

CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

ELECTION DATES AND VOTING INFORMATION

ELECTION DATE: March 3, 2020

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS ARRIVE: Week of February 3

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION: February 17

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ELECTION: Visit www.sccgov.org/sites/rov
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SAMPLE BALLOT

Mountain View Whisman School District CLASSROOM REPAIR/OVERCROWDING MEASURE

"To provide safe/modern classrooms, arts/science labs at neighborhood schools for quality education; relieve student overcrowding; replace aging roofs, inefficient heating/ventilation systems; upgrade, acquire, construct classrooms, facilities, sites/equipment; shall Mountain View Whisman School District's measure authorizing \$259,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$30/\$100,000 assessed value (\$18,600,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, no funds for administrators, all funds controlled locally for Mountain View schools, be adopted?"

☐ YES
☐ NO



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MAINTAINING OUTSTANDING EDUCATION IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

Mountain View Whisman School District (MVWSD) proudly provides a high-quality education that prepares local elementary and middle school students for high school, college and careers. Our great schools keep property values high and enhance our quality of life.

KEEPING GREAT TEACHERS IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

Our community relies on MVWSD teachers to ensure students are prepared to compete when they reach high school and college, but many Mountain View educators cannot afford to live here. MVWSD is developing plans to provide affordable housing options for teachers and staff to help keep them working in our local schools.



IMPROVING AGING SCHOOLS

MVWSD is evaluating priorities for the next phase of upgrades to outdated classrooms and buildings. Aging roofs need to be repaired, and replacing 40-year-old, inefficient ventilation systems would save money that could be better spent in the classroom. Local school facilities also require updates to support technology, art, music and science programs.

With student enrollment expected to grow by 2,500 in the next few years, additional classrooms are needed to ensure all students can attend their neighborhood schools.

LOCAL FUNDING FOR TEACHER HOUSING AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

To address these needs, the MVWSD Board of Trustees voted unanimously to place a \$259 million school improvement bond measure on the March 3, 2020. If passed by 55% of voters, this measure will:

- ★ Provide affordable housing options for Mountain View teachers and staff
- ★ Replace aging, inefficient windows, lighting, heating and ventilation systems for cost savings and environmental sustainability
- ★ Upgrade facilities to accommodate expected enrollment growth and ensure students can attend their neighborhood schools
- ★ Update classrooms and labs to maintain the quality of technology, art, music and science programs
- ★ Upgrade electrical, internet and data systems to handle modern learning technology

FISCAL SAFEGUARDS WOULD BE REQUIRED

- ★ All funding raised by this measure would be spent here in our community and could not be taken by the State
- ★ An independent citizens' oversight committee and annual audits would be mandated to ensure funds are spent as required by law
- ★ None of this funding would go toward administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits
- ★ This measure is estimated to cost no more than \$30 per \$100,000 in assessed (not market) value per year for as long as bonds are outstanding

