



MIDDLE SCHOOL INVESTMENT PLAN

Ballot Issue 5C and Amendment 73 Funding Proposal



Westlake has made huge strides toward making our vision a reality! With increased investments in our school community we would be able to further support developing and attracting talented teachers and support staff, expand innovative learning opportunities and add new after-school activities. These investments will impact the future trajectories of our students and "Ignite a passion for learning and service: Dream, Risk, Achieve!"

– Rachel Heide, Westlake Middle Principal

The following funding proposal reflects prioritized investments across all district middle schools. Specific investments will vary by location based on individual school needs.



MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIORITIZED INVESTMENTS

(Aligns with the district's new strategic plan - ELEVATE.)



DIVERSE LEARNING

Decrease class sizes.

Increase learning opportunities for all students including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Career and Technical Education (CTE), etc.

Increase support for specialized populations (e.g. emerging bilinguals, special education, gifted and talented).



SAFE SCHOOLS

Add members to the district crisis response team that supports all schools.



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Invest in additional staff to provide more individualized attention to students.



21ST CENTURY LEARNERS

Enhance critical-thinking and problem-solving skills through inquiry-based lessons and resources across all programs.

Improve and embed technology into learning.

Bring textbooks and learning materials up-to-date to meet new and more rigorous academic standards.



WORLD-CLASS STAFF

Increase new teacher starting salary to be competitive with neighboring districts.

Implement cost-of-living adjustment for all employee groups.

Support teachers with updated resources and instructional materials.



OUTSIDE-THE-CLASSROOM LEARNING

Improve outside-the-classroom learning opportunities.

Implement a new after-school sports model.

More information about the funding measures on the November ballot, including arguments for and against: www.adams12.org/elevate-funding-proposal