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**Students, Educators, and Community Allies to call for passing
tax extensions and progressive tax solutions**

Teachers, students, parents and community members will bring the classroom to the public on Thursday, May 12, 3:30 pm at the Serramonte Center Food Court to bring attention to the important work that is done everyday in classrooms across the state. They will call for progressive tax solutions like AB 1130, a 1% tax on the top 1% of the wealthiest Californians, and restoring fair tax rates on large corporations, so that California will have the resources to invest in a bright future. “It is crucial that the public see that teachers and school employees are fighting for the future of public education in our state. California has a crisis of priorities much greater than a budget crisis. There is no reason why the 8th largest economy in the world should be 48th in per pupil spending. We have to demand better for our schools!” said Leah Sugarman, special education teacher at George Washington Elementary School.

What: Grading in Public, bringing the classroom to the public

Who: Teachers, students, parents and community members

When: Thursday, May 12th 4:00pm

Where: The Serramonte Center Central Food Court (by Surf City Squeeze) at Serramonte Center Highway 280 & Serramonte Blvd., Daly City

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