amortization Period</b>	<b>30 Years</b>	<b>30 Years</b>
Current I&S Fund Tax Rate	\$0.170	\$0.170
I&S Fund Tax Rate Increase - 2022/23	0.100	0.200
<b>Maximum I&amp;S Fund Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$0.270</b>	<b>\$0.370</b>



# Bonding Capacity



\$9.3M

\$14.2M

## Tax Increase on Average Taxable Home Value of \$100,000<sup>1</sup> (Market Value of \$125,000)

Annual Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$100.00	\$200.00
Monthly Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$8.33	\$16.67

## Tax Increase on Average Taxable Home Value of \$125,000<sup>1</sup> (Market Value of \$150,000)

Annual Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$125.00	\$250.00
Monthly Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$10.42	\$20.83

## Tax Increase on Average Taxable Home Value of \$150,000<sup>1</sup> (Market Value of \$175,000)

Annual Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$150.00	\$300.00
Monthly Tax Increase Per Homeowner	\$12.50	\$25.00

# Bonding Capacity

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New Legislation in May 2022 could increase the homestead tax exemption from \$25K to \$40K

Market Value of Home:	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$300,000
Potential taxable value:	\$60,000	\$160,000	\$260,000

Could mean less of a tax impact



# Options Based on Bonding Capacity

# Options

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## Items We Talked About:

- Maintenance and Transportation
- Elementary School
- Lack of Security and ADA
- Traffic Flow
- Old Gym
- Vo-Ag Shop

# Key Areas of Focus

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- Safety and Security
- Academics
- Infrastructure



# How Will The Bond Accommodate Growth?

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- District called a \$12.7M bond election for Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Bond is for renovations and additions that include a library that will also serve as a storm shelter, a science lab, an additional classroom and collaborative learning space as well as addressing life safety and ADA items at the elementary school.
- Renovation and addition will accommodate 20% more growth

# Key Areas of Focus

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## Safety and Security:

- Install fire alarm at elementary
- Secure vestibule entrance and covered walkway to elementary
- Address plumbing deficiencies at elementary
- Renovate Nurse's Clinic at elementary
- Enclose breezeway at junior high
- Restroom renovations and additions
- Exterior door and hardware replacement

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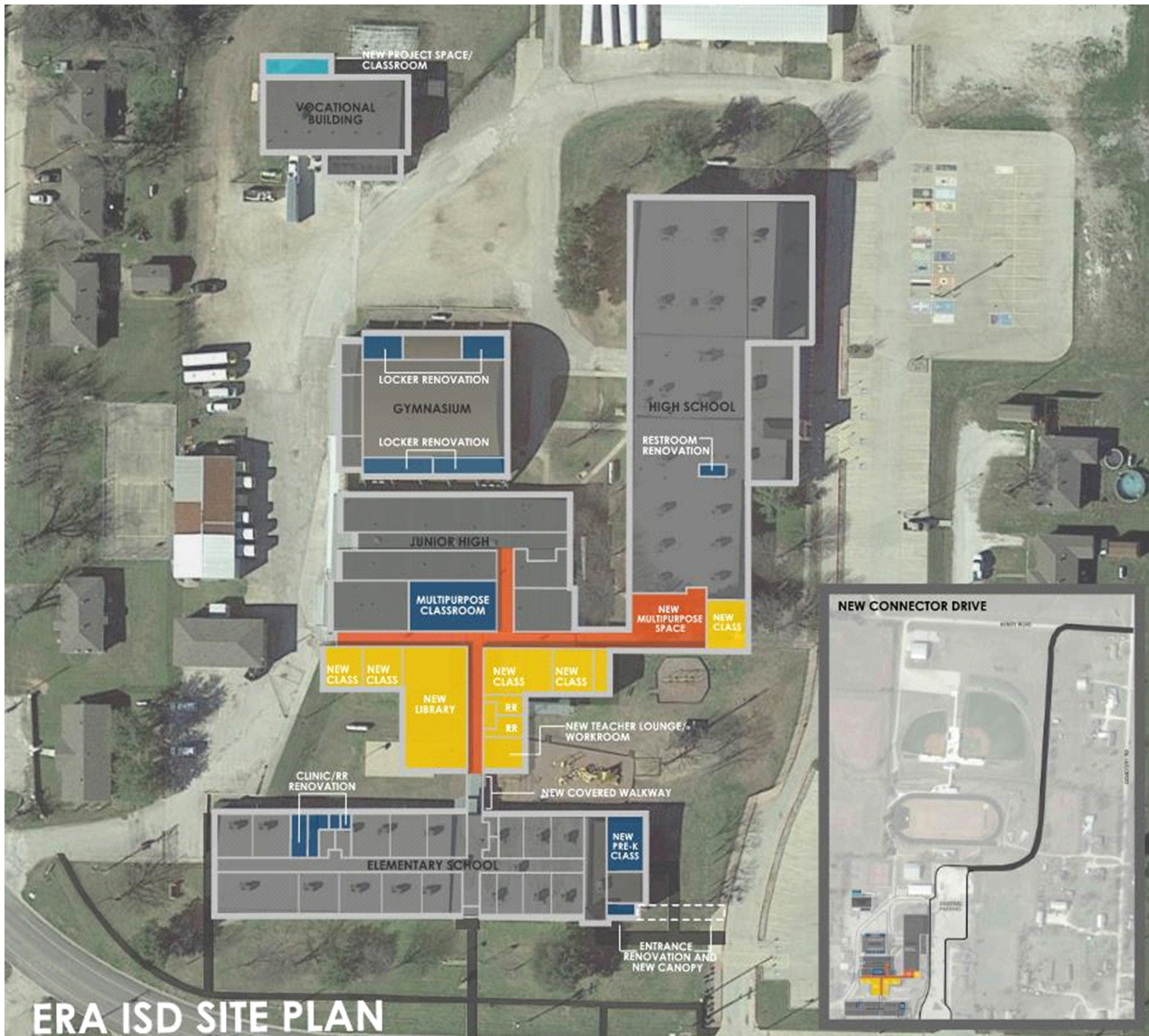
## Academics:

- New library to also serve as a storm shelter
- Science lab at junior high school
- Classroom addition and collaborative learning space at high school
- Pre-K classroom expansion

## Infrastructure:

- Paved access drive

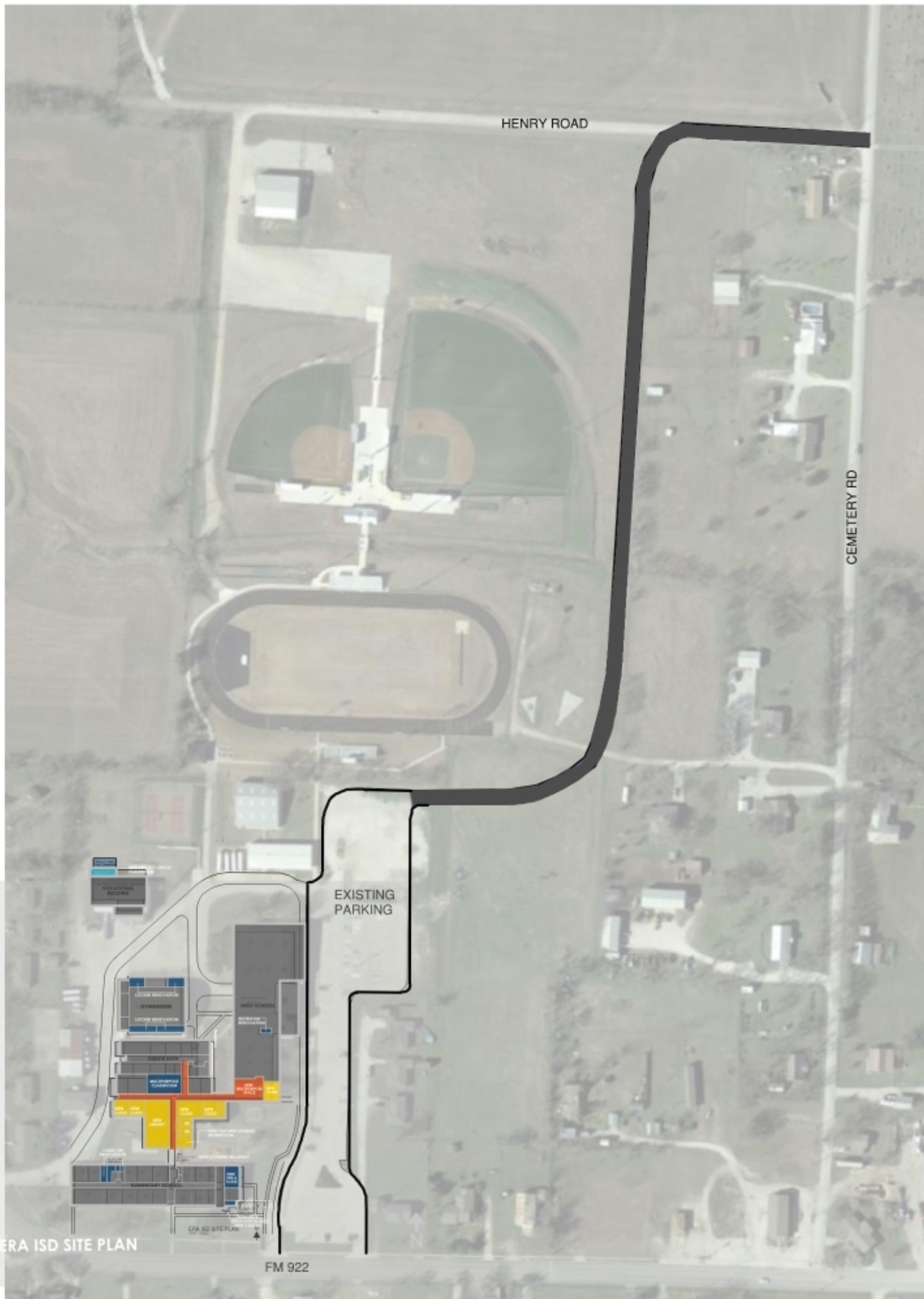




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# How Will The Bond Affect Tax Rate?

M&O RATE	I&S RATE	TOTAL TAX RATE	
.87	.17	1.04	BEFORE BOND
.87	.34	1.21	AFTER BOND

# Tax Rate



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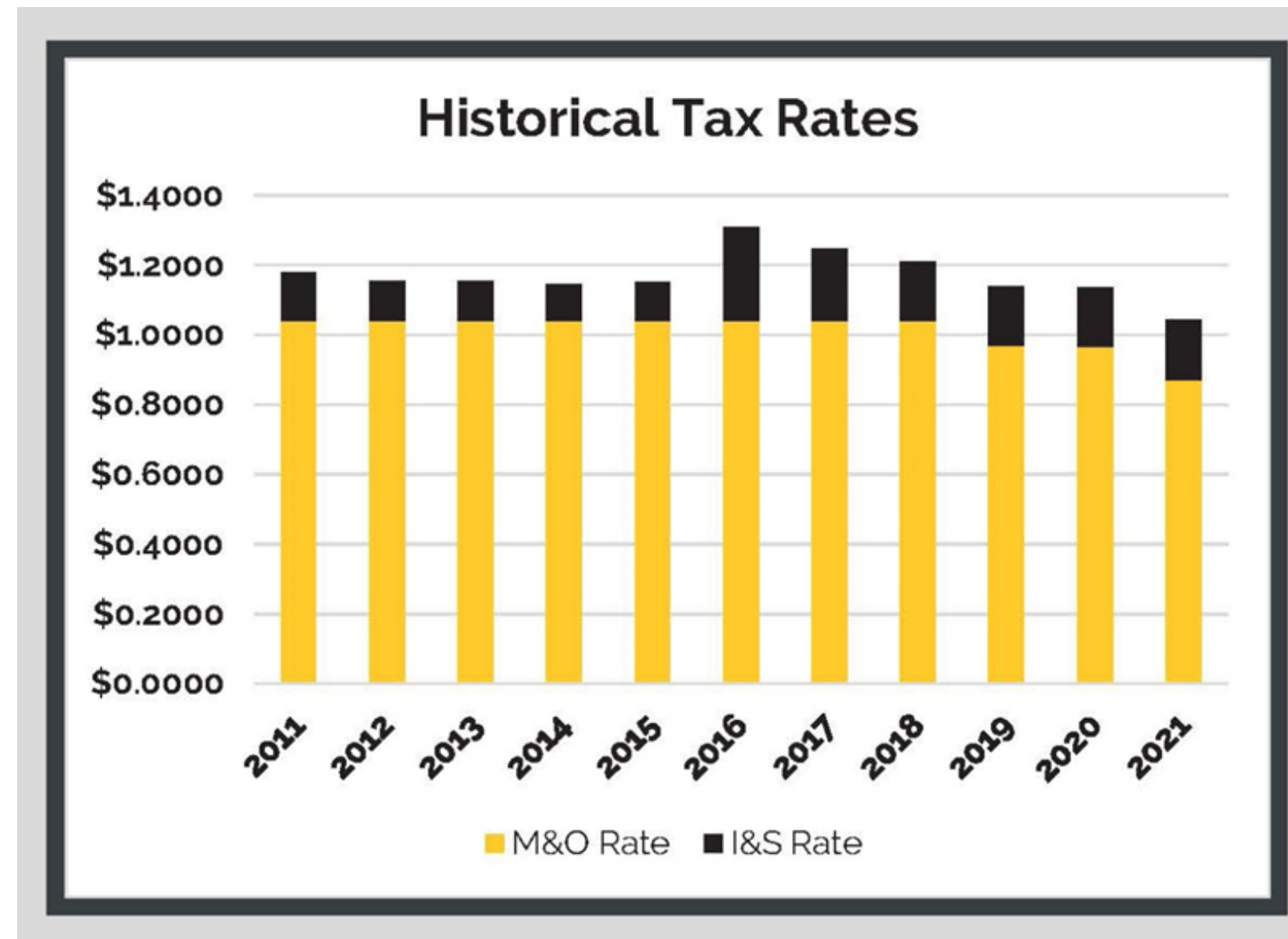
HOME VALUE*	ANNUAL AMOUNT	MONTHLY AMOUNT
\$100,000	\$102	\$8.50
\$300,000	\$442	\$36.80
\$500,000	\$782	\$65.17

\*Projected Home Value After \$40,000 State Exemption\*

# Historical Tax Rate?



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# How Will The Bond Affect Tax Rate?

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## For Voters 65+:

NO TAX INCREASE on homesteads for those having Age 65 Homestead Exemption Affidavit.

For questions on how to apply, contact Cooke CAD at (940) 665-7651 or file online at [www.cookecad.org](http://www.cookecad.org).





# Public Budding/Transparency

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## When Would Construction Start?

- Bid packages are produced so each bidder is bidding on exact same scope
- Bids are opened publicly at the same time so anyone can see who is bidding
- Bids are evaluated and verified and reviewed
- Each verified bid amount is reviewed by Board in public Board meeting
- Board approves each bidder and their associated specific bid amount
- Each bidder executes a contract with district
- Once Board awards the bids, construction starts (Jan/Feb 2023)
- Construction time (weather permitting and material delivered timely ): 12-16 months

# What Happens If Projects Come Under/ Over Budget?

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- Budgets are based on projections of **future costs**.
- Projects are prioritized by the Board. If costs are above projections, there will be fewer projects.
- If costs are below projections, there will be more projects.





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**VOTE!!**

**MAY 7, 2022**  
**EARLY VOTING:**  
**APRIL 25- MAY 3RD**



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