

**BALLOT MEASURE
FULL TEXT OF MEASURE I-10
ATASCADERO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

“To expand vocational education programs and facilities; upgrade classroom computers and technology; construct a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics facility; rebuild and replace roofs; and repair, renovate, construct and acquire classrooms and facilities throughout the District; shall Atascadero Unified School District be authorized to issue \$117 million of bonds within legal interest rates, so long as there is an independent local citizens’ oversight committee and no funds can be taken by the State and spent elsewhere?”

Bonds—Yes

Bonds—No

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this proposition by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$117 million in aggregated principal at interest rates below the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

Evaluation of Needs. The School Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The School Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, the potential for future class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee. The School Board shall establish an Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee under Education Code Section 15278 and following to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the school facilities projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the School Board.

Performance Audits. The School Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The School Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of school facilities including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, professional services required for the modernization, replacement, renovation, construction, and rebuilding of the school facilities projects and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List shown below is a part of the ballot proposition and must be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

Evaluation of Needs. As required by Article XIII A of the California Constitution, the Board of Trustees of the District has certified that it has evaluated safety, the potential for future class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the list of school facilities projects shown below.

Projects Subject to Available Funding. The following list of projects is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the bond proposition does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the proposition will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the bond proposition. The District's proposal for the projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond proposition.

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, construct, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve District facilities as described below. The specific school facilities projects which are described below include all related and incidental costs, including costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, site preparation, utilities, landscaping and other incidental costs, and construction management. Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property for future educational facilities and to acquire and install furniture, fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other facilities of the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects which are described below as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction, including unforeseen conditions such as dry rot and faulty engineering, and some of the projects may not be financed with bond proceeds depending upon actual project costs.

RENOVATION, MODERNIZATION, REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOLS FACILITIES

Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, construct, acquire, equip, rebuild and furnish the District's classrooms, restrooms, and facilities including but not limited to those located at:

Atascadero High	Monterey Road Elementary
Atascadero Junior High	San Benito Elementary
Carrisa Plains Elementary	San Gabriel Elementary
Creston Elementary	Santa Margarita Elementary
Del Rio Continuation High School	Santa Rosa Road Academic Academy
Fine Arts Academy	West Mall Alternative

Whenever specific items are included in the following list, they are presented to provide an example and are not intended to limit the generality of the broader description of authorized projects. Some of the projects listed below may not be financed with bond proceeds depending upon actual project costs.

- Expand the District's vocational education programs and facilities, such as welding and automotive technology, culinary arts, medical and health technology, and construction trades
- Upgrade classrooms with up-to-date computers and technology
- Construct a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics' facility at Atascadero High School
- Repair and replace roofs
- Meet handicap accessibility (ADA) requirements in restrooms and classrooms
- Upgrade and replace outdated heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems
- Repair, renovate and modernize outdated and aging classrooms and school facilities throughout the District
- Install solar and other energy cost saving systems
- Renovate restrooms throughout the District
- Upgrade playfields and athletic facilities throughout the District
- Construct and develop a Visual and Performing Arts Center at Atascadero High School
- Repurpose one of the existing high school buildings to accommodate a student and staff cafeteria including a staff development, meeting & classroom facility
- Renovate or relocate and reconstruct the downtown junior high campus
- Renovate or relocate and reconstruct the downtown Atascadero Fine Arts Academy