

What is Measure E?

It is a "general obligation bond measure" that will go to voters on Nov. 6. The measure asks voters to approve the extension of the current school bond property tax rate, without raising the rate. Funds generated will allow VUSD to do necessary maintenance and upgrades and build a new middle school in the next four years.

How will the money generated by Measure E be used?

- · Replace/repair leaking roofs and upgrade electrical systems
- · Improve access for our disabled children in compliance with requirements
- Update science labs and computer labs
- · Replace or repair flooring, plumbing and ventilation systems
- Replace systems with more energy-efficient technology
- · Upgrade fire and life-safety systems as required by the state

And Construction of a new middle school.

VUSD's middle schools are already overcrowded. Current birth trends document the need for another middle school, at a cost of about \$35 million. The District owns property at Riggin and Akers in anticipation of this need.

Why doesn't the state pay for our schools?

California does provide matching funds for new construction and for modernization, but local schools have to have their match first before the State will share in the cost.

How much will this bond measure cost me?

The bond measure is an extension of the current property tax rate for VUSD. The bond will generate \$60.1 million to be repaid over 30 years. Homeowners will continue to pay about \$30 per year per \$100,000 of assessed value.

How do I know the money will be spent as promised?

This money can only be used for technology upgrades, facilities improvements and new construction. No money can be used to pay for salaries and the state cannot take the funds.

Who will watch over the use of the money?

A Citizens Oversight Committee will be created to do just that, following rules set up by the state. And, VUSD is required to conduct an independent performance audit and an independent financial audit every year.

MEASURE E







Visalia Unified School District Needs List

Developed by the Superintendent's Facility Advisory Committee

Repairs and Upgrades:

All campuses over 10 years old will undergo projects to improve access for the disabled; restrooms will be renovated: security cameras will be installed; nearly all will see fire alarm/ low-voltage upgrades and measures to improve safety; and science classrooms at all middle schools and high schools will be upgraded.

Following is a partial list of repairs and upgrades to be completed at each school.

Conyer Elementary

Electrical upgrades Paint Roofing replacement Irrigation Classroom upgrades

Crestwood Elementary Replace aging portables Electrical upgrades Replace lighting Covered walkways

Crowley Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Heating/air conditioning upgrades Electrical upgrades

Elbow Creek

Replace aging portables Heating/air conditioning upgrades Playground safety upgrades Replace flooring and carpeting Roofing replacement

Fairview Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades

Golden Oak Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Playground safety upgrades Electrical upgrades Heating/air conditioning upgrades

Goshen Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Paint Office upgrades

Highland Elementary Replace aging portables Replace lighting

Houston Elementary Replace aging portables Playground safety upgrades Classroom upgrades

Roofing replacement

Hurley Elementary Irrigation Roofing replacement Replace lighting

Ivanhoe Elementary

Roofing replacement Replace aging portables Playground safety upgrades

Linwood Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades Heating/air conditioning upgrades

Mineral King Elementary

Replace aging portables Electrical upgrades Classroom upgrades

Mountain View Elementary

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement

Pinkham Elementary

New wing of classrooms Roofing replacement Irrigation

River Bend

Interior remodel Heating/air conditioning upgrades Paint

Royal Oaks Elementary

Upgrade classrooms Roofing replacement Paint

Veva Blunt Elementary

Replace aging portables Replace carpeting in several classrooms Irrigation Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades

Washington Elementary

Replace aging portables Paint Window replacement Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades Classroom upgrades

Willow Glen

Replace aging portables Electrical upgrades Classroom upgrades Roofing replacement

Divisadero Middle School

Library/media center renovation Replace cement walkways Paint Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades

Green Acres Middle School

Replace aging portables New computer lab Paint Upgrade fencing/security New sidewalks Roofing replacement

La Joya Middle School

Roofing replacement Replace lighting Classroom upgrades

Valley Oak Middle School Replace aging portables

Roofing replacement

Golden West High School

New classroom wing or portables Paint Electrical upgrades Replace lighting Update shop

Mt. Whitney High School

Classroom upgrades Replace aging portables

Redwood High School

New wing of classrooms New quad Heating/air conditioning upgrades Replace gym floor Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades

Sequoia High School

Replace aging portables Roofing replacement Electrical upgrades

Charter Alternatives New well

New Construction:

- New middle school to ease overcrowding
- New multipurpose rooms at several schools
- New classrooms at several schools to ease overcrowding.

