

Hillsborough City School District (HCSD) provides exemplary educational programs for students in local elementary and middle schools. Dedicated teachers and staff are committed to nurturing our children socially, emotionally and academically preparing them for high school, college and careers. High-achieving schools improve the quality of life in our community and protect the property value of our homes.



Deteriorating roof at North Elementary School

Repairing Aging Schools for High-Quality Education

Over the past two years, HCSD schools have adapted to changing and challenging circumstances in order to continue providing a quality education to local students. Another challenge we must meet is upgrading our aging facilities to meet modern academic and safety standards. Most of HCSD schools are 60 years old and are costly and inefficient to operate. Additionally, updates are needed to modernize our schools so they support science, technology, engineering, arts and math education for local students.

Dedicated Local Funding for School Improvements

In order to keep pace with academic standards and keep local students safe, on February 16, 2022 the HCSD School Board unanimously voted to place a local school improvement bond measure on the June 2022 ballot that could generate up to \$140 million to repair and improve local schools. This measure would cost about 3¢ per \$100 of a property's assessed value (not market value) per year. If approved by local voters, this measure would:

- ★ Upgrade classrooms for science, technology, engineering, arts and math instruction
- ★ Repair and upgrade deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling systems
- ★ Improve classroom computers and technology
- ★ Upgrade schools to meet current earthquake and fire safety standards
- ★ Replace aging portables with permanent classrooms
- ★ Install solar panels to reduce utility costs and save money for classroom programs

Mandatory Fiscal Accountability

A potential measure would require mandatory fiscal accountability, including:

- ★ All funds would stay local to support HCSD students and could not be taken by the State
- ★ No money could be used for administrators' salaries or benefits
- ★ Citizens' oversight, independent audits and a detailed project list would be required to ensure funds are spent as promised



Weathered and damaged doors at West Elementary School

We Value Your Input

To share your opinions, priorities, or to ask questions, please contact Superintendent Louann Carlomagno at lcarlomagno@hcsdk8.org.