High-Quality Education

• NUSD is proud of our award-winning schools
• Focus on providing innovative and effective education to meet individual needs
• Commitment to ensuring student success
Expiring Local Funding

- Funding expires in 2023
- Schools’ needs currently exceed the resources available
Need for Funding Renewal

• NUSD has taken measures to increase efficiency and reduce costs
• $1.6 million in cuts to administration, contracted services and non-instructional programs
• If current local funding were to expire – additional $4.1 million in cuts would be required
Local Funding Measure

• NUSD Board of Education has decided on a March 2020 ballot measure

• Would add $125 to the current $251 per parcel rate with 3% annual inflation adjustments

• Increasing parcel tax revenue $2 million per year

• Raising $6 million annually for 8 years
Local Funding Measure

- A potential measure would renew funding to:
  - Attract and retain highly qualified teachers
  - Protect the quality of academic instruction in core subjects
  - Protect music, art and athletic programs
  - Provide career and technical training
  - Minimize increases to class sizes
  - Expand mental health counseling services
Fiscal Accountability

• All funds will benefit local schools
• No funds can be taken by the State
• No money can be used for administrator salaries
• Independent citizen oversight, annual audits and reports to the community are all required
Marin General Fund Revenue

GENERAL FUND REVENUE - PER STUDENT*

- Novato Unified: $11,641
- Dixie Elementary: $11,943
- Ross Valley Elementary: $12,376
- San Rafael City Elementary: $12,649
- Kentfield Elementary: $13,076
- Mill Valley Elementary: $14,411
- Reed Union Elementary: $15,050
- Lagunitas Elementary: $15,384
- Tamalpais Union High: $16,434
- Ross Elementary: $16,587
- Sausalito Marin City: $18,127
- Bolinas-Stinson Union: $21,699
- Shoreline Unified: $30,169
- Priory: $50,920
- Marin County: $53,066

* 2017-2018 Data - Source Ed-Data
Other Marin County Parcel Taxes

2019-2020 Parcel Tax Rates*

*Combined Elementary and High School Parcel Taxes
Duration of the Measure

• The measure needs to be approved by at least 66.7% of local voters
• If approved, the measure would be in place for 8 years
Exemptions

• Seniors and citizens eligible for state disability (SSI and SSDI) would continue to be eligible for an exemption from the cost of the measure.
• Bond measures and parcel taxes are used for different purposes
• A bond measure can only be used to fund facility upgrades and improvements and cannot be used for operating costs or programs
• Parcel taxes differ in that funds can be spent on identified school needs including academic programs or retaining teachers
• A parcel tax requires 66.7% support from those who vote
Timeline/Next Steps

• The NUSD Board of Education has placed a measure on the March 2020 ballot

• NUSD is conducting outreach to raise awareness of our schools and funding needs

• An independent advocacy campaign is forming – no NUSD resources may be used to campaign and volunteers/donations will be needed