

PROTECT OAK PARK'S SCHOOLS



WHY are these two Referenda necessary?



ENROLLMENT HAS SURGED TO
A 40 YEAR HIGH
(UP 634 STUDENTS SINCE 2010)

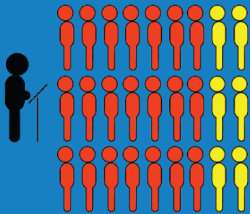


SCHOOL FUNDS ARE CAPPED (NOT TIED TO STUDENT
ENROLLMENT NUMBERS), AND THE STATE CONTINUES TO
MISS ITS D97 PAYMENTS

Without your help, our K-8 schools will be dramatically transformed by a budget crisis

WHAT if these measures fail?

Class sizes increase:
From an average
21 to 27



“Non-essential”
programs and resources
eliminated



Teachers &
Staff cut by
20%



Planned expansions
cancelled and schools
over capacity



District 97

runs out of money

Fiscal Year 2018

HOW can
you help?

VOTE

On April 4th



YES FOR SCHOOLS



YES FOR EDUCATION

WHY vote yes?

- Schools are the #1 reason families move to Oak Park
- Successful Schools lead to higher property values
- Referenda will support accessibility upgrades & facilities modernization at all 10 aging schools
- Ensure financial stability for District 97 through 2022
- Preserve high quality public education for over 6,000 students in Oak Park
 - Maintain classroom sizes below the state average
 - Continue to attract and retain high caliber teachers
- School board has stayed under budget and received the state's highest award for governance