

VOTER'S BOOKLET

MEASURES, ANALYSES AND ARGUMENTS

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**MARYSVILLE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE P**

To continue improving the quality of education in local schools and protecting the safety of our children, by repairing, replacing or updating fire alarm systems, worn-out roofs, outdated classrooms and science labs, plumbing and heating/air conditioning systems; and to help qualify for State matching funds for school modernization and construction, shall the Marysville Joint Unified School District issue \$47,000,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, with independent citizens' oversight and audits, and no money for administrators' salaries?

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF COUNTY COUNSEL
Measure P**

This measure would provide the Marysville Joint Unified School District with the authority to issue bonds in the amount of \$47,000,000 for the purpose of funding school facilities projects.

The bonds would be used for school facilities projects including repairing, replacing, or updating fire alarm systems, worn-out roofs, outdated classrooms and science labs, plumbing and heating/air conditioning systems and to help Marysville Joint Unified School District qualify for State matching funds for school modernization and construction.

This measure would require independent citizens' oversight and annual financial and performance audits to account for and assure funds have only been expended on the specific projects authorized and not for any other purpose, including administrators' salaries.

The actual rate of interest at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of sale. Tax levies would be imposed upon taxable properties in the Marysville Joint Unified School District to finance the bonds. The actual assessed value of the properties upon which the tax will be levied will depend on the amount and value of the taxable property within the Marysville Unified School District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and equalization process.

The measure may be passed by a 55% affirmative vote of the qualified voters voting.

**Tax Rate Statement In Connection With
Marysville Joint Unified School District**

An election will be held in the Marysville Joint Unified School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008, to authorize the sale of up to \$47,000,000 in bonds of the District to continue improving the quality of education in local schools and protecting the safety of our children, by repairing, replacing or updating fire alarm systems, worn-out roofs, outdated classrooms and science labs, plumbing and heating/air conditioning systems; and to help qualify for State matching funds for school modernization and construction, as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in two series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied 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 5.489 cents per \$100 (\$54.89 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2010-11.

2. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied 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 5.490 cents per \$100 (\$54.90 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2012-13.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 5.500 cents per \$100 (\$55.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in years 2017-18, 2021-22, 2026-27 and 2027-28.

4. The best estimate of the average tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the life of the bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 5.495 cents per \$100 (\$54.95 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

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MEASURE P – TAX RATE STATEMENT CONTINUED

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: June 24, 2008

/s/Gay Todd, Ed.D., Superintendent
Marysville Joint Unified School District

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

The children of the Marysville Joint Unified School District need your YES vote for Measure P! The Marysville Joint Unified School District has served our community since 1966 with a respected and effective educational program. But now, our ability to deliver that quality education is threatened. Most of our buildings are more than 50 years old and are in need of repairs and updates. Most of our current facilities are inadequate to meet the current needs of our children and continue to protect their safety.

Your support of Measure P will provide the local funding base we need to create the modern school environment necessary for continued student success. Funds from Measure P will improve the quality of education by improving fire protection and physical safety on school grounds, repairing or replacing worn out roofs, repairing or replacing aging and inefficient heating, air conditioning systems, repairing or replacing old, worn out plumbing and restrooms, renovating outdated classrooms and science labs, and, Measure P will help us get matching funds from the State for these critical projects.

All money raised by Measure P will benefit local children and our community. Strict controls are in place to ensure that the money is spent only for the projects described in this measure. A Citizens' Oversight Committee will be created to conduct annual independent audits to protect taxpayers. By law, all Measure P

funds will be used for school improvements and no money may be used for teacher or administrator salaries or other operating expenses.

How much will Measure P cost? Less than \$5 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation per month. That's less than the price of a movie, or two videos, or a newspaper subscription. For about 16 cents a day we can ease overcrowding, and make our schools safer and more energy efficient.

Good Schools are a community asset. Please vote Yes on Measure P.

/s/ Jeff Boom, MJUSD, President, Board of Trustees
/s/ Richard Teagarden, YCOE, Superintendent of Schools
/s/ Sally Sokoloski, Member, Bond Oversight Committee
/s/ Steve Roper, Yuba County, Chief Probation Officer
/s/ Jim Kennedy, Yuba County, Treasurer and Tax Collector

**NO ARGUMENT WAS SUBMITTED
AGAINST MEASURE P**

Full Text of the Measure

Upon the passage of Measure P, the Marysville Joint Unified School District shall be authorized to issue bonds in the aggregate amount of \$47,000,000, bearing interest at rates not exceeding the statutory limit, for the purpose of funding the following school facilities projects:

- Install/update/replace/repair fire and life safety systems as required by current codes and/or the Division of the State Architect. These systems could include, but not be limited to: Ansul systems; panic door hardware; fire suppression systems; remove unrated space; upgrade existing spaces for fire safety; kitchen and kitchen equipment upgrades, etc.
- Replace/repair roof and roof drainage systems. Replace damaged areas due to dry rot.
- Upgrade student and staff restrooms to current standards including accessibility.
- Upgrade electrical systems to current standards.

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- Replace/repair heating and ventilation systems with new energy efficient systems.
- Install energy management systems, to promote energy efficiency and cost reduction.
- Install energy savings and/or reduction enhancements, including but not limited to: photo voltaic, thermal, and/or similar systems.
- Install components to enable projects to participate in CHPS, LEED, Savings by Design and similar programs and/or certifications.
- Replace/repair water and sewer systems.
- Replace/repair window systems.
- Install/update/replace/repair American Disability Act systems as required by current codes and/or the Division of the State Architect. These systems could include, but not be limited to: accessible ramps to portable classrooms; detectable warning surface on paving edge; install/repair handrails; install/replace signage; install curb ramps; install accessible doors; install/repair accessible restrooms, both student and staff; install/repair accessible drinking fountains; install/repair site asphalt and/or concrete for path of travel, parking and accessibility; field improvements related to restrooms, accessibility and viewing, etc.
- New construction necessary to provide a functioning middle/intermediate school to serve students in grades 6–8, as a replacement for Alicia Middle School. The new construction would occur on a site different from the school's current location. This project could include land purchase, on-site and off-site development, new construction of regular and Special Education classrooms, as well as spaces used for/as science, art, music, gymnasium, multi-purpose, computer technology, office space and sports facilities/fields.
- New construction and modernization necessary to provide a functioning middle/high school to serve students in grades 6–12 as a new permanent facility for the Marysville Charter Academy of the Arts. The new construction would occur on a site different from the school's current location. This project could include land purchase, on-site and off-site development, new construction of regular and Special Education classrooms, as well as spaces used for/as science, art,

music, gymnasium, multi-purpose, performing arts, computer technology, office space and sports facilities/fields.

- New construction and/or modernization projects, which could include charter school facilities, and which will likely generate State matching, or grant funds. The District could proceed with a project(s) to take advantage of additional State funds.
- Provide water storage related to Fire Department requirements and/or fire suppression.
- Replace/repair systems necessary for enhanced student, staff, and/or public safety.
- Provide separate bus/parent drop off areas and upgrade parking lots.
- Replace/repair plumbing systems, including repair/removal/replacement of boiler systems.
- Replace/repair interior and exterior lighting systems and controls.
- Replace/repair asphalt paving, including correction of drainage problems. Replace asphalt systems site-wide if necessary.
- Replace/repair play equipment and upgrade fall protection systems.
- Replace/repair/construct library, multi-purpose, gymnasium, athletic, field, classroom, office and support spaces, and/or computer lab facilities.
- Remove underground tanks, remediate soil as required.
- Replace/repair public address, intercom, clock, bell, telephone and/or VOIP systems.
- Replace/repair technology systems necessary for student learning, efficient operations, security, increased capacity and/or processing speed.
- Replace/repair security/surveillance systems, add additional systems where needed.
- Repaint interior and/or exterior spaces.
- Replace/repair flooring systems.

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- Replace/repair bleacher, press box, restroom and/or concession systems at Lindhurst and/or Marysville High School(s), including accessibility issues.
- Modernize classrooms at any site.
- Restore any unreinforced masonry building, currently on the Marysville High School site, to current seismic standards, with the intent of completely modernizing the building and returning it for use as a fully approved school classroom, or related use.

The abbreviated ballot measure reads as follows:

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Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that the projects that are the subject of the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the bond measure. The District's proposed projects may assume the receipt of state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

Additionally, the District Board of Trustees ("Board") will appoint a citizen's oversight committee (the "Committee") having a minimum of seven members and including at least one member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, one member active in a senior citizens' organization, one member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization, one member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and one member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization.

The District will deposit the proceeds of the bonds in a separate account. The Board is bound to conduct financial and performance audits annually to account for the bond funds and to assure that funds have only been expended on the specific projects authorized.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

Approval of Measure P does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Marysville Joint Unified School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure P will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure P. 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.