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Schools:

Liberty
Est. 1902

La Paloma
Est. 1970

Freedom
Est. 1996

Independence
Est. 1999

Heritage
Est. 2005

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Dear Liberty Union High School District Community Members:

As the school year begins, I wanted to communicate to you how proud I am of our schools. Our goal is to have ALL of our high school students reach their potential academically, socially and professionally. Hard working students, quality faculty and staff, involved parents, and the community, all contribute to the success of our students. To that end you may be happy to know that Liberty, Freedom, and Heritage have all been recognized by the California Department of Education with the California Gold Ribbon Award for Excellence.

While we are very proud of our educational program, we are concerned that many of our high school facilities are in need of significant repairs, upgrades, and safety improvements to accommodate our growing community. In June, the Liberty Union Board of Trustees voted unanimously to place a bond measure on the November 8, 2016 ballot to address our most critical educational classroom, technology, safety and equipment needs.

The measure supports a plan to make significant repairs and renovations at each high school ensuring that students across the district have equitable access to our comprehensive academic, career technical education, and athletic programs. The plan calls for repairing leaky roofs, faulty plumbing, and inadequate electrical systems; improving heating/ventilation systems; enhancing student safety by updating security lighting, fire alarms and sprinklers, campus security systems; upgrading classrooms, labs and computer systems, and career training facilities; replacing deteriorating portables and constructing classrooms and facilities to relieve overcrowding and equally distribute student enrollment.

Many of these needs you may already have heard about, or even expressed to me personally. Local community support for the school bond will also qualify our schools for available State funds. To be thoughtful about what projects we address given the resources that we have, a citizens' oversight committee will be established representing our entire community.

We are committed to ensuring that Liberty Union High School District students are learning in environments that are safe and supportive, and that all are prepared to succeed in college and careers.

I hope you will contact me if you have any questions or want to share your thoughts about any of our schools and upcoming opportunities to improve Liberty Union High School District campuses.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eric L. Volta