

A \$408 million bond measure benefiting every school is on the March 3, 2020 ballot.

MEASURE A

March 3, 2020

Seventy-six percent of our schools are 20 years old or older, and by 2029, that number jumps to 94 percent. As our schools age and our community continues to grow, the need for resources dedicated to facilities becomes a district priority.

How was it decided to place a bond measure on the March 3 ballot?

- In 2018, an updated facilities audit and ongoing enrollment increases identified needed modernization and construction projects at all CUSD schools.
- From January to July 2019, a 29-member Citizens Advisory Committee analyzed the needs and available financial resources for school facility repairs, maintenance and growth. The committee concluded a bond was needed and recommended to the superintendent that the Governing Board place a \$408 million bond on the ballot.
- In October, the CUSD Governing Board considered the recommendation and unanimously approved placing Measure A on the March 3 election ballot.



More information about how Measure A would impact residents; management, citizen oversight and accountability of bond funds; and the needs driving the recommendation by citizens to place a measure on the ballot, is available at cUSD.com/2020bond.

Dedicated local funding for school improvements

In order to complete identified repairs and upgrades to aging schools, build new schools, and keep schools safe, clean and up to date, a **\$408 million bond measure** has been placed on the March 3 ballot. The measure would maintain quality academic instruction in core subjects like math, science, reading and writing by funding necessary school facility improvements, including:



Building new schools /spaces and adding to existing facilities to **avoid overcrowding**



Repairing and upgrading deteriorating science, engineering and math classrooms to provide **21st-century learning** across all Clovis Unified schools



Updating classrooms to increase access to Career Technical Education programs



Continuing to make **necessary updates** to facilities to provide **safe, clean drinking water**



Fixing leaking roofs, electrical wiring, fire safety doors and smoke alarms at schools



Improving school **safety and security** by updating security and communication systems



Maintaining equitable facilities at schools of all ages to **ensure every child access** to a high-quality learning environment

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Previous bond shows maximum benefit

Ranging from interior door locks to boost school safety, to major repair and renovation projects at aging schools, the 2012 Measure A paid for needed projects at every school site in Clovis Unified. There was also construction of a new elementary school to ease overcrowding.

June 2012

Voters approve CUSD bond

\$298M

2012 bond amount

81

Modernization and construction projects completed

\$122.8M

Additional funds district received from leveraging local dollars for matching state and federal funds



Built into Measure A: Fiscal accountability

- Funds would be controlled locally and could not be taken away by the state
- Independent Citizen Oversight and Annual Audits would be required
- No money could be used for employee salaries
- Bonds issued would be repaid annually by local property levies, which are expected to increase from today's rate by approximately \$25 per \$100,000 of assessed (not market) value
- If Measure A is approved, the tax rate would still be \$17 lower than it was in 2010

Resources to Maintain and Build Schools comes from community support of bonds.



Voters approve measure



CUSD sells bonds to investors



Funds are used to repair, update and build school facilities



Property owners repay bonds through their property tax bill

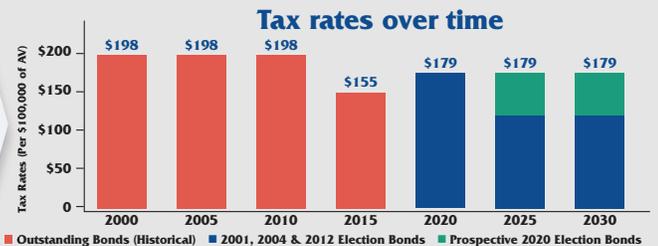
Community Growth = More People to Share

As our community has grown, more property owners are sharing the costs and benefits of CUSD bonds, keeping taxes lower for everyone.



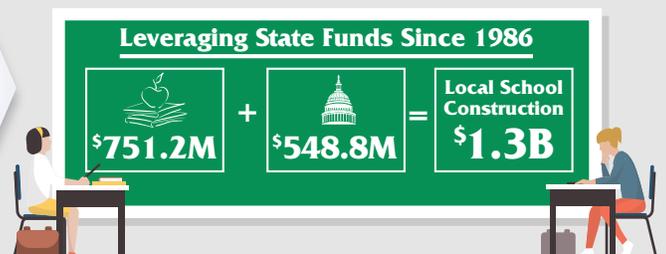
Responsible Planning

Responsible planning and continued growth means a potential bond is expected to increase today's tax rate by approximately \$25 per \$100,000 of assessed (not market) value. If Measure A is approved, the tax rate would still be \$17 lower than it was in 2010.



Local Dollars Allow for State Matches

The availability of local funds allows the district to qualify for no cost matching dollars from the state.



For a complete list of projects by school, see cusd.com/2020bond