



**East Side Union High School District
General Obligation Technology Bond Measure I
November 4, 2014 Ballot Language**

Full Text of 2014 Technology Bond Measure I

To increase student computer access; upgrade educational software; keep pace with 21st century technological innovations; and implement statewide testing requirements at Andrew Hill, Calero, Evergreen Valley, Foothill, Independence, James Lick, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Piedmont Hills, Santa Teresa, Silver Creek, Yerba Buena, W.C. Overfelt, Adult-Ed, alternative and District charter schools; shall East Side Union High School District issue \$113,200,000 of bonds with rates below legal limits, independent citizen oversight, and no funds for administrators or use by the State?

Bonds -- Yes

Bonds -- No

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

The following impartial analysis was prepared for Measure I:

Upon approval of 55% of the votes cast by voters in an election and subject to specified accountability measures, California law permits school districts to issue bonds, secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property within a district, for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

The Board of Trustees (Board) of the East Side Union High School District (District) proposes issuing bonds in the amount of \$113,200,000. As identified in the measure, bond proceeds would be used for purposes including, but not limited to the following: (1) increasing computer access; (2) upgrading educational software; (3) keeping pace with 21st century technological innovations; and (4) implementing statewide testing requirements at Andrew Hill, Calero, Evergreen Valley, Foothill, Independence, James Lick, Mt. Pleasant, Oak Grove, Piedmont Hills, Santa Teresa, Silver Creek, Yerba Buena and W. C. Overfelt adult, alternative and District charter schools. A detailed list of projects and allowed expenditures is included within the full text of the measure. The District's resolution authorizing the sale and issuance of bonds does not include information about any other District debt obligations that may exist.

The California Constitution provides that proceeds of school district bond measures cannot be used for teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses, and requires independent annual performance and financial audits. State law requires the establishment of an independent citizens' oversight committee for ensuring that bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities on the bond project list included in Measure I.

The District's estimate of the maximum tax rate to be levied to fund the proposed bond issue during each fiscal year is \$9.00 per \$100,000 of assessed value. This includes the fiscal year after the initial sale of the bonds (2015-2016), and the fiscal year after the final sale of the bonds (2030-2031).

Measure I was placed on the ballot by the Board.

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize the issuance and sale of the bonds in the amount of up to \$113,200,000 to be secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property located within the District.

A "no" vote is a vote to not authorize the issuance and sale of the bonds in the amount of up to \$113,200,000 to be secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property located within the District.[2]