



## Local Ballot Measure: B

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### Argument In Favor of Measure B

The future of our community depends on the quality of our schools. They keep our children safe, teach them critical skills, prepare them for the future and enhance the value of our homes and businesses.

Our schools—Forest Grove Elementary, Robert Down Elementary, Pacific Grove Middle, Community High, Adult Education and Pacific Grove High—are our community’s most valuable assets and must remain our top priority.

**Vote YES on Measure B** to improve Pacific Grove’s schools and classrooms—with **NO INCREASE IN TAXES**—and ensure our children have the resources to thrive.

#### Measure B projects include:

- **Expand STEAM Labs:** Enhancing Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics classrooms for all grades for cutting-edge education
- **Critical Infrastructure Repairs:** Replacing deteriorating electrical systems, wiring, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems and repairing leaky roofs and gutters
- **Innovative Career Education Programs:** Expanding career technical training, college preparation workspaces and labs for robotics, technology and coding courses
- **Mental Health and Counseling Support:** Expanding facilities and spaces dedicated to counseling services and mental health

#### Measure B also offers critical protections and benefits for our community:

- **Transparency and Accountability:** Full public disclosure of all spending, independent citizen oversight and annual audits to ensure responsible use of funds
- **Guaranteed Local Investment:** By law, Measure B funds **cannot** be taken by the state and used elsewhere
- **Funding Only for School Facilities and Programs:** Funds are prohibited from being used for administrators’ salaries, pensions or benefits
- **State Matching Funds Eligibility:** Measure B qualifies Pacific Grove USD for additional state matching funds

**Investing in our public schools is investing in our prosperity.** Let’s ensure our children have the resources to succeed while protecting the value of our community’s homes and businesses—**without increasing taxes.** Join parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers, neighbors, business owners and community leaders in voting **YES on Measure B.**

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### Rebuttal To Argument In Favor of Measure B

No arguments against Measure B were submitted.