

Yes on Measure BB
Ballot Argument Rebuttal
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Measure BB is a comprehensive plan to keep Santa Monica and Malibu's 12,000 students safe in our 16 neighborhood schools.

Many of our schools are over 60 years old and are showing their age. As with an older home our schools need safety repairs, upgrades and modernization.

Measure BB is about replacing 60 year old plumbing and electrical systems, upgrading classrooms that were built for typewriters – not computers – and removing the dangerous asbestos that was commonly used decades ago in our schools. **Measure BB** also provides the foundation for the improvements envisioned by the hundreds of citizens who participated in recent public meetings.

By law, independent audits will be performed and a Taxpayers Watchdog group will ensure **Measure BB** is used as promised. Measure BB payments are fully deductible by property owners.

Our cities, and private community members already contribute-more than most to ensure that our students get the education they need to succeed. But, even these generous efforts fall well short of what is needed to repair and renovate 16 aging schools.

This effort is about much more than just making improvements. Our aging schools need to be repaired for the safety of our students and teachers and that's why **Measure BB** is so critical to our community.

Measure BB lets us to keep local control over our schools. Each school in the Santa Monica Malibu School District will receive its fair share of **Measure BB** funding.

Keep Santa Monica and Malibu's schools safe. Vote Yes on Measure BB.