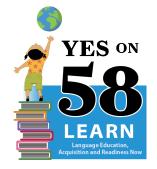
# **Yes on Proposition 58 – THE LEARN Initiative** November 2016 California General Election Ballot



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#### Prop 58 Helps Students LEARN English as Quickly as Possible

Under our current system, too many 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 This is because of an outdated nearly 20-year-old law, which restricts the instructional methods school districts can use to teach English.

### Prop 58 Expands Opportunities for Students to LEARN a Second Language

A decades old law also limits the ability of English-speaking students to participate in language immersion programs. The California Department of Education reports that only 312 out of 10,393 schools presently offer multilingual programs. Prop 58 removes barriers and encourages school districts to provide effective instruction so native English speakers can become proficient in a second language.

#### 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 participate in multilingual programs 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. Prop 58 gives parents the ability to choose a language acquisition program that best suits their child.

## Prop 58 Has Broad-Based Support From Local School Districts, Educators, Parents and Employers

- Local school boards (California School Boards Association)
- Teachers (California Language Teachers Association, California Teachers Association, California Federation of Teachers)
- School Administrators (Association of California School Administrators)
- Parents (California State PTA)
- Employers (including the San Jose/Silicon Valley and Los Angeles Chambers of Commerce)

## Vote YES on Prop 58 to help our students LEARN!

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