

MEASURE Z

Approval of Measure Z does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the East Side Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure Z will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure Z. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

COUNTY COUNSEL'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Z

Upon approval of 55 percent of the votes cast by voters in an election and subject to specified accountability measures, California law permits school districts to issue bonds, secured by the levy of *ad valorem* taxes on property within a district, for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

The Board of Trustees (Board) of East Side Union High School District (District) proposes issuing bonds in the amount of \$510,000,000. As identified in the ballot measure, bond proceeds could be used to modernize, replace, renovate, install, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve educational and support facilities within the District. Bond proceeds may also be used to acquire equipment in any classroom or other educational facility. Such construction, improvements, and upgrades could occur at a number of schools in the District, as set out in the Measure. A complete list of projects and allowed expenditures is included within the full text of the Measure. The Board has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size, and information technology needs in developing its project list. The Measure states that the District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects as required by conditions that arise over time.

The California Constitution provides that proceeds of school district bond measures cannot be used for teacher and administrator salaries or other school operating expenses, and requires independent annual performance and financial audits. State law requires the establishment of an independent citizens' oversight committee for ensuring that bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities on the bond project list included in the Measure.

The District's stated best estimate of the highest tax rate to be levied to fund the proposed bonds is \$30.00 per \$100,000 of assessed value based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of the tax rate statement of the Measure. The District's resolution authorizing the sale and issuance of bonds does not include information about any other District debt obligations that may exist.

Measure Z was placed on the ballot by the Board.

COUNTY COUNSEL'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Z-Continued

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize the issuance of the bonds in the amount of \$510,000,000 to be secured by the levy of *ad valorem* taxes on property located within the District.

A "no" vote is a vote to not authorize the issuance of the bonds.

James R. Williams
Acting County Counsel

By: /s/ Danielle L. Goldstein
Deputy County Counsel

COMPLETE TEXT OF MEASURE Z

To upgrade/construct science, technology and engineering classrooms; remove hazardous materials from school grounds; upgrade fire/security systems; and replace deteriorating roofs at Andrew Hill, Calero, Evergreen Valley, Foothill, Independence, James Lick, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Piedmont Hills, Santa Teresa, Silver Creek, Yerba Buena, W.C. Overfelt, alternative, adult and district charter schools, shall East Side Union High School District issue \$510 million of bonds with independent citizen oversight, interest rates below legal limits, and no funds for administrators' salaries?

Bonds—Yes Bonds—No

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$510,000,000 in aggregated principal at interest rates not in excess of the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

The Bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the Bonds are issued.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board of Trustees") has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee under Education Code Section 15278 and following to ensure that bond proceeds are expended only on the school facilities projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Performance Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

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Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the Santa Clara County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Trustees of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), those being for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

BOND PROJECT LIST

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, acquire, install, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve educational and support facilities within the District. Projects which are described below include all related and incidental costs, including their share of the costs of the election and bond issuance and costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, inspections, site preparation, utilities, and other planning, legal, accounting and similar costs, independent annual financial and performance audits, a customary contingency, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects.

Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire equipment in any classroom or other educational facility. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects that are described below as required by conditions that arise over time.

Whenever specific items are included in the following list, they are presented to provide examples and are not intended to limit the generality of the broader description of authorized projects. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to indicate priority for funding or completion.

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Andrew Hill High–Built in 1956

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical/Low Voltage & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New Classroom and Theater Construction
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Lighting Improvements
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Administration Building

Evergreen Valley High–Built in 2001

- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- Roofing Modernization
- New/Modernization of Classroom and Theater Building
- New/Modernization of Cougar Hall and Food Service Facilities
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

Overfelt Adult Center–Built in 2012

- Site/Building Related Improvements
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New/Modernization of Classrooms
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Parking Lot Improvements

Piedmont Hills High–Built in 1965

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements

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- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements
- Parking Lot Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Administration Building

Foothill High–Built in 1972

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Lighting Improvements
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Administration Building

Independence High–Built in 1976

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Lighting Improvements
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

Independence Adult Center–Built in 1988

- Site/Building Related Improvements
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New/Modernization of Classrooms
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements

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- Improve Disabled Access

Santa Teresa High—Built in 1974

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Library/Administration Building
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Lighting Improvements
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

Silver Creek High—Built in 1969

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Administration Building

Yerba Buena High—Built in 1971

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New/Modernization of Theater Building
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

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James Lick High—Built in 1950

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- New Classroom and Theater Construction
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

Mt. Pleasant High—Built in 1965

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Food Service Facilities
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services/Administration Building

Oak Grove High—Built in 1967

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

W.C. Overfelt High—Built in 1962

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)

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- Safety and Security Upgrades
- New/Modernization of Restrooms
- New/Modernization of Multi-purpose Building
- Gymnasium Building Modernization
- New/Modernization of Learning Commons and Food Service Facilities
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities and Field Building Improvements

Alternative Education Centers

- New/Modernization of Classrooms, Career Technical Education and Science Labs
- Roofing Modernization
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Construct a Facility for a Post Senior Special Education School in the North End of the District
- Expand the Existing SBN Sites to Accommodate Additional Students, Specifically Apollo, Phoenix, and Pegasus
- Safety and Security Upgrades
- Construct a Facility to House a Community Day School
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access
- Athletic Facilities Improvements
- New/Modernization of Student Services Building

District Wide Facilities Services

- New/Relocation of District Transportation Yard
- New/Relocation of Instructional Programs to Education Center
- Construct/Modernize Joint Use Facilities with other Local Public Agencies
- Upgrades to Building Infrastructure Systems (HVAC, Mechanical, Electrical & Lighting, Domestic Water Systems, Natural Gas Systems)
- Upgrade, Maintain, Equip, and/or Replace Outdated Instructional Facilities, Support Services, and Sites to Meet Demands of Changing Workforce
- Alternative Education/Charter School Shared Use Facilities; Including auxiliary spaces, Labs, Food Service, Gymnasiums, Athletic Facilities, and Field Building Improvements
- Landscape, Storm Water Systems & Irrigation Improvements
- Sidewalk & Streetscape Improvements
- Improve Disabled Access

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in East Side Union High School District (the "District") on November 8, 2016 to authorize the sale of \$510,000,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.03 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2017-18.
2. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.03 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2033-34.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$.03 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
4. The best estimate of the average tax rate required to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.02990 per \$100 (\$29.90 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
5. The best estimate of the total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$608,530,000.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the needs of the District. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 27, 2016

/s/ Karen Poon
Director of Finance
East Side Union High School District

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Z

The schools of ESUHSD are among our most valuable community assets. However, many of these campuses are over 30 years old and in urgent need of repair and modernization.

Over the last decade, voters have been highly supportive of school improvement measures. These improvements, completed on or under budget and with clean audits, have resulted in *tremendous progress in the repair of our schools and classrooms*.

Your Yes vote on Measure Z will let us continue the job of improving our local public high schools. By using short-term bonds, we can reduce interest costs by over 90% and save taxpayers millions of dollars.

Measure Z will improve our schools by:

- Improving and constructing science, technology and engineering classrooms
- Removing hazardous materials from classrooms and school
- Upgrading fire/security systems for increased student safety
- Improving handicapped accessibility
- Replacing deteriorating roofs and fixing leaky plumbing

Measure Z will protect taxpayers by:

- **Making** our local school projects eligible for State matching funds
- **Requiring** independent citizen oversight
- **Prohibiting** funds from going to administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits
- **Imposing** tough legal restrictions requiring all monies be spent locally
- **Prohibiting** the state from taking local bond money and spending it in other districts

Vote YES to ensure our schools continue to offer students the education they need to compete in the modern world.

Vote YES to provide the kinds of schools that help maintain property values.

Vote YES to protect taxpayers with independent financial audits.

Vote YES to attract and retain quality teachers to educate the well rounded leaders of tomorrow.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Z-Continued

To build better and safer schools, improve student achievement, save taxpayer dollars and protect your property values, please join business leaders, teachers, parents, grandparents and your neighbors in voting YES on Measure Z.

/s/ Carl Guardino
CEO & President, Silicon Valley Leadership Group

/s/ Josue Garcia
CEO, Santa Clara/San Benito Counties Bldg. & Construction Trades Council

/s/ Muhammed Chaudhry
President & CEO, Silicon Valley Education Foundation

/s/ Mariel Caballero
Chairperson, ESUHSD Citizens Bond Oversight Committee

/s/ Jethroe Moore, II
President, Silicon Valley-San Jose NAACP

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Z

How greedy can they get?

In 2012, voters in the district passed \$120,000,000 in bonds to "Upgrade computer/science labs; improve security/safety; repair, equip, and construct classrooms/facilities district high schools, and adult, alternative, and charter schools; and acquire property for new schools."

Then, in 2014, voters in the district passed \$113,200,000 in bonds to "Increase student computer access; upgrade educational software; keep pace with 21st century technological innovations; and implement statewide testing requirements at Andrew Hill, Calero, Evergreen Valley, Foothill, Independence, ..."

Now, they're back, again, for \$510,000,000 to do the same thing all over again.

It's amazing how quickly classrooms and technology deteriorate.

That's a total debt, not including interest payments, of \$743,200,000.

The declining student population is down to 22,335 for the 2014-15 school year.

That's a bond expense of \$33,275 per student that you will pay for!

The district wants to replace old-fashioned textbooks with laptops and educational software, such as Ebooks.

Sounds great, doesn't it?

But, if the district isn't spending money on expensive textbooks, why can't those savings be used to update technology for both teachers and students?

What the district wants to do is dazzle you with computer technology on the one hand, but then quietly take the textbook savings and redirect that to bloated administration salaries and unsustainable pension benefits.

Don't let them pull a bait and switch. Please vote NO on Measure Z.

You can be for schools, for students, and against Measure Z.

For more information: www.SVTaxpayers.org/2016-east-side-union-bond

/s/ Mark W.A. Hinkle

President: Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association

/s/ Elizabeth C. Brierly

District Resident and Homeowner

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Z

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But, if the district isn't spending money on expensive textbooks, why can't those savings be used to update technology for both teachers and students?

What the district wants to do is dazzle you with computer technology on the one hand, but then quietly take the textbook savings and redirect that to administration salaries and benefits anyway.

When you buy a computer that's going to last only 3-5 years, do you take out a 25-30 year loan to pay for it? No? But, that's what the district wants to do.

Also, those funds will be used to implement the very unpopular "Common Core" testing scheme forced on school districts by the federal government.

Is this the best use of your tax dollars?

No? Then please vote NO on Measure Z.

You can be for schools, for students, and against Measure Z.

For more information: www.SVTaxpayers.org/2016-east-side-union-high-sd-bond

/s/ Mark W.A. Hinkle

President: Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association

/s/ Elizabeth C. Brierly

District Homeowner and Resident

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Z

Don't be misled by overly simplistic arguments. Measure Z is vitally important to continue the improvement of our local public high schools, many of which are over 50 years old.

The needs are real and critical.

Covering over 180 square miles and consisting of 13 high schools plus alternative, adult and district charter schools, East Side Union High School District is one of the largest school districts in the state. The average age of its high schools is 45 years. Measure Z will allow us to continue the job of providing quality classrooms for our students.

Quality schools increase property values.

Good schools create higher home values. One of the smartest things homeowners can do is to invest in their local neighborhood schools. One of the worst is to allow these schools to deteriorate by writing off the investment and sacrifice made by past generations.

Measure Z funds classroom improvements.

Measure Z is about providing an ongoing source of **locally-controlled** funding for school improvements ranging from constructing science and engineering classrooms to replacing leaking roofs. It will **not** be used to buy laptops or fund Common Core.

Measure Z makes financial sense.

Measure Z will save taxpayers millions of dollars by slashing borrowing costs through the use of a series of short-term loans that will not burden future generations.

Our young people are our future. Our schools are a public resource that must be protected and strengthened.

The decision is clear. Vote YES on Measure Z!

/s/ Rose Amador LeBeau
President/CEO, ConXion To Community (CTC)

/s/ Thanh T. Bui
President, Vietnamese Parents Association

/s/ Frank Fiscalini
Retired Superintendent, East Side Union High School District

/s/ Mulugeta Habtegabriel
Co-Chairperson, ESUHSD African American Student Advocates

/s/ Jon D. Reinke
Member, ESUHSD Board Audit Committee