# **Bond**

## Q & A

### What's a school bond?

A school bond generates revenue for "bricks and mortar" projects through a promise of repayment of the bond amount, plus interest. General obligation bonds require voter approval.

## What do school bonds pay for?

Bonds provide money for major repairs and renovations to existing school buildings, additions to schools and new school buildings. Note: the State of Colorado does not provide funds for these building projects.

#### Has St. Vrain ever issued school bonds?

Yes. St. Vrain voters have approved the issuance of general obligation school bonds throughout its history. In 2002, voters approved a bond in the amount of \$212. 9 million for the construction of 2 high schools, 3 middle schools, and 5 elementary schools.

#### What was the outcome of the recent bond election?

In the 2008 general election, voters across the St. Vrain Valley School District approved a bond in the amount of \$189 million. These funds have been designated for:

- ✓ Repairs and renovation for older schools across the District
- ✓ Added instructional space to address overcrowding across the District
- ✓ Building a new Frederick High School, now about 20% over capacity
- ✓ Enhancements at Skyline High for the District-wide STEM academy
- ✓ Improved technology infrastructure for library, computer labs and classes