

## Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure E

**The lone opponent of Measure E lives in Torrance, not Irvine.** He hasn't visited our schools to understand our needs. Yet, he wants to tell Irvine how to vote without knowing the facts.

If he did live in Irvine, he'd know that our schools have **30-year-old classrooms and science labs** needing significant upgrades to meet the same standards that newer schools provide. Calling this proposal "snake oil" and citing irrelevant articles about faraway schools ignores urgent health, safety, and instructional issues impacting thousands of **OUR** students every day.

If he lived here, he'd understand that Irvine schools consistently **rank among the best in the nation** because of IUSD's careful planning and conservative management. Since 2011, IUSD has been developing a detailed plan to identify and prioritize each school's needs. Mandatory independent oversight and annual audits ensure Measure E will provide locally controlled funding for these specific needs only.

If he lived in Irvine, he'd appreciate that outstanding schools are at the heart of what **makes Irvine great**. Many of us moved here for excellent schools, and we continue to benefit from the strong property values our schools support. Keeping our schools safe and up-to-date is a wise real estate investment.

If he were from Irvine, he'd respect our tradition of supporting our students and schools. We've always made sure our classrooms, science labs and instructional technology can prepare our **students** well for college and 21st-century careers.

Irvine's respected leaders and organizations say **Yes on E**.

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