

# The State of Our Facilities



**Clovis Unified School District** is consistently ranked as one of the best school districts in the state and provides an exceptional education for our community's elementary, middle school and high school students.

The District's careful financial management is evident in a credit rating among the highest of any California public school district and 21 consecutive Meritorious Budget Awards for transparency in budgeting. Partnering with the community, our great teachers and quality academic programs help ensure that local students are prepared for success in high school, college and future careers.



Named numerous times to the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program



Honored more than 100 times as California Distinguished Schools



Multiple schools recognized as California Academic Achievement Award winners



Named an Honor Roll School District by California Businesses for Excellence in Education



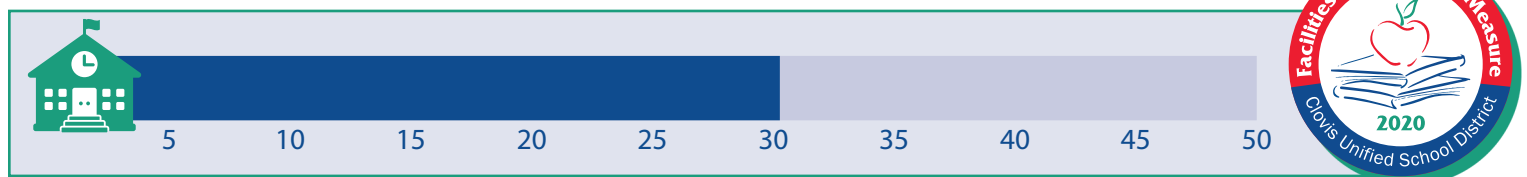
Only school district in the nation to have all five of its intermediate schools designated as Taking Center Stage – Schools to Watch

## Upgrading Aging Schools and Classrooms

Almost a decade ago, our District undertook an extensive facilities master planning process, which identified millions of dollars in critical repairs and updates needed at our local schools. In 2012, our community approved Measure A with over 65% support. The 2012 bond measure allowed the District to complete the first phase of repairs, including upgrades to aging classrooms and labs, improving technology access and expanding career technical education facilities that equip students for work in the 21st century.

It was always known that our facility needs exceeded the funding available through Measure A, and while our District continues to deliver a high-quality education, our schools are aging. Today, 30 of our 50 schools are 25 years old or older. Recently, we have revisited our Facilities Audit & Master Plan, which identified needed repairs and maintenance to preserve health and safety standards ensuring all students have equal access to high quality facilities.

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## Dedicated Local Funding for School Improvements

In order to complete identified repairs and upgrades to aging schools, keep schools safe, clean and up to date a Citizens Committee has recommended and the Clovis Unified School District Governing Board has approved placing a \$408 million bond measure on the March 2020 ballot. The measure would maintain quality academic instruction in core subjects like math, science, reading and writing by funding necessary school facility improvements, including:



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



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



Reducing current and future school overcrowding with additional schools and facilities



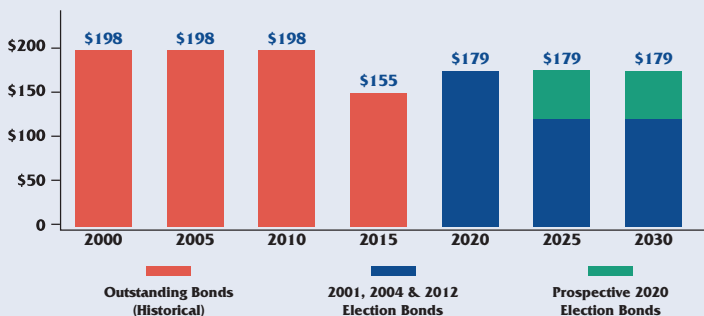
Improving school safety and security by updating security and communication systems



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

## Fiscal Accountability Built Into the Bond Measure

Tax rates over time if bond approved



- 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 tax levies, which are expected to increase from today's rate by approximately \$25 per \$100,000 of assessed (not market) value.

## We Want to Hear From You

The District values questions, comments and feedback from parents and community members. To learn more about the District's facility needs, please contact Mr. Denver Stairs at 559-327-9260 or online at [cusd.com](http://cusd.com).

