



**COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**

**Sample Ballot and  
Voter Information Pamphlet**

**SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

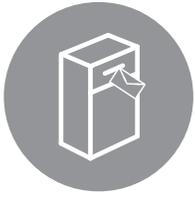
**SPECIAL VOTE BY MAIL ELECTION**

**NO POLLING PLACES WILL BE  
UTILIZED FOR THIS ELECTION**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2017**

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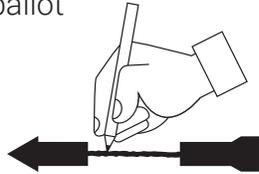




# MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT

## STEPS TO ENSURE YOUR VOTE COUNTS

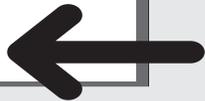
- Use black or blue ballpoint pen **only**
- To vote, **completely** connect the arrow pointing to your “YES” or “NO” choice
- Make sure you clearly mark your ballot



MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
YES	←
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## MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT



Remember to sign the back of your return envelope.

## RETURN YOUR BALLOT EARLY

AUGUST						
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27	28	29	30	31		

- Mail your ballot by August 24th to ensure it is received in time to be processed.



Ballots can be dropped off at any of the following locations:

- **Alameda County Registrar of Voters Office**  
1225 Fallon Street, Room G-1, Oakland, CA 94612  
Monday–Friday from 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Election Day from 7:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
- **24-Hour Drop Boxes**  
Alameda County Administration Building  
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612
- **San Leandro City Hall**  
835 E 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94577

**Our 24-hour drop boxes will be open until 8:00pm on Election Day.**

# ATTENTION

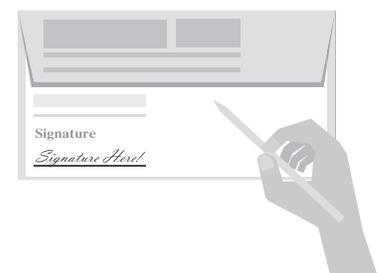
## SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTERS

- This is a special Vote By Mail election; ballots will be automatically mailed to all registered voters who reside in the San Leandro Unified School District.
- **NO** polling places will be utilized for this election.
- **NO** postage necessary to return the ballot.
- If you are unable to enter the Courthouse building because of age or physical disability, you will be allowed to vote either in your vehicle or near the Courthouse building. To make an appointment or arrangements, please contact our office at (510) 272-6933.
- Disability Rights California will operate an Election Day Hotline: 1-888-569-7955 from 7:00 a.m.– 8:00 p.m.

### \*IMPORTANT DATES

- **JULY 31, 2017** - First day of early voting at the Registrar of Voters office
- **JULY 31, 2017** - First day to mail Vote By Mail ballots to Voters
- **AUGUST 14, 2017** - Last day to register to vote for this election
- Ballots must be in the Alameda County Registrar of Voters office or an official ballot drop box **no later than 8pm on AUGUST 29, 2017.**
- Mail your ballot by **AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>** to ensure it is received in time to be processed. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Registrar of Voters office no later than **SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>.**

AUGUST						
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**!** Don't forget to sign the back of your Vote By Mail return envelope

\*If date falls on a holiday, deadline will be on the following business day.

## OFFICIAL BALLOT / BOLETA OFICIAL

SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, SPECIAL VOTE BY MAIL ELECTION  
 ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DE VOTACIÓN POR CORREO, DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE SAN LEANDRO  
 ALAMEDA COUNTY / CONDADO DE ALAMEDA  
 AUGUST 29, 2017 / 29 DE AGOSTO DE 2017

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: USE BLACK OR BLUE BALLPOINT PEN ONLY.

To vote on any measure, complete the arrow after the word "Yes" or "No."



### INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS VOTANTES: USE UN BOLÍGRAFO CON TINTA NEGRA O AZUL SOLAMENTE.

Para votar por cualquier medida, complete la flecha después de la palabra "Sí" o "No."

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES							
SCHOOL ESCUELA							
<p><b>B</b> <b>Maintaining Quality Schools for San Leandro.</b> To attract and retain highly qualified teachers, and to continue programs to improve core education in our local schools, particularly in math, science, technology and the arts, support manageable class sizes, and school libraries, shall the San Leandro Unified School District renew its existing parcel tax for 14 years at a rate of \$78 per year, with an exemption for seniors, independent fiscal oversight, no money for administration, and all money benefiting San Leandro students?</p> <p><b>Mantener escuelas de calidad para San Leandro.</b> Para atraer y conservar maestros altamente calificados, y para continuar programas destinados a mejorar la educación básica en nuestras escuelas locales, especialmente en matemáticas, ciencias, tecnología y las artes, brindar apoyo para que el tamaño de las clases sea razonable, y a las bibliotecas escolares, ¿deberá el Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Leandro renovar por 14 años su impuesto actual sobre parcelas, por la cantidad de \$78 dólares por año, con exención para personas de la tercera edad, con supervisión fiscal de carácter independiente, sin destinar dinero a la administración, y que todo el dinero sea para el beneficio de los estudiantes en San Leandro?</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>YES SÍ</td> <td>←</td> <td>↑</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NO NO</td> <td>←</td> <td>↑</td> </tr> </table>	YES SÍ	←	↑	NO NO	←	↑
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# Sample Ballot

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# VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN:

## Measure Information

ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR  
IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS  
ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: [ACVOTE.ORG](http://ACVOTE.ORG)

If you have questions about voting procedures, please call  
(510) 267-8683



The Registrar of Voters Office provides  
the measure information in an audio file  
on Soundcloud or on a CD Format  
(Mailed by Request).

Please call (510) 272-6933 for CD  
Requests.

### To listen online, visit:

[soundcloud.com/acvote](http://soundcloud.com/acvote)

**TTY:** (510) 208-4967

## ACCESSIBLE TOUCHSCREEN/ AUDIO VOTING MACHINE



### An Accessible Touchscreen/Audio Voting Machine Is Provided To Assist Voters With Disabilities.

- Available at the Registrar of Voters Office  
July 31 - August 29, Monday - Friday · 8:30am - 5:00pm  
Election Day · 7:00am - 8:00pm  
1225 Fallon St., Room G-1  
Oakland, CA 94612
- Available on Election Day, August 29 · 7:00am - 8:00pm  
San Leandro City Hall Lobby  
835 E 14th Street  
San Leandro, CA 94577

**Reminder:** in order to utilize the accessible voting machine at the  
San Leandro location, your Vote by Mail ballot and white return  
envelope must be surrendered.

# SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE B

<p style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0;"><b>B</b> <b>Maintaining Quality Schools for San Leandro.</b> To attract and retain highly qualified teachers, and to continue programs to improve core education in our local schools, particularly in math, science, technology and the arts, support manageable class sizes, and school libraries, shall the San Leandro Unified School District renew its existing parcel tax for 14 years at a rate of \$78 per year, with an exemption for seniors, independent fiscal oversight, no money for administration, and all money benefiting San Leandro students?</p>	<b>YES</b>
	<b>NO</b>

required or authorized to be funded from the proceeds of the parcel tax as identified in the measure.

If less than two-thirds of the qualified electors voting on this measure vote for approval, the measure will fail, and the District will not be authorized to levy the special tax outlined above.

This measure is placed on the ballot by the governing board of the District.

s/DONNA R. ZIEGLER  
County Counsel

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure B, which is printed in full in this sample ballot pamphlet. If you desire an additional copy of the measure, please call the Elections Official's office at (510) 272-6933 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also access the full text of the measure on the Alameda County website at the following address: [www.acgov.org/rov/](http://www.acgov.org/rov/).

## COUNTY COUNSEL'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE B

### ANALYSIS BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL OF A SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL PARCEL TAX MEASURE

Measure B, a San Leandro Unified School District ("District") special parcel tax measure, seeks voter approval to authorize the District to levy an annual special parcel tax on each parcel of taxable real property for 14 years commencing with fiscal year 2018-2019.

School districts have the authority to levy special taxes upon approval by two-thirds of the votes cast on special tax measures pursuant to Article XIII A, Section 4 and Article XIII C, Section 2 of the California Constitution and sections 50075-50077, 50079, and 53722 of the California Government Code.

If two-thirds of the qualified electors voting on this measure vote for approval, the District will impose a special tax on all parcels of taxable real property annually for 14 years. The tax rate will be \$78 per parcel per year. For purposes of this special parcel tax, "parcel" means any unit of land that receives a separate tax bill for *ad valorem* property taxes from the Alameda County Tax Collector.

The Alameda County Tax Collector will collect the tax at the same time and in the same manner as *ad valorem* property taxes. An exemption shall be available to persons who: (1) are 65 years of age or over; (2) occupy a parcel as his/her principal residence; and (3) apply to the District for this exemption. All property that would otherwise be exempt from property taxes shall also be exempt from this tax.

If the measure passes, the funding revenue will be used for the specific purposes set forth in the full text of the measure printed in this sample ballot pamphlet, including: supporting core math, science and reading programs; attracting and retaining teachers; maintaining classroom instructional technology; etc. The measure further provides that the monies collected shall be accounted for separately and expended only for those specified purposes. The funds will not pay for administration. The measure provides for a citizens' oversight committee and annual reports outlining the amount of education parcel tax funds collected and expended and the status of any project

## **ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B**

## **NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE B WAS SUBMITTED**

For the last five years, the San Leandro community has supported our schools with a small local parcel tax to fund core academic programs in math, science, technology, and the arts, and to maintain manageable class sizes. Measure B will continue this critical funding that is due to expire.

This assessment, one of the smallest in the state, is about \$6 a month. Seniors, as before, are exempt.

Measure B provides funding for the recruitment and retention of highly qualified teachers and staff, school libraries, and important educational programs.

Due in part to community support, the San Leandro Unified School District continues to make strides to improve the quality of education. The continued improvement of our local schools is the number one reason young families choose to live in San Leandro. Quality neighborhood schools help to maintain and improve local property values.

Even if you do not have school age-children, support of this measure is a wise investment. Measure B funds can only be spent on programs listed in the measure and approved by voters. NO funds can be taken away by the State or used to pay administrators' salaries. Every penny raised will be used for students in our local schools.

Mandatory annual independent audits will ensure a clear system of fiscal accountability.

San Leandro seniors, community leaders, parents, teachers and business leaders support Measure B.

Measure B is essential to maintain and improve the quality of our local public schools.

Please vote Yes. Thank you.

s/PAULINE RUSSO CUTTER

Mayor, City of San Leandro

s/DIANA PROLA

President, San Leandro USD

s/MONIQUE M. TATE

Vice President, San Leandro USD

s/TANIESCHA LA ROSSA

Parent of students in San Leandro USD

s/KATE MILLER

Parent of students in San Leandro USD

## FULL TEXT OF MEASURE B

### INTRODUCTION

“To attract and retain highly qualified teachers, and to continue programs to improve core education in our local schools, particularly in math, science, technology and the arts, support manageable class sizes, and school libraries, shall the San Leandro Unified School District renew its existing parcel tax for 14 years at a rate of \$78 per year, with an exemption for seniors, independent fiscal oversight, no money for administration, and all money benefiting San Leandro students?”

### PURPOSES

To provide local revenue that cannot be taken by the State and to maintain high-quality public education in schools in the San Leandro Unified School District (the “District”), the District proposes to levy and collect an education parcel tax annually for 14 years as more fully described below under “EDUCATION PARCEL TAX AND PROCEDURES,” and to implement accountability measures in connection with the education parcel tax and to provide oversight and accountability to ensure that funds are used only for the following specific purposes:

- Attracting and retaining qualified teachers,
- Supporting core academic math, science and reading programs,
- Providing for student safety,
- Maintaining open libraries,
- Maintaining and providing classroom computers and instructional technology,
- Maintaining P.E., art and music programs, and
- Maintaining class sizes.

The Board of Education will not fund any program other than those listed above from the proceeds of the education parcel tax.

### EDUCATION PARCEL TAX AND PROCEDURES

*Amount of Education Parcel Tax.* Subject to two-thirds approval of the voters, the education parcel tax of \$78 per parcel (except exempt parcels, as described below) shall become effective for 14 years commencing with fiscal year 2018-19 and be collected by the Alameda County Tax Collector at the same time as and along with, and shall be subject to the same penalties as general *ad valorem* taxes collected by said tax collector.

*Definition of Parcel.* A parcel shall be defined as any unit of land in the District that receives a separate tax bill from the Alameda County Tax Collector.

*Exemptions.* The following exemptions shall apply to the levy of the qualified special tax.

- *Otherwise Exempt Property.* All property that would otherwise be exempt from property taxes shall also be exempt from the education parcel tax.
- *Senior Citizen Exemption.* An exemption shall be available to persons who are 65 years or older and own and occupy as a principal residence a parcel

(as defined above) and apply to the District for such exemption under procedures established by the District or otherwise as required by law or by the Alameda County Tax Collector.

Property owners seeking the senior citizen exemption must apply to the District for such exemption under procedures established by the District or otherwise as required by law or by the Alameda County Tax Collector. The procedures established by the District will provide that seniors that qualified for the senior exemption in connection with the 2012 voter-approved parcel tax (Measure L) through the 2017-18 tax year will not have to re-submit an exemption application in order to qualify for the senior exemption described in this measure.

*Exclusive Procedures.* The procedures described herein with respect to the levy and collection of the education parcel tax and exemptions, and any additional procedures established by the Board of Education of the District, shall be the exclusive claims procedure for claimants seeking an exemption, refund, reduction, or re-computation of the qualified special tax. Whether any particular claim is to be resolved by the District or by the County shall be determined by the District, in coordination with the County as necessary. The District’s Board of Education may adopt such additional or supplemental procedures as it deems necessary or convenient for the administration of the education parcel tax.

### ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

*Government Code Accountability.* In accordance with the requirements of California Government Code sections 50075.1 and 50075.3, the following accountability measures, among others, shall apply to the qualified special taxes levied in accordance with this Measure:

- the specific purposes of the education parcel tax shall be those purposes identified above under the heading “PURPOSES,”
- the proceeds of the education parcel tax shall be applied only to those specific purposes identified above under the heading “PURPOSES,”
- a separate, special account shall be created into which the proceeds of the education parcel tax must be deposited; and
- the chief fiscal officer of the District shall file an annual written report with the Board of Education of the District showing (1) the amount of funds collected and expended from the proceeds of the education parcel tax and (2) the status of any projects, programs, or purposes identified above under the heading “PURPOSES.”

*Citizens’ Oversight Committee.* In addition to the accountability measures required by the Government Code, an independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Education to advise the Board on the expenditures funded by the measure in order to ensure that said funds are spent for the purposes approved by the voters. The Citizens’ Oversight Committee will monitor the expenditures of these funds by the District and

will report on an annual basis to the Board and community on how these funds have been spent. The Committee may be combined with the District's existing bond oversight committee.

### **PROTECTION OF FUNDING**

Current law forbids any decrease in State or Federal funding to the District because of the District's adoption of an education parcel tax. However, if any State or Federal funds are reduced because of the adoption of this education parcel tax, then the amount of the education parcel tax will be reduced annually as necessary in order to restore such State or Federal funding.

### **SEVERABILITY**

The Board of Education of the District hereby declares, and the voters by approving this measure concur, that every section, paragraph, sentence and clause of this measure has independent value, and the Board of Education and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law.

# GO GREEN AND SAVE TAX DOLLARS

## Opt-out of receiving your Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet by mail

Beginning January 1, 2011, State Law (AB 1717) allows voters to “go green” by choosing to opt-out of receiving their sample ballot and voter information pamphlet by mail and accessing it online instead. Choosing the online option will help reduce County costs and save tax dollars.

If you would like to opt-out of receiving your Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet by mail, simply log on to “My Voter Profile” at [www.acgov.org/rov/profile.htm](http://www.acgov.org/rov/profile.htm) and change your status.

Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlets are available online approximately 40 days before an election.



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FOR VOTER ASSISTANCE CALL:  
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中文 – (510) 208-9665

유권자 지원이 필요하시면 아래의 전화번호로 연락하십시오.  
한국어 – (510) 272-5037

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हिंदी: (510) 272-5035

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LLAME AL (510) 272-6975

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PARA SA TULONG PANG-BOTANTE TUMAWAG SA  
TAGALOG: (510) 272-6952

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