Vote Yes on Measure B to renew existing local funding for our excellent Burlingame elementary and middle schools without increasing taxes.

Burlingame School District provides an exceptional education for the local students in our neighborhoods. Over half of the district’s schools have been recognized as “Distinguished Schools” by the state. Due to top-notch teachers and strong academic programs, local students continue to excel year after year achieving top scores on statewide exams.

That is why voting Yes on Measure B is so important — it will continue our local tradition of academic excellence and student success by renewing local education funding that is due to expire next school year.

Every penny of these funds goes directly to our neighborhood schools and cannot be taken away by the state.

Voting Yes on Measure B will:

- Maintain math and science programs
- Support art and music programs in our schools
- Protect school library services
- Maintain small class sizes in first through third grades
- Protect funding for books, classroom supplies and instructional materials
- Attract and retain qualified teachers

Measure B is fiscally sound:

- It will not increase taxes by a single penny
- All funds go directly to Burlingame schools and cannot be taken away by the state
- No funds can be used for administrators’ salaries
- A senior citizen exemption is available
- Measure B expires in 10 years and cannot be renewed without voter approval
- Citizen oversight and annual audits ensure funds will be used wisely

As the state continues to be an unreliable partner in education funding, our Burlingame schools need Measure B more than ever to protect the keys to student success — strong academic programs, small class sizes and great teachers.

Please join hundreds of parents, teachers and Burlingame neighbors and vote YES on Measure B to continue academic excellence in our community.

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