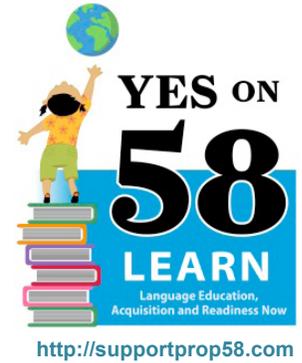


Proposition 58—The LEARN Initiative

November 2016 California General Ballot

Proposition 58—the LEARN Initiative, is a proposition that will be on the California November 2016 ballot. **Prop 58-the LEARN Initiative**, advances the goals of providing highest quality education for all children—in English along with providing the opportunity to learn another language. It will support preparing students for college and careers in the 21st Century economy by accessing innovative, research-based educational programs, and empowering parents, teachers, and schools to meet the needs of all students.



Why Do We Need Prop 58-the LEARN Initiative?

- Under our current system, too many California students are being left behind and not given the opportunity to learn English with the most effective teaching methods possible.
- This is because of an outdated nearly 20-year old law, Prop 227, which restricts the instructional methods school districts can use to teach English. This old law also limits the ability of English-speaking students to participate in language immersion programs.

Prop 58 Expands Opportunities for Students to LEARN a Second Language

- The CA Department of Education reports that 425 out of 10,393 schools offer multilingual programs.
- Prop 58 removes barriers to school districts offering language immersion programs.
- Prop 58 encourages school districts to provide effective instruction so native English speakers can become proficient in a second language and English Learners become proficient in English as well as other languages—K-12th grades!

Prop 58 Helps Students LEARN to Compete in a Global Economy

- Students with a strong proficiency in English who also speak another language are better prepared to compete in the global workforce. The advantages of being multilingual include higher paying jobs, increased creative thinking and being more connected to work and community.
- Extensive research has shown that students who choose to participate in multilingual programs attain high levels of academic achievement, including English and other language proficiency. They repeatedly demonstrate greater achievement and higher scores than English-only students.

Prop 58 Restores Local Control to our Schools & Gives Parents a Bigger Voice

- Prop 58 eliminates decades-old legal restrictions imposed on local school districts, allowing them to choose the most effective language instruction methods to help our students learn.
- Parents must be consulted when the school district decides on the language courses it will offer.
- Parents can also join with other parents to request a specific language instruction program at their school.

Endorsers:

- CSBA, ACSA, CALSA, CLSBA, CTA, CFT, PTA, CABE, Californians Together, and many more!
- For full, updated list of endorsers, go to <http://supportprop58.com>

What Can You Do?

- Inform family, friends and colleagues of **Prop 58-the LEARN Initiative** and ask for their “yes” vote on the November 2016 General Ballot.
- Ask organizations and school boards to endorse or pass a resolution in support of **Prop 58-the LEARN Initiative**.
- Volunteer and contribute to “Yes on Prop 58-LEARN campaign” michelle@mwhconsult.com

Vote YES on Prop 58 to help our students LEARN!