



Happy Valley Elementary School District Parcel Tax Exemption Application



For Tax Year 2025-2026 For Owner-Occupants Age 65 or older as of June 30, 2025 Instructions

1. This parcel tax exemption is for property owners who are 65 years of age or older on or before June 30, 2025, and will only apply to their primary place of residence. Exemptions for multiple properties will not be approved. The parcel taxes in effect for the 2025-26 tax year are as follows:

Measure G – Happy Valley Elementary School District:

Measure G is a parcel tax to support academic excellence, maintain quality art and music programs, integrate modern technology into classrooms, retain high quality teachers and provide local funding that cannot be taken by the State. The rate is \$99 per parcel per year, effective for 8 years, from fiscal year 2024-25 up to and including fiscal year 2031-32.

Measure G was on the ballot for Happy Valley Elementary School District voters in Santa Cruz County, CA on March 5, 2024:

2. **Applications are available electronically, by email, by request, or in person:**
 - Download at <http://www.hvesd.com/>
 - Call Happy Valley Elementary School District at (831) 429-1456 for application by mail or email
 - Pick up an application Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, 3125 Branciforte Dr. Santa Cruz, CA 95065
3. **Complete the Parcel Tax Exemption Application and include the following documentation (*copies only*):**
 - Proof of ownership (property tax bill)
 - Proof of residence (utility bill)
 - Proof of birth date (driver's license, birth certificate, Medicare card, or passport)
 - **Mail the application and required documentation to: Happy Valley Elementary School District Exemptions, 3125 Branciforte Dr. Santa Cruz, CA 95065 no later than July 1, 2025.**

Please Note:

- If your property is approved for the exemption in 2025-2026, or any prior years, and you are still the homeowner and currently reside at the same address, you **do not** need to renew the exemption, it will automatically be renewed. **If you sold your home and purchased a new home, you must re-file for a parcel tax exemption for the new property.**
- The parcel tax applies to parcels with land value greater than \$2,000. If your parcel is taxed for improvement value only (as in some mobile home parks), the parcel tax will not be assessed on your parcel, and you do not need to fill out this application.
- Please include your e-mail address if you would like to receive a receipt for your application by e-mail.

