

The Facts About Measure A

Measure A is an emergency parcel tax that will raise the local funds needed to avoid severe cuts to core academic programs, including science and mathematics, at our four local high schools - **Acalanes, Campolindo, Las Lomas and Miramonte**. Measure A must win a two-thirds majority. This is a mail-in election and all ballots must be received at the county election office by May 4, 2010.

Significant budget cuts

Three years of significant budget cuts have forced the high school district to reduce its budget by more than \$8 million - a reduction of over \$1,575 per student! Local action is the necessary way to address these cuts.

An emergency situation

The state's non-partisan Legislative Analyst Office predicts no fiscal improvement on the state level for at least four more years. Without an immediate response to this fiscal emergency, we will be forced to make deep cuts in our academic programs this spring. By law, teachers must be notified of layoffs by May 15.

Without Measure A:

- Severe loss of science, foreign language, English, social studies, arts and mathematics classes
- Over 50 teaching positions will be eliminated affecting programs and courses available to students, including AP electives
- Educational resources necessary for our students to be competitive applicants for colleges will be greatly curtailed

Investing in the best in the state

Measure A is an investment in a school district with a proven record of success. All four of the local high schools – Acalanes, Campolindo, Las Lomas and Miramonte - produce strong student test scores. **AUHSD is the top rated high school district in California.**

Property Owners Benefit:

These high achieving schools help maintain strong property values and are the principal reason families choose to move here.

Measure A is temporary and reasonable:

Because Measure A is responding to an immediate funding crisis, it will sunset in five years. At \$112 per parcel - less than 31 cents per day - Measure A is a reasonable and necessary investment in our community.

Independent Oversight and Senior Exemption:

All of the funds raised by Measure A will be reviewed by an Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee. An exemption to Measure A will be offered to residents 65 and older who own and occupy a home in the district.

For more information, go to www.AboutMeasureA.org

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