



General Douglas MacArthur PK-8 School Consolidation FAQ

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

1. Why are MacArthur and Bonham being consolidated?

The 2016 Bond included the consolidation of 20 campuses to address declining enrollment and under-capacity buildings. The funds saved on building maintenance will be used invest in school resources and programs.

2. When will the consolidation take place?

The consolidation will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

3. Will busing be provided?

Yes. Families living within the campus attendance zones will have transportation.

4. Are transfers to other schools possible?

You may transfer your student to any EPISD school that has capacity. However, transportation is only provided within the newly-created attendance zones. If you would like to transfer to a school outside of the new attendance zone, you may request a transfer and the current EPISD transfer policy will apply.

5. Will all programs be available at the new school?

Yes, they will have access to all current District programs, including dual language and balanced literacy. In addition, they may have access to other programs such as robotics, Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS), Social Emotional Learning (SEL), Strong Fathers and technology initiatives.

6. What will happen to the staff (administrators, teachers, support staff)?

All faculty and staff impacted by the consolidation of the campuses will continue to have employment at EPISD.

7. What will happen to the buildings?

EPISD administration will conduct a review process, which will include community input. The Board will consider and review administrative recommendations for the buildings. The Board must approve the sale or repurposing of any District buildings.

8. Will my child be required to wear a uniform?

EPISD will resume its regular uniform policy in the 2021-22 school year. Each campus community makes its own decision on the uniform policy.

9. How will registration take place?

You will register at episd.org under our current procedures. The new school assignment will appear as an option once registration opens. If you choose to transfer to another school, you will need to follow transfer request procedures.