Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. If the measure is presented to voters pursuant to an initiative petition in a special district election, please contact the Elections Office for special instructions.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300

Ballot Measure [ ] for the [ ] to be held on [11/3/15]

☐ Primary Argument in Favor of

☐ Primary Argument Against

This argument is submitted by: (check all that apply)

☐ The Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District

If this argument is filed by the governing body of the County of San Mateo, a school district or a special district, fill in the name of the governing body on the line below and complete both sides of this form.

Contact Person’s Printed Name: Contact Person’s Signature:

Title:

Phone: Email:

☐ Member(s) of the Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District

If this argument is filed by any member(s) of the governing body, fill in the information below and complete both sides of this form. By statute, members of school district governing boards need board authorization to file an argument.

Member(s) of the Governing Body: Name of Governing Body:

Contact Person’s Printed Name: Contact Person’s Signature:

Title:

Phone: Email:

☐ Bona Fide Association of Citizens/Organization

If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association/organization, be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf, provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the organization, and complete both sides of this form.

Name of Association/Organization:

[Sierra Club Taxpayer Association]

Principal Officer’s Printed Name and Title: Principal Officer’s Signature:

Mark Hinkle, President

Contact Person’s Printed Name: Email:

Mark Hinkle

Phone: Fax:

☐ Individual(s) eligible to vote on the measure

Individual signers must be eligible to vote on the measure.

Contact Person: Phone:

Mailing Address:

Fax: Email:

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

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MARK CHURCH, Chief Elections Officer

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Primary Argument Signers Form

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.

Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below.

If the signers are part of a bona fide association/organization, there is no requirement that they be eligible to vote on the measure. However, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer's name shall list the name of that bona fide association/organization and may include their position within that association/organization.

By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

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Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.
Argument Against the Redwood City Elementary School District
$193,000,000 Bond Issue: Measure T

In 2012, voters in the District passed a parcel tax. Now, they’re back for more loot.

$193,000,000 is a lot more loot.

The School District Board says “all of the District’s schools are more than 50 years old”

Do you replace your home because it’s over 50 years old? Clearly no.

Just because a building is old, doesn’t make it unusable or unsafe.

They claim this bond measure is needed to provide 21st century classrooms for 9,150 students or $21,092 expense per student.

If class size is 25 students, let’s do the math: 25 students times $21,092 equals $527,322 per classroom.

At over half a million dollars per classroom, those must be some classrooms.

But, do betters teachers make better students or do betters classrooms make better students?

Finally, school bonds, just like mortgages, have to be paid back, in full, plus interest. These interest payments (tax money from you) don’t go to teachers, libraries, computers, or maintenance, etc.; they just go to service the debt.

Debt you have to pay for. Debt your children will have to pay for and debt your grandchildren will have to pay for. Bonds can last up to 40 years!!!

Is this the best use of your tax dollars? At some point, enough is enough!

If you oppose this huge debt burden, please vote NO on Measure T.

Make the School Board pay attention to you: no means no!!!
You can be for schools, for students, and against Measure X.

More information: www.SVTaxpayers.org/redwood-city-elementary-bond