



# Jefferson School District Citizens Oversight Committee – Measure J Application for Appointment

## Overview of the Citizens Oversight Committee

In June 2006, the voters of the State of California authorized an amendment to the California Constitution (Proposition 39) lowering the voter approval requirement from two-thirds to fifty-five percent for school districts that:

- 1) Provide voters a specific list of projects
- 2) Appoint a committee of citizens to oversee the expenditure of funds and an annual performance audit and financial audit of the bond funds and bond projects.

Proposition 39 provides that the Citizens Oversight shall have at least seven members who shall serve up to two terms of two years each. Initially, three members will be appointed to one-year terms and four members will be appointed two-year terms. All appointees, regardless of the original term of appointment, are limited to a second term not to exceed two years.

## Purpose

Because the district elected to pursue a bond election under the provisions of Proposition 39, State law requires the district establish a Citizens Oversight Committee appointed by the district's Governing Board. The committee purposes are:

- To actively monitor all projects and expenditures approved by the voters.
- To provide proper oversight and accountability to ensure that Measure J funds are used as they were intended.
- To report to members of the community on the progress of Measure J projects.

## Duties

Duties of the committee will include:

- Ensure bond funds are spent only on projects listed in the bond project list and that no funds are used for salaries or general operating expenses.
- Monitor progress of bond projects.
- Receive and review copies of the annual performance and financial audits of bond projects as required by California State law (Proposition 39).
- Provide information to the public on the progress of bond projects and expenditures of bond funds.

## Committee Membership Designation

State law requires that representatives of designated special interest organizations, if any, fill certain positions on the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Please indicate the committee designation(s) for which you are qualified:

- Active Member of a Business Organization - Company Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(E.g. Chamber of Commerce)
- Active Member of Senior Citizen Group - Group Name \_\_\_\_\_
- Active Member of Taxpayer Organization - Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_
- At-Large Member of the Public
- Parent with Child(ren) Currently Enrolled in District
- Active Parent Member of a District Support Organization - Org. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(E.g. School Site Council, PFA, etc.)
- Active Farming/Agricultural Representative - Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

**General Information**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment Information**

Name of Applicant's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Background** *(Response Optional)*

*(E.g. college and/or university, degree/major, vocational and/or other training, certificates, technical training, etc.)*

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**Additional Information**

Are you now or have you ever been employed by the district?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain

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Describe your community service background including participation and membership in local civic organizations. *(You may attach an additional page or resume.)*

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Describe your professional skills and training in finance, facilities, and/or construction or other relevant experience, including participation in professional organizations. *(You may attach an additional page or resume.)*

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**Please Answer The Following Questions**

1. How long have you been a resident within the boundaries of the district? \_\_\_years\_\_\_months

2. Have you or your children ever attended district schools?  Yes  No

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you have or have you had any other relatives or close friends who have attended District schools?  Yes  No

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

4. Do you know of any reason, such as a potential conflict of interest (real estate, business, litigation, etc.) which would adversely affect your ability to impartially serve on the Citizens Oversight Committee?       Yes       No

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

5. Explain why you would like to be appointed to this committee.

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**Certification of Applicant**

I certify that answers and statements in this document are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Completed applications must be received by the Superintendent, Jefferson School District, 1219 Whispering Wind Drive, Tracy, CA 95377, or faxed to 209-836-2930 as soon as possible.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Superintendent's Office at the district at 209-836-3388.