

NOTICE OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HILL
ITASCA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in said District as provided in an ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION duly passed by the Board of Trustees of said District, which Order is substantially as follows:

ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
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WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Itasca Independent School District (the "*District*") deems it advisable to call the bond election hereinafter ordered (the "*Election*"); and

WHEREAS, the bond referendum is subject to the provisions of Section 45.003, Texas Education Code (the "*Code*"); and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ITASCA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. *Election Ordered; Election Day Polling Location.* The Election shall be held in the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 5, 2018 ("*Election Day*"). The Election is to be conducted and administered by the District. Voting for the Election on Election Day shall occur on Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the designated polling place shown below. The Election Day polling location shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling locations required to conform to the Code.

Election Day Voting (May 5, 2018)

Voting shall be conducted on Election Day, May 5, 2018, at the Itasca ISD Library, 123 N. College St., Itasca, Texas 76055 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 3. *Early Voting.* Early voting shall be administered by the District. Early Voting by personal appearance shall begin on April 23, 2018 and conclude on May 1, 2018 (“*Early Voting*”), and will be conducted at the Early Voting location on the dates and at the times shown below. The Early Voting polling location shall remain open during such hours for Early Voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the District at such voting location. The Early Voting polling location shall be modified to include additional or different Early Voting polling places required to conform to the Code.

Early Voting

Early voting shall be conducted at the Itasca ISD Administration Office, 123 N. College St., Itasca, Texas 76055 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.:

April 23, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
April 24, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
April 25, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
April 26, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
April 27, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
April 30, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
May 1, 2018 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Section 4. *Election Officials.* The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the District, clerks or judges, as applicable, in accordance with the Code. The District may employ other personnel necessary for the proper administration of the Election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the Election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during early voting and on Election Day, and for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station.

Section 5. *Voting by Mail.* Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the District shall be mailed to the address below and received (not postmarked) by April 24, 2018; if application to vote by mail is made by personal delivery, the application must be delivered by close of business on April 20, 2018.

By Mail or Personal Delivery: Ms. Norma Merkel
Itasca ISD
123 N. College St.
Itasca, Texas 76055
Fax: 254.687.2637
Email: nmerkel@itascaisd.net

Section 6. *Early Voting Ballots.* The early voting clerk shall be Norma Merkel, and the Early Voting Ballot Board is hereby created to process early voting results of the Election, and Wayne Williams is hereby appointed as the presiding judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members.

Section 7. *Qualified Voters.* All qualified electors of and residing in the District, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

Section 8. *Notice of Election.* The President of the Board shall cause a Notice of Election to be published one time, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the Election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the Election, the President of the Board shall cause the Notice of Election to be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the Board. The President of the Board shall also cause this Order to be posted on election day and during early voting by personal appearance, in a prominent location at the polling place; not later than the 21st day before the election, in three public places in the boundaries of the District; and during the 21 days before the election, on the District's website, prominently and together with the notice of the election and the contents of the proposition. The Notice of Election shall be in substantially the form of this Order, and shall contain the information required by the Code, including the locations and times for early voting and voting on Election Day, the propositions and ballot language to be submitted to the voters and such other information as may be deemed appropriate by the President of the Board.

Section 9. *Proposition.* At the Election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

ITASCA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION
ITASCA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Itasca Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,500,000 for constructing, acquiring, improving and equipping school buildings in the District, the purchase of sites for school buildings, and the purchase of school buses, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

Section 10. *Ballots.* The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

(h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the District's debt obligations as of the beginning of the District's 2017-18 fiscal year is \$3,707,882.50.

(i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the District for the 2017-18 fiscal year is \$0.2614 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.