



Local Ballot Measure: G

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Argument In Favor of Measure G

Our schools are important assets in our community representing a place for learning, gathering and sharing of community values. Research shows positive correlations between great school facilities and students' academic achievement, positive school climate and increased staff retention. Similarly, great schools are vital to the economy and contribute to higher property values. Our staff takes pride in maintaining classrooms, gymnasiums, athletic fields and district buildings but many of our facilities are aging and need upgrading to provide great learning experiences. If you value maintaining the quality of education in our Salinas community, there's nothing more important on the November ballot than Measure G.

Measure G authorizes a prudent, responsible plan to ensure that local students educated at our facilities will be prepared to make post high school decisions to attend a university, local colleges, or to join the workforce.

Measure G will:

- **Modernize** school academic and job-training classrooms to increase access to college and careers in fields like health sciences, engineering, technology, agriculture, and skilled trades
- **Upgrade** educational technology and science labs
- **Rehabilitate** leaky roofs, deteriorated plumbing, lighting, HVAC, electrical and mechanical systems to keep our schools maintained
- **Replace** aging portables
- **Construct** new facilities to relieve overcrowding
- **Improve** campus safety and security districtwide

By law, ALL Measure G funds (100%) stay local to improve OUR district facilities. The State CANNOT take this funding away.

Measure G requires strict accountability. NO administrator salaries are allowed. MANDATORY audits and Independent Citizens' Oversight will ensure proper spending.

Maintaining our facilities is a wise investment. Good schools protect property values. The longer we wait to make these improvements, the more expensive they will be.

Please VOTE YES on G.

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Rebuttal To Argument In Favor of Measure G

No arguments against Measure G were submitted.