



Davis Joint Unified School District
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LOCAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BOND MEASURE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the condition of classrooms and school facilities in Davis?

Many of the classrooms and buildings in our Davis schools are over 50 years old and require updates. Old plumbing and electrical systems need replacement and academic facilities need earthquake safety upgrades to provide a safe, modern learning environment for students. Improvements are also needed for campus security to help protect students from potential school intruders.

What steps has DJUSD taken to identify needs in our Davis schools?

Through a detailed Facility Master Planning process and community input, the district has identified over \$450 million in facility needs in Davis schools. To view the Facility Master Plan, visit www.djUSD.net/facilityplanning.

How is DJUSD planning to address identified needs?

To address priority classroom and school facility needs, the DJUSD Board of education voted unanimously to place a \$150 million bond measure on the November 6, 2018 ballot.

Would this measure fund all of our school facility needs?

No, this measure would fund the first phase of the highest priority upgrades for safety and supporting quality education. Once these projects are complete, DJUSD would consider options for the next phase of improvements.

How will it be determined which projects are completed first?

If this measure passes, each project will be considered individually by the DJUSD Board of Education with input from the community to determine the sequence for projects. An independent citizens' oversight committee will review the use of funds to ensure they are spent as promised.

Would all funds benefit our DJUSD schools? Could bond funds be taken by the State?

All funds would be locally controlled and would benefit Davis schools. No funding could be taken away by the State or used for other purposes.

Can't the State fund school facility improvements?

Unfortunately, we cannot rely on the State to fund necessary repairs in our local schools. In order to maintain high-quality educational facilities and ensure our schools get the updates our students need, a local source of funding is required.

What level of support would the measure need to pass?

The measure would need to be supported by 55% of those who vote in order to pass.

How can I learn more about our schools?

We welcome your comments and questions as we work to ensure our students can continue to receive a excellent education in safe and modern school facilities. For more information, please contact the office of Superintendent Dr. John Bowes at facilityplanning@djUSD.net or visit us online at www.djUSD.net/facilityplanning.

VOTING INFORMATION

Election Date: November 6, 2018

Look for Your Vote-by-Mail Ballot: Week of October 8, 2018

Last Day to Register to Vote in this Election: October 22, 2018

Questions About the Election: Call (530) 666-8133 or visit www.yoloelections.org



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AN UPDATE ON DAVIS SCHOOL FACILITIES



Information from Davis Joint Unified School District

INFORMATION ABOUT CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

FOR DAVIS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Excellent Education in Davis Schools

In Davis Joint Unified School District (DJUSD), we are dedicated to the success of our students. Our district has a strong history of academic achievement and gives students the tools they need to succeed in the 21st century.

As requirements for a competitive education rapidly evolve, our classrooms and labs need to be modernized to meet today's educational standards for science, technology, engineering and math. Our district has not passed a school improvement bond measure in almost 20 years, and our classrooms now need improvements to maintain strong student achievement.



Addressing Facility Needs

After completing a Facility Master Planning process and gathering input from the community on priority school facility improvements, the DJUSD Board of Education voted unanimously to place a \$150 million bond measure on the November 6, 2018 ballot. This measure would provide funding to maintain excellent education and address priority classroom and school facility needs in DJUSD. The measure would not address all of our needs but would fund the first phase of improvements in our schools to ensure students attend class in a safe and modern learning environment.



Local Funding for School Improvements

If approved by 55% of voters, funds from the school improvement bond measure would:

- Improve campus safety and security at all schools
- Modernize science, technology, engineering, arts and math classrooms and labs
- Update classrooms, science labs, innovation labs, athletic and other school facilities to meet current academic and safety standards
- Keep schools clean, well-maintained and in good condition
- Replace aging plumbing and electrical systems
- Improve school access for students and staff with disabilities and inclusiveness for all students



Fiscal Accountability Provisions Would Be Required

- All revenue from the measure would benefit Davis schools, be controlled locally and could not be taken by the State
- No funds could be spent on administrators' salaries or benefits
- A citizens' oversight committee and annual audits would ensure funds are spent as promised
- The measure would cost approximately \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed value (not market value) per year



SAMPLE BALLOT

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BOND MEASURE

"To update classrooms, science/innovation labs, and facilities to meet current academic standards, improve accessibility for students, upgrade school safety/security, keep schools well-maintained, and modernize classroom learning technology, shall Davis Joint Unified School District issue \$150,900,000 in bonds, at legal interest rates, raising \$11,000,000 on average annually to repay bonds while outstanding, at an estimated rate of \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed value, with citizen oversight, annual audits, no funds for administrator salaries, and funds staying local?"

☐ YES

☐ NO