

SCOTTS VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MISSION STATEMENT

Scotts Valley Unified School District will provide each student with quality educational opportunities by maximizing the use of all of our resources.

COMMUNITY FORUMS

The Scotts Valley Unified School District is sponsoring a series of five community forums beginning Wednesday, November 3 to address the budget crisis facing schools. The District has already cut all discretionary expenditures and now must consider even further cuts affecting critical programs at all four local public schools. The forums, which will all be the same, will allow for public input on further possible cuts and possible revenue sources such as a parcel tax. Knowledgeable persons will present an overview of the budget shortfall, answer questions and solicit feedback from the public. The locations, dates and times of the forums are varied to allow everyone to find a convenient venue:

1 pm	Wed.	Nov. 3	Vine Hill Elementary School (Library), 151 Vine Hill School Road
6 pm	Mon.	Nov. 8	Brook Knoll Elementary School (Room 19), 151 Brook Knoll Drive
6:30 pm	Tues.	Nov. 9	Scotts Valley High School (Student Union), 555 Glenwood Avenue
10:00 am	Sat.	Nov.13	Scotts Valley Senior Center, 370 Kings Village Road
1:30 pm	Mon.	Nov.15	Scotts Valley Middle School (Room 8), 8 Bean Creek Road

Since 2007, the District has reduced its budget from \$19 million to \$16.4 million. This has resulted in layoffs of personnel, loss of student programs, less maintenance and custodial support, fewer teachers and larger class sizes. Further cuts are likely unless additional revenues can be found. The forums are an opportunity for the school district and area residents to engage in an urgent public conversation about how to meet this continuing budget crisis. The District invites all interested persons to participate in developing a community response by attending one of the forums. For additional information, contact the District office at 438-1820.

I hope to see you at one of the forums.

Susan Silver, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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