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Jessica Panduro Item #

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Comment:

My name is Jessica Panduro and I live in Los Angeles County I support Proposition 15 because It will provide funding for Evergreen Elementary School for PUBLIC EDUCATION, INCLUDING K-12 AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES. As a Theodore Roosevelt High School Alum I experienced the lack of funding in our schools. I went to class with 37 other student where I saw the teacher struggling to be able to support all her students. Where teachers were forced to decide who were the students that she should support and leave other students to their own faith. A lot of those students didn't sit next to me during my graduation. This is important to me because my niece will be starting as a K grader in Evergreen Elementary in the upcoming school year. She is a talented little girl who loves to dance, sing, draw and I want to ensure that our schools have the funding to have art classes. Hire more music teachers and that there is nurse to be able to care for her if she needed it. Her first experienced of class will be virtually. We are going through a pandemic and we saw that our public school's infrastructure wasn't funded to support all the students to continue their school work. Proposition 15 would reclaim \$12 billion every year for our SCHOOLS, and local services by closing corporate property tax loopholes -- all while protecting homeowners and renters, small businesses, and agriculture. The Board of Equalization has an important role to play in ensuring that Prop 15 is implemented effectively, and that it is fully enforced. We call on the Board of Equalization to rise to the occasion of implementing a change that Californians like me have needed for a very long time. I am asking you to support Prop. 15 a fair and balanced reform to put our Schools & Communities First. Sincerely, Jessica Panduro, Community Organizer, Los Angeles

