

Los Altos School District (LASD) schools are regularly ranked in the top 1% of all schools in California. All our neighborhood schools have been recognized as California Distinguished Schools and five as National Blue Ribbon Schools. This was possible because of our small class sizes and innovative academic programs, taught by the highest-quality teachers who are dedicated to the success of their students.

High Cost of Living Is Pricing Out Local Teachers

We live in one of the most expensive places in the country. As a result, our teachers struggle to afford to live in the community they serve. LASD is committed to attracting and retaining the skilled, experienced, and dedicated teachers needed to maintain high-quality education in our schools. However, due to unstable and inadequate state funding, LASD teachers are among the lowest paid in Santa Clara County. Reliable, local funding could help ensure that LASD teachers don't leave for higher paying districts.



Local Funding for Our Schools

For over 30 years, LASD voters have authorized locally controlled parcel tax funding for our neighborhood schools. A portion of this funding is set to expire, which means that LASD is facing nearly \$3 million in annual cuts unless authorization is renewed.

The LASD Board of Trustees has placed Measure A on the November 7, 2023 ballot to renew this \$223 per parcel per year funding source for 8 years with a \$72 increase and annual adjustments to ensure that LASD can continue to attract and retain the highest-quality teachers.

Measure A: Funding Teachers and Academic Programs

If approved by voters, funding from Measure A could continue to be used to:



Attract and retain highly qualified teachers



Protect programs in reading, writing, science, technology, engineering, arts, and math



Maintain high-quality neighborhood schools

Fiscal Accountability and Local Control

Measure A includes fiscal accountability requirements, including:

- Proceeds would be controlled locally and could not be taken away by the State
- None of the money raised could be used for administrators' salaries or pensions
- Independent citizens' oversight and mandatory annual audits would help ensure Measure A funds are spent as promised – visit tinyurl.com/LosAltosSDCACF to read the latest report from the LASD Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance
- Senior citizen homeowners would continue to be eligible for an exemption from Measure A

Learn More! To learn more about Measure A, please scan the QR code at right or visit www.lasdschools.org/District/5415-Parcel-Tax.html.

