

# MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Building Strong Madera Foundations

In Madera Unified School District (MUSD) we strive to provide every student with a well-rounded education that equips them with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in college and careers.

#### **Preparing Students for Successful Futures**

Student achievement in MUSD is on the rise, and our schools are educating the next generation of Madera leaders, ensuring they are prepared for college and careers, and to contribute to our local economy. While some upgrades have been made to MUSD facilities, more career technical education program (CTE) facilities are needed to prepare students for good jobs and 21st-century careers.



#### **Addressing Growing Student Enrollment**

Since 2005, MUSD has built and opened six new schools in an effort to accommodate continued increasing student enrollment. Thanks to the generous support of our community passing Measure G in 2014, MUSD broke ground on our new high school, Matilda Torres High School, in April. It is scheduled to open in August 2020 and serve 2,200 students.

Our elementary and middle schools are also facing significant overcrowding. To address increased enrollment and enable the District to continue providing local students with a high-quality education, the District needs to build a new middle school, expand and improve current classrooms, labs and student support facilities.

### **Measure M: Local Funding for Facilities Improvements**

In order to address student overcrowding and provide safe and modern classrooms for local students, the MUSD Board of Education voted to place Measure M, a \$120 million bond measure, on the November 2018 ballot. If approved by 55% of voters, Measure M would:

- Construct a new concurrent enrollment middle school to reduce student overcrowding and provide career technical education programs in areas like agriculture, engineering, robotics and public safety
- Construct new school facilities to accommodate our growing community
- Make student safety and security improvements and improve accessibility for students with disabilities
- Improve student access to computers and modern technology
- Upgrade physical education fields and facilities for school and community use
- Modernize outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities and replace temporary portables with permanent classrooms

## Mandatory Fiscal Accountability

Measure M contains mandatory fiscal accountability provisions to ensure proper use of funds, including:

- All funds must stay local to improve MUSD schools
- By law, no funds could be taken by the State
- An independent citizens' oversight committee and annual audits would ensure funds are spent as voters intended
- Measure M would cost property owners approximately \$49 per \$100,000 of assessed (not market) property value

Need more information or want to provide feedback?

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