

## PENN VALLEY UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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In Penn Valley Union Elementary School District, we have spent years evaluating our needs and planning for our future. At this point, Ready Springs is more than 60 years old, and Williams Ranch has gone nearly 30 years without modernization. Last fall, we commissioned a complete facilities assessment and confirmed that both schools have aging classrooms, restrooms, buildings, gas lines, plumbing, electrical systems, and leaky roofs. EVERYTHING needs significant repairs and upgrades so children have the opportunity to learn in safe, healthy schools. Vote YES on Measure J!

Since the beginning of 2019, the District has been sharing these needs and our priorities with the broader community, seeking feedback about what projects are most important, and the options we have to pay for them. With your input, considerable discussion, and careful deliberation, the Penn Valley Board unanimously decided to request local funding, placing Measure J on the ballot. Neither PVUESD nor either of the preceding districts has done so for many decades – but NOW we need the community to invest in our schools!

Vote YES on Measure J to:

- Repair aging classrooms, restrooms, leaky roofs, siding, dry-rot, and drinking water lines
- Repair and replace old infrastructure, including electrical, water and sewer systems
- Improve student health, safety and security
- Provide safe classrooms that are specially constructed to meet the needs of each student

The District is committed to doing this the right way and taxpayer safeguards are in place. Measure J requires:

- An independent Citizens' Oversight Committee
- Annual audits and public reports of bond expenditures
- A responsible repayment plan
- NO money for administrators' salaries or pensions
- All funds spent locally on Williams Ranch and Ready Spring schools

Educators, parents, seniors, business owners, and community leaders all know that we need Measure J because it will repair our schools and improve student health and safety.

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