



# MERVIN L. EVANS

Democrat \* State Controller

Dear Fellow Democrat:

My life is taking a new and exciting turn. I have formally announced my intention to run for State Controller in the 2006 elections. I will take my message of strong, democratic leadership across the state and look forward to helping to improve the economy and increase state funds to the classroom.

The positive calls, emails and letters from across California have been overwhelming. As always, I thank you so very much for your friendship, counsel and support.

Please explore the various links on my website: [Http://www.evansforcontroller.com](http://www.evansforcontroller.com). At this online headquarters, you can learn about the public policy measures that drive me to run for California State Controller.

Please get involved in the campaign, contact me, get the latest campaign news from the campaign trail, register to vote, and contribute.

There are several Major Things You can do to Help!

1. Please Follow Guide from my good Democratic Friends the El Cerrito Democratic Club
2. Register to Vote and have your friends register.
3. Write a Letter to the Editor
4. Call Talk Radio
5. Display and distribute yard signs
6. Hold a neighborhood meeting to tell your friends why you support our campaign.

Thanks again and please stay in touch,

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## Propositions

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**73 Parental Notification** **NO**

Puts at risk those teens who for whatever reason, perhaps fear or shame, choose not to tell their parents they are pregnant and instead, in desperation, opt for a dangerous illegal abortion. Government cannot enforce good family communication. Keep our teens safe!

**74 Teacher Probation** **NO**

Denies new teachers a hearing on the fairness of their dismissal unless they have served a 5-year probationary period rather than the current 2 years. Being unfair to new teachers will make it more difficult to recruit and retain quality teachers.

**75 Public Employee Union Dues** **NO**

Continues to allow corporations to use shareholder money for political purposes, but requires that public employee unions obtain written permission from members to do the same. Corporate interests, which already outspend unions 24 to 1 nationwide, would like to silence unions that represent firefighters, police, teachers, and nurses.

**76 School Funding. State Spending** **NO**

Lets the Governor slash state funding for voter-approved education programs and any other programs he wishes to cut. This allows the Governor to grab power and also money for his campaign contributors.

**77 Reapportionment** **NO**

Lets three retired judges reapportion Senate, Assembly, and Congressional districts immediately, based on outdated census data. This would be very costly and unfair, and election officials say it can't be done.

**78 Voluntary Prescription Discounts** **NO**

Creates a drug discount program without any enforcement. Drug companies decide which drugs to include, which drugs to exclude, the amount of the discount, and whether they will participate at all. They put this on the ballot and are spending many millions to promote this Proposition and to defeat Proposition 79. See Proposition 79 to keep drug prices in line.

**79 Mandatory Prescription Discounts** **YES**

Creates a drug discount program that uses the purchasing power of the state's Medi-Cal program to negotiate the best possible price for needed prescription drugs for 8-10 million Californians. *If you vote "yes" on 79, don't negate that vote by voting "yes" on 78 since, if both propositions pass, the one with the greatest number of "yes" votes will prevail.*

**80 Electric Utility Regulation** **YES**

Reverses the disastrous deregulation of the electric energy market which resulted in blackouts and massive fraud by Enron and others; promotes reasonable rates and standards.

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## Local Measure

**J West Contra Costa Unified School District Bonds** **YES**

Authorizes the sale of up to \$400 million in bonds to pay for badly needed construction of school facilities. This is also expected to qualify the district for additional state matching funds. Estimates of the tax rate range from \$31.10 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2006-07 to \$60 after all the bonds have been sold, with an expected average rate of \$55.50.

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## Voting Information

**There will be only 12 polling places to serve all of El Cerrito and Kensington on November 8.**

Please note carefully the polling place shown on the sample ballot you receive in the mail since the location may have changed.

You can avoid looking for a strange polling place and standing in line by requesting an absentee ballot and voting by mail. You do not need to be away from home on election day to request an absentee ballot. To receive one, simply complete and send in the form provided with your sample ballot.

The County Elections office must receive all applications for absentee ballots by Tuesday, November 1.

It is also possible to vote by mail permanently. This is the easiest way to ensure that your vote is counted. For an application to vote by mail permanently, call the County Elections Office at (925) 646-4166.

If you vote by mail, the County must receive your ballot before 8 P.M. on November 8. Mail your ballot as soon as possible, preferably by November 2. If you have not mailed it by then, you can drop it off at any polling place in Contra Costa County on Election Day.

If you have difficulty locating your polling place, if you need a ride to the polls, if you have any questions about voting, or if you have any other voting problems, please call the El Cerrito Democratic Club at (510) 527-2194.

## The El Cerrito Democratic Club

The El Cerrito Democratic Club (“ECDC”) is an officially chartered Democratic Club serving El Cerrito, Kensington, and neighboring communities. Our more than 350 members participate in Democratic Party organizations and politics, receive information about public policy issues of local concern, and have the opportunity to meet the officials setting those public policies. Membership is open to all Democrats. While most members reside in the El Cerrito-Kensington area, persons living outside that region have also joined.

ECDC meetings are open to the public. They are usually held on the fourth Tuesday of every month in Makemie Hall, Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury in El Cerrito (north of the intersection of Ashbury and Central, across from El Cerrito High School). Further information about ECDC is available on our website at [www.ECDClub.org](http://www.ECDClub.org) or from Vice President–Membership Rose Lernberg at 510-527-2194, <[lernberg@pacbell.net](mailto:lernberg@pacbell.net)>, or P.O. Box 192, El Cerrito, CA 94530.

### El Cerrito Democratic Club Membership Form

Individual \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Low income \$15 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 at same address \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 at same address \$20 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I/We choose to receive the ECDC NEWS by e-mail, which reduces the dues by \$5.

Please indicate registered Democrats with a (D) after the name.  
 Only registered Democrats can be voting members.

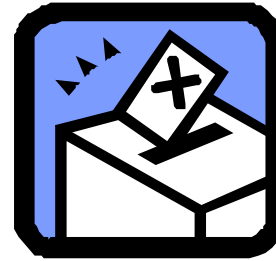
New members will be considered paid through December 2006.

<b>Name(s):</b>		
<b>Street:</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>	<b>State:</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Email:</b>	

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## November 8, 2005 Ballot Recommendations

<b>Proposition 73:</b> Parental Notification	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 74:</b> Teacher Probation	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 75:</b> Public Employee Union Dues	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 76:</b> School Funding. State Spending	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 77:</b> Reapportionment	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 78:</b> Voluntary Prescription Discounts	<b>NO</b>
<b>Proposition 79:</b> Mandatory Prescription Discounts	<b>YES</b>
<b>Proposition 80:</b> Electric Utility Regulation	<b>YES</b>
<b>Measure J:</b> School Bonds	<b>YES</b>

See inside for more information