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The Oakland Unified School District (herein referred to as the “District”) is hereby announcing that **Measure G/Measure N Parcel Tax Low Income and Senior Citizen Exemption Applications for 2015-16** are now available.

MEASURE G Parcel Tax

Measure G was passed by Oakland voters on February 5, 2008. Measure G is a special tax of \$195 per year on each parcel of taxable real-property in the City. Proceeds of the tax are used to attract and retain highly qualified teachers, maintain courses that help students qualify for college, maintain up-to-date textbooks and instructional materials, keep class sizes small, continue after school academic programs, maintain school libraries, and provide programs, including art and music programs, that enhance student achievement. An exemption is authorized for owner-occupied single-family residential units if the combined family income (from all sources from January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014) is at or below the income level qualifying as “very low income” for a family of such size under section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act (42 U.S.C.A, 1437 et seq.). Eligible owners must apply for the exemption each year.

MEASURE N Parcel Tax

Measure N was passed by Oakland voters on November, 4, 2014, for ten (10) years. Measure N is a \$120 per parcel special tax on each taxable parcel in the City. Proceeds from Measure N will be used to reduce the drop-out rate and provide Oakland high school students with real-world work and learning opportunities; prepare students for admission to the University of California and other four-year colleges; expand mentoring, tutoring, counseling, support services, and transition to job training programs. Exemptions are authorized for qualified, low-income real property tax payers and for senior citizens. The low income exemption is available for owner-occupied of single-family residential units if the combined family income (from all sources from

January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014) is at or below the income level qualifying as “very low income” for a family of such size under section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act (42 U.S.C.A, 1437 et seq.). The senior citizen exemption is available for single-family residential unit owned and occupied by senior citizens. Eligible senior citizens and low income owners must apply for the exemptions each year.

Applications may be obtained from the District’s Parcel Tax Help Desk located at 1000 Broadway, Suite 450, Oakland, CA 94607 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Monday – Friday); obtained via the District’s website at www.ousd.k12.ca.us/parceltaxexemptions or you may also request an application via telephone by calling the Parcel Tax Help Desk at (510) 879-8884.

Applications can be submitted by mail, in person to the District’s Financial Services Office located at 1000 Broadway, Suite 450, Oakland, CA 94607, or via email at ousdparceltax@ousd.k12.ca.us. It is the applicant’s responsibility to complete the application in its entirety and ensure that the required documentation is submitted along with the application. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the OUSD Parcel Tax Help Desk at (510) 879-8884 for further assistance. The deadline for submitting the Exemption Application is June 30, 2015. Late applications will not be accepted.