

# Groundbreaking for Allen's new Eagle Stadium likely this month

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[Allen ISD](#) has tentative plans to hold a groundbreaking for the new Eagle Stadium sometime later this month, district spokesman Tim Carroll said in an e-mail to *The Dallas Morning News* on Tuesday.

In May 2009, voters approved a \$119.4 million bond proposal for a new auditorium at Allen, new multipurpose stadium and a new service center for maintenance, student nutrition and transportation. Carroll said the estimated cost of the stadium is \$59.6 million.

The new Allen ISD Eagle Stadium will have two large scoreboards, a video screen and a sunken horseshoe design that includes 18,000 seats. It will have a wrestling workout room, an indoor golf hitting area, four large concession stands and six sets of restrooms.

The current Eagle Stadium, built in 1976, has permanent seating for 7,400 and can squeeze in about 14,000 with the addition of rented bleachers. The stadium is traditionally known as one of the rowdiest and most popular high school football venues in the Dallas area. In fact, beginning this year, [Allen instituted a lottery](#) to settle who could buy the few season tickets up for sale.

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