The authors of the argument against Measure B don't live in our Burlingame community. If they did, they'd understand—like we do—that our schools are the pride of our community, with high student test scores, excellent teachers and great academic programs.

Most importantly, **Measure B will protect our excellent schools without raising taxes by a single penny.** It will renew existing, voter-approved local funding for our elementary and middle schools that is due to expire in the next school year.

We all know that state funding for education is unreliable. That's why it's essential that we vote Yes on Measure B to renew local funds that go directly to Burlingame schools and cannot be taken away by the state.

Vote Yes on Measure B to protect the keys to great education:

- Reading, writing, math and science programs
- A well-rounded academic curriculum, including art and music programs
- School library services
- Small class sizes in first through third grades
- Funding for books, classroom supplies and instructional materials
- Qualified teachers

Measure B is fiscally responsible, including citizen oversight and an exemption for senior citizens who are living on fixed incomes. No funds can be used for administrators' salaries. Measure B cannot be renewed without voter approval.

We know that Burlingame is a desirable place to live because our excellent schools attract new families to our neighborhoods year after year.

Please join Burlingame parents, teachers and community leaders in voting YES on Measure B to protect great education for local students.

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