

PITTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD WORKSHOP
LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLANNING
November 11, 2019

AGENDA

Board Workshop | November 11, 2019

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- ❖ Planning Timeline Review
- ❖ Information Update
 - Project Updates
 - Elementary School - Structural Roof Repair/Material Replacement
 - ADA Public Restrooms | First Costs → Long-term Costs
 - Career & Technical Education Center | Programming & CTE Location (Land)
 - Fund 46 | Funding Restrictions & Potential Projects
 - Referenda (Bond/Capital vs. Operating)
- ❖ Board Workshop Goals
 - Confirm Project Scope (Potential April 7, 2020 Referendum)
 - Confirm “Not to Exceed” Cost
- ❖ Next Steps



PITTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLANNING TIMELINE

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
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Communications & Community Outreach

Survey Results (10.14.19)

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Board Meeting (12.9.19)

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- Review Draft Resolution
- Discuss Communication & Outreach Needs
- Advocacy Guidelines

Bond Counsel

- Ballot Resolution Language

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- Fact Sheet Development

Board Meeting (1.13.20)

- Adopt Ballot Resolution (deadline of 1.25.20)

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Potential
Referendum
April 7, 2020

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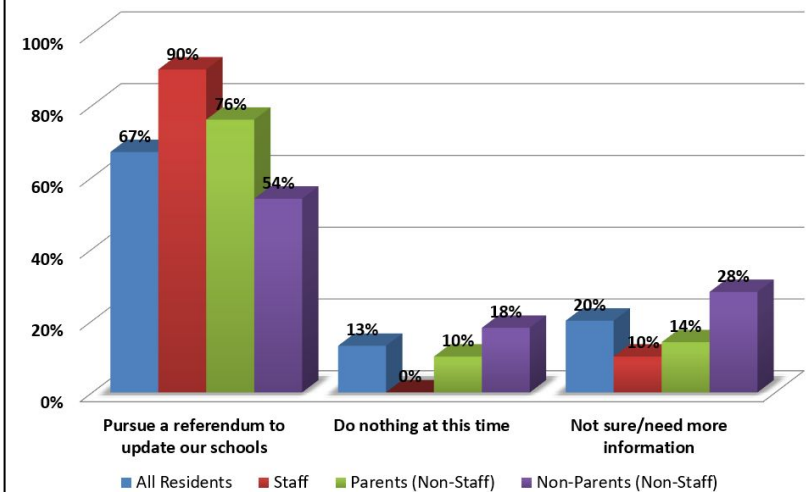
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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK Survey

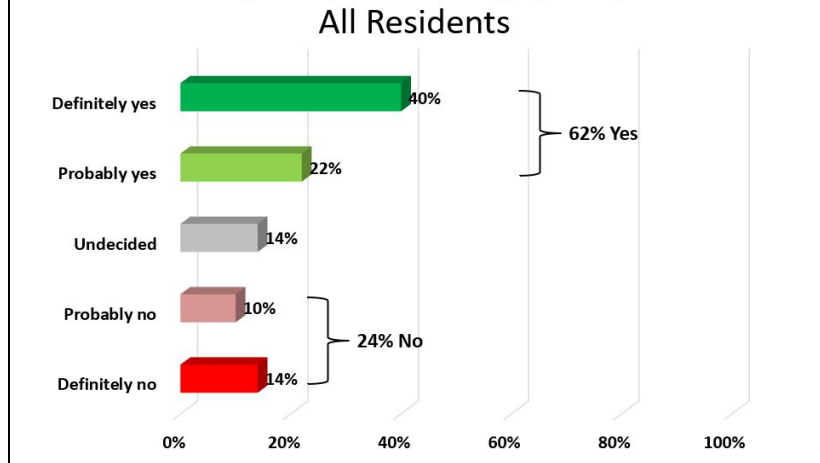
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(Note: this equates to approximately \$6.65M of project scope)

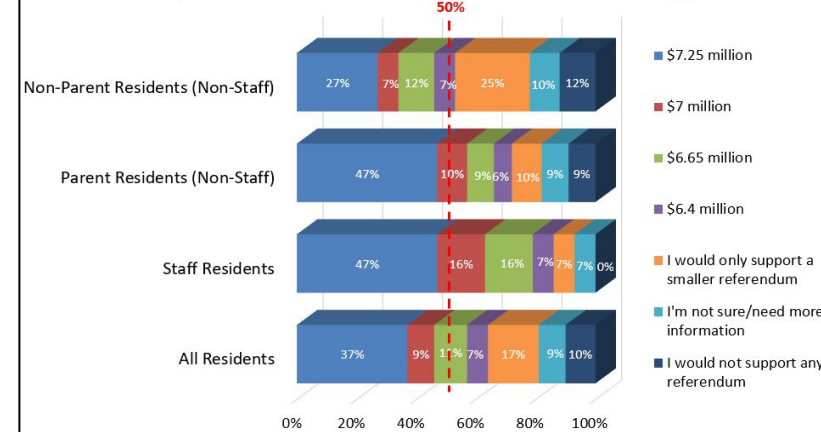
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PROJECT SCOPE

Career & Technical Education Center

Program Update - Feedback from Staff Meetings

Project Overview | \$6.4M

- New facility construction for CTE and maintenance building
- Acquisition of land (included)
- 25,000 sq ft to incorporate programming and modern tools, technologies and equipment
- Expands offerings to meet student demand and growth in Technical Education and Agriculture
- Provides job-like learning environment for project-based and skilled trade experience
- Upgrades building security
- Offers community access for adult education, makerspace, etc.

PROJECT SCOPE

Maintenance & Facility Improvement Projects

Projects & Estimated Cost:

- Career & Technical Education Center (land included) \$ 6,400,000.00
- Replace High School Backup Boiler \$ 25,000.00
- Replace Roof Material on Primary Wing (w/comparable rubber material) \$ 225,000.00
 - **Alternate : Modify structure to improve roof drainage and replace with extended life-cycle, sloped Standing Seam metal roof** \$ **475,000.00**
- Update Primary Wing Classrooms \$ 80,000.00
- Add Air Conditioning/Dehumidification to 2000 Wing \$ 180,000.00
- Repave Parking Lots \$ 90,000.00
- Add Indoor/Outdoor ADA Restrooms \$ 250,000.00
 - **City/District collaboration** \$ **<?>**
 - **Long-term costs to maintain, supply, secure (annual)** \$ **31,000.00***

*annual estimated costs

FUND 46

Long-Term Capital Improvement Trust Fund

Where do the funds (money) come from?

- Funds transferred from General Fund (10) may be used to establish a “trust”

How does this impact state equalization aid?

- Funds transferred are recorded as an expenditure for shared costs (spending) and equalization aid purposes
- Future expenditures from Fund 46 are not part of shared costs (spending)

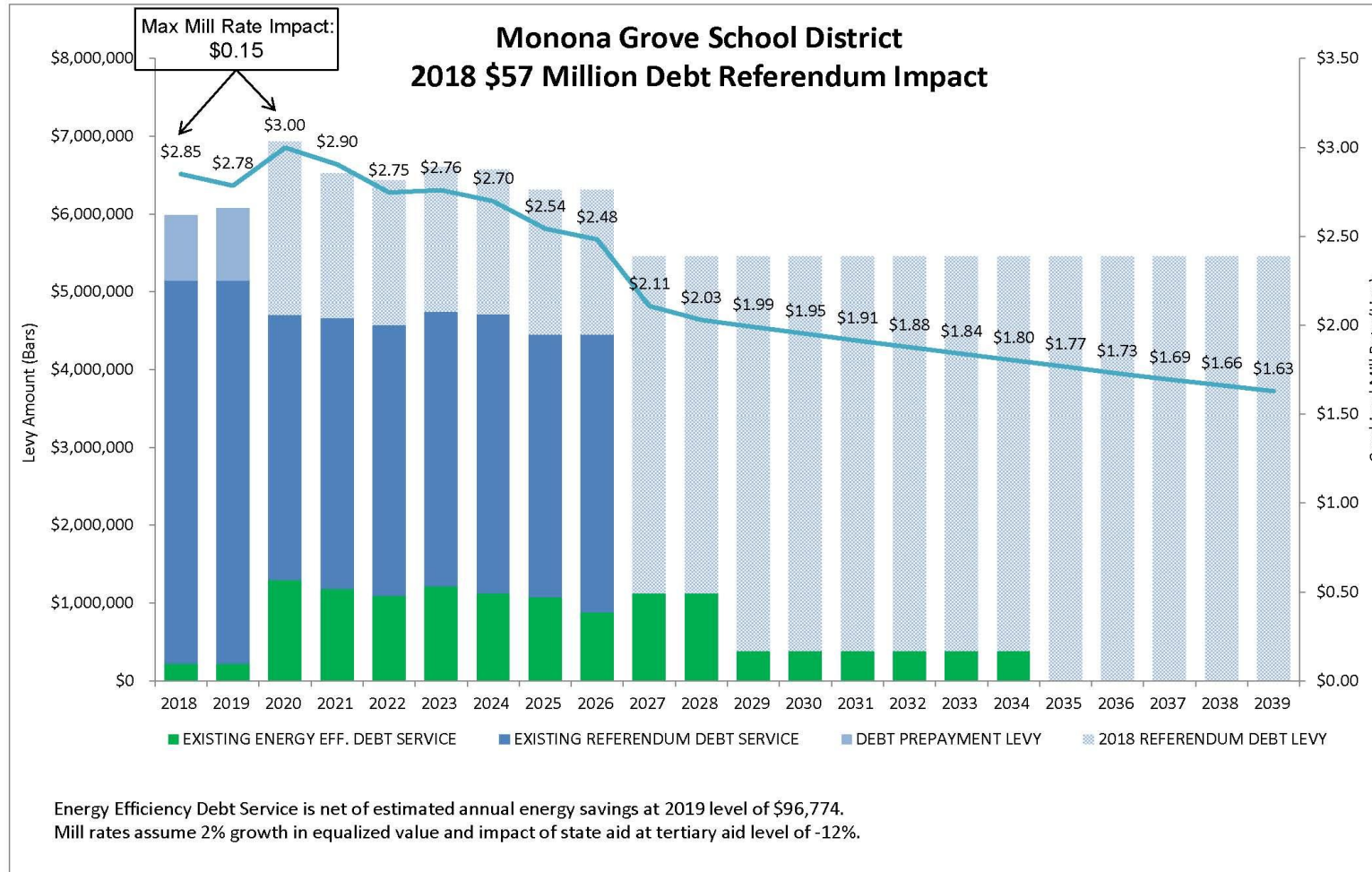
What are the restrictions for the use of funds (Fund 46)?

- Prohibited from removing funds for 5 years after Fund 46 is established
- After 5 years, funds may only be used for projects/purposes as identified in the (approved) Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan

Potential Projects

REFERENDUM DEBT IMPACT

Example: MGSD



OPERATING REFERENDA

Recurring, non-recurring & stepped referenda ...

RECURRING

...to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, **for the 2014-2015 school year and thereafter** by \$5,000,000 for recurring purposes: ongoing school building maintenance projects; replacement of inoperable technology; and staff positions to support technology training.

(Appleton - 2014)

NON-RECURRING

...to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by up to \$2,600,000 per year **for a period of five years** on a non-recurring basis beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, and ending with the 2020-2021 school year, for the purpose of funding operations, including, but not limited to, costs associated with curriculum, technology, personnel, maintenance, equipment, and facility improvements.

(Monona Grove - April 2016)

STEPPED (RECURRING)

...to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, **by \$2,800,000 for the 2019-2020 school year** and by an additional **\$2,000,000 (for a total of \$4,800,000) for the 2020-21 school year and thereafter**, for recurring purposes.

(Middleton Cross Plains - Nov 2018)

OPERATING REFERENDA

2008 Pittsville School District Recurring ...

QUESTION 1.

Shall the following Resolution be approved?

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT
FOR RECURRING PURPOSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District of Pittsville, Wood, Clark, Jackson, and Juneau Counties, Wisconsin, that the revenues included in the School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$175,000 for the 2008-2009 school year; by an additional \$175,000 for 2009-2010 school year (for a total of \$350,000) and by an additional \$175,000 for 2010-2011 school year and thereafter (for a total of \$525,000), for recurring purposes consisting of ongoing operation and maintenance expenses.

YES **NO**

PITTSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Referenda history 1993 - present

The report below shows:

District = Pittsville (4368)
 Vote Date = 01/01/93 to 4/2/2019
 Type of Referendums = All
 Referenda Outcome = All

Stepped = \$175k/yr1, \$350k/yr2, \$525k/yr3 and thereafter (ongoing)

RR = Recurring, or ongoing

<u>District</u> ^A ↓ _Z	<u>Vote Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Result</u>	Brief Description
Pittsville (4368)	11/04/2008	2008 \$175,000 2009 \$175,000 2010 \$175,000 Total: \$525,000	RR 2010	1,031	1,013	Passed	operation and maintenance expenses
Pittsville (4368)	04/06/1999	\$3,350,000	Issue Debt	918	548	Passed	gym; music rooms; locker rooms; offices
Pittsville (4368)	04/06/1999	\$1,600,000	Issue Debt	868	573	Passed	auditorium
Pittsville (4368)	05/01/1993	\$3,000,000	Issue Debt	210	630	Failed	

Purpose: operational needs and deferred maintenance

Recent legislation limits school districts to:

- Referenda opportunity limited to regularly scheduled elections
 - Even years = April/November
 - Odd years = November
- Maximum of two (2) questions of any combination or type in a calendar year

BOND COUNSEL
[Ballot Resolutions]

BALLOT RESOLUTION

What does ballot language include?

SUN PRAIRIE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Shall the Sun Prairie Area School District be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$89,500,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing and equipping two elementary schools; repairs and improvements to district school buildings and grounds; acquisition of three parcels of property adjacent to the District offices located at 525, 533 and 541 South Bird Street; and

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COST NOT TO EXCEED

GENERAL PURPOSE

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LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLANNING

Next steps

- Monthly Board Meeting | December 9, 2019
 - Financial Update - Final Costs/Tax Impact
 - Review Draft Resolution Language (Bond Counsel)

- Core Planning Team | Weekly
 - Respond to Board request for data/information
 - Community Information & Outreach Plan finalized
 - Key Message Development
 - Graphic Elements - Financial Charts/Graphs, Site Plan
 - Material Production - Fact Sheet
 - Events Calendar Confirmed

- Collaborative Community Action
 - Land (ongoing discussions)
 - City/District evaluation of potential ADA Restrooms (ongoing discussions)

QUESTIONS

REFERENCE SLIDES

(Board Workshop 10.24.19)

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

[Listening Session - Community Survey]

SURVEY REVIEW

Questions to consider...



1. What are the priorities of our community?
2. What are the program drivers and facilities needs?
3. What are the “non-negotiables” or boundaries for decision making?
 - Is doing nothing at this time an option for the Board?
 - Is the Board in agreement with the maximum amount to be spent on a facilities projects at this time?
4. Are there projects that should be modified, added, or removed based on community priorities? or evidence of new information?
5. What is the recommended project scope?

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Listening Sessions

Community Listening Sessions (2016-2018)

- Participation of broad community (parents, non-parents, business, higher ed., and residents)
- Community identified priority for CTE programming and facilities
- Board requested facility assessment, option exploration and cost estimates



Architectural Design/Construction Options Explored

- Options (Renovate/Addition or New Construction)
- Criteria for Evaluation
- Estimating Costs



Cost & Benefit of New Construction

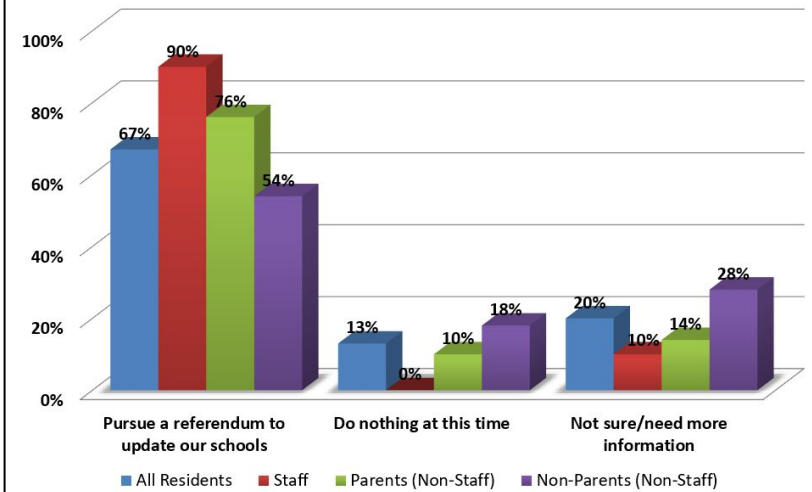
- Rationale from programmatic, design or construction perspectives
- Community feedback for new CTE

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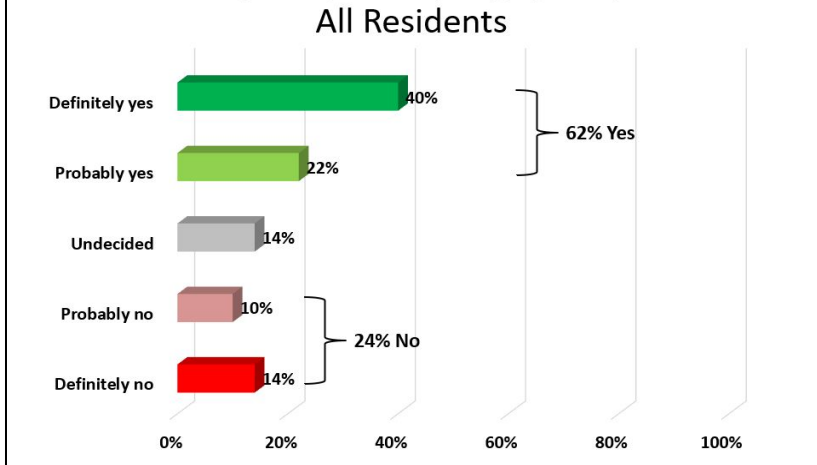
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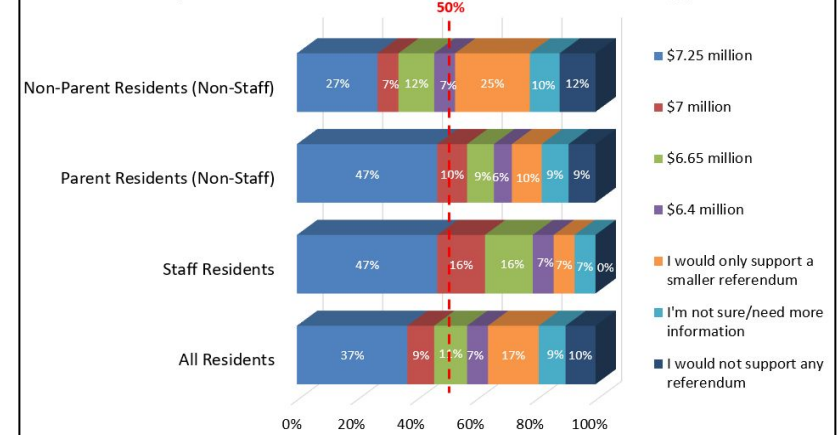
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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Survey

How likely would you be to support a plan that provides funding to...

Very likely (3), Somewhat likely (2), Not likely (1)

Item	All Residents	Staff Residents	Parent Residents	Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)
replace the high school backup boiler? Estimated cost: \$25,000	2.65	2.83	2.63	2.61
replace the roof over the primary wing? Estimated cost: \$225,000	2.49	2.69	2.52	2.42
update primary wing classrooms? Estimated cost: \$80,000	2.31	2.44	2.41	2.19
add air conditioning/dehumidification systems in the 2000 section of the school? Estimated cost: \$180,000	2.25	2.46	2.44	2.04
add indoor/outdoor accessible restrooms? Estimated cost: \$250,000	2.12	2.41	2.26	1.92
repave the parking lots? Estimated cost: \$90,000	2.03	2.32	2.06	1.92

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

PROJECT COST & TAX IMPACT

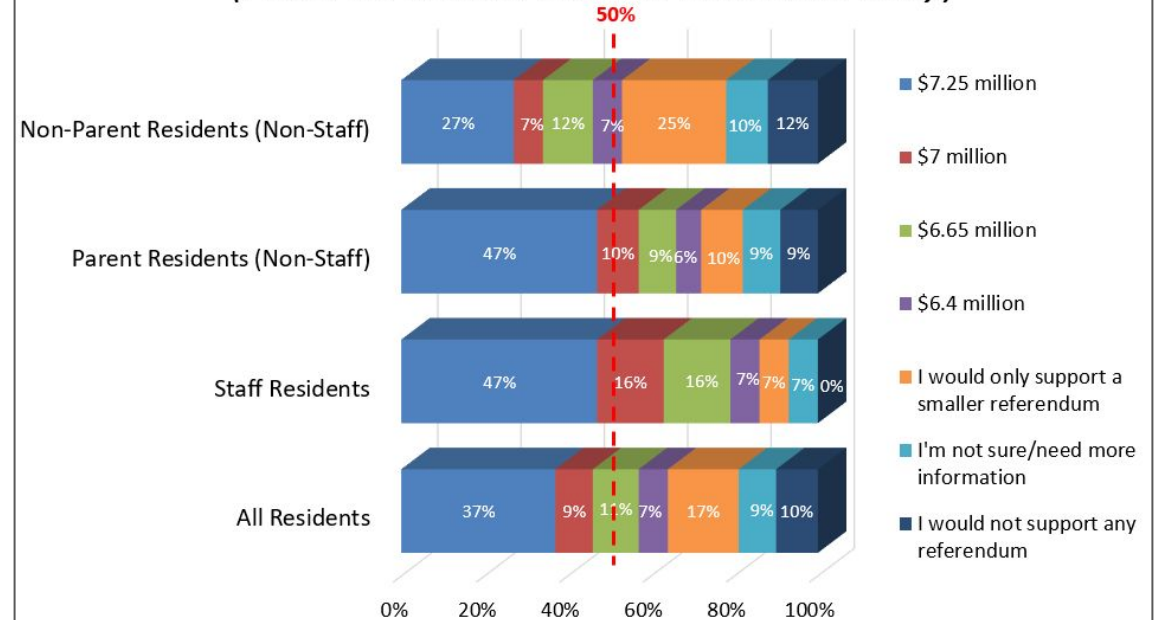
Scenario based on community feedback...

Project Estimated at \$6.65M (Scenario)

- Estimated tax increase = \$21.00 per \$100,000 of property value annually
- Estimated **AVERAGE** mill rate increase (over 2018-19) for debt service (principle + interest) = \$.21 per \$1,000 of property value
- Assumptions
 - 15 year borrowing
 - Interest rate range = 3.75%
 - Equalized valuation (growth) = 1%

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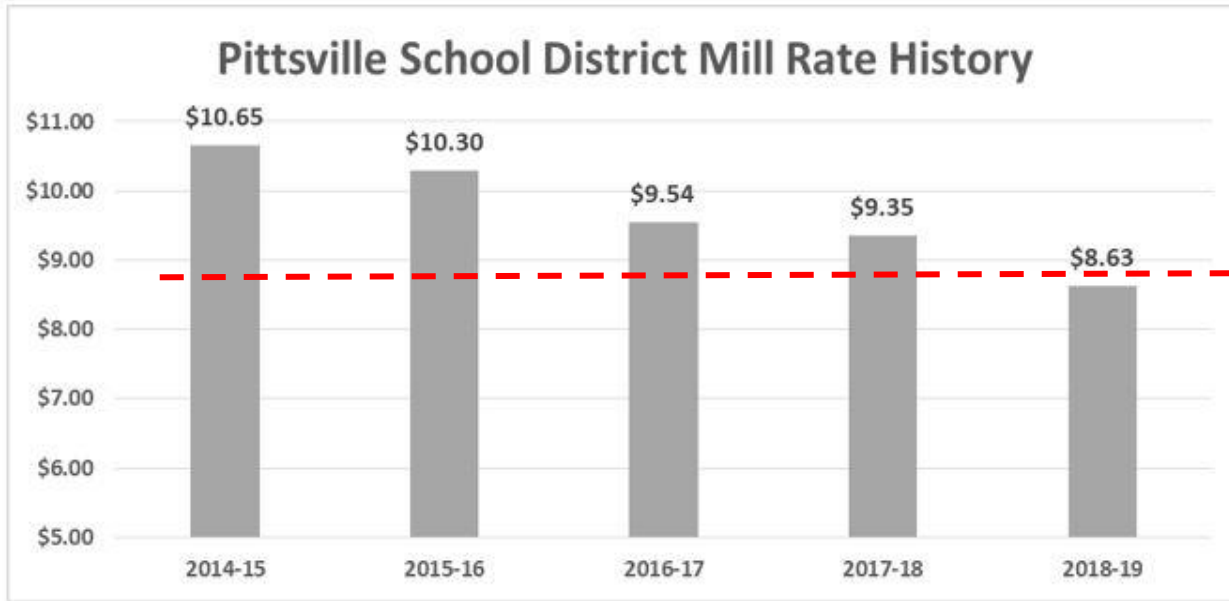


ESTIMATED NET SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Referendum amount	\$6.4 million <i>Career and Technical Education Center Only</i>	\$6.65 million	\$7 million	\$7.25 million
Estimated average net tax increase per \$100,000 of property value	\$16 per year	\$21 per year	\$29 per year	\$35 per year

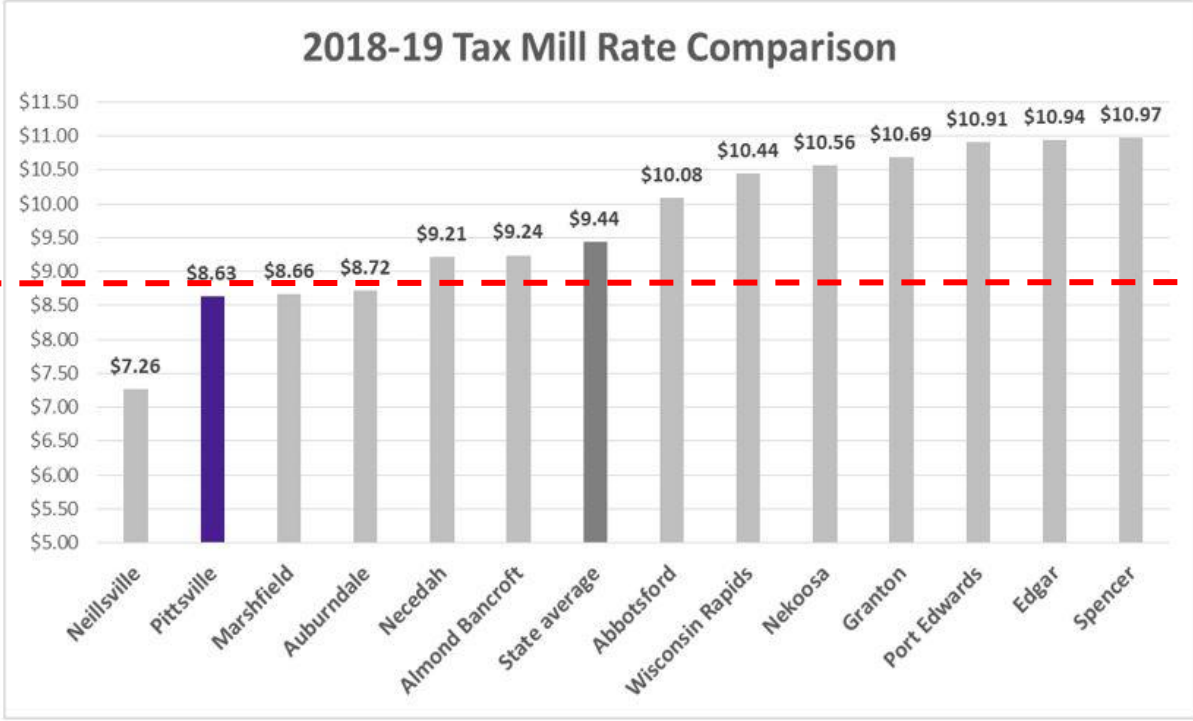
MILL RATE HISTORY & COMPARISON

Tax increase for potential \$6.65M project



Illustrates the averaged increase of \$.21 over 2018-19

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NOTE: ALL FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS WILL BE UPDATED USING CURRENT 2019-20 MILL RATE & FINANCE ASSUMPTIONS FOLLOWING BOARD RECOMMENDATION FOR PROJECT SCOPE

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Potential Referendum
April 7, 2020

BOND COUNSEL

Role and timetable

BOND COUNSEL

- Drafts legal ballot resolution language
- Establishes and guides the District and School Board with the Bond Referendum Schedule 
- Provides high level material review (Advocacy)

	
APRIL 7, 2020 ¹	
BOND REFERENDUM TIMETABLE*	
(Regularly Scheduled Election)	
<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
On or before January 25, 2020 (recommended at least 73 days prior to Referendum)	Board adopts Initial and Referendum Resolutions
At least 70 days prior to the Referendum (on or before January 28, 2020)	Ballot language (i) delivered to person responsible for printing the ballots and (ii) provided to county clerk(s) as required by Section 8.37, Wisconsin Statutes. If District prepares ballots, must be provided to municipal clerks 25 days before election.
Within 10 days of Board Action	Notice to Electors published (Exhibit A to Referendum Resolution) and Notice to DPI
Fourth Tuesday before referendum (or closest date before of official newspaper publication)	Type A Election Notice published by District (Type E Election Notice to be published by Municipal Clerks) (Exhibit B to Referendum Resolution)
By at least March 13, 2020 (25 days before the referendum)	Ballots printed and delivered to municipal clerks. Copy of ballot sent to bond counsel.
Closest date of official newspaper published before the referendum	Combined Type B and Type C Election Notices published by District (including the facsimile ballot) (Type D Election Notice to be published by Municipal Clerks) (Exhibit C to Referendum Resolution)
April 7, 2020	Referendum held
No later than April 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. (7 days after referendum)	Board of Canvassers meets

BALLOT RESOLUTION

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EXAMPLE:

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PURPOSE - IN GENERAL TERMS

COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH PLANNING

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Informational materials

EXAMPLES

- Fact Sheet/Newsletter
- Postcard(s)
- Information Display Boards
- Website Info/Graphics
- School & Community Material



REFERENDUM 2014 FACT SHEET

WHAT IS ON THE BALLOT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4?

After more than three years of extensive research and community input, the Waunakee Community School Board has created a flexible long-range Facilities Master Plan intended to meet the needs of our students and reflect the priorities of our community. Based on the feedback, Waunakee residents will vote on two separate questions, one to borrow funds specifically for facility construction and the other to support the ongoing operational costs associated with the added space. While related, Wisconsin law requires that each of these questions be presented separately for individual vote.

- QUESTION #1: CONSTRUCT AND RENOVATE SCHOOLS - \$44,800,000**
- Construct a new Intermediate School for all 5-6
 - Construct a four-classroom addition to Prairie
 - Transition the existing Heritage Elementary to a dedicated K-4 elementary
 - Address prioritized capital maintenance projects at Prairie Elementary and Heritage Elementary
- QUESTION #2: OPERATING EXPENSES - \$2,160,000 ON A RECURRING BASIS**
- Support operational costs associated with construction of the new Intermediate School and the addition of a custodian staff, utilities and capital maintenance
 - Establish a district-wide capital maintenance fund to address future needs
 - Provide district-wide technology upgrades (i.e. infrastructure upgrades, wiring, computer and equipment replacements)

WHY ARE WE PROPOSING THIS PLAN?

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- Constructing a new 700-student capacity Intermediate School to build additional schools further into the future (a Master Plan).

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Waunakee Community School District Referendum

WHAT IS THE ESTIMATED IMPACT TO TAXPAYERS?

ESTIMATED MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX INCREASE (Based on 2014/2015 rate)	QUESTION 1		QUESTION 2	
	Per Year	Per Month	Per Year	Per Month
\$100,000 of property value	\$91	\$7.58	\$95	\$7.92
\$200,000 of property value	\$182	\$15.17	\$190	\$15.83
\$300,000 of property value	\$273	\$22.75	\$285	\$23.75

* To minimize the impact on taxpayers, the estimated maximum tax increase for Question #1 would be spread out over three (3) property tax years. District residents would first note the increase on their December 2014 tax bill, with the full impact of \$91 per \$100 of property value in effect by the December 2017 tax bill.

* To minimize the impact on taxpayers, the estimated maximum tax increase for Question #2 would be spread out over four (4) property tax years. District residents would first note the increase on their December 2014 tax bill with the full impact of \$95 per \$100 of property value in effect by the December 2017 tax bill.



PITTSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Communications & Outreach Plan (draft) | Activity for week of:

	OCT	NOV	DEC	15	1/13	1/20	1/27	2/3	2/10	2/17	2/24	3/2	3/9	3/16	3/23	3/30	4/6	
SCHOOL BOARD & ADMINISTRATIVE PLANNING (SAP)																		
Administrative - Core Team Planning (monthly/quarterly meetings)																		
Board & Administration Workshop & Meeting																		
Survey Data Review - Framework (Scope/Confirms/Support) LR Planning Guidelines Timeline																		
Project Scope/Confirms Tax Impact Confirmed: Bond Counsel-Draft Resolution Language																		
Bond Counsel Schedule & Resolution Language Confirmed: Communications & Outreach Plan																		
Resolutions Approved: Communications & Outreach Plan Implementation: Advocacy Guidelines																		
COMMUNICATIONS & OUTREACH PLAN:																		
Communications & Outreach Plan finalized - confirmed with graphic design, printer, mail lists, portal plan																		
Website - Events Calendar established with PSD & Board (portal/community events)																		
Website Framework and content established; updates ongoing																		
Website content updates/updates: (Background, Survey, Fall Outreach Materials, Video info, etc.)																		
MATERIALS:																		
Develop all graphic components: Kater, PMA, PSD, (e.g. Site Plan, Th Chart, MI Rate/Finance, branding/tag, etc.)																		
Develop presentation framework for all community outreach																		
Master #1: Referendum Announcement (Data Points/Survey, Referendum, Info Source)																		
Master #2: Fact Sheet																		
International Display Board - have text kit																		
Master #3: Events, Voting Information, Key Facts																		
Collateral - Schools & Community (Website graphics, posters, flyers, resource table document, etc.)																		
Special Circumstance - Contingency (e.g. land acquisition, collaboration municipalities on scope, etc.)																		
Administration & Staff Review (Comm & Outreach Plan Review: Advocacy Guidelines)																		
Community Liaison Forum - Presentation (scope, Materials)																		
Superintendent & Board Open Door (Weekly/FBI)																		
Key Communication/Parent Outreach (see Events Calendar/FBI, Bookends, Clubs or School Events)																		
Community Outreach Events (see Events Calendar/Municipalities, Civic/Unions, Business, Open)																		
Referendum Information Night & School Tour (see Events Calendar)																		
SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS (PUSH)																		
Direct Mail:																		
Elementary, Middle/High School Principal Newsletter, e-mail, FB, Twitter posts																		
Media: Traditional, Social																		
Media Release - Core Messages, pre-Superintendent, P/F Referendum																		
Social Media Plan - per PSD-AG for FB, Twitter, blog, etc.																		
Video - per Kater, Inc.																		
Open Editions:																		
COMMUNITY VIDEO SPRING 2015 REFERENDUM																		

WAUNAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Managing Growth, One Step at a Time.

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QUESTION #2: OPERATING EXPENSES - \$2,160,000 ON A RECURRING BASIS

- Support operational costs associated with construction of the new Intermediate School and the addition of a custodian staff, utilities and capital maintenance
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Thank you! YOUR INPUT HAS SHAPED THE NOVEMBER 4TH REFERENDUM!

- 3+ years of long-range facility planning
- Feedback from over 2,500 community members
- Over 4,000 students impacted TODAY with room to grow in the FUTURE

Together we are **Managing Growth, One Step at a Time.**

MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION

VOTE NOVEMBER 4TH!

Visit www.waunakee.k12.wi.us/referendum2014 for complete details.

- Constructive Projects, Costs, and Site Plans
- Referendum 2014 Video
- Frequently Asked Questions
- The Impact Calculator

LEARN MORE!
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ATTEND: Referendum Information Nights (Open Houses)

- Heritage Elementary - October 21, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
- Prairie Elementary - October 23, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

TOUR: the schools

- Prairie Elementary - October 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM
- Heritage Elementary/Intermediate - October 14, 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM
- Any Tuesday, September 2 - October 26, 8:30 - 5:30 PM

WATCH: your mail for a Referendum newsletter in October

EMAIL: questions to referendum2014@waunakee.k12.wi.us

VISIT: Superintendent Randy Gutterberg with questions

- District Administrative Offices, 900 South Clark
- Any Tuesday, September 2 - October 26, 8:30 - 5:30 PM

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WAUNAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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TWO SEPARATE QUESTIONS ON THE NOVEMBER 4TH BALLOT

QUESTION #1: CONSTRUCT AND RENOVATE SCHOOLS - \$44,800,000

QUESTION #2: OPERATING EXPENSES - \$2,160,000 ON A RECURRING BASIS

VOTING INFO

- Ballot Request & Form Registration
- Early In-Person Voting at Public October 20 - October 31
- Poll Open November 4, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

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ADVOCACY GUIDELINES

Summary

Advocacy Guidelines

- Funds
- Information - Just the Facts
- Context

Roles - Recommendations

- Board
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- Staff

ADVOCACY GUIDELINES Summary for Public School Districts	
PERMITTED ACTIVITIES	PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES
Using DISTRICT FUNDS (taxpayer money) for "reasonable expenditures" and for the purpose of "giving voters relevant facts to aid them in reaching an informed judgment when voting" on a referendum questions.	<u>Expending public funds (taxpayer money) for the purpose of advocating a particular position</u> on a referendum question.
Providing OBJECTIVE, FACTUAL INFORMATION verbally or in printed material on a proposed district referendum.	<u>Distributing information or materials that use "express advocacy"</u> and support a position to VOTE YES or VOTE NO in any form, on a district referendum.
Holding INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS and unbiased voter registration and absentee ballot drives.	<u>Holding or hosting VOTE YES or VOTE NO</u> meetings or rallies.
Providing STUDENTS WITH FACTUAL INFORMATION about the proposed referendum or voting as a civic responsibility/right.	<u>Promoting a VOTE YES or VOTE NO message to students</u> in an official class setting, school sponsored club, or district activity.
Using DISTRICT RESOURCES (paper, copiers, supplies) or data lists (phone, email, other) for informational purposes only.	Using <u>district resources</u> (paper, copiers, supplies) or data lists/resources (phone, email, other) <u>for VOTE YES or VOTE NO</u> efforts.
Using official DISTRICT COMMUNICATION CHANNELS to provide factual information.	Using official <u>district communication channels to raise awareness, recruit members, or fundraise</u> for a VOTE YES or VOTE NO political action committee (PAC) or referendum group.
EXPRESSING PERSONAL OPINION about the referendum if you <u>are not serving in "official district capacity"</u> at the time and you identify your statements as personal opinion (including Board Members, administrators and district employees who reside in the district).	Expressing your VOTE YES or VOTE NO opinions <u>as a representative of the district in an official capacity.</u>
SERVING ON AN INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (PAC) or referendum group "off the clock" <u>and</u> off school grounds if you are a contractual employee.	Working on VOTE YES or VOTE NO efforts for an independent political action committee (PAC) or referendum group <u>while on official school time</u> if a contractual employee.

REFERENDA HISTORY
Pittsville Public School District
[1993 - Present]

PITTSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Referenda history 1993 - present

The report below shows:

District = Pittsville (4368)

Vote Date = 01/01/93 to 4/2/2019

Type of Referendums = All

Referenda Outcome = All

District ^A _Z ↓	Vote Date	Amount	Type	Yes	No	Result	Brief Description
Pittsville (4368)	11/04/2008	2008 \$175,000 2009 \$175,000 2010 \$175,000 Total: \$525,000	RR 2010	1,031	1,013	Passed	operation and maintenance expenses
Pittsville (4368)	04/06/1999	\$3,350,000	Issue Debt	918	548	Passed	gym; music rooms; locker rooms; offices
Pittsville (4368)	04/06/1999	\$1,600,000	Issue Debt	868	573	Passed	auditorium
Pittsville (4368)	05/01/1993	\$3,000,000	Issue Debt	210	630	Failed	

Recent legislation limits school districts to:

- Referenda opportunity limited to regularly scheduled elections
 - Even years = April/November
 - Odd years = November
- Maximum of two (2) questions of any combination or type in a calendar year

SURVEY REPORT

[School Perceptions | October 14, 2019]

Community Survey Results

Pittsville School District

Fall 2019

SCHOOL PERCEPTIONS

Our mission is to help educational leaders gather, organize and use data to make strategic decisions.

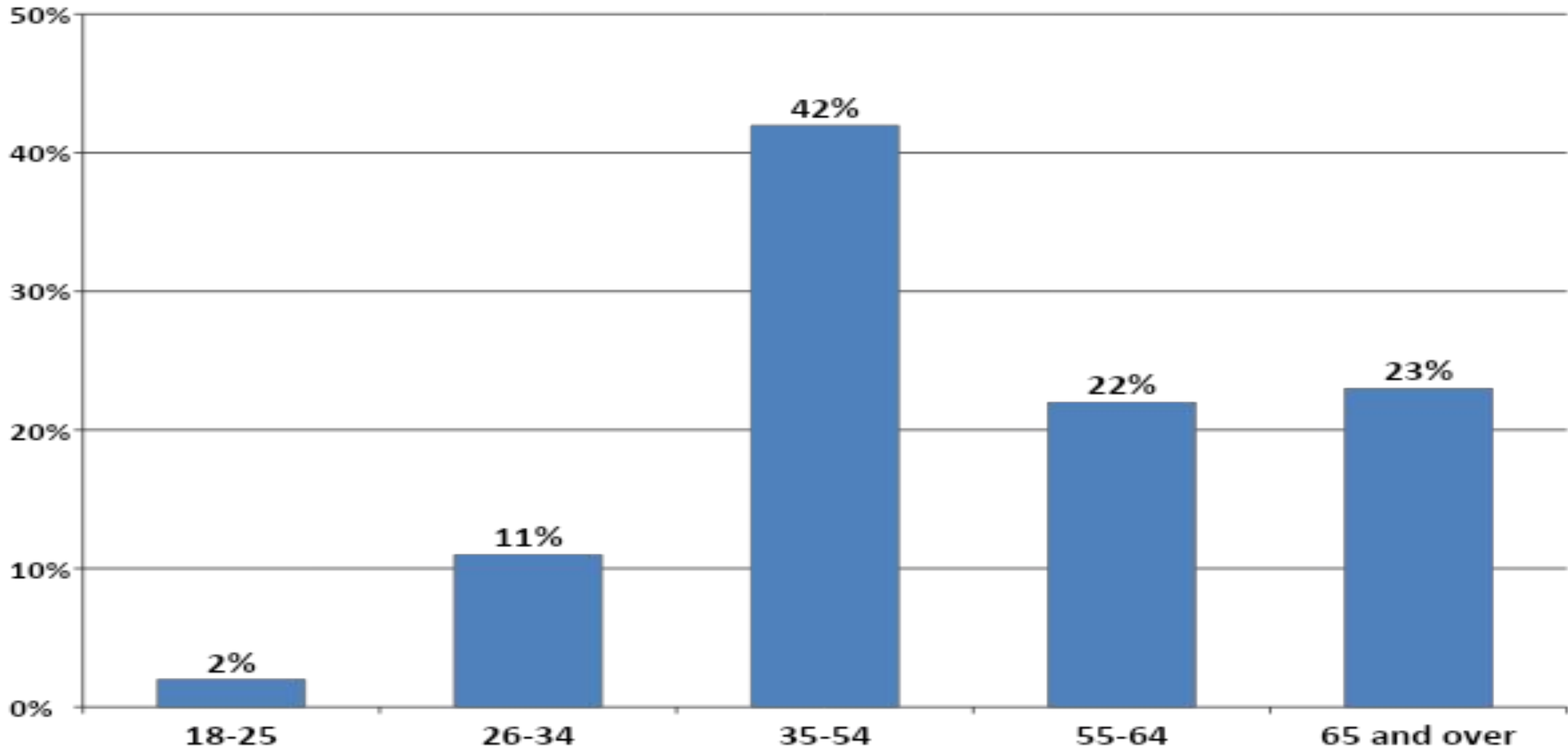
- Founded in 2002 to provide independent and unbiased research
- Conducted over 10,000 surveys for school improvement
- Helped more than 600 districts navigate the strategic planning and referendum planning process

Survey Summary

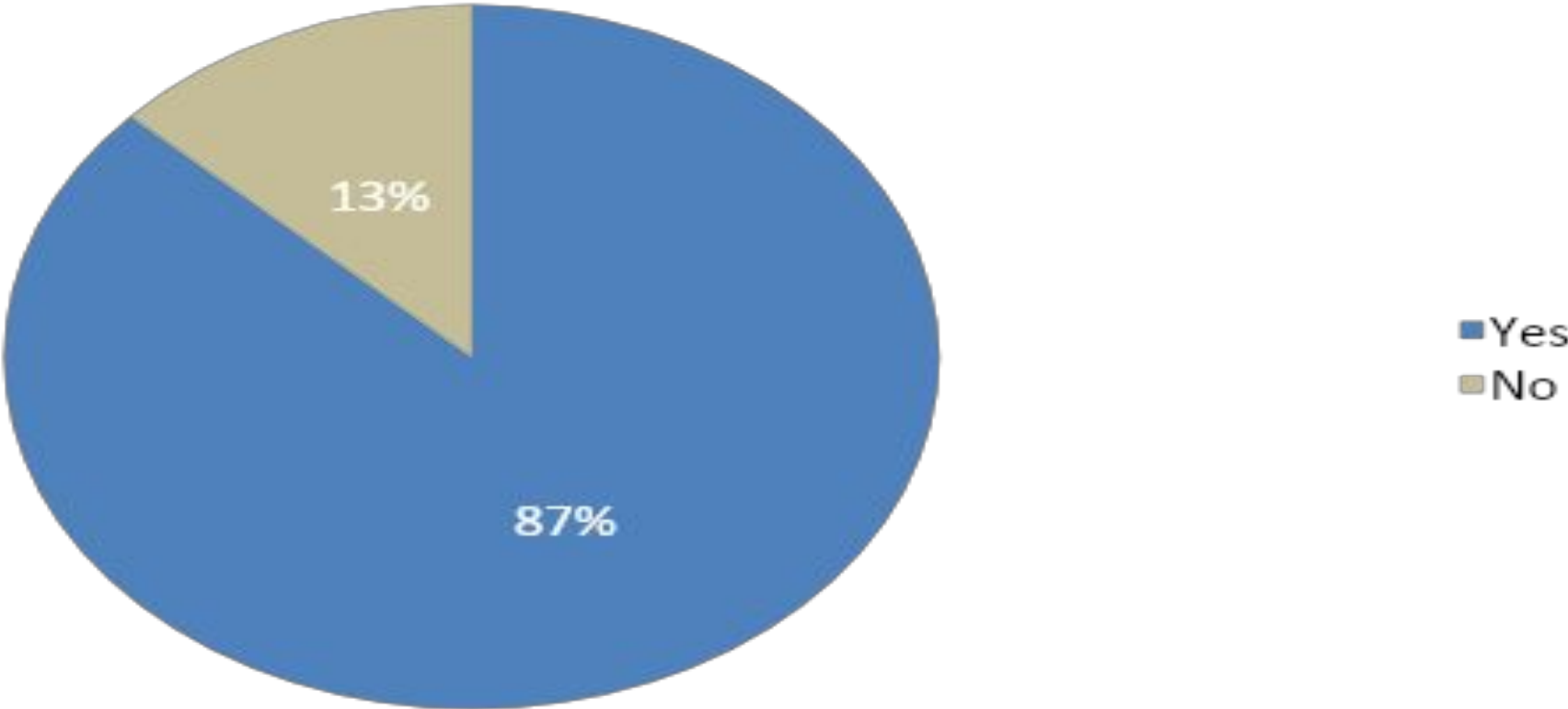
- The survey was conducted in September of 2019.
- Residents within the District were mailed a paper survey. Each survey included a unique survey access code for those who preferred to take the survey online.
- Total responses = 384 (148 paper)
- Participation rate = 23%
- Margin of error = 5.1%

Respondent Information

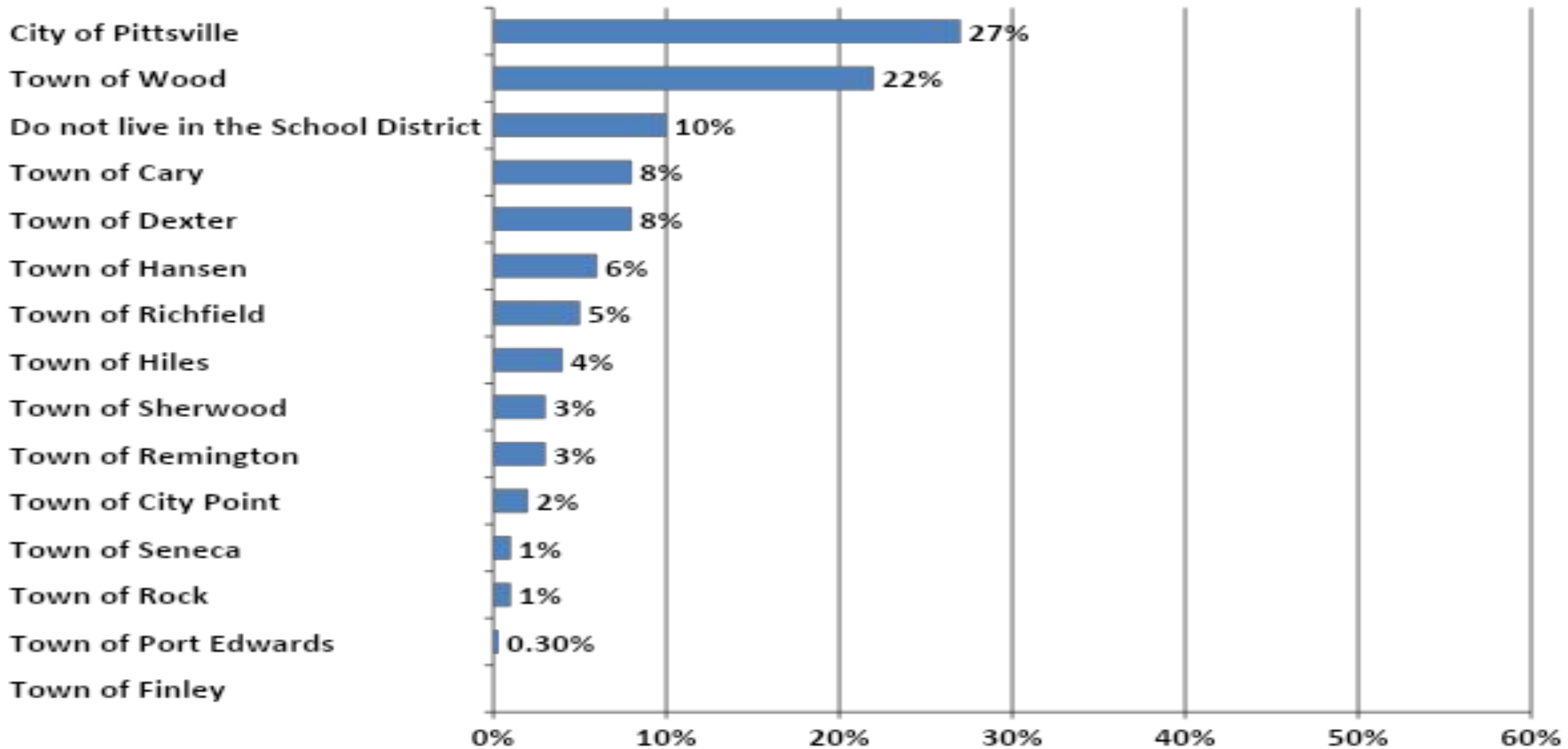
What is your age?



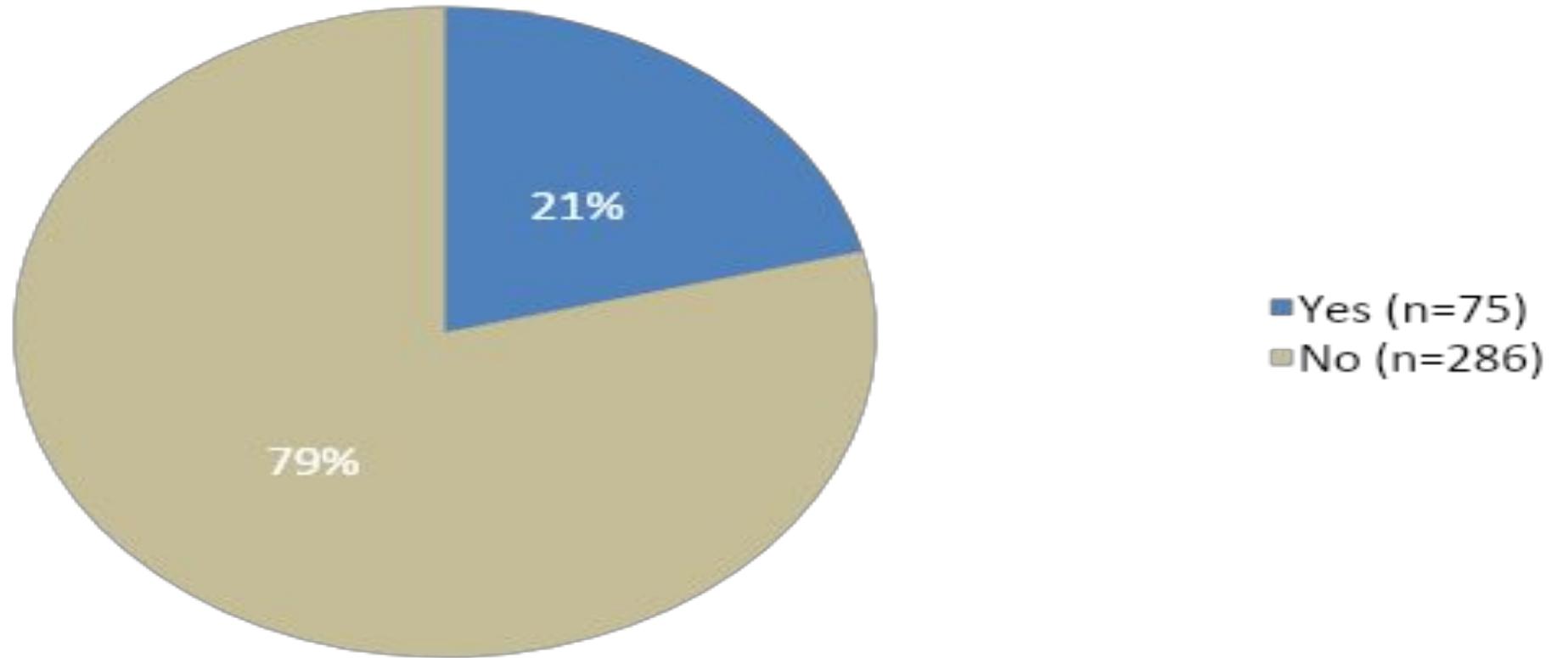
Do you live in the Pittsville School District?



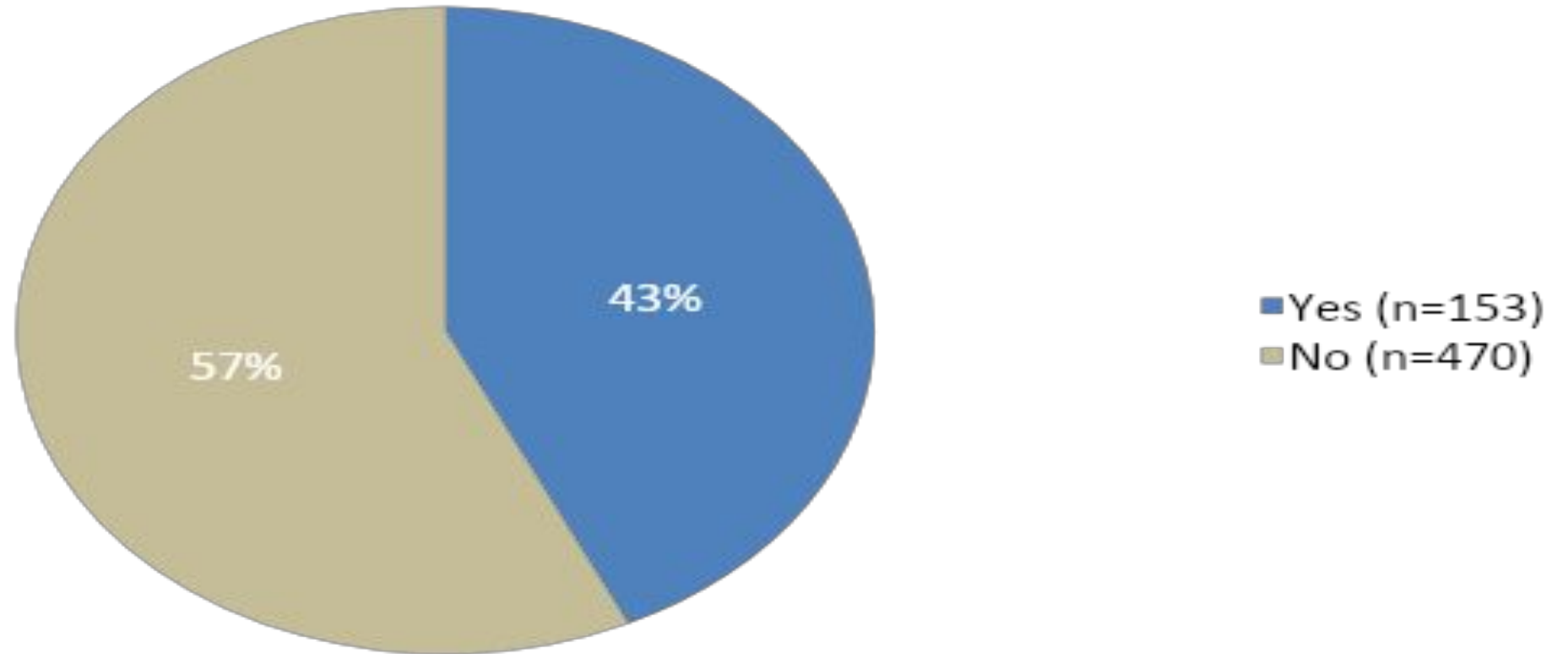
In which city or township do you reside?



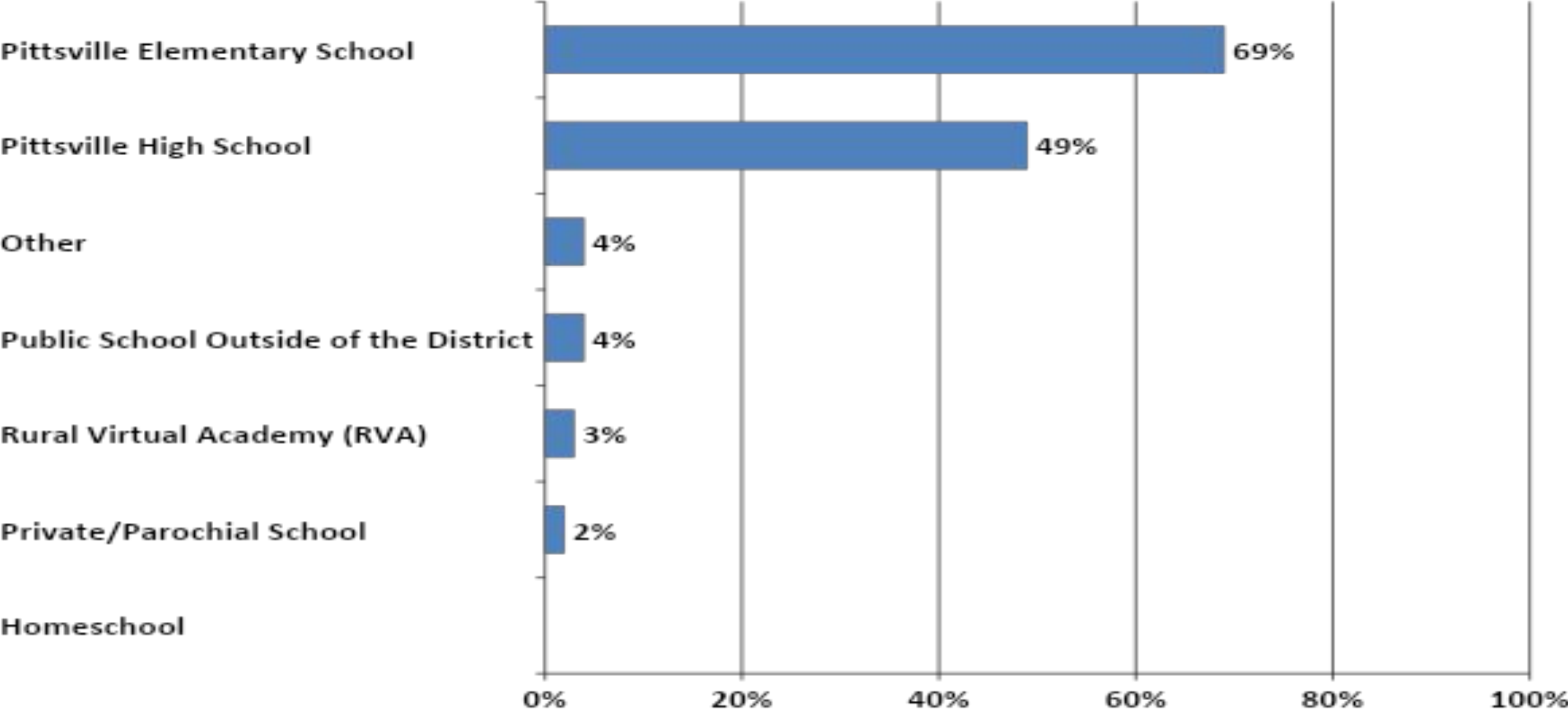
Are you an employe^e of the Pittsville School District?



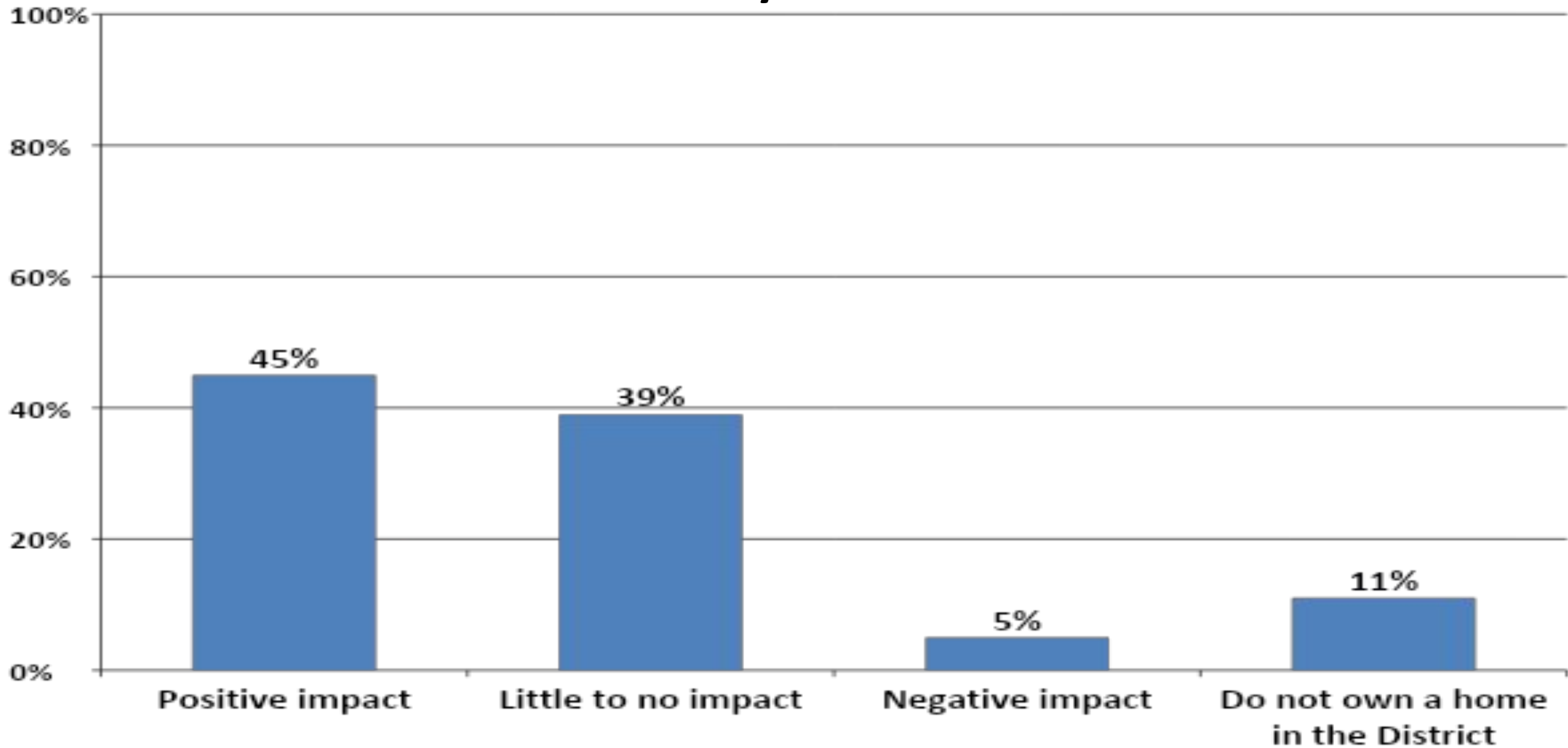
Do you have child(ren) attending school in the Pittsville School District?



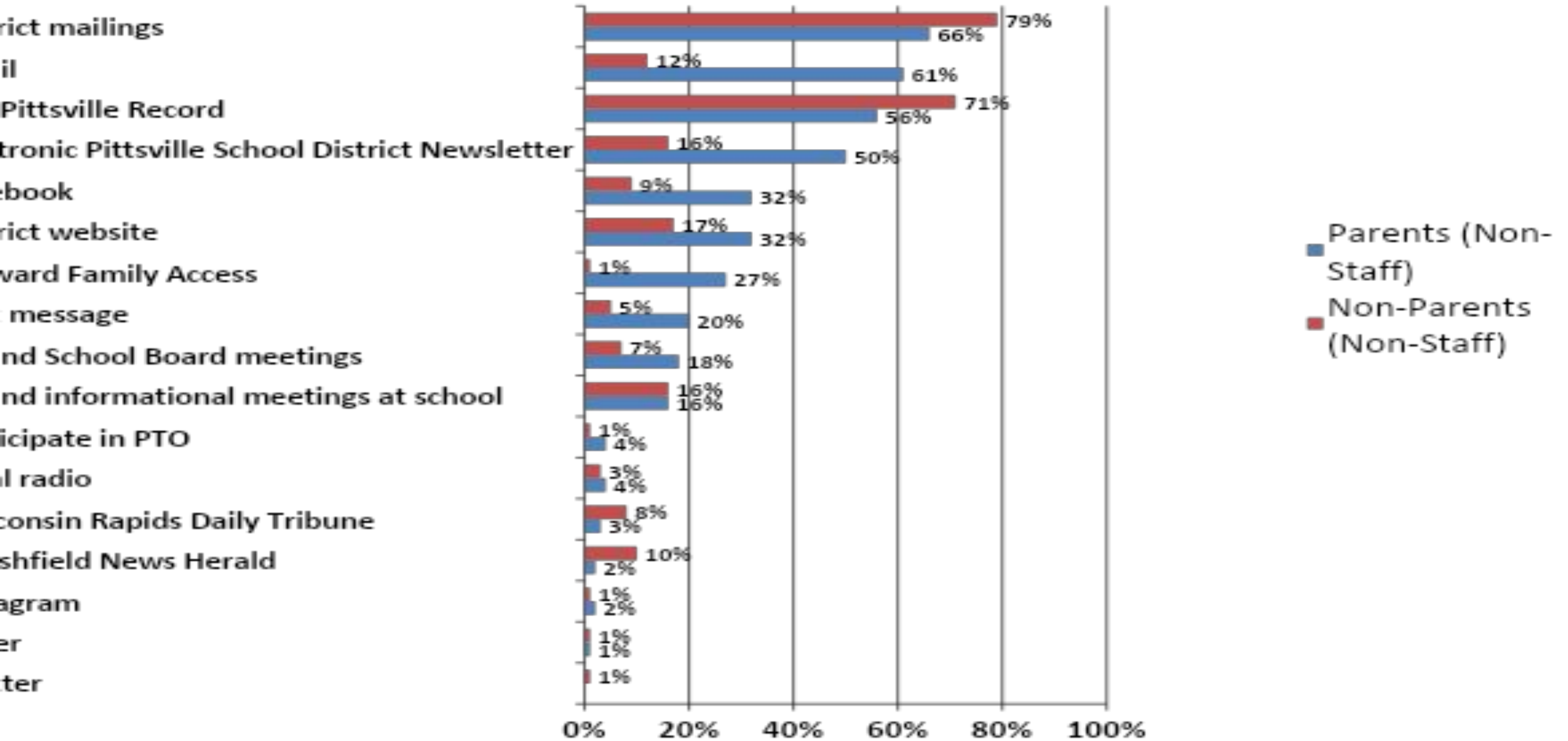
If you have school-aged children, what school(s) do they attend?



Overall, what impact do you feel the quality of the Pittsville School District has on your home value?



How would you like to receive school/District information?



District Feedback

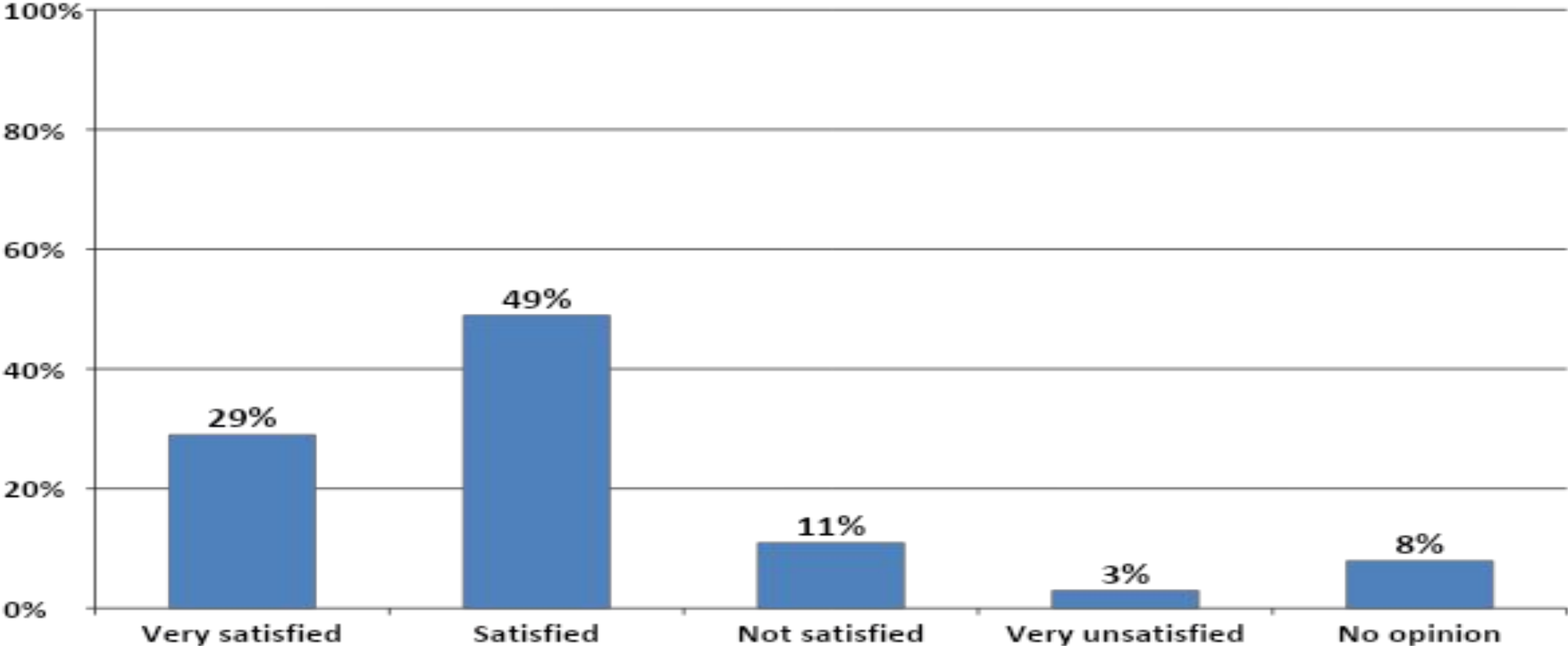
Please tell us how well you believe we are doing in each of the following areas:

Great (4), Good (3), Fair (2), Poor (1)

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Providing a safe learning environment	3.66	3.25	3.24
Delivering a high-quality educational experience	3.56	3.14	3.01
Maintaining school facilities	3.39	3.10	2.83
Keeping the public informed	3.10	2.63	2.69
Hiring and retaining high-quality faculty and staff	3.03	2.57	2.52

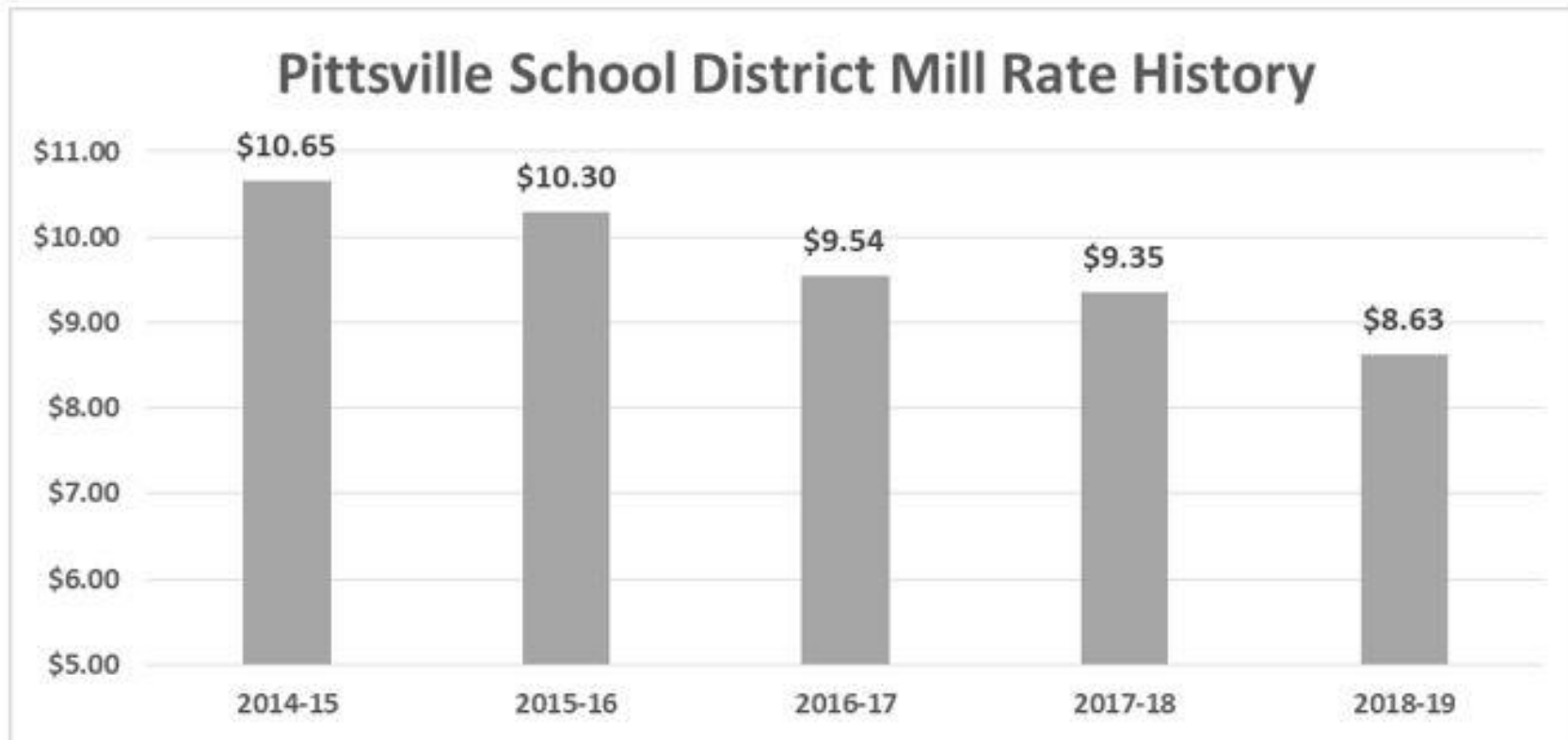
Overall, how satisfied are you with the Pittsville School District?

(All Respondents)

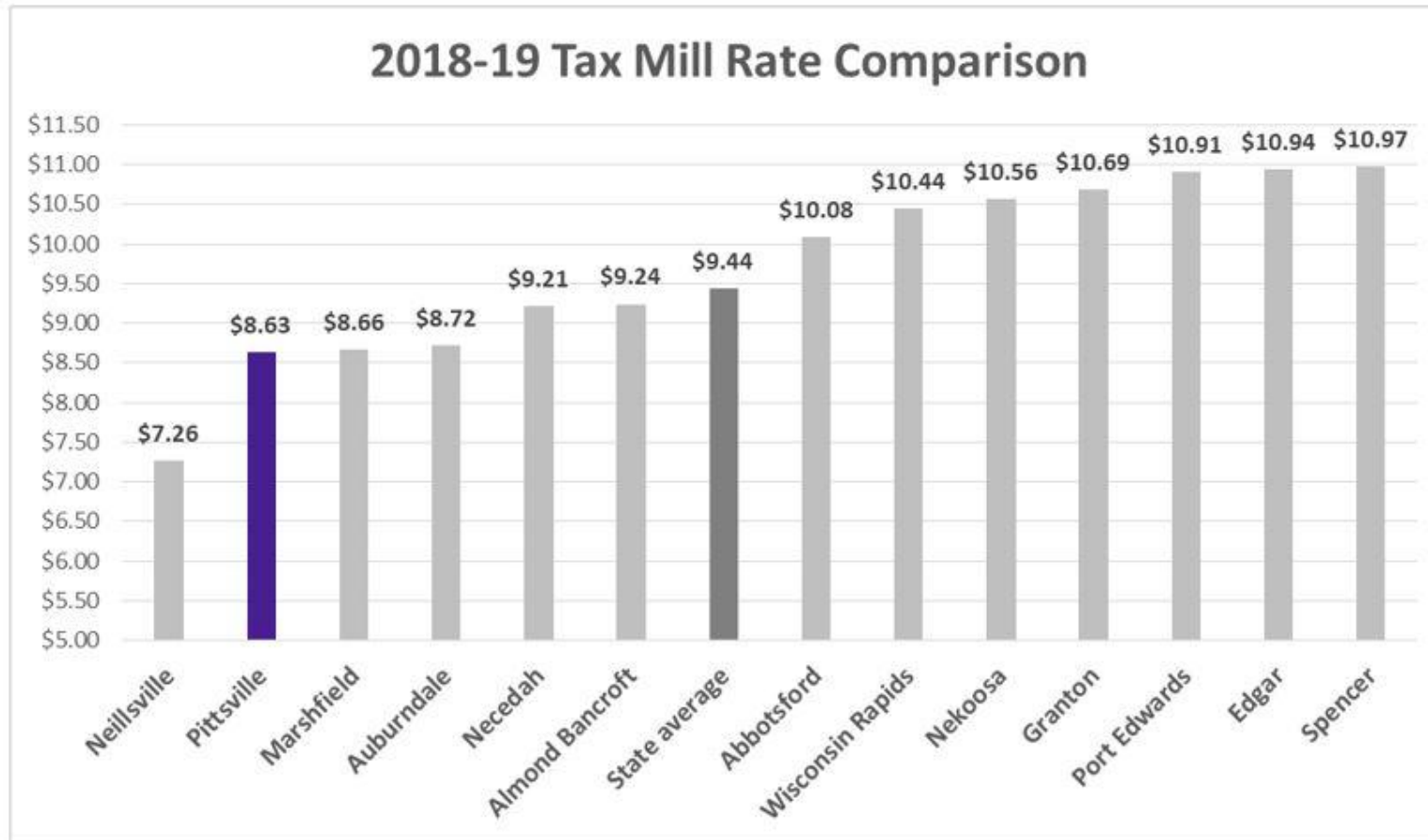


Financial Background

The Pittsville School District works hard to be good stewards of taxpayers' dollars. The District's tax mill rate, which is used to calculate property taxes, has dropped by **\$2.02** over the last five years.



As a result, the District's tax mill rate continues to be one of the **lowest in the region and is \$0.81 below the state average**. Therefore, the owner of a \$100,000 home in the District pays \$81 less than the state average on the school portion of their property tax bill.



Financial Opportunity

Over the past two years, the District has levied funds to support and develop before- and after-school programming as well as full-day 6-week to school-age child care programs. Beginning in the fall of 2022, the full-day program should be self-sustaining. **Because this levy will no longer be needed, the District will have the opportunity to invest in the facility projects while having minimal tax impact.**

Facility Priorities

The School Board reviewed the condition of our schools and has identified the following priorities:

Improve Our Career and Technical Education and Agriculture Science Classrooms and Labs

The 50-year-old high school technical education building has served students well, but functionally has outlived its intended use and needs renovation or replacement. Educational programs are changing and, with a growing demand for agriculture science and trade-focused career training, our current spaces are over capacity. Our agriculture programs are currently taught in one classroom. It lacks small- and large-animal lab space and room for hands-on student experiences. The demand for qualified individuals in various agriculture science careers continues to increase, and the District's program has no space to grow to meet the job market needs. A new technology and agriculture science facility will provide up-to-date learning facilities for years to come.

Update Building Systems

While our school has been well maintained, the high school backup boiler has exceeded its useful life and is in need of replacement, a portion of the school lacks air conditioning, sections of the parking lot need to be resurfaced, and the primary wing roof is in need of replacement in the near future.

Address Deferred Maintenance Projects

Due to their age, the District has classrooms that are in need of updates to floors, lighting, paint, and cabinetry.

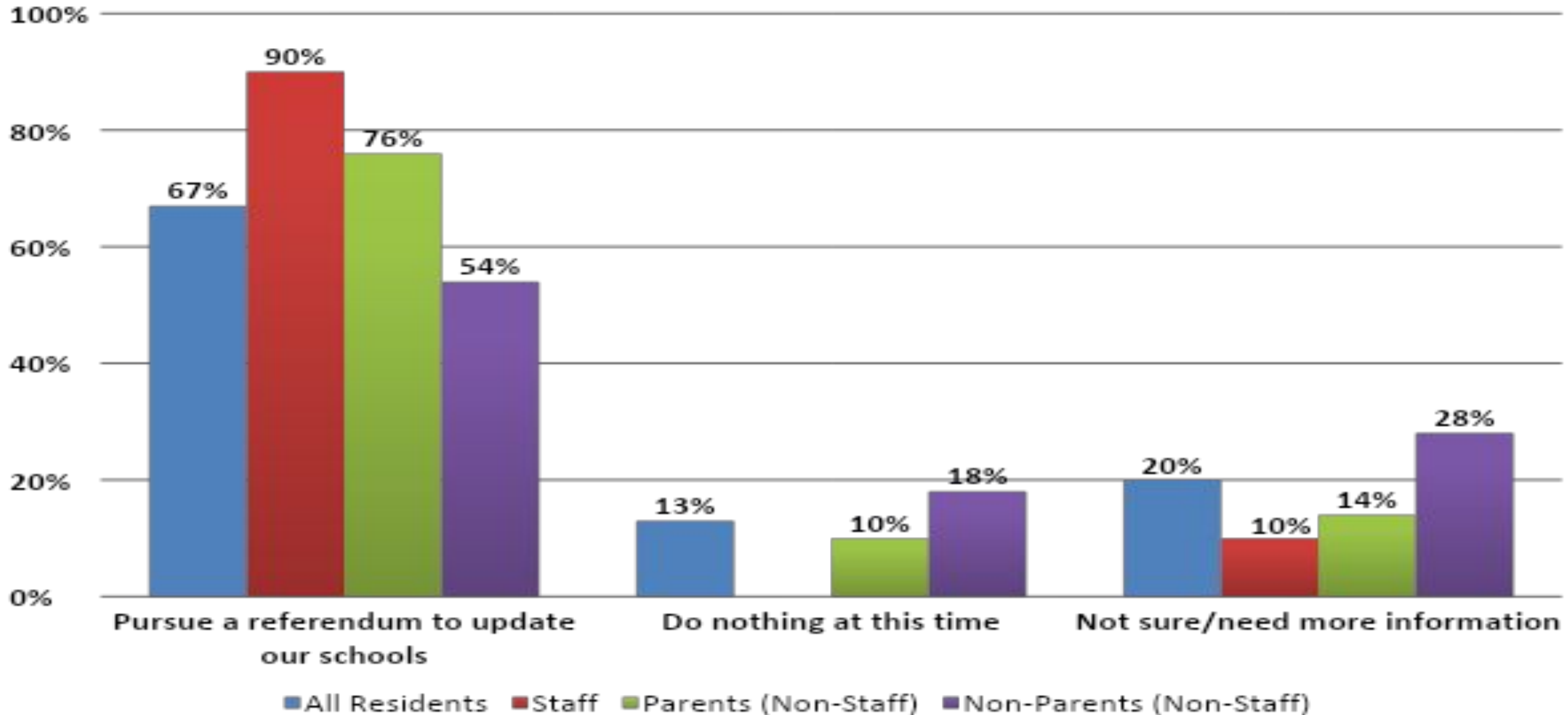
Add Indoor/Outdoor ADA Accessible Restrooms

There are no restrooms accessible from the baseball diamond and city park area for use by our physical education classes, district and youth athletics, as well as designated community events.

If the community chooses to address the above-mentioned needs, the primary way to obtain funding is through a referendum.

What advice would you give the School Board?

(Pittsville School District Residents Only)



Build a New Career and Technical Education Center

If the community supports pursuing a referendum, the District has identified the need to build a new Career and Technical Education Center as the highest priority.

BUILD A NEW CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTER

There is a growing demand for skilled employees in construction, manufacturing, and agriculture careers in our region. Our current Career and Technical Education (CTE) building is more than 50 years old and lacks the space, technology, and equipment required to meet students' needs. The space shortage limits the variety of courses we can offer and the number of students we can serve in a class.

A new 25,000 sq. ft. Career and Technical Education Center would be built with classrooms and labs designed to:

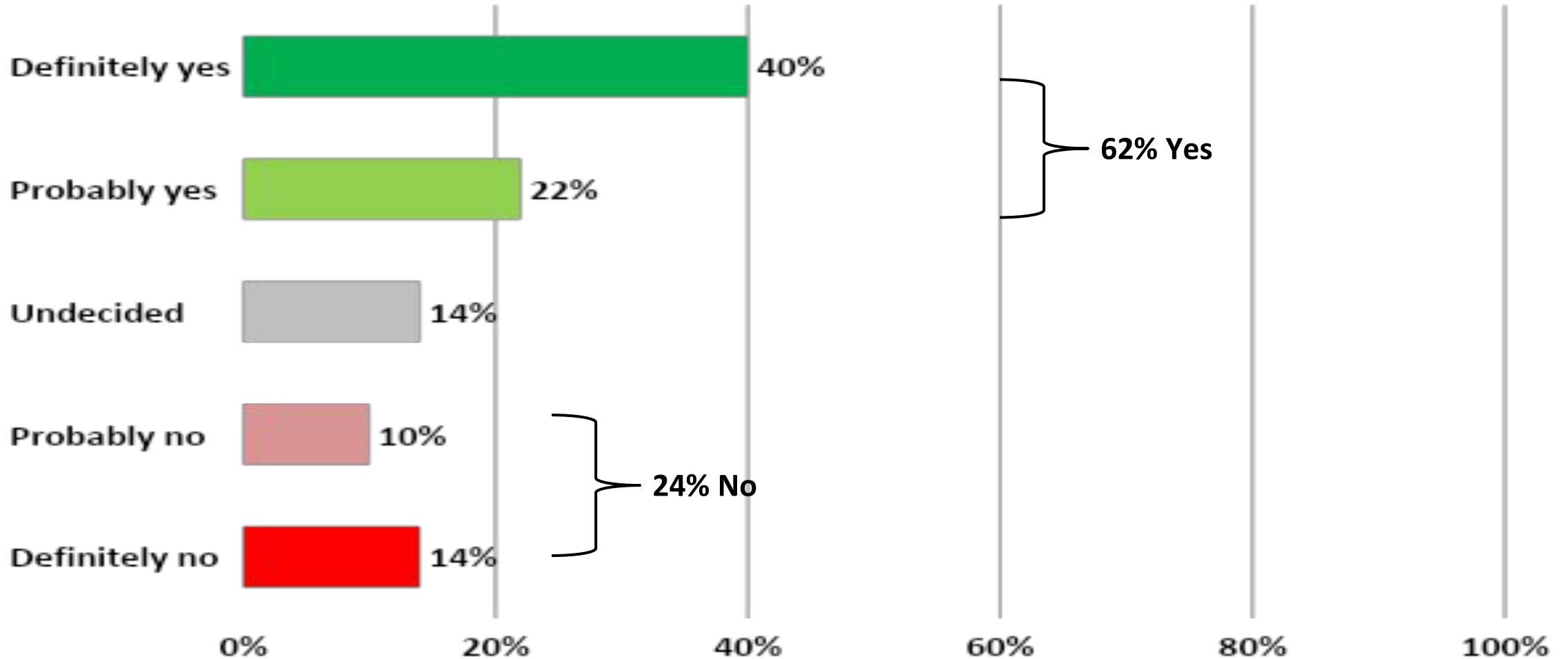
- Expand course offerings to meet student interest and workforce demands
- Incorporate the latest tools and equipment
- Provide more job-like, project-based, and skilled trade experiences for our students
- Improve student security
- Provide space for adult education courses outside of the school day

Estimated cost: \$6.4 million

Would you support a \$6.4 million referendum to build a new Career and Technical Education center?

Representing an estimated annual net tax increase averaging \$16 for each \$100,000 of property value for each of the next 15 years (life of the loan).

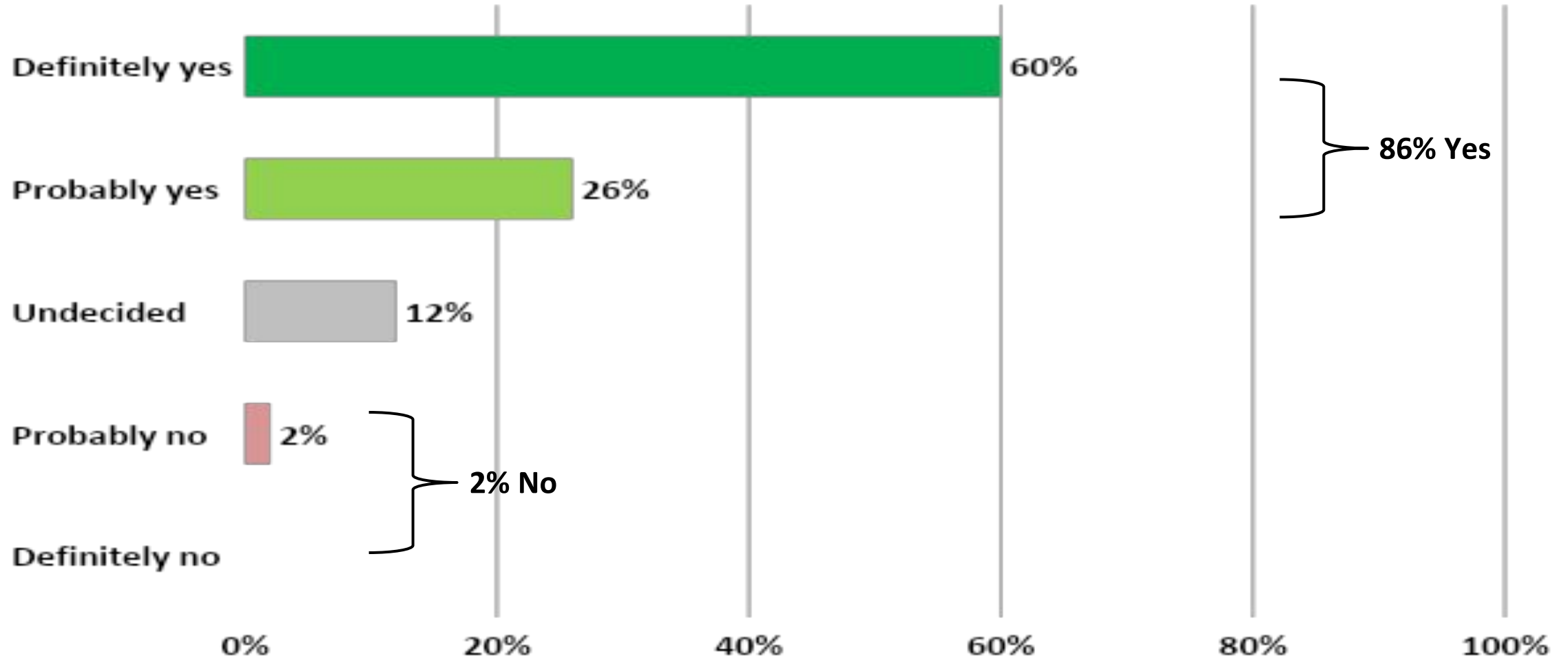
All Residents



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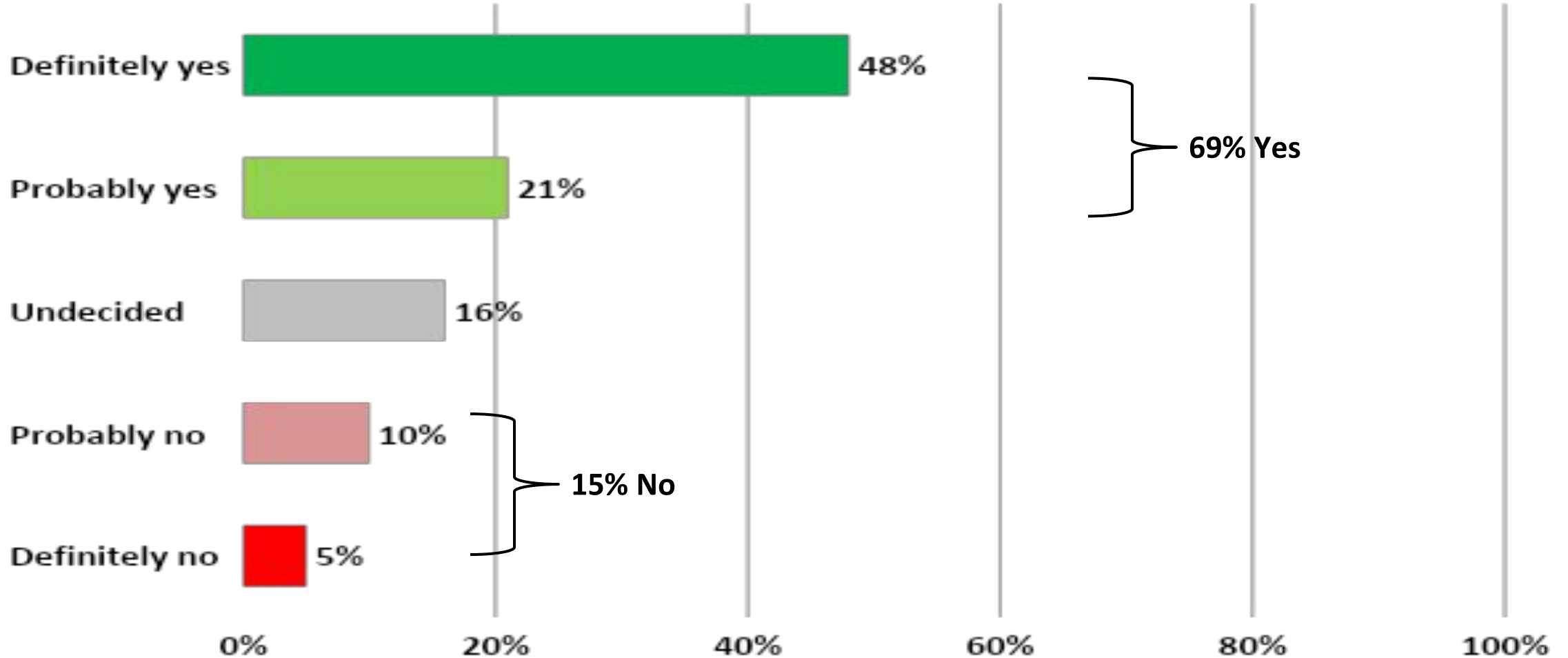
Staff Residents



Would you support a \$6.4 million referendum to build a new Career and Technical Education center?

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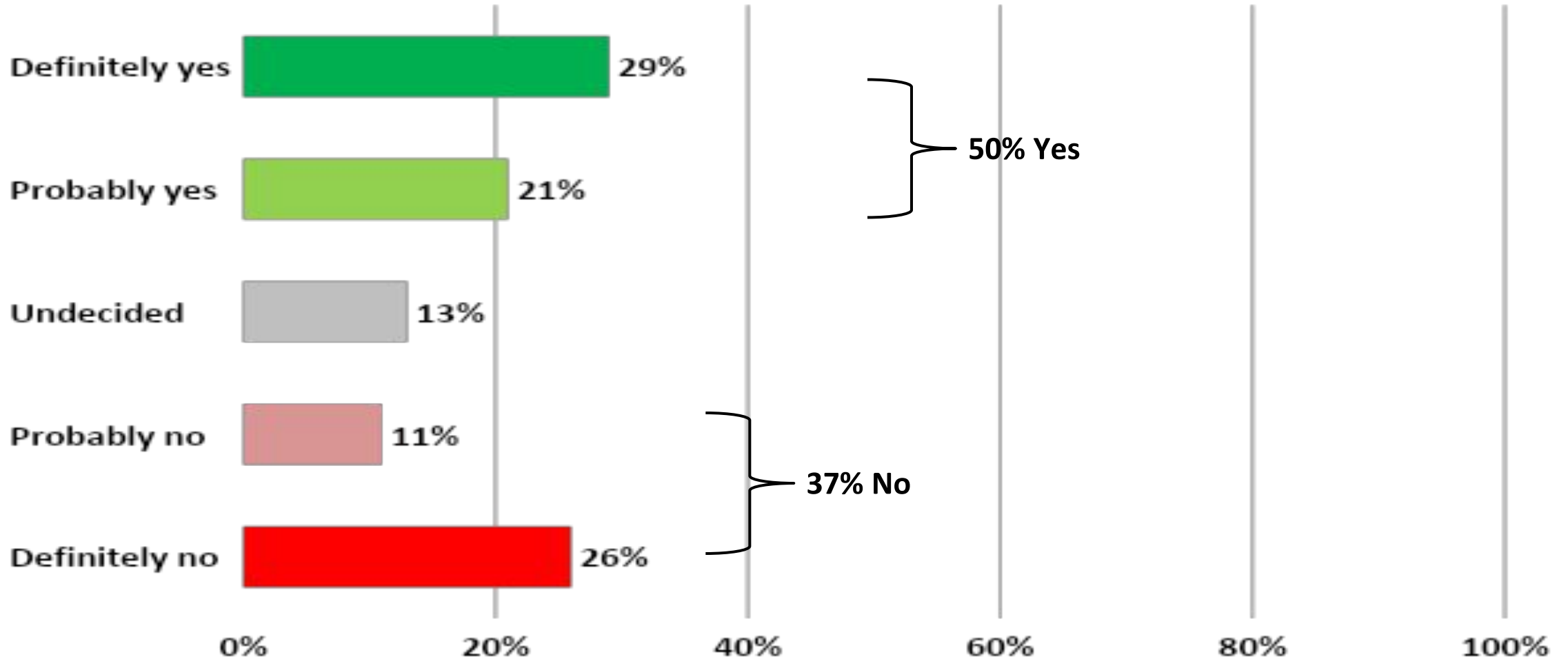
Parent Residents (Non-Staff)



Would you support a \$6.4 million referendum to build a new Career and Technical Education center?

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Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)



Additional Projects

How likely would you be to support a plan that provides funding to...

Very likely (3), Somewhat likely (2), Not likely (1)

Item	All Residents	Staff Residents	Parent Residents	Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)
replace the high school backup boiler? Estimated cost: \$25,000	2.65	2.83	2.63	2.61
replace the roof over the primary wing? Estimated cost: \$225,000	2.49	2.69	2.52	2.42
update primary wing classrooms? Estimated cost: \$80,000	2.31	2.44	2.41	2.19
add air conditioning/dehumidification systems in the 2000 section of the school? Estimated cost: \$180,000	2.25	2.46	2.44	2.04
add indoor/outdoor accessible restrooms? Estimated cost: \$250,000	2.12	2.41	2.26	1.92
repave the parking lots? Estimated cost: \$90,000	2.03	2.32	2.06	1.92

Funding Support

The cost to address all of the projects identified in the survey is approximately \$7.25 million and includes:

Build new CTE Center	\$6.4 million
Replace High School Backup Boiler	\$ 25,000
Replace the Primary Wing Roof	\$225,000
Update Classrooms Primary Wing	\$ 80,000
Add Air Conditioning	\$180,000
Repave Parking Lots	\$ 90,000
Add Indoor/Outdoor Accessible Restrooms	\$250,000

The School Board believes the District’s current financial situation provides a good opportunity to consider addressing our facility needs. **Interest rates remain historically low, and the retiring levy described on page 2 of this survey minimizes the tax impact of any future investment in our schools.**

The following table calculates the average net tax increase for various referendum amounts, factoring in the retiring levy and debt. **The District would like to know your level of support, should it consider a referendum.**

ESTIMATED NET SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE				
Referendum amount	\$6.4 million <i>Career and Technical Education Center Only</i>	\$6.65 million	\$7 million	\$7.25 million
Estimated average net tax increase per \$100,000 of property value	\$16 per year	\$21 per year	\$29 per year	\$35 per year

How much of a tax increase would you support through a referendum, assuming the projects included were acceptable to you?

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Thank you!



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