

## What Happens if Measure A Doesn't Pass?

Measure A will replace Measure D, our existing parcel tax, which was approved by 75 percent of PAUSD voters in 2001 and is set to expire next year. Measure D provides \$5.5 million per year for PAUSD schools.

Whether or not Measure A passes, Measure D will expire next year. If Measure A fails, PAUSD will need to reduce or eliminate \$5.5 million in programs beginning with the 2006-07 school year.

Due to the severity of these reductions, community input would be required to determine the exact cuts that would be made. PAUSD has offered the examples below to show the magnitude of what could be cut beginning with the 2006-07 school year.

The cuts listed below would require PAUSD to lay off over 16 percent of its current teaching staff (meaning approximately 107 teachers would be let go).<sup>1</sup>

<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Savings</u>
<b>Eliminate Class Size Reduction in Kindergarten through Grade 10</b> (K-10 class sizes would increase by as much as 18-40%)	\$2,500,000 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Close One Elementary School</b>	\$ 580,000
<b>Eliminate the 7th Period in Middle School</b> (students would take one less class each semester)	\$1,120,000
<b>Eliminate the 7<sup>th</sup> Period in High School</b> (students would take one less class each semester)	\$ 630,000
<b>Reduce Academic Support and Pupil Services</b>	\$ 670,000

In addition to cuts of the magnitude outlined above, it is unlikely, if Measure A fails, that PAUSD would be able to restore any of the programs cut in recent years. If Measure A passes, approximately one-quarter of the funds it generates would be used to restore some of these programs -- including secondary school course offerings, and elementary literacy and art programs.

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<sup>1</sup> Assuming \$70,000 as the average compensation cost for each teacher released.

<sup>2</sup> This is currently the net staffing cost of the class-size reduction program after subtracting the contribution the state makes toward this program.