

**Thompson School District Post-Election Survey**  
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| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Berthoud | Shameful really. I always vote for education. Even when my kids attended private. Even now that I'm retired. But every time I passed a home with a Trump sign along with a vote yes for this, I was enraged. The two seemed in conflict and then it struck me as greed. I found myself thinking those who want others to pitch in for their children might want to consider reaching deeper in their own pockets to make things happen. If I had to vote again I would have put my silly anger aside and voted yes. Apologies. All our kids deserve a good school.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | D     | N          | Berthoud | Too many taxes and cost for schooling.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| U   | 45-54 | O     | N          | Berthoud | As typical measures that you as the school district try to get voters to approve, there's too much fat in the ballot. You want people to vote YES for these measures, break it down to simple measures. You don't put teachers/assistant's wages increases in with increasing funding for infrastructure.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Berthoud | Property taxes are so high in this area already. Yet nothing seems to be done with the funds. In our town we still have the same 2 elementary schools. Middle school and high school that we did 25 years ago. Yet the only improvement made in the last 25 years has been an additional gymnasium and tennis court to the high school. And yet our population has more than doubled and therefore the revenue received from property taxes that are supposed to do toward public schools, police and fire department have not appeared to have done anything. Budget better. Prioritize what are the needs and let go of the wants until the needs are met. That's how the rest of us have been surviving the crazy inflation and constant hikes in taxes so far. Do better. |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Berthoud | I'm no longer voting for more tax increases for the schools. Cut the bloated admin budgets and other unnecessary expenses- that's what everyone else has to do to survive. Quit raising my taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Berthoud | I believe if used properly there is enough money for Thompson Valley schools already.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| U   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Berthoud | My child does not attend Thompson school district for a variety of reasons and we do not need more tax increases in Colorado.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Berthoud | Wording was too vague regarding how the additional money would be used. Were teacher & staff raises to be merit based? What are the shortfalls concerning annual maintenance? What capital projects? Etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | Because you bunched together too many requests. I don't think teachers salaries should be included with building maintenance. Also, it's an open ended property tax which could go on forever. We are in a Metro tax district with our property taxes are way above the norm. Typical home owner yearly tax \$3,500 to \$4,000 when mine is \$15,000 to \$17,000 yearly. How can you expect us to pay an additional \$400-\$500 starting and raising every year after that?                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | I voted no due to the woke nonsense that is being taught in the public schools like CRT the transgender indoctrination . Until the education gets back to educating instead of indoctrinating our children I will continue to vote no on any funding for a school district.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | Taxes to the school are too high and there's way too much waste.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | Unwilling to support the district for any more funds while students are allowed cell phones in the classroom. Also, darkened classrooms are quite inappropriate in an educational environment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | I would rather know what the funds are directed to rather than a plethora of options to which personal opinions of a community may not follow what I would want for the schools                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | It's a blank check for broad future spending. I will not approve that.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | The wording in the indicates that this measure would never sunset. Giving TVSD and open check book.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Berthoud | We seemed to be taxed very year and tired of the cost of inflation, property tax, property insurance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | I hate added mill levy as property tax is affected.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | The first part is fine but the end puts it in a supplemental fund not for student needs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | I don't want additional taxes to offset teacher and other staff compensation and benefits...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | I'm tired of taxes being increased.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | Without any real justification or homeowner approval, Larimer County has already dramatically increased property taxes, simply because they can. Homeowners are being financially crushed as "market value" increases. Market value is really determined when a property is actually sold. At that time, an increase in value may benefit the homeowner. But until that nebulous "value" delivers money to the seller, paying more taxes makes no sense. If Thompson Valley School District needs money, Larimer County has had windfall collections for the past several years. I'm retired, on a fixed (not large) income. I will oppose more taxes. |
| U   | 65+   | R     | N          | Berthoud | Schools can get a raise when the students' score invrease                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Fuck taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Taxes are already high, the county is not keeping the schools in mind when building more homes aka not working together, and I send my children to SVVSD because of higher quality education and resources.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Property tax is already too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| U   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Proposed tax increase was way too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Berthoud | I don't believe that money would have gone to schools. Colorado state and municipalities have a long and stupid history of writing vague measures that purport money will go to schools, then siphoning it elsewhere.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Berthoud | I spend a lot of money out of pocket to send my kids to Catholic school. I don't want to have my taxes increased, especially considering our school isn't even allowed to participate in the free lunch program offered by the state.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Increased taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Berthoud | TSD continues to ask for more money while test scores go down, standards are lowered and the TSD pushes a political agenda rather than educate students in basic education. Students were kept out of school and forced to wear masks for months on end at the behest of the teachers unions which control the TSD BOE                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Berthoud | The verbiage used was a little vague and could be open ended for interpretation. I also do not want any funds to go to more police presence in our schools. Finally, I disagree entirely with the Thompson School district mission and even enrolled my child in a different district for that reason.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Berthoud | There was poor communication, advertisement and build up of the measure. As a professional with 22 years of teaching experience in public schools I wanted to vote for the measure, and in fact this is the first mill levy, bond initiative for public education that I have not voted for. I requested more information from those involved, specifically Tammy Knaub and was stonewalled at every turn. I felt that if the district wasn't willing to be transparent with community members then I wasn't willing to support the measure. |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Berthoud | I'm concerned about the stewardship of these funds. I see my local Berthoud schools struggling to maintain and money being disproportionately spent in Loveland and FoCo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Berthoud | No emphasis on hiring and paying teachers. It appeared to mostly go to infrastructure. A good teacher could teach in a barn. It also didn't mention feeding the kids.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Berthoud | Taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Berthoud | District may not be accountable to voters re: where \$ actually went. Berthoud school population is growing. Ongoing tax increases not appealing to retirees.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Berthoud | I'm retired and can barely get by month to month. Increased property taxes would hurt me financially.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Berthoud | I feel with the recent assessment increase the school board needs to work within a budget. Perhaps they should be audited                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Berthoud | My wife and I are retired with no children in any school's and can't afford any more tax burdens on a fixed income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Berthoud | Teacher's union needs to be abolished. Property taxes are way out of line already...maybe school district needs to tighten its belt and/or suffer along with the rest of Colorado residents. Finally I will never support a bond or tax increase that has no ending date. Tax payers have a right to vote on these wide sweeping costs on a regular basis.                                                |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | Y          | Berthoud | I know first hand from an employee that Thompson school district is currently misusing funds from the last bond. I will continue to vote no on everything proposed by the school district until these measures include a COMMITTEE that reviews all spending to ensure funds are not misused. Please reference what they do in Greeley. I need a committee and a quarterly report.                        |
| M   | 45-54 | D     | Y          | Berthoud | Existing residents should not be expected to pay for new construction needed for children associated with increased population. New school construction for increased population should be paid for by the increased population. There are many ways to enact collection of such costs, such as new construction fees. I would vote for and advocate for revenues for new schools that use this approach. |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | Y          | Berthoud | Because the schools are very poorly run and the amount of salary that you pay your principals superintendent and vice principals is way too much and the education in these schools is very poor. Also you don't bus and you have increased your revenue for your schools by an enormous amount with all the new residents and we get nothing for it.                                                     |
| M   | 35-44 | O     | Y          | Berthoud | You can't be serious. You don't even execute on what you already taxing us on.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | I voted no because money that is meant to be used for these "items" listed in the ballot is never used appropriately. We found that the system has used the funds to create positions for hiring people that are focused on gender lessons to little kids! I believe had money over the past four years that was taken from tax dollars used appropriately towards the things need it would have been solved already. I do not want to fund hidden agendas with my tax dollars so until a more direct bill with no hidden loopholes is written with no way for money to be used in equality and gender lessons to our children I will continue to vote no. |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | Since moving here 10 years ago, my property taxes have more than doubled. Last year, everyone's home valuations skyrocketed. Where is all of that inflated property tax money going? I will not vote to increase my taxes anymore when they are already inflated. In addition, this says that this isn't a fixed amount, it will continue to increase the amount with inflation. So many people are really struggling in the current economy and can't afford even higher taxes. Why can't the school district reevaluate their budget like everyone else has had to do during this difficult time?                                                        |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | Too much tax right now woth cost of living                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | Property taxes already have increased enormously in the last several years and another tax increase at a time when inflation is high is burdensome. Additionally, Berthoud schools have historically been disproportionately funded by the district. I don't trust the school board to manage these funds appropriately after the terrible decision making during COVID restrictions. The board made it clear it would not listen to its citizens so why would it listen to a citizen committee.                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | Tax increases/levies have reached, frankly a breaking point of stupidity. Colorado has always over performed in education without percentage increases. I'm tired of being asked to increase funding when finding is increasing anyway due to increased tax revenue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | The district did nothing with the last mill levy on promised projects.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | I would like better management of the funds that the district receives. Perhaps more efficient spending could allot for the necessary improvements to be made. It seems as though every year there are tax increases for schools. Could the current budget be better managed?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | Taxes keep going up.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Berthoud | The constant new developments are the reason for the need for new/updated schools. They should be the ones responsible for the funds needed to build new schools and update old ones.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| M   | 65+   | R     | Y          | Berthoud | I will not favor the district in any way until the school board is replaced with conservatives who reject all woke ideology and return to common sense principles and policies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | You people already got enough money. Make do with what you have and quit bitchin' about not having enough. The damn teachers already make too much money as it is, and the administrators are overpaid even more!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | Cannot afford more in taxes at this time also the programs my children are in continue to have funding cut requiring me to pay more in fees already. I already pay taxes, voted yes and pay more based off the last bond that was passed and continue to pay increased fees for my individual children. This year alone instruction fees, athletic fees, band/music program fees and charitable donations to the school district I will have spent/donated an additional \$7000 dollars into the school district. I cannot do this and pay more taxes/mills.                                                                      |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | I always vote yes, until now. Funds for the district are so mis used. At this point I seen no change in the district in the past several elections where more money has been elected for the district. It's a waste of the taxpayers dollars. I think the higher ups are somehow padding their own pockets. The DOE is a complete joke and districts fall under that.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | I believe the state has so many taxes that discourage business, that increasing them only hurts consumers. There's is plenty of money in the marijuana tax that the state said was supposed to go towards school buildings and yet no one has seen that happen. It feels like these taxes just get collected by the government and disappear, rather than making the difference they promise to make. There are frequent examples of tax increases that were supposed to go to schools or roads and yet we still have the same old buildings and potholes. It's never spent wisely, or it's not spent at all. It seems to vanish. |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | The district has plenty of funding, it's how they use/waste the funding they already have that's the issue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | Voters are tired of seeing raised property taxes, especially for a "general fund". Also people are struggling to stay in their homes and another raise to property taxes at this time would push a lot of families out of their homes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | You are all insane and people don't trust you with education anymore. You can't even get half the kids to read at grade level, and your graduation rates are fake stacked with credit recovery passes. Your real graduation rates would be a joke if you didn't push kids thru with credit recovery.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | I will vote no money increases until Thompson shows support to Charter schools and turns conservative and not leftist and woke.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Berthoud | Per 2023 Financial Audit - School Administration and General Administration is \$8.3M. Instructional Staff is \$12M. Administration is 40% of staff budget. Find savings in administration instead of continued tax increases.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | FC       | It's about time bureaucrats are held accountable for the Monies that they manage. It's always the same story, nothing ever changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | FC       | My children are zoned for Loveland and I school of choice them to Ft Collins. The reasons are because the test scores are better at PSD, there are more choices at PSD when it comes to non-core type of classes, too much destructive behavior was/is accepted in your schools (like people dressing up as animals), drugs, and bullying. My oldest son, now 21, went through Coyote Ridge, Erwin, and Loveland High. Coyote Ridge was the only decent school out of the 3.                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | FC       | I did not feel enough explanation was given as to what specifically the money was needed for. The language was difficult to understand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | FC       | I'm a businessman. If you are unable to operate with the budget you stated you would be able to, the budget you signed off on, then you should not be allowed to have access to or operate a budget. My property tax already shot up here in Larimer county. I will not support any more tax increases, ever. Not with inflation as much as it is, and not until those who create and maintain these budgets for schools are held accountable. \$13 million a year? You need THAT much more? Who is taking care of the taxpayers? Our property taxes have increased ALREADY without our consent. |
| U   | 45-54 | R     | N          | FC       | The Thompson school district uses our money to fund things like furry clubs, doesn't take care of the students, graduates have the education level of fifth grade compared to the 80s. The entire district should be disbanded and re-done using actual education that supports students instead of coddling, the offenders and penalizing the good kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | FC       | Because we need to eliminate public schools and go to charter schools or private education.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | FC       | Too confusing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | FC       | No new taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | FC       | I can't afford to increase my taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| U   | 45-54 | U     | N          | FC       | The school district has proven unsuccessful in spending tax payor funds responsibly and effectively.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | FC   | I didn't have enough information about the transparency and integrity of the board and the fiance department for TSD.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| U   | 65+   | U     | N          | FC   | The education system is like the federal government. They usually think throwing money at something will help. Too much bureaucracy and liberal left wing ideas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 18-34 | D     | Y          | FC   | The language was not clear for how much of this money would be used to increase teachers salaries. Had I been guaranteed that this measure would significantly increase the salaries of our teachers I most definitely would have approved it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| U   | 35-44 | D     | Y          | FC   | The state already takes too much of my money. If I have to live with the higher expenses without getting an increase in my pay, so does the school district. NO MORE TAXES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | Y          | FC   | Tired of taxes being raised to support our school district and the school district not using the money the way they should. My child's education has been horrible and your district does nothing to improve but you want more money. ???                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | FC   | I'm tired of the majority of my tax money going to government and school board officials and their pet projects or committees and not to the teachers and the various things promised. It's shocking that every year we get asked for more money even with the ridiculous amount that teachers are paying out of pocket for their classrooms, fundraising parents are asked for and money that has already been taken from my paycheck.                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | FC   | Unfortunately, my children go to a charter school here in town that is blowing the doors off of the rest of the district and they do it on 80% of the revenue pensions are inflated. Everything is inflated. It's time for reality. Check on what the budget really should be for Thompson school district. Private companies are expected to function in this inflation so should the school district. The woke agenda has to stop and maybe the children would come back into your schools. Otherwise get ready. There will be no public schools. The people are tired of it. |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | FC   | I do not believe in raising taxes period for anything. Government is saturated with wasteful spending and programs that do not benefit the people. Find another way                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | FC   | Because you waste taxpayer money, and I don't want to give you anymore of my money. You promote ideologies for which I disagree and I refuse to fund that voluntarily.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |



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| M   | 65+   | U     | Y          | FC        | I do not think tax funds are used properly. We have raised revenue per child far beyond CPI and yet knowledge and intelligence factors decline. To much is spent on non educational activity and topics. Technical arts are all but removed. Musical opportunities significantly diminished. Science and math skills are at the lowest I can recall. More money, lower results.                                                                     |
| F   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Johnstown | There needs to be a better layout of exactly the plan of where all the schools funds are going. Our property taxes went up thousands of dollars this last year so we need to start being more frugal with our money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Johnstown | Colorado citizens are starting to be overtaxed. Anything that raises taxes in most instances I will vote against. We need to regulate spending for schools and make sure the money already received is used in the right places and redistributed as necessary.                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Johnstown | No more increased taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Johnstown | Simple, I do not want to raise my taxes any more.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Johnstown | We are already being taxed to death.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Johnstown | Clean out your administration building and get back to your main mission which is teaching the kids. You are raping the taxpayers as it is. You are top heavy. Cut out the layers of BS.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Johnstown | My property taxes are already much higher than anywhere I have ever lived.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Johnstown | Mill levy and bond proposals do not focus on the longterm issues that have led us into today. Asking future generations to pay back a bill over 3x the price is unreasonable and shows a lack of foresight for the betterment of the future. The kids we would help today would be estranged when they are in our shoes. Yes, the district (and I could vouch all school districts) need the money but this way is absolutely not the way to do it. |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Johnstown | Taxes are too expensive and didn't want to pay more in taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Johnstown | Total tax burden is high enough for now. Cut fat (e.g. EDI) in your budget instead.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Johnstown | I am a teacher in another District and I generally vote in favor of Mill and bonds, but I just couldn't because my property taxes went up \$1,000 last year with assessments and I could not handle a even larger tax bill after they increased \$1,000 last year.                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Johnstown | I did not hear anything about specific plans for how dollars would be used to enhance the learning or working experience in Thompson Schools. Generalizations about repair needs and technology enhancements tell me nothing about how these set learners up for real-world experiences from PreK-26. The marketing approach was poor to say the least. The other issue is that your communications throughout the year are minimal at best to someone who does not have kids but pays taxes and believes in public education. The only communications I receive regularly from the district are when you want money. |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Johnstown | To broad on what the ballot it for. Needs to be more precise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | I don't want taxes raised. I also don't trust district officials to use the money wisely.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | The language was too vague                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | Schools receive enough funding. Teachers are already overpaid for what they do and the 9 months they work.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | Tired of taxes on top of taxes...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | I would not vote for any tax increases                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | Y          | Johnstown | NO MORE TAXES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| U   | 55-64 |       | N          | Loveland  | Property taxes are high enough and funding is sufficient. Cut the management administrative staff. The kids won't notice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | N          | Loveland  | I know a teacher in the thompson district. She only works 2.5 days a week and makes around \$65k a year. Part time and makes that much. If that's the case, I think they're paid adequately and I don't need to boost their salary. Unfortunately that overshadows the rest of the things addressed in the issue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | N          | Loveland  | This is just a cry for more money, money is tight everywhere and if there aren't enough students enrolled for funding, then maybe we have too many schools                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | N          | Loveland  | TSD treats teachers poorly and doesn't value them as professionals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| U   | 18-34 | D     | N          | Loveland  | It doesn't state how much it will cost the individual taxpayer. And the opposing view that the state could provide more funding was not addressed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland  | I voted yes because when I researched how much it would cost per household, it was not very much in a year. I do not have children, but I believe schools need resources if we want to have good schools and school districts. I am willing to be taxed for that purpose. I wish it had been easier to find information on how much it would cost for the average household – I imagine this might be a reason many rejected the ballot issue.                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland | The cost to each household was too vague. It stated a \$13 million increase and then amounts adjusted yearly based on inflation, but there wasn't anything to indicate how much it would cost me individually... or even a way for me to estimate costs in the years going forward.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland | The recent increase in property values has already driven a significant increase in our property tax contributions - making it difficult to afford to live in this community. An additional rate increase applied to the astronomical property value is not feasible for our family. Additionally, including an inflation clause that would continue to increase property tax rates unchecked feels like double dipping as property values will rise with inflation, resulting in higher property tax contributions without rate increases. With the significant increases in property values, I think the community needs more transparency as to how that added revenue is being spent before community members would feel comfortable to agreeing to raising property tax rates. |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland | The school districts are constantly asking for more and more money. You need to learn to live within your budget.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland | The wording to increase for inflation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| U   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Loveland | Recently there was a measure to reduce property taxes on corporate property which passed. Now you want to raise property taxes. Rescind the tax breaks you gave to big business first, then we can talk about other money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | Agreed with opposition opinion in voter booklet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | It has not been that long since Thompson School District asked for and got more money this way. I have zero trust that they will spend the money wisely since they are already asking for more. They needed to plan better last time. Furthermore, I cannot afford higher property taxes. If they continue to go up at the rate they have been then I will have to move. Furthermore, I realize this response makes me look right wing but I assure you I am a democrat voter. You are out of touch with your constituents if you think this measure was remotely passable.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | The increase was egregious. Should stop funding a genocide to help our own citizens.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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|     |       |       |            |          | The public schools are going in the wrong direction. Principles pushing EL(emotional learning)learning, and not allowing any discipline/consequences to the students is creating an unsafe environment for students and teachers. I will not support giving more money to public schools when the students and teachers are treated so poorly by principles and admin. Just look at the school board meeting at the end of the school year 2024. Parents pleading for a safer school environment, yet no changes have been made. I suggest we all admit EL learning is not working. Bring back discipline in the classroom and I bet you will see some real change in the right direction. |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | To pace us for the long term. Let the city focus on other issues for a while.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | Increase in taxes. The moving of money does not guarantee higher teacher salaries.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland | No specific percentage identified in the language for the tax increase. I don't know if 13M is 0.1% or 5%.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|     |       |       |            |          | Ongoing deceptive tactics to use fear to provoke the results you want. I will NEVER again vote for any tax increases for schools. I see waste in TSD signs on buildings and those ridiculous signs saying what our taxes paid for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 45-54 | D     | N          | Loveland |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland | Current funding is not properly utilized.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|     |       |       |            |          | I did not feel it was specific enough as to exactly what the money would be spent on, and having a citizen oversight committee doesn't really mean much if it's hand-picked people by the school district.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland | Increase on taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|     |       |       |            |          | It was vague in how the money was going to be spent. I know there are a lot of repairs needed in a lot of the older bldgs. I am also quite aware of the conditions of the area where the ILLC children are kept and it's disgusting! These children deserve to be treated with respect and kept in a clean area that is set up for their special needs. The bathroom in the ILLC area at TVHS has broken tile on the walls, the old urinals have water that leaks into them and the kids will play in the disgusting dirty brown water. Some children are not bathroom trained and have bowel movements in their pants and there is no shower area to clean them up. There needs to be a dishwasher installed in the kitchen because these children also drool and spit. The dishes that are used every day need to be sanitized daily before the next use. Same with the toys that they put in their mouth. A washer and dryer need to be installed because there needs to be a way to wash soiled clothes, blankets, and towels. In the winter, it's very cold in those rooms, and in the spring, late summer, and early fall, it is very hot. The kids also need a fenced-in area for their outdoor time. It's very unsafe for them. Some of them will run away from staff or out of the bldg in a temper tantrum right outside and the street is right there. They are very lucky they haven't had a child hit by a car. Instead of waiting for an accident to happen, why not take care of the problem before someone gets hurt? I think the school district has their priorities in the wrong place. Yes, the teachers and staff are deserving of a pay raise, but the management needs to be reevaluated. They have chosen not to renew hard-to-find, good teachers and other staff because of personal bias, not because of their work not being acceptable or unprofessional. These were very good people, well educated, dedicated to their jobs and the children. Their managers put their personal feelings first and disregard the district's needs and, most importantly, the children's needs. The district needs to decide who or what comes first. They and their lack of judgment or the children 's need for good, compassionate, loving, kind people. Is there really a need for funds, or are they just wanting to keep up with the Jones? Where are their priorities and why? |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland | Lack of transparency and accountability for use of funds                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland | The district has already gotten windfall tax increases from property values that skyrocketed in the last couple of years. I appealed my huge tax jump to the county and was turned down. Our property taxes are already too high. Live within your budget TSD. I suspect the money would go to higher ups and not the teachers who deserve it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Loveland | It seems we are asked for more money too frequently                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | All citizens should pay and not just oroperty owners.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | Do NOT want anymore increase in any kind of taxes. It is more than burdensome we the American people are being taxed to death.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | Due to already rapidly escalating property taxes, which already generates more revenues to schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | Due to the increase in property tax I felt that the school district needed to reevaluate their need for a tax increase at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | I agonized over this. I always vote for money for education, but the kicker for me on this Is the mention of property taxes. We live in a metro district and our taxes are through the roof.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | I am a disabled, senior citizen and can't afford to pay for others children.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | I am a retired teacher from another state & realize the importance of this bill BUT at this point in my life I feel I need to really budget to keep groceries on our table. I Do Not want this \$ going to private, charter and homeschooling.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | I am a senior, living in a metro district, & property taxes are too high. My fixed income cannot afford an increase, especially when the increase will continue in future years ar the cost of living. If this money was specifically going to teachers I would have been more inclined to vote for it, but the language was so general that it even included administrators pay. They get paid too well already. Come back with specifics, not generalities |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | I consistently vote no on raising taxes or selling bonds. I think the elected and appointed officials should do a better job on the current allowances for their budget.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | If this money had been slated for teachers and repairs/maintenance only I would have voted to approve. The staff is top heavy!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | It seemed too open ended, was non-specific on tax \$ amount and spending amount.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | The board horrified me when they voted to give a percentage of our school funds (our tax dollars) to Mcwhinney corporation when they attempted to declare pristine farmland blighted leaving our children with less funds for education. We entrusted the board with proper handling of public funds and you broke that bond.                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | As a result of the school board support in 2023 of the McWhinney Centerra South metro district proposal which would require an increased amount of state backfill. In particular, Barb Kruses votes on the school board and LURA board.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | property taxes are up dramatically the last few years. schools get significant funding from property taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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| M   | 65+   | D     | N          | Loveland | Your piece of the tax pie should be larger based on housing value and home tax increases                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 18-34 | O     | N          | Loveland | The kids didn't need another iPad to do basic studies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 35-44 | O     | N          | Loveland | I voted no on everything that increased taxes. If the government wouldn't waste our money I'd reconsider.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 35-44 | O     | N          | Loveland | We don't need more taxes, you need to budget, plan, and spend better. Also, I have no kids in the system, why should I be taxed for something not being used.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | O     | N          | Loveland | School district needs to be better use the funds it has and do some budgeting vs asking for more money during election cycles.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 45-54 | O     | N          | Loveland | Too many tax increases on the ballot. Taxes are way too high, therefore I voted no on all of them. I think there are too many Administrators in Education, be more efficient with the budget you have. Teachers are fairly compensated, retirement benefits are as good as it gets with enough years out in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | O     | N          | Loveland | Too mucg tax already                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 65+   | O     | N          | Loveland | Too many tax requests from schools enough is enough.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | I am already losing enough money and can't afford for you to take more in taxes. I've also seen previous funds be used unwisely and that's a disgrace to ask for more when you didn't use the previous funds to the best of your ability and responsibly. Teachers deserve more for they're class rooms, but it's sad to see it go to a side walk.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | If you want more money to fund programs, you need to restructure your budget. Dissolve and fire administrators, the school system has become bloated and unproductive due to increases to funding every other year. The taxpayer is not responsible for your poor financial decisions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | Little to no confidence in district admin to make wise use of hard earned taxpayer dollars.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | Public schools are woke indoctrination centers, and I don't trust them to properly teach youth                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | School district funds are already being mis managed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | Schools need better teachers not more toys                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | The volume of charter schools in this area shows the lack of trust the community has in the district. Rather than take on debt and increase takes to pay back the debt, the school district should seek more funding through making the schools a place that parents want to sent their students and thereby increasing the per student funding that the district receives. This would also show that the community would have more confidence in the district, encouraging more people to vote in favor of paying more taxes to help the district. |

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| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Loveland | You don't need more money                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | Continued misuse of funds from a liberal school board I could not trust.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | I barely make enough money to support myself, I don't want to pay any more taxes to the government. Also, with all the woke leftist bs in schools these days the school system does not deserve any more of my money. Bring back the focus to reading, writing, history, math and science not gender ideology crap and how white people are evil.                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | More property taxes is not always the answer , also I'm not in favor of all that TSD is trying to do in schools                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | No increased taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | Taxes are not being used properly in general, giving the school district an open check without full oversight is not in my interest. Thompson school district is overwhelmed by programs that do not educate in math science and reading comprehension. I believe in school choice and charter schools. Public schools are shit.                                                                        |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | There's unroll our children in a private school, so we don't use the public schools. Would prefer not to pay for them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | We pay enough taxes already the economy is struggling as it is we don't need to be taxed anymore at all!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | With the huge increase in property taxes which are distributed to many areas including schools, I felt it was an insult to ask for more taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | I can't afford it. I don't benefit from it, I have 3 kids in private school because the public schools are not good enough. Throwing money at something that isn't good will not help.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | I have no interest in increased taxes for anything. Everything is already ridiculously expensive and can barely afford to live as is                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | Take away pensions and you will have the money that you need for other items. Teach teachers how to budget and how to prepare for their future properly, since they are educating our youth.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Loveland | The district has asked several times for funding increases to pay for teachers, which I agree with. However, it seems like significant portions of this money end up, funding things I don't agree with. The district seems to be increasingly interested in pushing an agenda rather than educating our kids. If they can't responsibly manage the money we're giving them why would I give them more? |



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| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | American family are struggling in just pay their bill. Between food and rent to buy house is unreachable with high housing cost and insetted rates. I have a good down payment but still couldn't afford to buy house. We can afford anymore taxes if we want get ahead.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | Home prices skyrocketed which means all our property taxes went sky high as well. We barely make ends meet right now to be able to do more. Look at Thompson River Ranch.. those taxes were around \$5k at the higher end. They are over \$7k now. I can bet my bottom dollar this is why. I always vote yes to help schools but this year I couldn't bc most months my income is shorter than my expenses due to emergencies. We need more affordable homes so that we get renters into homes to pay property taxes and mill levies. This is the problem. |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | I don't want my property taxes to go higher. Plus the quality of TSD is questionable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | I don't want my taxes to be continued to be raised. I am on disability and can't afford to keep having my taxes raised especially when my so. Got such crappy education and treatment in this school district.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | I don't want my taxes to go up anymore and I don't feel that TSD uses funds appropriately as it is.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | 3 reasons. 1) Asking to raise taxes when inflation was up over 20% (thus already guaranteeing more available money for schools) but income rose less than 10% is a fool's errand. 2) Not tying increases in staff pay to performance does not raise educational quality. 3) Last, and most importantly, the money tree in my back yard is dead; thus it is long past time to switch from tax-and-spend to prioritize-and-spend budgeting.                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | The current economy and inflation has caused all households to tighten the belt. This is not the time to be increasing taxes too.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | The school district passed a large bond in 2018. The district is supposed to be receiving funds from the state via taxes collected from the state from the citizens. The marijuana tax was supposed to be a windfall, what happened to that? I'm not going to support increasing my taxes every few years. Figure out how to get what is needed from the state.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| U   | 45-54 | R     | N          | Loveland | It is very easy to write a list of thereasons why we need other people to give us value we didn't work for. It is far more difficult to write a list of all the reasons we can make do with the abundance we already have.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I am being taxed to death! My property taxes went way up and I am sick of it!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I think the district needs toake better use of existing budget                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I understand the need for revenue, but NOT by raising taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I voted no on all tax increases. I understand that unfortunately it's very expensive to run many things, do not feel that now is the right time to increase taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | No accountability. Does not listen to the community                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | There is such waist and I don't feel the kids are learning much                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Too many taxes and not happy about district saying yes to another ura                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Already spending to much to live                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Because it sucked                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I don't see much evidence of current spending accountability. It seems that all we ever hear about is needing more money every election. This may be a misperception on my end but it seems real to me.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I pay 15% on taxes already.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | In my opinion, it was too broad in the language and difficult to follow the language                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Instead of asking for more money, maybe they should control their spending. An audit should be done                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Money does not seem to trickle down to where it needs. Students and teachers. Administrators have there hand out for the money first                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | No more new tax increases, the funding needs to come from tax funds already being collected                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes and other cost of living has skyrocketed in the current State and Federal administration. People cannot continue to keep paying more and more. Between Polis and Biden, you picked a very wrong time to ask people to cough up more money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | The tax levels are adequate to provide a proper education including paying staff.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Throwing money at a problem is seldom a solution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| U   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | I voted NO on the Thompson School District ballot measure, 1.) Because we are taxed to death (did you see how many ballot measures there were across the state to raise taxes for various reasons?) We the people are sick and tired of being proposed with tax increases, especially when we are struggling to make ends meet! 2.) This School District has been fiscally irresponsible with promoting their "woke" agendas and using taxpayers monies for things that are destroying students education and family participation/ interaction in their child's education...parent's voices are being silenced! Let's take care of the teacher's we have and not pressure them to teach the districts/state "woke" agenda! |

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| U   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | In our hard times where all are struggling to stay in our own personal budget The district can make changes to cut waste (at all levels). We all can't control what comes in but we can control what goes out. The school district needs a haircut bad our at least a trim to stay looking healthy                              |
| U   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Loveland | Too much waist, overhead and its a liberal mess.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Based on the prior years ballot requests or lack there of, I was not comfortable in this years increases being requested with the prior years funding lacking transoerentcy between last year and this years billing.                                                                                                           |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I am on a fixed income and with the ridiculous increase in housing values, I am already paying too much in property tax.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I am on a fixed income. I voted against raising taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I feel money needs to be used by classroom teachers for instruction in reading writing, math, science and history and especially learning civics. All the extra programs need to be evaluated by Principals along with District administration and they should collaborate on the individual needs of their student population. |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I will never vote for school districts that have unionized teachers. It is they who have ruined education in this county.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I wsnt to see s reduction in sadmin cost and at this tsxes accross Loveland are too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | No more taxes. We are taxed enough.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | No new taxes. Use the monies you have more effectively                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Property tax had such a huge increase over the last year. My understanding by the language in this ballot that it would increase much more. I moved from Boulder Co to Larimer bc taxes were lower. That did not work out very well.                                                                                            |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes increased significantly hence schools received an increase...and there is significant waste at every level of the district that should be addressed prior to asking for more money                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Residents cannot afford the cost. Furthermore, there was a measure a few years ago but I am not sure where or how that money was spent.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Taxes are already too high. I'm a senior and have been paying taxes for over 59 years                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | The district needs to look to cut costs and set different priorities. This is just a gateway to forever taxes for the district.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | The problem is not how much money we are throwing at the schools. In my opinion we are wasting money on non-educational issues. Kids are in school to learn math, english, history and science. Our school ratings are terrible compared to the rest of the world. Throw out diversity training, the gay agenda and a preoccupation with gender confusion and return to teaching our children the basics. |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | The rate increase amount was not given. Sounded like whatever the amount of money the district wants is what they will tax us for. I also feel that the administration should cut back on their costs/staffing.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Too Much Taxation .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | You get enough money - stop the waste and fraud. Ask Biden for some of the billions he sent to Ukraine for prolonging that war and killing thousands.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | A blanket request that lacked detail on the needs and the tax would automatically increase with inflation without the taxpayers review and concurrence in future years                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Don't want to be taxed anymore than absolutely necessary. On fixed income. Feel R2J administration needs to stay w/ basics of educating students and not push unnecessary fluff like DEI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Enough is enough                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Every election it seems the schools ask for more money. No matter how many increases you get it's never enough. Cut your budget.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Families and seniors are struggling to stay afloat, money VERY tight. We all need to cut back, not spend more...those of us on near-starvation budgets don't have income to support increased taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Get woke issues and evolution out of the schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I think the public school system is broken and therefore I do not want to spend more of my money. Period                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Keeping the excess money. I felt this was a way around the TBOR amendment. I like the bill and would have voted for it but anything he tries to weaken or nullifies the TBOR whatever the bill maybe I will never vote for.                                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | No new or extended taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | No specific rate for taxes increase, especially after 2025. No actual budget given.for capital improvements. Management staff is over staffed, and not enough money ends up in actual student betterment.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Public schools are bad!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | The built-in increase tied to inflation suggests no attention will be paid to project creep and cost control                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | The district needs to stay within the funding limits it is presently receiving.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Throwing more money at a problem does not make our Kids smarter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Too much administration. Live within budgets.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | Too open ended. Tied to inflation. Ask for a set amount. If more funds are needed later, ask for more. I also am not a fan of many of the decisions that come from this school board and would like to see some fiscal restraint from time to time. We all could use more funds, not only the school district. This has been the most insane 4 years with Covid and inflation and there is an end to the money that is available. I do not agree with a blank check based on inflation numbers. On high inflation years our costs would even be higher! |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | We cannot afford increases in taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| U   | 65+   | R     | N          | Loveland | I cannot afford ANY increase in taxes for ANY reason.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Felt that it was too large an increase: Property taxes already went up quite a bit this year, and I felt the district should use those monies rather than ask for another (what seemed to me) large increase.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | I am a single parent and just bought a home in Loveland. My son goes to a choice school in Fort Collins because PSD is known to be better than TSD. I would love for my son to go to school in our community of Loveland but unfortunately there is no guarantee that even with the extra money, TSD would improve to the level of PSD...and even if it did, it could take a very long time. I was not willing to have a definitive increase in my home property tax, as I am already struggling financially.                                           |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't want to pay more in taxes for public education. My children attend private school because the public schools here are awful. So yes I already pay and donate to make sure my children are given an education that will get them into college, if public schools gave an okay education maybe people would send their kids and be ok with tax raises. Maybe close schools that aren't needed.                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't want to raise taxes, I don't want my kids in your schools. You don't know how to spend money appropriately                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | I had first hand insight as a district employee to how the last bond was spent and did not want to pay more taxes to see the same mistakes made.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | In order to increase taxes to give extra funding to the district, a very specific plan for the use of that funding needs to be provided. There were multiple *potential* uses of the money listed, but it covers a wide range of things and doesn't guarantee where the money will be spent. The last time taxpayers voted to give Thompson School District money, it went towards CLOSING schools. This was a slap in the face to the people who thought they were voting and paying for school improvements.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | The wording "with such amount being adjusted annually thereafter by the percentage change in inflation" was too broad. I voted no because the amount needs to be a fixed rate with actual numbers provided that become set in stone. Giving tsd the option to increase the amount to seemingly whatever they want was to something I was definitely not comfortable with.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | There has been many issues within this district not only with the board but also with the schools in this entire district. You wonder why it got rejected but never looked in the mirror to see what is happening with the source. You all don't care about your students and this has been on going for my 12 years in this district. You all suck at your jobs teachers included so maybe do some work and you'll get voters on your side to pass your bills. Why should we have more taxes and pay for your salaries when you won't fix your own shit. Your district is a disgrace to Loveland and to the surrounding areas and needs a lot of work. If I could vote to have you all replaced with better people I would've. Be better and think about the kids not your salary. |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Y'all buy "new technology" way too often. You sold Monroe, van buren and whatever else. Y'all have ENOUGH money. Greedy bastards.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Because the amount is adjusted annually to account for inflation - too vague of a statement for me to feel comfortable voting for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Fuck you and your taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | I support higher pay for teachers but the scope of this measure is too broad. I don't trust this will meaningfully lead to paying teachers more and attracting higher quality teachers. If there was a measure that increased taxes solely for the purpose of paying teachers more (not administrators or anyone else) I would vote for it and I'm confident it would pass. The evidence is clear from many school districts that increasing funding does not generally lead to better education outcomes. I worry about administrative bloat.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Taxes are already high enough                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | Taxes increase for schools                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | There is no stated end date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Loveland | There were too many other measures asking to raise taxes in the city of Loveland and I would rather have a one time expense rather than a recurring bill                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Because we struggle to pay our mortgage/property taxes already.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Housing is already so unaffordable, we can't keep increasing property tax rates to fund things. We need to find other ways.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | I feel that the school district could have better used the money we allocated last round and did not want to provide more for misuse                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | I voted no for raising taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | I want to keep taxes low and plan on keeping my son out of public schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | No kids. Executives salaries should be cut to help with this. The district already expects parents to pay for materials. There is state and federal funding and grants that can be sought after. Everything is expensive and you want to add to that expense!                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Our taxes are already too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes are high as is. It would be better to get this money for these from selling cannabis or other sales like liquor....not from homes that already pay so much                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | The budget needs to be balanced not increased. Citizens cannot afford more property taxes for the city's and district's poor use of funds anymore.                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | We already pay too many taxes. Aren't our taxes that we already pay suppose to help schools? Maybe it's our country or city leaders that are mismanaging our tax payer money and put it towards things that the people don't want. Our education system is broken and corrupt. I do not want to support government controlled education that force woke agendas on or children |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't feel that Thompson is a good steward of the funds that it already has. Raising taxes just encourages increased spending without fixing the underlying misappropriation of funds.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't agree. The district provides a subpar product.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes are already painful, and I think the school district could be more frugal in its spending and do a better job of living within its means without compromising teacher salaries, maintenance, and other necessities.                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Unless you allow me to use my tax dollars on the education I believe is best for my kids. You don't deserve another penny from me.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | We simply can't keep raising taxes or no one will be able to afford to live.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|     |       |       |            |          | We voted no because we are homeschooling our children and are investing deeply into their education, both out of pocket and with our time. We pulled our children out of public school for a myriad of reasons, some of which concern alternative "values" that directly oppose what we believe is most important to pedagogical priorities. It seems to us, the school system is drinking the medicine of the larger cultural shift in our modern society that does not benefit the growth and development of young minds, but rather feeds trendy impulses which have veered far away from the traditional ethos of being human. We don't want our children subjected to behaviors and ideologies which we find damaging to their development.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Loveland | Amount to be collected was not a fixed number but an open-ended amount. No fixed budgets for the funds, just open-ended which could lead to overspending on unnecessary things and underspending on necessary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | First, I think that the school district misuses the money it receives and should budget better. Second, the language is too broad saying it would increase annually along with inflation by increasing property tax "at a rate sufficient to generate such an amount." It's very vague and undefined. Specifically how much is property tax going up? How much is that going to affect my monthly mortgage payment? Rent and housing prices are very high right now and people can't afford their cost of housing to go up any more. These taxes will be passed along to renters as well and will not just impact property owners. Since the fall of the Gallagher Act, property taxes are already increasing at exponential rates and there is a lot of concern that any additional property taxes could cause people to lose their housing due to it becoming unaffordable. Third, as a parent, I have been unimpressed with the Thompson School District and now transport my school aged child out of the district. I would be paying additional taxes for a school district I have chosen not to use after years of bad experiences. |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | No to more taxes. Schools have wasted too much money without positive outcomes to show                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | We pay too much in taxes across the board. I voted no on all tax increases                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | You always ask for money to do the exact same thing with it. I don't see that the money that's been provided by the tax payers in this district already is being used effectively enough. Just keep asking for more and more money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |



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| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | As bonds are not paid off, but instead are allowed to roll over, I cannot in good conscience vote for yet more funding. I believe because the school district is in debt and therefore continually needs ever more capital, the county is no longer assessing our properties according to USPAP standards as codified in law, but instead are arbitrarily assessing property according to the needs of the district. I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | Given the poor performance of the Thompson school district I don't feel that more money is the solution to the many problems in the district. And I don't feel that the money would be spent wisely                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | I voted no because I am tired of the district shutting down schools in areas of town that don't have a lot of school aged children in it, only to come back to the public asking for money to build a new school in that area. I also think the district should have repurposed some of the closed schools and turned them into alternative housing options for teachers. I also voted no because I am tired of the district always asking for more money to build schools or building improvements, yet they do not think of those things when initially planning for the school to be built. The district always seems obsessed with the shiny new object, yet forget about the other toys in the toy box. |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | More taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | No more money for failing schools. America spends the most on education and it's not even in the top 10 worldwide. There is a problem. The teachers unions are the biggest bully in the classrooms.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | Waistfull spending everywhere plus teaching CRT instead of math science and history. I. Shocked how little students know about our constitution and history.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | We voted on a similar measure recently that was approved. Our property taxes have gone up with a majority of the tax bill already going to the schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | Your administration is bloated and over paid. I would support pay increases for teachers, but not the admin staff.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| U   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Loveland | Jvsjgdiyxiy kgkb hkigx km xhlky                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| Sex | Range | Party | TSD Parent | Muni     | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Every time we vote and I mean EVERY TIME, the school district has their hand out wanting more money. I think it's time you live within your means because that's what we are all forced to do! I have been a nurse for 34 years and teachers nowadays make more money than nurses and you're asking for more?! teachers are great, yes! However, these aren't professors at a college! Stop asking for more money every time it's time to vote. Make do with what you get given to you. |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | I do not have children in the school system. My children are grown and did not attend TSD. There is already a budget-figure out how to manage it. I have a budget and have to manage it - you can too.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | I'm a retired teacher and teachers very rarely, if ever saw a benefit from these tax increases. It always went to upper admin. Plus, I can't afford more taxes right now.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Inflation, the district should live below their means. No more high percentage pay increases for staff when the rest of us get little, if any raise                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | No to raising taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | The request for ongoing funding without specific line item allocations doesn't work for me. The state needs to fix how education is funded and passing on these costs by levying additional local taxes is short sided.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Too many district initiatives requiring teachers to be trained during the school day resulting in disruption in the classroom and no learning for students                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Too much money                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | TSD is always asking for money. You're a ballot initiative approved. I believe in 2018 for the same thing you want more money for now. I'm tired of you. Always wanting money. You need to live within your budget. The teachers are always wanting a raise. Most people don't get raises like the teachers get your timing is terrible and your accountability is poor                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Because it's another tax that goes to a already over privilege school district and it's money taken out of my pocket that I need.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't understand what happened to the Covid Funds. Throwing more money at education has not improved scores in the past.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | I'm not in favor of raising taxes without being shown the districts budget                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | it was adjusted annually !!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Loveland residents are taxed enough already. Larimer county property taxes are VERY high, much, much too high. Our tax burden is unsustainable. TDS has to learn to live within its budget like everyone else in this extremely over-taxed county/city.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | My Property Taxes just went up by 50% and a large portion of that money goes to the schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | School Districts. Waste allot of Money in My opinion I'm in my mid 50's. And school has changed allot since I went But what I observe is allot of mismanagement of funds and                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Too many, too much taxes. Maintenance should be included in annual budgets, not tax increases. It's easy to ask for tax increases but we need people on the school board to control spending and make cuts as needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Cant predict cost of inflation and dont want to pay for numerous years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Countless reasons: you already received a 30% increase in my property taxes this year, you spend \$\$ on CRT, DEI, and other non-educational issues (stick to the 3Rs, as a parent I will teach my child social issues), don't hide child issues from me (i.e., pronouns, sexual identity, etc), don't waste \$\$ on renaming schools, and many other issues. Homeschooling and charter school's are the only way to go now!!! |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | Schools are already funded by tax %. The population of the District is growing by leaps and bounds. Therefore, revenue is increasing. Budget within the increasing revenue instead of taking more out of our shrinking wallets.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | So, if im not mistaken I believe most of the teachers or @ least the majority of the teachers who teach in Thompson valley also live in Thompson Valley Schools district. Doesn't this become frivolous to say in ur first sentence that is for them and then tax them more on their property?                                                                                                                                 |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | When they bring up the reading and math scores and stop indoctroring our children to their sick ideas. They don't deserve anymore monies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Loveland | You are against home schooling against charter schools. All you thinkabout is yourselves. You don't care about the kids. You take too much time off. You try to make robots out of kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Additional tax                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | As a tax payer i feel i pay enough taxes and dont feel i can afford to pay more. Also as an employee of tsd i feel money goes to create more jobs and we thr current employees dont get paid enough!                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Big hit with too many taxes from county city and school                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Complicated contents; less is more!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I am a recent widowed TSD retiree. I have had no COLA raise in over two years, but my property taxes and living expenses have risen considerably. I have to balance my household budget. It was not in my budget to pay more taxes when PERA did not even give me a COLA increase.                   |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I am a senior on a fixed income. My rent goes up \$100 every year. Soon it will surpass my Social Security benefits. I can barely make ends meet as it is. I can't afford to pay any more for anything.                                                                                              |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I believe that work needs to be done on the budget. The increase in population increases school funding. Tax increase should not be needed for routine expenses.                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I believe the teachers need a better salary & schools need maintenance always however I will not vote to air condition schools until the start date is moved to after Labor Day.                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I believe the TSB mishandled the previous bond issue funds. Schools didn't NEED new electronic signs! Fix basic needs first.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I do not read the actual percentage hike or cost to the voter for this ballot issue. Language such as "more... revenues...up to 13 million dollars...adjusted annually thereafter (based on inflation), does not communicate to me how much this would impact each household. The language is vague. |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't feel that school boards operate with public input effectively.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't like the fact that WOKE is being taught to the students.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I voted no because I believe there is too much waste of money in the district & not enough positive enhancements to warrant an increase at this time.                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I would like to have a clearer understanding of your administrative costs and strong 3rd party analysis about whether you can cut corners at an admin level first. It is easy for Districts to not look within and find ways to become more efficient and therefor effective.                        |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I'm retired on a limited income. I'm already struggling to pay higher property taxes, and homeowners insurance. Just can't afford anymore taxes.                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | In the economy we have had for the almost four years more taxes is not what families need right now.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | It starts out saying it would "for teacher and other staff compensation and benefits ". I am in favor of having competitive salaries, but that and all the rest is just too vague. Specifics of what tech needs and repairs would have been helpful.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | It was a blank check to get money but didn't seem very accountable. We just passed one and that one I did vote for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | My property taxes are high enough with out adding another percentage. Maybe if TSD-would cut the "fat" from the administration building you'd find "extra" funds                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | No more property taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Our property taxes increased 25% very recently. I feel that the school districts benefited as well as city services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes are to high now. We live on a fixed income and with insurance rising and taxes we may have to leave Loveland.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Resources are tight                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | The district needs to learn to live within a budget rather than constantly asking for more monies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Too many taxes already.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | We already pay too much in taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Already taxed enough! US schools in general are failing despite more funding than any other country. Throwing more money at a failed system doesn't fix it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Excessive spending by the school                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Four main reasons. 1 The language was not at all specific about how the funds would actually be used, particularly after 2025. 2 The wording left the general impression that we would be approving an open ended use of funds for almost anything the administration deemed important; ie wants vs needs. 3 There were way too many requests for additional taxpayer money on this ballot (not TSDs fault, but . . . ). 4 Due to assessment increase TSD is already receiving additional revenue in 2024 and beyond that should have helped fulfill at least a portion of funding requested here. |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I am in opposition to departments in the district promoting DEI and LGBTQ issues.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | I don't need any new taxes I live on a small retirement amount. No spare money to live on                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Main reason is the district needs to tighten their budget "belt" and stop paying administrators their outrageous salaries. They could do their jobs for half the pay.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | No control over future property tax increases!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | No tax increases                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Property taxes are already too high. With all the increase in population the additional tax revenue should provide the school district with sufficient funds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Property Taxes have increased recently and hurts fixed income members like myself                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | School district spends too much money on administration and not enough on teachers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | School districts have enough money and need to be better stewards. The educational results our children receive in the public school system is a poor investment in their education.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Simply, I'm just taxed out and beyond tired of the constant begging. Where did all the money coming from marijuana sales go? Wasn't that supposed to be for the schools? You mistakenly think citizens will roll over when the terms schools...fire...police are mentioned. ENOUGH!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Taxes are too high. Results of public education do not seem to match the increased funding. Something different must be tried                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Taxes of all kinds are increasingly unaffordable in Larimer County.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | There needs to be some fundamental changes to the way our children are being taught before asking for more money from taxpayers. Over 1/2 of American voters demanded these changes with their votes this last election. Reading, Writing and Arithmetic scores are low, while political agendas, having nothing to do with life skills are being promoted. Citizenship and deportment should be a part of grading. Along with life skills. And stop indoctrinating others children about flawed concepts like CRT, and DEI. It's not what schools are for, to teach liberal doctrines w/o equal subject time towards conservative doctrines. Just prepare our children to decide for themselves. |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Too many different tax measures all in one election. This on top of a recent large increase in property taxes due to reassessment. Also inflation in general is out of control. I will not support any new tax increases until the cost of living comes down. I am retired and live on a fixed income.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | We are already taxed to much.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | We are over taxed, Biden inflation is hurting families. Schools need to better budget, get rid of fluff. Focus on reading, writing and math. The US spends more on education than most countries and are on the bottom of learning.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | We recently voted to increase funding through a mil levy addition/adjustment that was sizeable. Happily helped with renovations and upgrades. Now more? What is being done with the other funding?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | We seem to be throwing good money after bad in the public schools. We seem to be working to NEA goals which are at odds with developing whole, mature and critically thinking persons.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | You have embraced DEI in the administration and this philosophy lowers results, raises admin costs and demotivates most people involved in the education system                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| U   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | The money's in the District need to be managed more effectively.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| U   | 65+   | U     | N          | Loveland | Until the school district cuts some of it's budget that goes toward administration and/or moves that money to increase the actual classroom teachers pay AND extricates itself from the teacher's union I will never vote for a bond issue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | Y          | Loveland | As a resident who owns a home in the district, the proposal doesn't explain how much this will cost me. I worried this would cost more than it would benefit me.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | Y          | Loveland | The use of these funds that would be coming out of our pocket were too vague. If a breakdown was provided of what percentage would go to what would have been helpful.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | Y          | Loveland | Because you aren't taxing everyone, only homeowners with homes worth \$500,000 or more. If you were to tax EVERYONE I would have voted yes. Everyone should be taxed and not just certain people                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 35-44 | D     | Y          | Loveland | Same as most of the community, I don't trust current admin and leadership at TSD to appropriately administer these funds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 35-44 | D     | Y          | Loveland | Since 2004, the TSD board has aided and abetted the corruption by the McWhinneys in their scheme to defraud taxpayers in the TSD. I am a huge supporter of public schools. I have public school teachers in my family going back generations. I can afford to pay more taxes for the ultimate benefit of our community's young people. But I will not agree to pay one penny more to TSD as long as the board continues its 20-year-old deal with the devil. You hurt our kids and teachers by helping multi-millionaires. Shame on you! I have a decent level of influence in this community. And I instructed everyone I know to vote against TSD and the McWhinneys. |
| F   | 45-54 | D     | Y          | Loveland | Because of the increasing property tax. Our property tax went up exponentially last year and we are not ready for another hike.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| F   | 45-54 | D     | Y          | Loveland | Wanted specific amounts on what would be spent at each school. Tired of approving \$ for the schools each time it's on a ballot only to see more \$ being spent for new schools (ie high plains, riverview) instead of investing in older schools that need updates. We should not be building new schools for newer neighborhoods & neglecting current established schools. If people are choosing to buy a new house in a neighborhood that does not have a school then they should understand their kids will be bussed to ecstatic schools. |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | Y          | Loveland | I am taxed to death. I own a business. I believe the marijuana tax was supposed to help schools. Probably not getting the proper funds. Our taxes never go to where they should do to corruption.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | Y          | Loveland | I don't want to pay more property tax.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 35-44 | O     | Y          | Loveland | I feel the tax should be applied to everyone in the district, not just property owners. Property taxes are already so high and it's already difficult to make a living. While I fully support the district, educators – we have to find another way                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 35-44 | O     | Y          | Loveland | The wording of the document and the means by which the application of funds were against what would be tho the interest of public education.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 45-54 | O     | Y          | Loveland | I know too much. Wife was heavily involved for the 15 years it took to run our kids through your system. You are not using the money you already have wisely. Do not ask for more money. Use what you have, better. Cut administration and use the money to give teachers a raise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Don't want to pay more money in taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | Y          | Loveland | The part that said "teachers and other staff" made it seem like the additional funds could go to administration. Teachers are underpaid but are worked the hardest. I would've voted yes had it strictly said a raise for teachers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | As most of these things go, raising taxes is not the answer to fixing schools. Properly allocating, budgeting and spending money on what has already been voted for is a good start in gaining trust and momentum for these types of ballot measures.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I do not want my taxes going up. I think the District, and government in general, need to use available funds more wisely rather than continue to ask tax payers for more money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |



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| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | In my understanding, this taxes new building projects and capital improvements. My concern is that business owners would either not build at all or would build in an adjacent county, depriving our county of the business and any existing taxes that would come in. Businesses would also pass on the higher taxes to their customers so we pay for it in the end. Also, since every. Single. Ballot. asks for money for the school district, it's impossible to know when there's a true need. The public schools are failing their students and I don't want to fund that.                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | It was too open ended. I am all for raising teacher raises, but do not believe a full increase in property tax is the best way to handle the issue. Thompson School District is known for mishandling its budget and teachers are last on their list of priorities. A measure specifically to increase teacher salaries is something I would vote for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Stop building new schools and take care of the existing ones. Manage the money better. Prioritize students and the staff that work IN THE SCHOOLS.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Because I didn't want any tax increase                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Because there was too much unknown as to where the money would really go.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | The school district need to budget with what they have and not ask for more money. Stop push DEI and woke agendas and teach real history. This is why a lot of parent are going to homeschool or charter school and you are having to close public schools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| U   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I did not vote for 5A because TSD administration has shown how ineffective they are in handling money and there was no trust in any better outcome this time. TSD admin says things like of how important it is to keep classrooms small for better learning. Yet the highest scoring elementary school had to combine a class of close to 40 children for one teacher and there was talk again about combining classes at the same school. How do kids learn in this environment. Why would a good teacher want to teach like this. The school district pays less than fast food. How could we trust them to increase this to a livable wage. It is sad to not vote for this because there is no trust to the school doing the right thing. |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Can't afford life right now. Maybe once Trump fixes everything there will be enough money to vote yes on this. Right now, LIFE is too expensive and there's no extra money.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I don't believe the funds would be spent appropriately                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I don't trust the district with spending. All we have seen is an increase of directors at the top as well as an increase in pay for secretarial positions at the district level. The building level staff are drowning all the while which is NOT what's best for STUDENTS.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Neverending taxes, why don't we have enough already? Improve teacher salary. Quit dumbing down curriculum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | There is already state funding for education.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 45-54 | R     | Y          | Loveland | It said "other TSD staff pay increase." This would include TSD office members and heads. It would allow them to fatten their wallet. If you cut them out of the pie, then the teachers could get an increase and hire more teachers that the district needs, but with the wording would allow the board to get an increase that they don't deserve.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | Y          | Loveland | Because homeowners are already struggling with higher prices on Everything. Plus, I really believed that when I voted to legalize marijuana in Colorado, that that tax money was going to the schools. What happened to that money? I don't trust the government nor do I trust the school board to ask our citizens to give more money. One of the reasons the schools are overpopulated is because of the legalization of marijuana. Over night the population exploded. The tax on legal drugs should go back into our school!!!!     |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I believe the public school system has lost its way and teaching values. I believe that school vouchers are the best way forward.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | Y          | Loveland | The taxes taken currently are not used efficiently and effectively. A review of how and where money is spent needs to be scrutinized for waste and refocused to be used efficiently and effectively.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| U   | 55-64 | R     | Y          | Loveland | I'd like to see allocations broken out. Generally I'm disappointed to see heavy funding to DEI programs, transgender education, and such. I'd prefer to see those funds prioritized toward infrastructure where needed. And I know merit pay isn't a popular idea, but I'd be likely to support a tax increase to help compensate and incentivize our best teachers and administrators. It presents a challenge when asked to approve a tax increase to fund a laundry list of items, some of which I may support and some that I don't. |
| M   | 65+   | R     | Y          | Loveland | I did not want more taxes levied.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 65+   | R     | Y          | Loveland | Lack of accountability; primary and secondary education course need serious update... the science, math and reading are behind grade expectations. I see these issues even at the collegiate and professional education levels.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 18-34 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I live in a metro tax district and an increase in property taxes after the large increase from the assessor's office recently would make our house payment uncomfortable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| M   | 18-34 | U     | Y          | Loveland | We are already overtaxed. We already Spend way too much money per student, much more than other countries that spend far less! And yet our outcome is horrible. It's not about money.It's about how much money and where it's spent. I've worked for all 3 branches of government.Local state in federal and the amount of waste is just greater bigger the operation! If I had kids today I would put him in private school or home school.... People should have a choice and the money should go to the parents if they're home schooling or private schools. Most public schools are taking much more time trying to be "woke", Read machine on our kids with DEI and what "pronouns". If teachers would go back to just teaching reading writing and arithmetic and science and so forth, we wouldn't need so much money! |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Because we already pay too many taxes and this state has plenty of funding that can be allocated into the schools versus politicians pockets.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I feel like the language was too broad in regards to increasing annually for inflation. Which inflation metrics would be used? National CPI or CO state inflation numbers?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I have to live within my income and pay my bills, so should the government. Sometimes that means that I go without a fancy pair of shoes to pay an electric bill. Funds are already appropriated to these programs. Paying teachers well and bringing innovation is essential to our future generations education. Cuts should be made elsewhere to afford the commitments previously made to the residents of Larimer County.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I voted no for all tax increases this election. I felt the wording was unclear which made me question what was coming from where and when and how much increases would be. The wordage describing what the funds would be used for and who exactly would decide which funds would be used for what was also too vague.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | My family can't handle a tax increase at this time. Once our own jobs account for inflation and increase our wages, we can't afford another tax.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Nebulous language means money will have little account for where it it's actually spent.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | TSD needs to spend the money on what they say. Increase budget when failed to do what was supposed to be done before with last passed budgets. Spend the money and do what is supposed to be done then maybe the public will support future spending.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Because the district gets plenty of funding. And all the upper management of the district and especially the superintendent Schafer are all over padded by at least 60% of what they make annually                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I am not in favor of increasing taxes during economically difficult times.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I do not believe that the additional funding would have actually benefitted students; rather, I think it would have primarily expanded administrative functions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I live next to Monroe Elementary. In April 2023, voters passed a \$354 million bond proposal. \$12,105,000 of that was set aside for the Monroe Project. I watched the entire playground be renovated and it looked great. I believe the playground was completed in 2023. Monroe was then closed and consolidated into another school and the Brand New Playground was flattened and who knows how much money was wasted on a school that is now sitting empty. Why would I give more tax money to a district that is burning it. I am all for paying Teachers more money for good teaching. I am not for wasting millions of dollars of taxpayer money because of poor planning and allocation. |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I would vote for teacher salary increases but not for installing A/C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Property taxes in Colorado just went up by a bunch and it is definitely not time to ask for more taxes to be paid by any property tax payer. You wonder why people are struggling?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Taxes already too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | These are tough times and you wanted to increase taxes. HELL NO!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | You get enough funding use it correctly. The lbgtq+ delta rewards members are a waste of funds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| U   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I believe that the monies given to TSD should be more efficiently utilized. There should be ways of submitting reviews on teachers to weed out ineffective teachers and keep good teachers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| U   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Loveland | The diversity office holder makes an obscene amount of money and the office even existing makes the assumption that some people feel less about people because of color of their skin. Sicking. Stop pushing the identity politics. Let the kids be kids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I am completely dissatisfied with the school district. You currently waste the money you have been given in my opinion. Why should keep paying taxes on a district that I believe need different people in charge                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I want you to use the money you already have better more efficiently. Trim the upper hive to the teachers and the students and the schools                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | The district is receiving more money per mill levy than any other organization. They need to cut the fat. Not receive more money. Live within a budget. Tax payers can't afford to pay more to receive less.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | When the last bond was approved the district did not allocate funds correctly. The admins make more while paying the teachers nothing. Millions are spent on new schools while the old schools are falling apart. Sarah Milner still has chairs from over 30 years ago in their classrooms. Most of TSD schools do not have air conditioning yet school continues to start earlier in August (the hottest month). TSD claims it's for the kids, however, the actions of spending say otherwise! |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Don't want higher taxes. Also our school systems in Colorado are mishandled, the school budgets are manipulated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | I'm tired of paying taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | If you have enough money for DEI positions than you have too much already and I will reject any/all such tax proposals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Loveland should not be giving tax breaks to developers then turn around and say they need more money for schools. TSD even signed off on rulings to facilitate those tax breaks for McWhinney. Both of these bills were underhanded attempts to subsidize a millionaire at the expense of our schools, hoping that voters would not see the ruse. Quit giving the rich tax breaks when our schools need funding.                                                                                |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Maybe we should cut some administrative jobs instead of expanding the district employee count                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | No more tax increases                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | The district has more than enough money; they need to cut about half of their administrative costs and put those moneys into the students by way of teachers, student activities, and facilities. Getting rid of the union and preserving union dues for augmented teacher salaries would also be a great step. It would be much easier to give the district more money if more than 20% of what they get actually served students in some shape or form.                                       |

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|     |       |       |            |          | The schools, state, and government waste our hard earned tax dollars. Loveland schools are the worst I have ever seen and do not deserve any money from my family. Giving more money to the government is not how to solve problems. It's literally a meme bc it's so funny to the public that government think that's the answer. Families need to be raising and educating kids, not government workshops as an experiment that has greatly failed. Have you been inside a school in Loveland? Go to Mountain View. So much drug use while at school, kids that don't want to be around it have to avoid using the bathrooms all day to avoid it, there is no common decency or dress code enforced by the staff & the girls are wearing literally bras with no shirts, gay pride is pushed especially by the principal, kids are not being taught any responsibility as they can turn in assignments till the last week of school from the beginning of the year (what happens if they try this at a job? Fired.), we would ask the teachers what they do to enforce better behaviors or turning in work and they said there is nothing they can do. Prisons would be a better environment than Mountain View. |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Loveland | You didn't keep your promise on the last ballot to add air conditioning to the schools, specifically Thompson Valley. We don't forget as easily as you might hope. Start keeping your word and be transparent before asking to increase taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | Y          | Loveland | Because my taxes are high and my house payment keeps going up                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | Y          | Loveland | The measure was too broad in scope and vague on fine details. How much would be allocated for compensation and how much for education, or maintenance needs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 65+   | U     | Y          | Loveland | More children are being home schooled and I pay my property taxes which funds the schools. I don't like that they can be adjusted each year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| F   | 65+   | U     | Y          | Loveland | Possible increase in future property tax when it just increased SIGNIFICANTLY.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 45-54 |       | N          | Other    | Public schools receive too much money for very poor results. School choice. Tax money should follow the child. Give the money to private schools. They have way better results                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| U   | 65+   | O     | N          | Other    | You already have enough money. I'm not paying you more.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Other    | I see large amounts of tax money being used in ways other than what the public is told \$ is for. I'll vote for tax increases when it actually benefits tax payers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| U   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Other    | Your use of past and current monies has been abysmal based on education delivered. Throw in your woke indoctrination and its malfeasance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Other    | I understand the need for strong schools. But having no children and having to pay property tax it's a burden                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Other  | school districts do not use funds correctly. money needs to be spent on curriculum. what is the point of new buildings if you are going to try to indoctrinate other peoples kids.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Other  | No more taxes on taxpayers. School districts should budget better the \$\$\$ they already get!!!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| U   | 35-44 | O     | Y          | Other  | How do you approve more dollars to our schools with the current outcomes being provided. Secondly where is all the tax dollars currently going? How are those dollars being used and how can you work within your own budget and not ask for more.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Other  | I believe the district needs to live within its means and stop asking the tax payers for more and more money. People have been hammer by inflation and property tax increases and going to these people and asking for even more money in tax is beyond the pale.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| U   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Other  | Better use of our dollars. You just got an increase a few years ago. Check the salaries of everyone above the teachers level.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 65+   | U     | Y          | Other  | Larimer county is not a responsible steward of public funds                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 18-34 | D     | N          | Uninc. | Inefficiency and poor results do not warrent more funding. Trim the fat of the bureaucracy before asking for more funding.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Uninc. | I'm against more taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Uninc. | The district has not shown itself to be good stewards of its money. I see no reason to hand over more money until TSD decreases the number of district level people and puts money into direct support to students!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| F   | 65+   | D     | N          | Uninc. | In the last 4 years my property tax portion to the Thompson School district went up \$700 A year! My whole tax will went up \$2,000 A year between assessments and the ending of the Gallagher Amendment. Taxes are going way up this year from increased assessments but I have no idea of what the will be until January.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 45-54 | O     | N          | Uninc. | 1) Taxing housing is unethical because its a basic human need like food. Taxing housing contributes to homelessness and poverty. Schools need a different funding source than property taxes that does not burden the poor. 2) I had a terrible public school experience and think all kids should just be home schooled or in private schools anyway. The government is a terrible nanny. 3) I hate the atheistic indoctrination in the schools and I object to my tax dollars being used to destroy the Christian faith. |
| U   | 45-54 | O     | N          | Uninc. | The schools do a poor job with the money they already have. There is tip much spent on administration.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 18-34 | R     | N          | Uninc. | I hate paying taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| F   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Uninc. | Because it doesn't seem like the funds the schools already have are being used appropriately for children's education and quality teachers but rather to further political agendas at the expense of safety and education.                                                                                  |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Uninc. | Government bloat and mismanagement of funds. More funding will create further problems until spending is under control with a focus on basic education. Taxpayers cannot afford it.                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Uninc. | There is a lot of money thrown at schools and it doesn't make schools better. No more money. We're all taxed way too much.                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Uninc. | Our school system is so lost on woke social issues, they are beyond repair. I believe the entire education system should be eliminated and rebuilt without embracing divisive dangerous, woke social issues. I do not want to support Larimer County Schools in any way shape or form in its current state. |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | Live within your budget. I'm on a fixed income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | More tax, more waste, never ends.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | NO NEW HIGHER TAXES PERIOD!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | The inflation adjustment provision, which would raise taxes without voter approval. I'm a big fan of TABOR.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | The school district does not provide evidence that they do a good job educating our children yet they want additional money without showing how it will improve educational results.                                                                                                                        |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | Thompson School district must do a much better job of managing finances efficiently before asking for more taxpayer funding.                                                                                                                                                                                |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | Throwing more money at a problem like this is almost never the solution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| U   | 65+   | R     | N          | Uninc. | My Larimer County property tax increased by 71.45% in 2023 and will no doubt be nearly the same or even higher in 2024! If TSD doesn't think a 71.45% increase in money received from property taxes in 2023 isn't enough, then you should fucking resign for economic incompetence!                        |



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| M   | 18-34 | U     | N          | Uninc. | A number of reasons: 1) I cannot afford to own a house right now. While property taxes are not the most expensive part or the thing keeping me from it, Colorado has jumped into the top5 most expensive states to live in and I would love to someday own a home here. I'm 28 and married with no kids because we don't want any until we have a house. I don't want any, even tiny, addition to that burden. So I don't want to vote for higher property taxes. While I understand that only affects houses above a certain value, \$500,000 is far too low for that value in Colorado. If you want a single-family home (NOT a townhouse or condo) in northern Colorado you would be hard pressed to find one for 400k or less, which leaves a very small margin before that does actually affect me, as we are looking for single-family homes only. 2) I don't trust that money gets properly redirected from the general fund. Money needs to get put straight into the correct fund for me to believe it gets to the correct places. 3) While salaries are "included" in this bill, my biggest concern by far with our school system right now is the salaries of the teachers. If the extra money was spent on the teachers, and the general fund then "theoretically had more room" for capital projects, I would've been much likelier to vote yes. I have no real idea how the extra money in the general fund will be spent. Nothing in here makes a guarantee that any more money will be given to our teachers. While I would love to support our local schools, especially our staff and their salaries, there were too many concerns with the way this would be handled for me to vote yes on it. |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Too many tax increase bills in the ballot and not enough understanding of the true need. We also gave the district a tax increase recently.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Property taxes are increasing at an alarming rate in Colorado. We absolutely do not need to be adding more levies during this massive tax increase. Districts are already receiving record amounts of revenue and need to better manage the influx of new funds rather than keep asking voters for more and more.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Start educating and quit indoctrinating our children and you may succeed. Til then, nope.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| U   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Uninc. | The same people pushing for this funding are too aggressive against things I believe are good for students. If our School Board, teachers union, and district administration oppose the following I will continue to vote against funding. 1. School Vouchers. Tax money should be attached to a child. If a family decides their child is better off in Private School they should get their portion of education funding to offset costs. 2. School Safety. If Good guys with guns is not something the district fights I will not fund. 3. Teach reading, writing, math and science. Leave the social stuff to parents and the larger community. I will not voluntarily fund a system that pushes WOKE ideologies to children. |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Until we get back to education and away from all of the standardized testing and mass indoctrination of ideas that should not be taught in schools, then I have no desire to fund the current school system as it is. More and more parents are seeking other options to educate their children. We need independent thinking, problem solving, foundational learning in order to build and learn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | We already pay too many taxes. Not sure I trust all the money given so far has gone to where it is intended. I haven't received a salary increase in past 5 years. Why should I give money to increase other salaries                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | It seems school districts are generally well funded currently.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Lack of confidence in leadership and approach to education. Charter schools get less tax dollars and many have better results due to their approach. The public education monopoly is an outdated system. There are some good teachers and administrators, but overall the system is a failure. Reform it with more competition and choice, and I will be happy to pay more. Liberty Common in Fort Collins would be a great place to look for ideas, but their success is scoffed at for political reasons. Career technical education should also be radically expanded, and I would definitely vote for that if I had confidence in the leadership and believed a fresh approach would be embraced.                            |
| M   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Our property taxes went up over 3 times what they were in 2023. Where did all the extra revenue go from all the property taxes go? Also, you did not have fixed rate going forward. It made it seem like you had an open checkbook to draw from. I am totally supportive of the school system in educating our future generations, but this ballot was over the top on the huge increase we received on our property tax.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| U   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Uninc. | Have you not noticed we just had 40% increase in property taxes??? Who gets most of the property taxes? THE SCHOOL DISTRICT!! I will NEVER support a tax increase without clear usage and the a sunset of the bond...                                                                                |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | The wording appeared very open ended without enough details to determine how money would be spent. I don't approve of "open checkbooks" without limits                                                                                                                                               |
| F   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | We are already getting taxed to death. Instead of giving money to Israel every day let's use it here at home                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | Money does not go to students or teachers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | Property taxes went up so much I don't think I can afford more tax                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | Taxes going up already due to inflation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | This economy is killing working people and retirees and you want to increase taxes !? Tighten your belt like I am being forced to do !                                                                                                                                                               |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | TSD wastes far too much money on useless social agendas that teach nothing. TSD has buildings sitting empty. TSD does not teach basic 3 R's anymore. Kids are never in school. Too many "study days". Economy does not support TSD raises when everyone is struggling with liberal caused inflation. |
| U   | 65+   | U     | N          | Uninc. | Property taxes recently were raised by an enormous amount so schools should have plenty of money. Maybe the school district should have an audit                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 65+   | R     | Y          | Uninc. | It is to open ended. Like letting the district decide what they want, how to use it, when they want it . And the accountability is on the shoulders of who, the family and friends of the board?                                                                                                     |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | Budget allocations are not appropriate.... Funding is not the issue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | I don't believe in increasing taxes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | You have more money than you have ever had yet you keep increasing administration. Will not ever vote yes on another school until admin is cut by at least 50%.                                                                                                                                      |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | TSD has just received a mill levy increase in the last 10 years. Funds need to be managed better as opposed to asking for more mill levys.                                                                                                                                                           |
| F   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | The language has such ambiguity that allows a complete functional administration to use funds however they decide. No one trust administration especially the superintendent                                                                                                                         |
| U   | 45-54 | U     | Y          | Uninc. | TSD has not been financially transparent as it works toward the primary educational goals. Finding, nurturing, and retaining outstanding teachers is primary. Expanding the already bloated administration staff is not.                                                                             |

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| M   | 35-44 | D     | N          | Windsor | My property tax has skyrocketed recently. I don't understand how the district needs more money when property values and thus taxes are sky high throughout the district.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 55-64 | D     | N          | Windsor | Property taxes are already high.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| U   | 35-44 | R     | N          | Windsor | We are already over taxed. The government needs to reallocate funds from other places to fund this instead of stealing from citizens. I will never agree to an increase in taxes since I am already living in government mandated poverty.                                                                                                                                                       |
| M   | 55-64 | R     | N          | Windsor | Because of high cost of living expenses and increased property taxes. I felt it was asking to much for additional tax increase                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Windsor | Money for teachers should come by reducing administration cost! I am a former teacher                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Windsor | No more taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| M   | 65+   | R     | N          | Windsor | No new taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| F   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Windsor | You need to prove to the voters that you are good stewards of your finances. You're consistently asking for more money for very different things every election. I've never seen a compelling argument that you can effectively manage funds so why would we agree to more especially when our property taxes have just increased so substantially.                                              |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Windsor | Mills too high                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M   | 35-44 | U     | N          | Windsor | Taxes are high enough. If you can't run a school on the funds that are already appropriated to you, then I as the taxpayer have to start asking why. Every year or so the school district continues to ask for more and more money, and frankly, tax payers are tired of it.                                                                                                                     |
| M   | 45-54 | U     | N          | Windsor | I send my children to private school. Although I believe that Thompson school district is better than most, it's hard to support higher taxes for education we don't use and question the progressive teachings.                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Windsor | Mill levies already affect so many home owners, most cannot afford higher payments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| F   | 55-64 | U     | N          | Windsor | We are sick and tired of government, putting their hands in the pockets of taxpayers and I would vote no on any tax increase no matter if it was to distribute a known cancer cure to every citizen in America!!!! First, I would think our governments lying to us because 99% of the time they are in second our government would fuck it up anyway!!!!                                        |
| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Windsor | Between 5A and 5B the district was asking for too much. The combined impact on my annual tax bill would have been approximately \$1,000. (I might be mistaken; it was either 500 or 1000.) That is on top of th \$500 per year the last time that the district passed 2 issues at the same time (I did support the last ones.) If only one measure had been proposed, I might have supported it. |

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| M   | 65+   | U     | N          | Windsor | Too open ended. Not specific needs but rather that District could use as want and endless increases in taxes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| F   | 35-44 | R     | Y          | Windsor | The amount of money currently allocated from property taxes to the school district is quite substantial. I have voted yes on past measure and as a parent with children in the school district I have not seen past promises come through for funds go to the schools and childrens learning. In fact, students are getting further and further behind and nothing is being done to help them. The changes that are truly needed do not require additional funds they require accountability from all levels of the school district. |