

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

Our local elementary, middle and high schools in Cabrillo Unified School District provide a high-quality education for students in our coastal community. With excellent teachers and strong academic programs in math, science, reading and writing, student achievement and test score are on the rise.

The district's award-winning Marine Sciences Program and Half Moon Bay High School's botany course—which is certified for University of California college credit—are testaments to our local schools' dedication to providing a well-rounded education.

But state cuts to education funding are threatening academic programs that help students succeed. In fact, our schools face a \$2.5 million budget shortfall, which could result in reduced educational programs, increased class sizes and the loss of excellent teachers. All of these budget reductions will impact student achievement and education in the classroom.

That is why your Yes vote on Measure E is critical — it will provide a stable, local source of revenue to protect our schools.

Best of all, Measure E funds cannot be taken away by the state. All funds will stay here in our Coastside schools to continue student achievement.

Vote Yes on E:

- Preserve strong academic programs including science, math, reading and writing
- Keep all schools open
- Retain qualified teachers
- Protect smaller class sizes
- Provide updated classroom computer technology

Measure E Provides Fiscal Protections

- Every penny of Measure E will stay here in our Coastside schools and cannot be taken away by the state
- No funds can be used for administrators' salaries
- A citizens' oversight committee will ensure funds are spent wisely to protect high quality academics
- An exemption is available for senior citizen homeowners

Measure E will protect the great education that the students in our community deserve. That is why parents, teachers, senior citizens and local leaders are voting Yes on Measure E. Please join us.

/s/ BJ Mackle Retired Deputy Superintendent	March 18, 2010
/s/ Thomas Cox Cabrillo Unified Teachers Association President	March 18, 2010
/s/ Nadia Bledsoe Popyack Midcoast Community Council Member, 1992-1994	March 19, 2010
/s/ Sandra Andreni Former PTO President	March 17, 2010
/s/ Lenny Mendonca Local Business Owner	March 16, 2010