

B & E IN BRIEF #1

The ballots are here -

Vote YES by mail today!



Why vote YES on both B & E?

Measure B

- California underfunds schools – we rank 46th in the nation on spending per pupil.
- Piedmont's response for the last 24 years has been to invest locally controlled funds from a School Parcel Tax that has been renewed every four years since 1985.
- Measure B is a consolidation and simple renewal of existing taxes
- Measure B will NOT increase your taxes.

Measure E

- Due the current California State budget crisis, school funding has been cut even more.
- These cuts will affect the classroom.
- Measure E is a temporary (3 year) measure designed to only partially offset the latest cuts.
- Measure E will add less than \$20/month to the average household's tax bill

Did you realize that even if B & E pass, there will be cuts?

Assuming that B&E pass and the State budget situation does not worsen, the equivalent of 5.5 full time teachers and 5 full time support staff will be eliminated by:

- Increasing class sizes in grades 6-12
- Cutting back on administrative staff services
- Reducing counseling time
- Reducing classroom aides and occupational therapist time
- Cutting back on ground services and facilities maintenance

If Measure E doesn't pass, cuts will be more drastic

In addition to the above cutbacks, the equivalent of 3.5 full time teachers and 6 full time support staff members will also be eliminated by reduction of:

- Classroom aides in Grades K-3
- Library services and library assistants for K-12
- K-12 counseling services
- Positions such as high school department chairs, activities coaches, music accompanists
- PMS/PHS administrative support
- Custodial staff K-12

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