

Local Funding Sustains Top Teachers and Academic Excellence in Davis Schools

Davis Joint Unified School District (DJUSD) strives to ignite a love of learning and provide each student with the knowledge, skills, character and well-being to thrive and contribute to an interconnected world. Parents and community members alike tell us that the local schools are a primary reason they choose to live in Davis.

A COMMUNITY TRADITION OF SUPPORTING LOCAL SCHOOLS

For forty years, local schools have relied on voter-approved, local funding to maintain strong academic programs, support qualified teachers, and provide a high-quality education to students. This locally controlled source of funding enables Davis schools to maintain a tradition of quality educational programs to prepare students for success after graduation and attract and retain the best teacher talent.



SCHOOLS FACING POTENTIAL ACADEMIC CUTS AND TEACHER LAYOFFS

This source of funding — which was first established in the 1980s — is set to expire. Without it, DJUSD schools would lose nearly \$12 million annually, which could lead to teacher layoffs, larger class sizes, and cuts to academic programs and services.

MEASURE N WOULD RENEW LOCAL FUNDING FOR DAVIS SCHOOLS

On November 2, the DJUSD Board of Trustees voted to place a parcel tax renewal measure, Measure N, on the March 5, 2024 ballot. If passed by local voters, Measure N would not be a new tax, but would instead renew the existing Measure H parcel tax at the current rate of \$768 per year, raising approximately \$11.7 million per year, ongoing until ended by voters. If renewed, this source of funding would continue to:



- Attract and retain high-performing teachers and educational staff
- Sustain outstanding academics in science, technology, engineering, math, reading, and writing
- Maintain library services
- Limit class sizes
- Protect art, music, world language, career technical education, AP courses, and other electives
- Sustain athletics and co-curricular programs such as robotics, journalism, theatre and debate
- Promote student safety and physical and mental health
- Provide teacher training, resources and classroom support

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND LOCAL CONTROL REQUIRED

Measure N continues the same fiscal accountability provisions already in place, including:

- All revenue would be spent in local schools and could not be taken away by the State
- Exemptions for seniors and residents with disabilities would continue with no reapprovals necessary
- A citizens' oversight committee's annual audits would be required
- No funds could be used for contract management salaries

We Want to Hear from You. If you have questions about Measure N on the March 2024 ballot, please contact the District at communications@djUSD.net.