



November 2022 School Bond Measure

Measure Y Fact Sheet

Background: All students deserve to learn in safe, quality classrooms and school facilities. Our priorities are: first, to ensure academic success for every student; and second, to ensure our school facilities and grounds are safe, secure, modern, and equipped to provide the best educational environment possible. As one of the oldest education institutions in California, we have been holding classes at the College School campus since the late 1800s. Our aging schools were built 60-80 years ago and are critically overdue for repairs. We need to upgrade older schools to meet current health and building safety codes, provide proper access for students with disabilities, and remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes. Basic repairs are critically needed including replacing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, HVAC, and electrical systems. We work hard to maintain our school facilities, but these types of repairs and renovations go beyond the scope and means of our regular maintenance budgets. School bonds are the established and most common way to fund the upgrades our schools need.

What is Measure Y? Measure Y is a school bond measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot seeking voter authorization to issue bonds to repair and upgrade our school facilities. The measure requires 55% support to pass. A “YES vote” approves the issuance of bonds to repair and upgrade schools; a “NO vote” rejects the plan. All voters living within the College School District and Santa Ynez Valley Charter School boundaries who are registered to vote will be eligible to vote on this ballot measure.

Measure Y Official Ballot Question: “To repair aging classrooms/school facilities to meet health and safety codes; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing and electrical; remove asbestos/lead pipes; and upgrade, construct and equip classrooms, labs, facilities to support student achievement in science, math, technology, engineering, and arts; shall the College School District measure authorizing \$23,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying 3 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$1 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight and all money staying local?”

Measure Y would cost property owners 3 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation per year, while bonds are outstanding. The assessed valuation refers to taxable value, not the market value of your home. The taxable value of your home or business will depend on when you purchased it.

Measure Y Summary - Measure Y will provide funding to improve schools in the College School District, including the campus of Santa Ynez Valley Charter School, including:

- **Upgrading older schools built 60-80 years ago** to meet current health and building safety codes, and provide proper access to students with disabilities.
- **Repairing and replacing** deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, ventilation, and electrical systems where needed.
- **Removing hazardous materials** like asbestos and lead pipes from our older schools.
- **Providing modern multi-use classrooms**, labs, and the technology needed to support high-quality instruction in math, science, engineering, and technology, with hands-on learning by-doing.
- **Upgrading classrooms and computer systems** to keep pace with technology.
- **Replacing aging portable classrooms** and surplus WW2 barracks that are expensive to repair and maintain with modern, permanent classrooms.

Taxpayer Protections:

- Independent Citizens' Oversight and mandatory financial and performance audits ensure proper use of funds.
- By law, no funds may be spent on administrators' salaries, benefits, or pensions.
- ALL Measure Y funds stay local and will be used for local public schools only..
- By law, the State cannot take Measure Y funding away.
- Measure Y is for classroom and school facilities repairs, improvement, and equipment upgrades only.

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