

## ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION AND NOTICE OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COOKE AND DENTON COUNTIES  
ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Era Independent School District (the "*District*") desires to order a special bond election to be held on November 8, 2022 (the "*Election*"); and

WHEREAS, the District is contracting with Cooke County, Texas ("*Cooke County*") and Denton County, Texas ("*Denton County*" and together with Cooke County, the "*Contracting Counties*") for the administration of the Election pursuant to an interlocal agreement with the Contracting Counties (the "*Election Contract*"); and

WHEREAS, Cooke County, acting through the Cooke County Elections Administrator (the "*Cooke County Elections Administrator*") in accordance with the Election Contract will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Cooke County; Denton County, acting through the Denton County Elections Administrator (the "*Denton County Elections Administrator*") will provide for the administration of the Election for residents of the District residing in Denton County, Texas; 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 ERA 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; Polling Places.* The Election shall be held in the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2022 ("*Election Day*"). The Election is to be conducted and administered by the Elections Administrators as provided by Chapter 271 and Chapter 31, Subchapter D of the Texas Election Code (the "*Code*"), and the Election Contract. Voting on Election Day and Early Voting shall occur on the dates and during the hours and at the designated polling places as in ***Exhibit A*** attached hereto, which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof for all intents and purposes. The locations on Exhibit A are hereby designated at the voting locations. ***Exhibit A*** shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places required to conform to the Election Contract and the Code.

**Section 3.** *Early Voting.* Early voting shall be administered by the Elections Administrators. Early Voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 24, 2022, and conclude on November 4, 2022 and will be conducted at the Early Voting locations on the dates and at the times specified in ***Exhibit A*** attached hereto and which locations are hereby designated as the early voting locations. The early voting polling places shall remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the District at such voting place. ***Exhibit A*** shall be changed to include additional or different early voting polling places required to conform to the Election Contract and the Code.

**Section 4. *Election Officials.*** The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the Elections Administrators.

**Section 5. *Voting by Mail.*** Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the District shall submitted by personal delivery or shall be mailed to the address below prior to the deadline prescribed by law:

(a) Applications for voting by mail for all Cooke County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:

Postal Mail:	Cooke County Clerk 101 S. Dixon St. Gainesville, Texas 76240
Commercial Carrier or Personal Delivery	Cooke County Clerk 101 S. Dixon St. Gainesville, Texas 76240
Telephone	(940) 668-5500
Fax	(940) 668-5522
Email	Pam.harrison@co.cooke.tx.us

(b) Applications for voting by mail for all Denton County residents of the District shall be sent as follows:

Postal Mail:	Denton County Elections Administration Attn: Early Voting Clerk P.O. Box 1720 Denton, TX 76202
Commercial Carrier or Personal Delivery	Denton County Elections Administration Attn: Early Voting Clerk 701 Kimberly Drive, Suite A101 Denton, TX 76208
Telephone	(940) 349-3200
Fax	(940) 349-3201
Email	elections@dentoncounty.gov

**Section 6. *Early Voting Ballots.*** An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election, and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Elections Administrators. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

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

**Section 8. Proposition.** At the Election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION  
ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Era Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$13,900,000 for the purpose of constructing, renovating, improving and equipping school facilities in the District, 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 9. 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:

ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION  
ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

FOR	_____	)	THE ISSUANCE OF \$13,900,000 OF BONDS BY THE ERA
		)	INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR CONSTRUCTING,
		)	RENOVATING, IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL FACILITIES
AGAINST	_____	)	AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A
		)	PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.
		)	

**Section 10. Compliance with Federal Law.** In all respects, the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA") and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code. The District hereby finds that the voting system to be used by the Elections Administrators in administering the Election is such a system, and orders that such voting equipment or other equipment certified by the Texas Secretary of State shall be used by the District in its elections.

**Section 11.** The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Superintendent, President, Vice President or the Secretary of the Board of Trustees to execute or attest on behalf of the District the Election Contract with the Contracting Counties.

**Section 12.** The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

- (a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.
- (b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.

(c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is \$13,900,000 for Proposition A.

(d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the Board of Trustees will be authorized to levy 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.

(e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.25%. Such estimate considers several factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.

(f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed 31 years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds.

(g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the District's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$3,590,000.

(h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the District's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$1,107,800.

(i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the District as of the date of this Order is \$0.1700 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

(j) The website for the District (as the authority conducting the election) is <https://www.eraisd.net>; the website for Cooke County Elections is <https://www.co.cooke.tx.us/page/cooke.elections>; the website for Denton County Elections is <https://www.votedenton.gov/>

**EXHIBIT A**

**Early Voting Location Dates and Hours**  
**(COOKE COUNTY)**

Cooke County Courthouse Annex Courtroom  
112 South Dixon St.; Gainesville; 76240

Monday October 24th - Ending Friday November 4th (Weekdays Only)  
8 AM to 6 PM

**Election Day Voting Location and Hours**  
**(COOKE COUNTY)**

November 8, 2022 7 am – 7 pm

Precinct	Location	Address	City	Zip Code
3	Crossroads Baptist Church	2201 W. California St.	Gainesville	76240
11	Valley View Baptist Church	504 North Lee	Valley View	76272
12	Era Community Center	102 Malone Street	Era	76238
17	Muenster VFW	136 Ash Street	Muenster	76252
18	First Baptist Church	121 North Pecan Street	Muenster	76252
21	Conrad Hall	431 Ash Street	Lindsay	76250

**Early Voting Location Dates and Hours**  
**(DENTON COUNTY)**

The main Early Voting polling place is Denton County Elections Administration located at 701 Kimberly Dr., Denton, TX 76208, room A111

*(El principal lugar de votación anticipada es la Administración de Elecciones del Condado de Denton ubicada en 701 Kimberly Dr., Denton, TX 76208, sala A111)*

**EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE DAYS AND HOURS**  
**(DÍAS Y HORAS DE VOTACIÓN TEMPRANO POR APARICIÓN PERSONAL)**

October (octubre) 24 - 28

October (octubre) 29

October (octubre) 30

October (octubre) 31 – November (noviembre) 4

Monday – Friday (lunes – viernes)

Saturday (sábado)

Sunday (domingo)

Monday - Friday (lunes – viernes)

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

	<b>Location (Ubicación)</b>	<b>Address (Dirección)</b>	<b>Room (Sitio de Votación)</b>	<b>City (Ciudad)</b>	<b>Zip Code (Código Postal)</b>
1	Argyle Town Hall	308 Denton St. E.	Community Room	Argyle	76226
2	Aubrey Area Library	226 Countryside Dr.	Library Community Room	Aubrey	76227
3	Bartonville Town Hall	1941 E. Jeter Rd.	Town Council Room	Bartonville	76226
4	Carrollton Public Library	4220 N. Josey Ln.	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2	Carrollton	75010
5	Rosemeade Recreation Center	1330 E. Rosemeade Pkwy.	Front Lobby	Carrollton	75007
6	Copper Canyon Town Hall	400 Woodland Dr.	Council Chambers	Copper Canyon	75077
7	Corinth City Hall	3300 Corinth Pkwy.	Council Chambers	Corinth	76208
8	Steven E. Copeland Government Center	1400 FM 424	Community Room	Cross Roads	76227
9	Timberglen Recreation Center	3810 Timberglen Rd.	Large Room	Dallas	75287
10	Denton Civic Center	321 E. McKinney St.	Large Room	Denton	76201
11	Denton County Elections Administration	701 Kimberly Dr.	A111	Denton	76208
12	Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center	1300 Wilson St.	Meeting Rooms A & B	Denton	76205
13	North Branch Library	3020 N. Locust St.	Meeting Room	Denton	76209
14	Robson Ranch Clubhouse	9428 Ed Robson Cir.	Medina	Denton	76207
15	South Branch Library	3228 Teasley Ln.	Program Room	Denton	76210
16	Texas Woman’s University – Hubbard Hall	301 Administration Dr.	Room 2238	Denton	76201
17	University of North Texas - Gateway Center	801 North Texas Blvd.	Room 52	Denton	76201

18	Denton County Southwest Courthouse	6200 Canyon Falls Dr.	Community Room	Flower Mound	76226
19	Flower Mound Community Activity Center	1200 Gerault Rd.	Chill Zone	Flower Mound	75028
20	Flower Mound Public Library	3030 Broadmoor Ln.	Large Room	Flower Mound	75022
21	Flower Mound Senior Center	2701 W. Windsor Dr.	Ballroom C	Flower Mound	75028
22	Frisco Fire Station #4	4485 Cotton Gin Rd.	Training Room	Frisco	75034
23	Frisco Fire Station #6	3535 Eldorado Pkwy.	Training Room	Frisco	75033
24	Frisco Fire Station #7	330 W. Stonebrook Pkwy.	Training Room	Frisco	75036
25	Frisco Government Center	5533 FM 423	Community Room	Frisco	75036
26	Hickory Creek Town Hall	1075 Ronald Reagan Ave.	Room 115 & Citizens on Patrol Room	Hickory Creek	75065
27	Highland Village Municipal Complex	1000 Highland Village Rd.	Training Room	Highland Village	75077
28	Justin Municipal Complex	415 N. College Ave.	Council Room	Justin	76247
29	Northwest ISD Administration Building	2001 Texan Dr.	Curriculum Design Center	Justin	76247
30	Krum ISD Administration Building	1200 Bobcat Blvd.	Boardroom	Krum	76249
31	Lake Dallas City Hall	212 Main St.	Community Room	Lake Dallas	75065
32	Lakewood Village Town Hall	100 Highridge Dr.	Council Chambers	Lakewood Village	75068
33	Castle Hills North Community Center	201 Anna Ave.	Clubhouse at Anna	Lewisville	75056
34	Lewisville Municipal Annex	1197 W. Main St.	Community Room	Lewisville	75067
35	Macedonia Ministries	702 S. Mill St.	Fellowship Hall	Lewisville	75057
36	Thrive Multigenerational Center	1950 S. Valley Pkwy.	Dogwood #3	Lewisville	75067
37	Little Elm Community Center	107 Hardwicke Ln.	Community Room	Little Elm	75068
38	Paloma Creek HOA Clubhouse	1501 Bluebird Dr.	Main Clubhouse	Little Elm	75068
39	Little Elm ISD Administration Building	400 Lobo Ln.	Competitive Gym	Little Elm	75068
40	Northlake Town Hall	1500 Commons Cir., Ste. 300	Chamber Room/Conference Room	Northlake	76226
41	Oak Point City Hall	100-B Naylor Rd.	Community Room	Oak Point	75068

42	Pilot Point Senior Center	310 S. Washington St.	Exercise Room	Pilot Point	76258
43	Ponder Town Hall	102 W. Bailey St.	Council Chambers	Ponder	76259
44	Roanoke Public Library	308 S. Walnut St.	Meeting Rooms A & B	Roanoke	76262
45	Sanger Community Center	101 Freese Dr.	Meeting Room	Sanger	76266
46	Shady Shores Community Center	101 S. Shady Shores Rd.	Council Chambers	Shady Shores	76208
47	Fairfield and Suites by Marriott in Dallas Plano/The Colony	5909 Stone Creek Dr.	Stone Creek & Crescent Room	The Colony	75056
48	The Colony Annex Building	6804 Main St.	Annex Building	The Colony	75056
49	Trophy Club MUD No. 1 Building	100 Municipal Dr.	Boardroom	Trophy Club	76262

**Election Day Voting Location and Hours**

**(DENTON COUNTY)**  
**November 8, 2022 7 am – 7 pm**



**Voter Information Document – Era Independent School District Special Election**  
**Proposition A**

The following information is prepared to comply with Tex. H.B. 477 86<sup>th</sup> Leg., R.S. (2019) and is for illustration purposes only. The information is not a part of the proposition to be voted on and does not create a contract with the voters.

At the Election, the following language will appear on the ballot:

ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION  
ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

FOR \_\_\_\_\_ ) THE ISSUANCE OF \$13,900,000 OF BONDS BY THE ERA  
) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR CONSTRUCTING,  
AGAINST \_\_\_\_\_ ) RENOVATING, IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL FACILITIES  
) AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A  
) PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.  
)

The following table sets forth the estimated principal amount of, and interest due to maturity on, the bonds to be issued if Proposition A passes, and all outstanding obligations of the District secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes.

Principal Amount of Bonds to be authorized	Estimated interest for Bonds to be authorized <sup>(1)</sup>	Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the Bonds to be authorized <sup>(1)</sup>	Principal of District's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 8/15/22)	Remaining interest on District's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 8/15/22)	Combined Principal and Interest to timely pay District's Outstanding Debt (as of 8/15/22)
\$13,900,000	\$15,417,850	\$29,317,850	\$3,590,000	\$1,107,800	\$4,697,800

<sup>(1)</sup> The interest on the proposed bonds was estimated at a rate of 5.16% based on market conditions as of August 15, 2022, and therefore, the interest payable on the proposed bonds may be less than, or more than, the amounts set forth above based on market conditions at the time of sale of the proposed bonds.

Based on the information and assumptions provided in the table above, the estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the District with a taxable appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the proposed bonds, if approved, is \$160. This estimate assumes no average annual growth of District's taxable assessed valuation. The District assumes that the proposed bonds will be issued in an amortization that will produce relatively level tax rate in each year, while taking into account the District's existing debt amortization schedule.

ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION  
(ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE ERA)

November 8, 2022 (8 de noviembre de 2022)

OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETAS ELECTORALES OFICIALES)

Place an "x" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.  
(Coloque una "x" en el cuadro al lado de la declaración indicando en qué forma usted quiere votar.)

Era Independent School District Special Election  
Era Independent School District Proposition A

	)	
FOR	_____ )	The issuance of \$13,900,000 of bonds by the Era Independent School
	_____ )	District for constructing, renovating, improving and equipping school
AGAINST	_____ )	facilities and levying the tax in payment thereof. This is a property tax
	_____ )	increase.
	)	

Elección especial del distrito escolar independiente de era  
Proposición a del distrito escolar independiente de era

	)	
A FAVOR	_____ )	La emisión de \$13,900,000 en bonos por parte del distrito escolar
	_____ )	independiente de era para construir, renovar, mejorar y equipar
EN CONTRA	_____ )	instalaciones escolares, y la imposición del impuesto para el pago de los
	_____ )	mismos. Esto es un aumento al impuesto predial.
	)	