



Lowell Joint School District

SAFE, MODERN SCHOOLS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

The Lowell Joint School District (LJSD) is committed to providing students with a well-balanced educational program that nurtures academic growth in a safe, modern environment. Our schools empower students to achieve success and expand learning beyond the walls of the classroom. We know our good schools improve the quality of life in our community and protect the value of our homes.

Neighborhood Schools Need Repairs and Upgrades:

We are proud of the excellent academic performance in our neighborhood schools, but the quality and condition of school facilities has not kept pace. All of our schools were built more than 50 years ago and desperately need repairs and upgrades. It's time to make essential repairs and upgrades to the schools, facilities and classroom technology in our beloved century-old district so we can serve our students and community well for decades to come.



Local Funding to Address Education Facility Needs

In order to make essential repairs and upgrades to our neighborhood schools, the Lowell Joint School District Board of Trustees voted unanimously to place Measure LL, a \$48 million local bond measure, on the November 2018 ballot.

If approved by 55% of voters, Measure LL would:

- Repair leaky roofs, old rusty plumbing and failing electrical systems
- Replace wood and support beams that have extensive termite damage and dry rot
- Renovate classroom facilities so they meet current building and safety standards
- Remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead paint from school sites
- Upgrade classrooms, school facilities and technology to support high-quality instruction in math, science, technology and the arts
- Improve student safety and campus security systems including security fencing, security cameras, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors and fire alarms
- Improve heating, ventilation, air conditioning, insulation and doors to increase energy efficiency
- Improve access to school facilities for students with disabilities

Guaranteed Fiscal Accountability:

- Measure LL requires citizens' oversight, independent audits and a detailed project list to ensure the funds are spent properly
- By law, none of the funds could be spent on administrators' salaries or benefits
- All funds would stay local to support our students and could not be taken by the State
- Measure LL would cost property owners no more than \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed value (not market value) per year, or about \$105 for the typical homeowner
- If voters approve Measure LL, the District would be eligible to receive over \$16 million in State matching funds that would otherwise go to other school districts

We Welcome Your Input

As we continue planning for the future of LJSD schools, we welcome your questions and comments. Please visit www.ljسد.org for more information.