Prop 2 – School Facility Bone

The K-12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024

Prop. 2 provides **\$10 billion** for vital projects to repair, upgrade, modernize and construct schools and community colleges.

Making Every Dollar Count: The state and local districts have partnered for nearly 40 years to deliver safe facilities to California's students through the School Facility Program, which helps local dollars to leverage state funding.

Now is the Time: All funds from previously-authorized state school bonds, including Prop 51 (2016), are exhausted. The project backlog is \$3 billion and growing to keep up with aging school sites, with one-third of existing facilities aged 50 years or older.

Essential Support for Today and Beyond: Prop 2 will provide upgrades for safe drinking water, HVAC systems, essential facilities like kitchens and libraries, plus career technical learning spaces.

Students Achieve More in Safe, Clean Schools: Students who receive instruction in buildings with good environmental conditions may earn test scores that are 5 to 17 percent higher than scores for students housed in substandard buildings.

FAQ

Will this compete with a local school bond?

No, on the contrary — local school bond resources will go further with a state bond, which will amplify local efforts to access state dollars by providing schools with local "matching funds." The state bond relies on existing General Fund revenues — not new resources — ensuring that the state prioritizes funding for vital school construction projects.

Does Prop 2 help small and low-wealth school districts?

Yes! Prop. 2 increases funding for disadvantaged and low-wealth school districts and provides technical assistance to small school districts and those who have not previously accessed the state program. Also, with changes to the financial hardship provisions, more school districts could receive up to 100 percent of project funds from the state. Plus, there is a ten percent set aside for small school districts.

Will Prop 2 support new state initiatives and programs?

Yes! Supplemental grants will focus on supporting the needs to upgrade or build out essential facilities, plus funding for energy efficiency and climate response, disaster recovery, transitional universal kindergarten and Career Technical Education enhancement projects.



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