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NOTICE TO VOTERS



INFORMATION ABOUT VOTING



Election Day: November 8

**If you vote by mail,
 look for your mail ballot:** Week of October 10

Last day to register to vote in this election: October 24

Last day to request a mail ballot: November 1

Find your polling place: Visit www.ocvote.com

This measure will appear: Near the bottom of your ballot

Not registered to vote? Sign up at www.registertovote.ca.gov



Important Information about a School Facility
 Improvement Measure from Westminster School District

Para obtener esta información en español, por favor visite www.tinyurl.com/WSDFacilitiesUpdates.

INFORMATION FOR VOTERS ABOUT A SCHOOL FACILITY IMPROVEMENT MEASURE FOR WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Westminster School District (WSD) offers an excellent education for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. This year, nine schools received the Gold Ribbon School Award for gains in academic achievement, seven schools received the Academic Achieving School Award for meeting the needs of lower-income students and WSD was the only District in Orange County to be named an Honor Roll School District.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS FOR A 21ST-CENTURY EDUCATION

All of our local schools are 46 to 66 years old. Repairs and updates are needed for aging classrooms and school facilities. For instance, aging roofs leak, which disrupts classroom instruction. Schools lack air conditioning systems and classrooms often reach temperatures of 80 to 100 degrees.

In order to provide up-to-date classrooms and instructional technology, the WSD Board of Education voted to place a \$76 million bond measure on the November 8, 2016 ballot.



A MEASURE FOR HIGH-PRIORITY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

If approved by local voters, this measure would help address the highest-priority school facility needs, which include:

- ◆ Repairing or replacing leaky roofs
- ◆ Replacing outdated heating and ventilation systems with updated air conditioning systems in all classrooms
- ◆ Constructing a gymnasium at Stacey Middle School for physical education and community use
- ◆ Upgrading inadequate electrical systems
- ◆ Improving student access to modern technology
- ◆ Renovating outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities



ELEMENTS OF THE MEASURE

This measure includes strict fiscal accountability protections:

- ◆ All funds would benefit WSD and could not be taken by the State
- ◆ An independent citizens' oversight committee would ensure that all funds are spent according to voter-approved purposes
- ◆ No funds could be used for administrators' salaries
- ◆ The annual cost of the measure is estimated to be \$24.50 per \$100,000 in assessed (not market) property value



SAMPLE BALLOT

Westminster School District Bond Measure

"To upgrade aging schools and improve the quality of education with funding that cannot be taken by the State; provide heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems at every school; upgrade inadequate electrical systems; improve student access to modern technology; and modernize/renovate outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; shall Westminster School District issue \$76,000,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, with citizens' oversight, annual audits, and NO money used for administrative or teacher salaries?"

YES
 NO