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MiraCosta Puts Bond Measure on Ballot

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This November, keep an eye out on the ballot for Proposition MM. This facilities bond was placed on the ballot by MiraCosta College to gain funds to help rebuild and renovate three MiraCosta College campuses. The money will help to renovate and modernize the Oceanside Campus, including building a new nursing facility and Student Services Center. The Student Services Center would also include a Veterans Center to help serve the 1,800 veterans who attend MiraCosta College. In addition, buildings at the college's San Elijo Campus in Cardiff and its Community Learning Center in downtown Oceanside would be modernized and renovated.

"MiraCosta College provides a high quality education to North County students-preparing students to succeed in four-year college and future careers. Through partnerships with local employers in biotech, aerospace, nursing, manufacturing and other industries, the college helps train our local workforce. It has been more than 50 years since a bond was passed to improve our community college, and significant improvements are needed to continue serving our local community. To help address these needs, the MiraCosta College Board of Trustees has placed Proposition MM on the ballot this November. Proposition MM will ensure that MiraCosta College can continue to provide a quality education to local students." Dr. Sunny Cooke, superintendent of MiraCosta College.

Only voters in Oceanside, Carlsbad, Encinitas, Solana Beach, Del Mar, and Carmel Valley can vote on the bond measure. The measure needs 55% of the vote in its favor to pass.