

TOPIC: **THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY BOND INITIATIVE**

DESCRIPTION: The California Public School Facility Bond Initiative, also known as Proposition 51, will be on the November 8, 2016 ballot. A "yes" vote supports the state issuing \$9 billion in bonds to fund improvement and construction of school facilities for K-12 schools and community colleges. A "no" vote opposes the state issuing \$9 billion in new debt to fund the improvement and construction of education facilities.

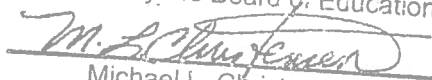
If voters approve Proposition 51, the proceeds from the \$9 billion in bonds would be allocated for the following purposes:

- \$3 billion for the construction of new school facilities
- \$500 million for providing school facilities for charter schools
- \$3 billion for the modernization of school facilities
- \$500 million for providing facilities for CTE programs
- \$2 billion for acquiring, constructing, renovating, and equipping community college facilities

FISCAL IMPACT: Possible matching funds for OUSD school modernizations

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 12-16-17 to support the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016

This is to certify that this item was approved by the Board of Education.



Michael L. Christensen
Superintendent and Secretary
Orange Unified School District

RESOLUTION NO. 12-16-17

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2016

WHEREAS, the California Constitution finds public education is a state responsibility in Article IX, Section 5; and

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 28 states that public schools shall be safe, secure and peaceful, and

WHEREAS, the state has met its constitutional responsibilities since 1982 by providing consistent state bond resources through programs contained in Division 1, Part 10, Article 12 and Article 12.5 of the Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the state is out of school facility funds and cannot provide the state match for almost \$2 billion in projects filed under current law; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Unified School District has millions of dollars in facility needs which may be partially funded by state bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 provides for renovation and upgrade of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms to accommodate growth, and for career technical education facilities to provide job training to meet the trained workforce needs of California's employers; and

WHEREAS, the California unemployment rate is greater than the national unemployment rate; and

WHEREAS, the 13,000 middle class jobs are created for each \$1 billion in school facility infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS, these jobs will be created throughout California and will include almost all building trades; and

WHEREAS, the new Local Control Funding Formula and Local Control Accountability Plan are intended to improve educational achievement for all students but do not provide dedicated facilities funding; and

WHEREAS, quality 21st century school facilities designed for student needs of today and tomorrow enhance academic achievement and further the state's academic goals; and

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Educational Facilities Bond Act of 2016 will not raise state taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Educational Facilities Bond Act of 2016 state matching funds will reduce the need for additional local property taxes for school facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Unified School District supports the Kindergarten through Community College Public Educational Facilities Bond Act of 2106.

I, Kathryn A. Moffat, Clerk of the Board of Education of the Orange Unified School District of Orange County, California, hereby certify that the above resolution was duly and regularly adopted by said Board at a meeting thereof held on the 13th day of October 2016 and passed by a vote of said Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of October, 2016.


Kathryn A. Moffat
Clerk of the Board