

Measure A is about one thing – protecting the quality of education in our San Mateo-Foster City community.

The opponents of Measure A offer no solutions to address the legitimate needs of our local schools and their argument is simply incorrect.

Here are the facts about Measure A:

- Our current parcel tax is expiring. Measure A renews this important assessment.
- Measure A increases what we currently pay by \$8 per month, which is a reasonable amount to protect quality education and local property values.
- Measure A will be in effect for 7 years only.
- Measure A funds can only be used to directly benefit our students, attract and retain quality teachers, keep school libraries open, provide art and music programs for children and support small class sizes.
- **All Measure A funds will stay in our community to benefit local schools and children.**
- An independent fiscal advisory committee will ensure funds are spent solely to maintain quality classroom instruction.
- Senior citizens are eligible for a full exemption, which ensures that Measure A does not burden those living on a fixed income.
- Measure A provides a frugal, responsible plan to maintain quality classroom instruction.

Our excellent schools depend on community support. We cannot ignore what is happening to school funding in California today. Measure A is essential to protect local schools from further budget cuts.

Please vote YES on Measure A

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