

Argument Against Sequoia Union High School District \$265,000,000 Bond Issue

When school boards put bond measures like <u>Measure</u> before the voters, they are admitting that everything they are currently spending your tax dollars on now is more important than the projects for which this tax increase is being sought. Budgets set priorities. Sequoia Union High School District is saying every educational dollar spent today is going to something they consider a higher priority than having "student safety" and "computer and information technology".

Do you agree?

The website: www.ed-data.k12.ca.us shows at least 9,247 students in the district, which means the bond expense is \$28,657 per student NOT counting interest costs and repayment of principal and administration costs. When buying a home, truth in lending laws require you be informed about the real cost of buying a home. Shouldn't consumer laws apply to bond issues too? For example:

Borrowing \$265,000,000 and paying 3% interest for 25 years means annual payments of \$15,079,920 in principal and interest for a total lifetime cost of \$376,998,000.

As a taxpayer, you deserved to know the full truth about measure ___.

Instead of paying \$15,079,920 (principal & interest) every year for "student safety", your educational dollars will be going to big banks, investment brokers, and other wealthy people to be used as a tax shelter. Is this the best use of your tax dollars?

What's more important to you?

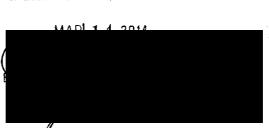
- 1. Spending \$15,079,920 a year on building "safety" and "energy efficiency".
- 2. Spending \$15,079,920 a year to fund tax shelters for big banks, investment brokers, and the rich.

If you value children's health and safety more than funding tax shelters, vote NO on Measure _.

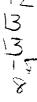
If you value school maintenance more than making interest payments for 25 years, vote NO on Measure _.

For more information: http://www.svtaxpayers.org/Sequoia-High-Union_

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