



IMPROVING BERRYESSA SCHOOLS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

Student Achievement Is Improving in Our Schools

Berryessa Union School District provides local students with a high-quality education that challenges them to excel academically. Great teachers and staff, strong parent involvement and community support contribute to improving test scores and the excellent education our students receive. We believe that investing in our local schools produces strong student achievement and helps make local neighborhoods desirable places to live.

Repairing Our Schools for Safe and Modern Classrooms

Our local schools are between 35 and 55 years old and need essential repairs and upgrades to maintain a safe and modern learning environment. Additionally, the state has transitioned to the Common Core State Standards, which require new methods of evaluating student academic performance and will begin Spring 2014. These evaluations will require new instructional techniques and updated classroom technology since the standardized tests will now be computerized.



Local Funding to Improve Our Schools and Student Achievement

The Berryessa School District is considering placing a \$72 million bond measure on the June 2014 ballot. The measure would cost property owners no more than \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. All funds from this measure would be used to repair, upgrade and improve local classrooms and school facilities for student success. No funds could be taken away by the state or go to other communities.

A Potential Measure Would:

- ★ Upgrade school security, fire, earthquake and other emergency safety systems
- ★ Update classroom learning technology and provide teacher training for new technology
- ★ Upgrade classrooms so schools can be kept clean and well-maintained
- ★ Replace inefficient electrical, heating and cooling systems to maximize energy efficiency and save money

Strong Fiscal Accountability Provisions

- ★ All funds would stay in our local schools and could not be taken away by the state
- ★ None of the funds could be used for administrators' salaries, benefits or pensions
- ★ Citizen oversight and annual public audits would ensure funds are spent appropriately
- ★ The measure would qualify our local school district for millions in future state matching funds

Let Us Know What You Think

We invite our community to provide feedback as we explore this potential measure to improve our local schools. For questions or comments please contact Superintendent Will Ector at will.ector@busd.net or call (408) 923-1811.

Si tiene preguntas o comentarios en español por favor comuníquese con Maria Fregoso al (408) 923-1829.

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Classroom doors with dry rot need to be replaced for safety and energy efficiency purposes.



Inadequate infrastructure needs to be updated to support modern learning technology.