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Upgrading Aging Local Schools for Quality Education and Student Safety

Lompoc Unified School District's 15 schools serve students of all ages in the Lompoc Valley, including the City of Lompoc and the surrounding unincorporated areas of Mission Hills, Vandenberg Village, Cebada Canyon, Vandenberg Space Force Base, and Mesa Oaks.

Deteriorating Portable Classrooms Must be Replaced

Most Lompoc schools are over 60 years old and none have been upgraded in over 20 years. For example, thousands of students attend class in 136 portable classrooms that are decades old, are falling apart and most have structural damage or water leaks. It is expensive to keep repairing these aging and outdated portables and they need to be replaced with permanent classrooms.

Protecting Student Health and Safety

Older schools have hazardous materials like asbestos and lead that need to be removed for student health and safety. Most schools do not meet current health codes, building safety codes or provide full access for students with disabilities.

<u>Updated Classrooms and Labs for Modern Instruction</u>

Aging schools were built for a different era of education and outdated classrooms, science labs, job training facilities and learning technology need updates to meet current academic standards and support today's instruction in science, technology, engineering and math.



LEAKING WINDOWS CAUSE WATER DAMAGED WALLS





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AGING HEATING/

Local Funding to Support Safe, Modern Schools

After conducting a thorough assessment of every classroom and school facility in the district and developing specific plans to repair and upgrade local schools, LUSD is evaluating options for securing locally controlled funding for these improvements.

The State does not provide dedicated funding for facility improvements and the only state funding available requires local matching funds. One option is to place a school facility improvement bond measure on the ballot for local voters to consider that would:

- Provide classrooms, labs and technology to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, technology and other core academic programs
- Remove hazardous materials like asbestos, lead paint and pipes from older school sites
- Upgrade older schools so they meet current health codes, building safety codes and provide full access for students with disabilities
- Provide modern labs, career tech facilities and equipment so students are prepared for college and in-demand careers in fields like health sciences, engineering, technology and skilled trades
- Repair or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, sewer lines, gas lines and electrical systems
- Improve student safety, campus security systems including fencing, cameras, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors and fire alarms
- Provide the required matching funds for State facility programs

Fiscal Accountability and Local Control Required

Any future potential bond measure would require mandatory fiscal accountability protections, including:

- All money raised would be controlled locally and could not be taken by the State
- An independent oversight committee and annual audits would be required to ensure that funds are spent as voters intended
- No funds may be used for administrator salaries or benefits

Apply to be A Part of the Independent Oversight Committee!

As the School Board considers placing a school improvement bond measure on the ballot, LUSD is seeking community members to serve on the Independent Oversight Committee. The Independent Oversight Committee is comprised of local residents and would be responsible for monitoring the expenditures from a bond measure to ensure funds are spent only for the classroom and school improvements approved by voters. None of which can be employees, officials, vendors, consultants, or contractors of the district. The Independent Oversight Committee would issue reports to the community regularly. You do not need to have children attending LUSD to serve on the Committee. If you are interested in potentially serving on the Independent Oversight Committee, please check the box on the attached survey. For more information, visit lusd.org/potentialbond.

We Want to Hear from You!

Please complete the attached survey card and mail it back to let us know your priorities for our neighborhood schools. You may also take the survey online by scanning the QR code. tinyurl.com/2ehuzvzb.

Please rate the importance of the following priorities for our neighborhood schools:		Are you interested in serving on the Independent Oversight Committee? Yes No
Upgrade classrooms and science labs	_	Do you currently have children attending LUSD schools?
Remove hazardous materials like asbestos, lead paint and pipes from older school sites		Yes No
Upgrade older schools so they meet current health and building safety codes		Name:
Improve access for students with disabilities		Address:
Upgrade classrooms and labs to prepare students for college and in-demand careers in fields like health sciences and engineering		Phone:
Repair or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, sewer lines, gas lines and electrical systems		Email: Comments/Questions:
Update learning technology		

