

AN UPDATE FROM
BERRYESSA UNION
SCHOOL DISTRICT



Looking AHEAD



Berryessa Union School District
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COMMUNITY SURVEY ENCLOSED

Please complete the enclosed survey and share your feedback about Berryessa Union School District schools.

Our Schools

- Brooktree Elementary School
- Cherrywood Elementary School
- Laneview Elementary School
- Majestic Way Elementary School
- Noble Elementary School
- Northwood Elementary School
- Ruskin Elementary School
- Summerdale Elementary School
- Toyon Elementary School
- Vinci Park Elementary School
- Morrill Middle School
- Piedmont Middle School
- Sierramont Middle School

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www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/Potential-Measure 或致電
(408) 923-1800。

Si quisiera esta información en (vietnamita/mandarín/
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Potential-Measure](http://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/Potential-Measure) o llame al (408) 923-1800.

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Looking AHEAD to Support Outstanding Schools in Berryessa Union School District



Dear Berryessa Neighbor,

Welcome back to school! As we look ahead to another amazing year, we are thankful that we have such a dedicated team of teachers and staff ready to work with our outstanding students. We are proud of the innovative teaching and learning we provide our students here in the heart of Silicon Valley. Our teachers are top-notch and provide an excellent learning experience for our students, from Transitional Kindergarten through 8th grade, helping ensure they have the strong foundation to succeed in high school, college and beyond.

The start of a school year is a time of preparation and assessment, and this year we are also assessing the state of our classrooms and school facilities to ensure they can support our quality academic programs. Many of our facilities need improvements to ensure student safety, and classrooms and labs need to be upgraded to meet new and future educational standards. In addition, basic improvements and repairs to restrooms, roofs, heating and lighting are needed.

To upgrade our school facilities to continue supporting a quality education, the Berryessa Union School District Board of Trustees is considering placing a local school facilities bond measure on an upcoming ballot. Although no final decisions have been made, the measure would provide locally-controlled funding to upgrade our classrooms to support a safe and modern learning environment. All funds would stay local and could not be taken away by the State.

As the Board evaluates the state of our schools, we value your feedback and involvement. Please complete the enclosed survey or complete it online at www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/survey. Your input is critical and will help shape the future of our schools.

We look forward to our continued partnership!

Sincerely,

Roxane Fuentes

Dr. Roxane Fuentes



Basic Repairs and Safety Improvements

Although some of our classrooms and facilities have been updated recently, many of our facilities are decades old and in need of repairs to meet today's standards and ensure student safety. Safety and security improvements such as access control, security cameras and fire alarm systems are needed. In addition, upgrades to restrooms, plumbing, school kitchens and heating and cooling systems are needed.

Modern Classrooms to Support 21st-Century Education

Here in the heart of Silicon Valley, we know that the requirements for success are rapidly changing. Providing up-to-date classrooms, labs and learning technology is an essential component of preparing students to succeed in the competitive economy, and yet many of our classrooms are outdated and need to be upgraded to meet today's standards.



Potential Local Facilities Measure

To update and improve our schools to support a high-quality education, the Berryessa Union School District Board of Trustees is considering placing a local school facilities bond measure on an upcoming ballot. Although no final decisions have been made, a measure may cost \$28.50 per \$100,000 of assessed value per year for as long as bonds are outstanding and generate \$98 million in locally-controlled funding for our schools. The measure may:

- Make essential school safety and security improvements
- Update science, arts and math classrooms and labs for 21st-century learning
- Keep schools clean and well-maintained
- Replace aging fire alarms and communication systems
- Ensure playgrounds, walkways and fields meet current safety standards

Fiscal Accountability Would be Required

A local measure would require fiscal accountability, including:

- All funds would stay local to support improvements to Berryessa Union School District schools
- Funds could not be taken away by the State
- No funds could go to administrator salaries
- An independent citizen oversight committee would review expenditures

COMPLETE OUR SURVEY!

Please share your priorities for upgrading our classrooms and schools. Please complete the tear-off survey and mail it back or complete it online at www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/survey.

To learn more, visit www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/Potential-Measure.

Please rate the importance of the following school priorities:	Please rate the importance of the following school priorities:		
	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Make essential school safety and security improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Update science, arts and math classrooms and labs for 21st-century learning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep schools clean and well-maintained	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Replace aging fire alarms and communication systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure playgrounds, walkways and fields meet current safety standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you currently have children in Berryessa Union School District schools?
 Yes No

Comments/Questions:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
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