Rebuttal to "No" Argument on Measure N

The authors of the "No" argument confuse elitism with <u>excellence</u>. Davis voters deeply value education and have approved a parcel tax measure for 40 years <u>because it funds outstanding programs that</u> <u>benefit ALL students in our district</u>.

In elementary schools it funds:

- Reading aides;
- Counselors;
- Nurses;
- Science teachers;
- Librarians;
- More teachers to reduce class size.

In secondary schools it funds:

- Career Technical Education programs in agriculture, industrial arts, automotive, and health sciences;
- 7th period electives;
- Athletics, arts, music, and engineering activities;
- Additional counselors and nurses;
- More teachers to reduce class size in core subjects including math, English, and science.

These programs help all our students to thrive and do so for \$64 a month per parcel.

Moreover, the argument that we should wait to approve a parcel tax ignores the reality that if it is not renewed in 2024, the district will need to start the layoff process for **more than 100 teachers** at the beginning of 2025.

Davis public schools are the pride of our community because we offer excellent educational opportunities to <u>ALL</u> students. For 40 years, our schools have relied on voter-approved, locally controlled funding to prepare students for success upon graduation, whether they are going to a community college, a university, or into the workforce.

<u>Voting Yes on Measure N</u> will renew the current parcel tax at its existing level to ensure we provide the best opportunities for each and every one of our students.

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