

PROPOSITION 1

Capitol High School Alumni Association voted to oppose proposition 1 of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System tax plan. The intent of our opposition is not directed at students nor personnel of the school system. Our opposition is a form of protest against the proposed East Baton Rouge Parish School System allocation of expenditures. We recognize more money is needed to make corrections within the school system; however, the lack of proportional spending for schools currently within the jurisdiction of the school board is appalling. We have asked all Capitol High alumni, supporters and friends to join us in voting “No” to proposition 1 and any future tax increases for school facilities until the school board revises its position and live up to its past agreements on major school repairs. The LAW states “the Recovery School District is responsible for repairs and maintenance, the school system is responsible for extensive repair to buildings or facilities that would be considered to be a capital expense. This has been a bone of contention for over 10 years now. The time has come for us to hold the East Baton Rouge Parish School System accountable by ensuring an equitable working solution is provided for Capitol High School before we commit to support their tax plan.

PROPOSITION 2: We are not supporting proposition 2 and have asked all Capitol High alumni, supporters and friends to join us by voting “No” on this proposition. Our opposition to proposition 2 is because we did not see or hear any plans for plan improvements as it relates to discipline, truancy, and alternative education. After hearing from East Baton Rouge Parish School System officials on a number of occasions it appeared to us that the goal is to only maintain what they already have in place. African American children; boys in particular are experiencing increases in their suspension and expulsion rates, while at the same time experiencing decreases in their graduation rates. We would like to see a more proactive approach and plan that will decrease the number of students that are facing suspension and expulsion.

PROPOSITION 3:

We are supporting proposition 3, which is for supplement employee and/staff salary and compensation. We have asked all Capitol High School alumni, supporters and friends to join us by voting “Yes” for proposition 3.

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