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Notice to Voters

Learn More About Measure Y, the Upcoming School Improvement and Student Safety Measure in Paradise Unified School District

Questions and Answers About Measure Y

What is Measure Y?

The PUSD Board of Trustees voted to place Measure Y, a \$61 million School Improvement and Student Safety Measure, on the November 6, 2018 ballot to provide repairs for PUSD schools and a safe and up-to-date educational environment for local students.

How do we know what our facilities needs are?

The District has completed a comprehensive Facilities Master Plan to identify PUSD schools' facilities needs. This has been a community-driven process that has involved regular public board meetings and a community-wide survey to gather input from residents.

How much would Measure Y cost?

The cost of Measure Y would be \$57.50 per \$100,000 in assessed (not market) value annually, or about \$8.29 per month for the typical homeowner. All funding would stay local for Paradise and Magalia schools and could never be taken away by the State. A Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits would be required to ensure all funds are spent as voters intended.

How can I learn more about our schools?

For more information, please contact Superintendent Michelle John at (530) 872-6400 ext. 223.

Key Dates and Information

Election Day: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Last Day to Register to Vote in this Election: October 22, 2018

Register to Vote: www.registertovote.ca.gov or call the Butte County Registrar of Voters at (530) 538-7761

Level of Support Measure Y Needs to Pass: 55% support from those who vote on Measure Y





Information About Measure Y: Update Our Schools and Maintain Student Safety

Dear Neighbor,

I am proud to be the Superintendent of Paradise Unified School District (PUSD) where every student matters and every moment counts. My husband and I have been active members of the Paradise community for over 29 years. We raised our children in Paradise, and all three are successful graduates of PUSD, so I know how essential our schools are to our community.



Repairing and Improving School Facilities for a 21st-Century Education

Although our schools have provided a great education to local students for over 80 years, aging and outdated school facilities need repairs to maintain student safety and provide an up-to-date educational environment.

Leaky roofs, deteriorating plumbing and old septic systems are in need of repairs. Old portable classrooms are reaching the end of their use, and inadequate electrical, ventilation and security systems are outdated.

A Community Plan for Paradise and Magalia Schools

Over the last few months, PUSD has worked closely with our community to complete a comprehensive Facilities Master Plan to address facilities needs and student safety in our schools. Through regular public board meetings and a district-wide survey to gather community input, we worked with our community to develop a plan to make the critical repairs and upgrades our schools need. You can review the Facilities Master Plan in detail at www.tinyurl.com/ParadiseFMP.

I appreciate the interest our parents and community members show in support of our schools. Please contact me with any questions at (530) 872-6400 ext. 223 or MJohn@pusdk12.org.

Sincerely,

Michelle John
Superintendent

Measure Y: School Improvement and Student Safety Measure

On June 19, the PUSD Board of Trustees voted to place Measure Y, a \$61 million bond measure, on the November 6, 2018 ballot. Measure Y would:

- ▶ Repair or replace leaky roofs, deteriorating plumbing and aging septic systems
- ▶ Upgrade inadequate electrical and security systems
- ▶ Replace outdated heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems
- ▶ Increase student access to computers and modern technology
- ▶ Update physical education facilities for school and community use
- ▶ Construct and modernize science labs and classrooms



Fiscal Accountability and Local Control

- ▶ All funds would stay local for Paradise and Magalia schools and could never be taken by the State
- ▶ A Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits would be required
- ▶ No funds could be used for any form of administrator or staff compensation
- ▶ The cost would be \$57.50 per \$100,000 in assessed (not market) value annually, or about \$8.29 per month for the typical homeowner
- ▶ Measure Y would provide funds for all schools in Paradise Unified School District, including our charter schools

SAMPLE BALLOT

Paradise Unified School District MEASURE Y

"To update classrooms and science labs in schools; perform essential safety/security upgrades; fix leaky roofs, deteriorating plumbing/septic systems; equip classrooms with 21st-century learning technology; replace aging heating/plumbing; and construct/equip classrooms, shall Paradise Unified School District issue \$61,000,000 in bonds, at legal interest rates, levy \$57.50 per \$100,000 of assessed value for as long as bonds are outstanding (\$3.5 million annually) with taxpayer oversight, audits, no employee salaries, all money staying local?"

- YES
- NO