



# Rocklin Unified School District Maintaining Excellent Education

In Rocklin Unified School District (RUSD), our award-winning schools provide high-quality education to elementary, middle and high school students in our community. We are proud to be ranked in the top 10% in test scores in the state, and our 97% graduation rate helps prepare local kids for bright futures.

## **Aging Schools Need Repairs and Updates**

Some RUSD classrooms and school buildings are 40-60 years old, our first high school is 25 years old and newer schools are in need of basic safety repairs and upgrades. Broken plumbing, leaky roofs, decaying walls and aging electrical, air conditioning, heating and ventilation systems must be addressed to maintain a safe and clean academic environment for thousands of local students that attend Rocklin schools every day.

In order to succeed in the 21st-century economy, Rocklin students need to graduate with skills in science, technology, engineering and math. Current classrooms and labs are outdated and need upgrades in order to ensure all students have access to the resources required to be successful at community colleges, universities and in their careers.

As attendance in our school district continues to grow, our schools also need to be able to continue providing personalized instruction that promotes student success. Over the next decade, we expect enrollment growth of up to 2400 students and we need to increase classroom space to maintain manageable class sizes.



*Aging buildings in Rocklin schools need repairs.*

## **Potential Local Funding for School Improvements**

To maintain safe and modern schools, the RUSD School Board is considering placing a \$198 million school facility improvement bond measure on an upcoming ballot. This potential local school funding measure would provide locally controlled funding to:

- Repair existing classrooms and replace aging portables with permanent classrooms
- Remove mold, asbestos, lead and other hazardous materials from schools
- Replace deteriorating sewer and gas lines
- Repair leaky roofs, decaying walls and aging plumbing and bathrooms
- Update facilities for career and technical education to prepare students for high-demand jobs in science, technology, engineering, arts and math
- Keep schools clean and safe
- Upgrade school security and fire safety

## **Mandatory Fiscal Accountability**

- All funds from a local school facility improvement measure would stay in Rocklin to benefit local students and could not be taken by the State
- This measure would cost property owners no more than \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed value (not market value) per year
- A Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent annual financial audits would be required
- No money could be used for administrators' salaries or pensions

**For More Information:** To provide feedback on plans to upgrade and repair Rocklin's aging schools, please visit [www.tinyurl.com/RocklinUSDSurvey](http://www.tinyurl.com/RocklinUSDSurvey). To learn more, visit [www.rocklinusd.org](http://www.rocklinusd.org).