

AISD Future

Austin ISD 2017 Bond Implementation

Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders FAQ



1. What is included in the 2017 Bond program for Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders?

The Ann Richards School will receive Phase 1 of a full modernization of the existing campus including a new state-of-the-art facility purposefully built to enhance academic programming, including its state-of-the-art STEM curriculum, and expand capacity from 924 students to approximately 1,015 students.

The Ann Richards School will also receive new athletic fields and additional parking, as well as technology upgrades including student mobile computers and teacher computers.

2. Will the Ann Richards School remain on its existing site?

Yes. The existing building will remain in use while the new facility is constructed at the current site. Upon completion, students will move into the new facility and the old facility will then be replaced by new athletic fields and additional parking.

3. What is the total budget for ARS?

\$70,416,000

4. How many phases are there?

This will be contingent on how efficiently 2017 Bond dollars are used.

5. Where will funding for future phases come from?

The district will likely seek funding for future phases in a future bond election.

6. Who is on the planning team for Ann Richards? How are they selected?

A Campus Architectural Team has been established for the Ann Richards School construction and modernization project. It includes members of the school's community that have been selected by the principal and Austin ISD leadership.

The CAT is responsible for providing community input during planning, design, and construction as we seek to modernize the facility and shape the environment for 21st century learning. The designated design team will meet regularly with the CAT throughout each phase of a given project, from initial planning through design, construction and finally the opening of the modernized facility.

7. How can I get involved and give input?

Everyone is encouraged to send feedback and questions about the bond program by email to Future@AustinISD.org.

There will also be a series of community engagement opportunities that will be held for the Ann

Richards School during the different design phases of the project. These meetings will provide an opportunity for discussion and feedback. Notifications for each meeting will be sent out in advance to the school community, and project events and key dates will also be available on the [Ann Richards modernization page](#) of the bond website.

You can also sign-up for school specific email updates on the bond website, which will include information on upcoming opportunities for participation.

8. What is the timeline for construction? When will students move into the new campus?

The design phase for the Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders began in December 2017. You can access the current comprehensive timeline at [AISDFuture.com](#). A more detailed construction timeline will be available on the bond website soon.

9. Where can I find more information about the modernization project for my school?

For the most up-to-date information on this project, visit [AustinISD2017Bond.org/Ann-Richards](#).