Frequently Asked Questions About Measure R
Travis Unified School District

How Did Measure R Start?
Travis Unified School District (TUSD) is proud to provide high-quality education for 5,440 local students. However, our neighborhood schools are outdated and need to be modernized. The improvements funded by Measure R will help prepare students for college and their future careers.

What challenges are our local schools facing?
Many TUSD schools are over 50 years old and urgently need repairs and updates. These campuses no longer meet today's standards and require safety and security updates. Older classrooms and labs require updates for students to be skilled in core academics like reading, writing, math, science, technology, and engineering. Additionally, maintenance and upgrades to aging plumbing, electrical, lighting and heating and cooling systems in our local schools are needed.

How is TUSD planning to address these challenges?
To continue meeting the needs of our students and community, Travis Unified School District voted to place Measure R, a school improvement bond on the November 5th, 2024, ballot. This source of additional funding would allow TUSD to upgrade and repair older schools to meet current health and building safety codes, update classrooms, and provide proper access for students with disabilities.

Has the District carefully assessed the needs of each campus?
Yes. TUSD hired Kitchell, a well-respected school facility firm, to help assess our full needs at each school site. Kitchell and TUSD have recently completed an extensive facility needs assessment that included community input to identify needed repairs, updates, and address overcrowding at our school sites. Facility improvements of this magnitude are beyond the scope of the District's operating budget. To see the facility needs assessment, please visit: www.travisusd.org/departments/facilities/facilities-master-plan

How has the District worked with the community on addressing these challenges?
TUSD has reached out to our community in a collaborative effort to hear what repairs and improvements are important to you. The District held a total of eight open house meetings at our schools, asked attendees to complete a community survey, and collected hundreds of responses about critical priorities for our schools. Based on this input, the District voted in favor of placing Measure R on the November 5th, 2024 ballot. Measure R will provide funding to

update school facilities and classrooms in order to continue supporting and protecting core academics and preparing students to compete in college and 21st century careers.

What repairs and improvements are most needed at our local schools?

- Replacing aging plumbing, electrical, lighting and HVAC systems
- Enhancing school safety and security, including security fencing, cameras, and lighting
- Repairing and add classrooms for science, technology, engineering and math programs
- Replacing damaged floors, old doors and leaking windows
- Repairing and add classrooms for robotics, technology and career technical instruction
- Improving access for students with disabilities
- Updating old classrooms and libraries to support overall learning

How much would Measure R cost?

The annual cost of Measure R is $60 per $100,000 of assessed property value (not market value) per year for as long as bonds are outstanding. Assessed value is determined by the Solano County Assessor and is often much closer to the original purchase price of the home than to the current market value.

Doesn't the State provide funding to help support our schools?

Nationally, California ranks among the lowest in funding provided to public schools. A dedicated local funding source for our schools would ensure our students have the same educational opportunities as others in the region.

How is the independent Citizen's Oversight Committee formed, and who selects the members?

By California law a school district has 60 days from the passing of a measure to form the oversight committee. It must be made up of 7 volunteer members who serve a term of 2 years each. Composition of the committee must include representatives from the business community, a senior organization, a taxpayer organization as well as parents with children in the district. In addition, no employee or vendor of the district can be a member of the committee.

I don't have children who attend Travis Schools, how does this impact me?

Even if you do not have children who attend, good schools continue to support the neighborhood's quality of life and protect the value of local homes.

What will happen to the Mello Roos District's?

If Measure R passes, the District has approved a resolution committed to cease taxation of and start dissolving the local Mello Roos Districts. The resolution can be viewed HERE