

46 days until Election Day!



Weekly Campaign Newsletter

On the 2017 general election ballot, Mecklenburg County voters have the opportunity to approve a \$922 million bond referendum for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. The bonds will fund 29 high-need projects to relieve overcrowding, upgrade aging facilities and deliver more academic options for students.

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Project Spotlight

Included in the bond package is \$10.1 million to expand access to Career and Technical Education (CTE) offerings at four schools -- Olympic, Harding, Garinger and South Mecklenburg high schools.

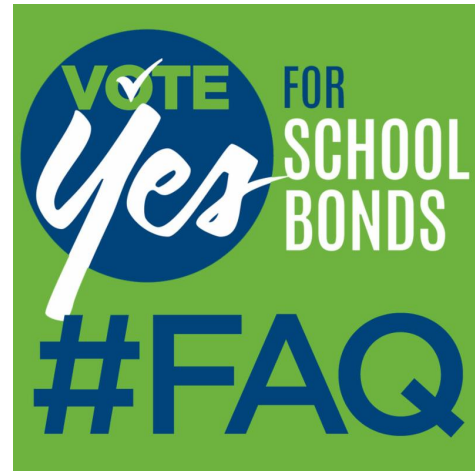
Upgrades will create specialized classrooms and learning spaces for automotive, carpentry, culinary, cosmetology and horticulture course offerings. These technical institutes at each school will leverage local businesses and industry to emphasize real-world, program-specific experiences for students. We must continue to give our children their best opportunities to learn and succeed, including preparing them for jobs in a modern economy.

[Click here](#) to learn about the 29 projects included in the bond package.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I don't have children in CMS. Why should I care about the bond request?

A: Strong public education options are critical to everyone in our community. Good schools provide a well-educated workforce to attract and retain business and industry. This supports a vibrant community and economy. Well-maintained, updated facilities are an important aspect of creating a healthy learning environment. Additionally, strong schools lead to higher real estate values for homeowners when it comes time to sell and investments in school construction help fuel the local economy.



[Visit our website's FAQ page](#) for more frequently asked questions.

Spread the #YesToInvest Word



We want our supporters to have the resources they need to help us spread the word across Mecklenburg County. Our website's [Resources page](#) has printable flyers (English and Spanish), printable lapel stickers and social media icons available for download.

If you're interested in receiving a yard sign for your home or business, or would like to request a large quantity of flyers and stickers for your upcoming neighborhood, community or business event, please fill out a form on our [Get Involved page](#) or [email us](#).

We are currently working on setting up yard sign distribution sites across the county and hope to share more next week. If you already have a yard sign, please remember to follow your city or town's yard sign ordinance. [Click here](#) for ordinances in Mecklenburg County.

Join the Movement

Our list of endorsing organizations and community supporters continues to grow each day. Do you want to join the movement? Add your name by checking the "Endorse the bonds campaign" box on the [Get Involved form](#) on our website.

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We must continue to invest in our public schools to give our children their best opportunities to learn and succeed, to support our teachers so they can be effective and to keep the local economy and quality of life strong.

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