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# Reminder to Voters: LBUSD Measure E is on Your November Ballot



## Public Service Announcement

Voters living in the Long Beach Unified School District boundaries should have begun receiving election handbooks and ballots. This year, there are multiple state propositions on the November ballot.

The LBUSD Board of Education placed Measure E, the Long Beach Unified School District Repair and Safety Measure, on the November ballot.

To learn about the statewide ballot measures, visit: [www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures/qualified-ballot-measures](http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures/qualified-ballot-measures).

To learn more about your local elections, visit: [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net).

To learn more about Measure E, go to *Measure E* in the A-Z index at [lbschools.net](http://lbschools.net).

### Measure E Official Ballot Question

<p>LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REPAIR AND SAFETY MEASURE. To improve outdated classrooms/neighborhood schools by: improving technology/labs/career education classrooms/electrical systems/wiring; upgrading handicapped accessibility/earthquake safety; upgrading bathrooms, fire alarms/sprinklers/security cameras; removing lead paint/asbestos; installing air conditioning; improving student health/physical education; repairing/constructing/acquiring facilities/equipment, shall Long Beach Unified School District issue \$1,500,000,000 in bonds, at legal rates, requiring independent audits, citizens' oversight, no money for administrators' salaries/pensions; and all funds used locally?</p>	Yes
	No

Measure E is a \$1.5 billion local education bond. If enacted, it would cost homeowners approximately \$5 per \$100,000 of assessed – not market – valuation per month.

# Measure E Priority School Projects List

## Excerpted from Official Measure E Project List

The Board of Education (the "Board") of the Long Beach Unified School District (the "District") continually evaluates the District's urgent and critical school needs, including retention of quality teachers, student health and safety, competing in a global economy, school repair issues, seismic safety requirements, energy and water efficiency and aging, outdated or deteriorating school buildings, in developing the scope of projects to be funded, as provided in the Long Beach Unified School District Facility Master Plan, which was most recently updated by the Board on June 6, 2016 ([www.lbschools.net](http://www.lbschools.net)) (as updated from time to time, the "Facility Master Plan"). In developing the scope of projects for the Facility Master Plan, parents, teachers, staff, students and community members were engaged to prioritize the key health and safety and repair needs so that the most critical school site needs are addressed. The Board continually conducts a thorough evaluation at all school sites in developing the scope of projects to be funded, as provided in the Facility Master Plan.

In approving the following Priority School Projects List, the Board has determined that:

- (i) all of its schools must be healthy and safe from excessive heat, earthquake risks and hazardous materials such as asbestos, mold and fire dangers; and
- (ii) in repairing aging schools, priority shall be given to basic repairs, such as leaky roofs, plumbing and electrical and utility systems; and
- (iii) all of its schools should be safe learning environments, free from gang or drug influence; and
- (iv) the District will allocate to the extent possible proceeds of the Bonds equitably among the communities that constitute the District, including Long Beach, Signal Hill, Lakewood and Catalina Island; and
- (v) priority will be given to installation and upgrading fire detection systems, providing security and emergency response systems at every school so that all students are safe, and making repairs in compliance with energy saving and sustainability standards; and
- (vi) Bond projects should be managed by professional program/construction managers with a proven track record of delivering school construction projects on time and on budget; and
- (vii) the District will apply for State matching funds and spend any local Bond money exclusively on schools and facilities within the District.

### School Renovation; Repair and Upgrade Projects

**Goal and Purpose:** Schools will benefit from the renovation, repair and upgrade of deteriorating, outdated school buildings, science labs, classrooms, computer learning centers and school libraries and equipment, allowing all children to have the resources they need to learn and excel.

The following projects from the Priority School Projects List will be implemented to further the foregoing goal and purpose:

- Install energy efficient air-conditioning systems.
- Repair, upgrade and replace worn-out leaking roofs.
- Upgrade security features, including outdated emergency communications systems, lighting and fencing.
- Upgrade electrical systems and wiring for computer technology and internet access.
- Upgrade aging and deteriorating school bathrooms.
- Replace existing wiring systems to meet current electrical and accessibility codes and increase capacity.
- Replace existing water, sewer and plumbing systems to meet current codes, including the elimination of lead-containing fixtures.

- Replace older ceilings, heating, ventilation and lighting systems with building-code compliant, energy efficient systems.
- Install code-compliant ventilating systems in bathrooms.
- Upgrade and repair classrooms, science labs, multipurpose rooms, indoor and outdoor physical education facilities, including pools, athletic fields and physical education resources, kitchens, auditoriums, libraries, arts and music rooms, and childcare, preschool, after-school recreational programming, adult education and educational support spaces.
- Improve facilities to comply with Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility upgrades including site access, parking, staff and student bathrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment, and other similar items.
- Replace old, portable classrooms.
- Repair aging schools.

### School, Teacher and Student Health and Safety, Earthquake Safety and Energy Efficiency School Projects

**Goal and Purpose:** To attract and retain excellent teachers and provide a healthy and safe learning environment and to maintain existing childcare and after-school recreational programming in local schools.

The following projects from the Priority School Projects List will be implemented to further the foregoing goal and purpose:

- Install energy efficient air-conditioning systems.
- Improve emergency communications systems in neighborhood schools.
- Remove or abate asbestos, lead paint, mold and hazardous materials.
- Retrofit classrooms and schools to meet earthquake safety standards.
- Upgrade fire alarm systems, safety doors and sprinkler systems.
- Upgrade and repair schools to meet current handicap accessibility requirements.
- Upgrade gas pipe systems.
- Replace/upgrade existing signage, bells and clocks.
- Install/replace/upgrade security fencing.
- Replace/upgrade existing security and irrigation systems.
- Install energy efficient systems.
- Replace existing window systems with energy efficient systems.
- Install new security systems, such as security (surveillance) cameras, outdoor lighting, fencing, and gates.
- Upgrade emergency communication systems.
- Upgrade site playground equipment replacement to meet current safety standards.
- Replace and/or improve outdoor education facilities.
- Add or improve student drop-off areas for safety.
- Inspect and improve play area fields for safety and drainage.
- Replace aging and deteriorating doors, doorframes and ceilings.
- Upgrade school site parking, utilities and grounds.
- Retrofit and repair schools and classrooms to meet safety standards.

**\*Mailing provided for informational purposes to describe the practical effects of Measure E. This information sheet does not advocate a yes or no vote on this measure.**

For the full text of the project list and the school district's Facility Master Plan, go to *Measure E* in the A-Z index at [lbschools.net](http://lbschools.net).