



The problem: The number of students in School District 27J has nearly doubled in the last ten years. Our classrooms simply cannot accommodate the overwhelming number of new students, and overcrowding is affecting teachers' ability to provide individual attention and quality education each child deserves.

The solution: This fall, voters in School District 27J will be given the chance to vote for a \$148 million bond in order to address the needs of our schools. The bond will cost property owners \$3.45 for every \$100,000 of home value.

The bond will be fully accountable to the community and will go toward:

- Building a new high school and two new elementary schools to reduce overcrowding in classrooms
- Adding classrooms to middle schools to accommodate all students
- Improving the safety of school buildings
- Maintaining and repairing existing buildings and classrooms
- Renovating and equipping classrooms to promote the teaching of skills
- Technology necessary to prepare students to compete for 21st century jobs

What happens if the bond doesn't pass?

If the bond does not pass the district will have to implement year-round education that will start at the elementary level beginning in the 2016-17 school year. This new schedule will likely include four tracks (the district cannot guarantee all students from one household will be on same track). The worst part is this will cost the district money it does not have and still will not alleviate the need for additional buildings over the long term.

What about tax revenues from Marijuana and Proposition 68?

The Colorado Department of Revenue recently said that Marijuana revenue for the entire state for the first half of this year was \$12 million—that is a paltry amount to divide among 178 school districts in the state. That comes out to about \$68,000 per school district, which wouldn't even be enough to buy a new playground.

Amendment 68 claims it will produce over \$100 million in revenue but we have no idea how that revenue will be spread across 178 school districts. If this money does come to School District 27J, we have no doubt that it will be put to good use but it is not something we can count on.

Why should I vote for 3B?

This funding is critical to address a serious student growth problem that doesn't go away if this measure is defeated and in fact gets much worse. With this bond measure, your tax dollars will go directly to addressing overcrowding and class size.

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