

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S

Look at your property tax bill for a list of the current school general obligation bonds that you are still paying with interest for the next 25 plus years.

Much of the work described in the Argument in Favor of Measure S is deferred maintenance of school properties for which the Education Code requires school districts to pay from a deferred maintenance fund. Now the District tells you that "Roofs leak and deteriorating portable classrooms, gas lines, plumbing, and outdated electrical systems need to be replaced."

If the District had been a good steward, repairs and replacements would have been completed as needed rather than waiting for an extension of a bond.

They claim "Voting Yes on S will not increase tax rates beyond what we already pay." Measure S just extends the time you will be paying this bond. Your children will graduate from college, get married, and YOU will be still paying this bond.

Since items listed in Measure S are not specific to any school site, the Measure is bait that gives the District a BLANK CHECK to squander bond dollars on whatever they want. Over fifty percent of your property taxes go to schools. As property values are increasing schools will be receiving more money.

NO MORE TAXES! -- Taxpayers are facing with high costs of food, energy, utilities and automobile fuel. And let's not even mention the looming recession. Join overtaxed property owners-VOTE NO on Measure S.

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