



Guilderland Central School District

2018 School Budget Vote Exit Survey Report

Introduction

The Guilderland Central School District conducted an exit survey during its Annual School Budget Vote on May 15, 2018. The purpose was to collect demographic data about who voted on the budget and information about why voters voted the way they did.

The survey was voluntary and anonymous. Surveys were made available, both electronically and in paper form, to voters at the polling sites for anyone who chose to fill one out after voting. While these results do not represent the opinions of all voters, they do provide many residents' perceptions about the district and its proposed budget.

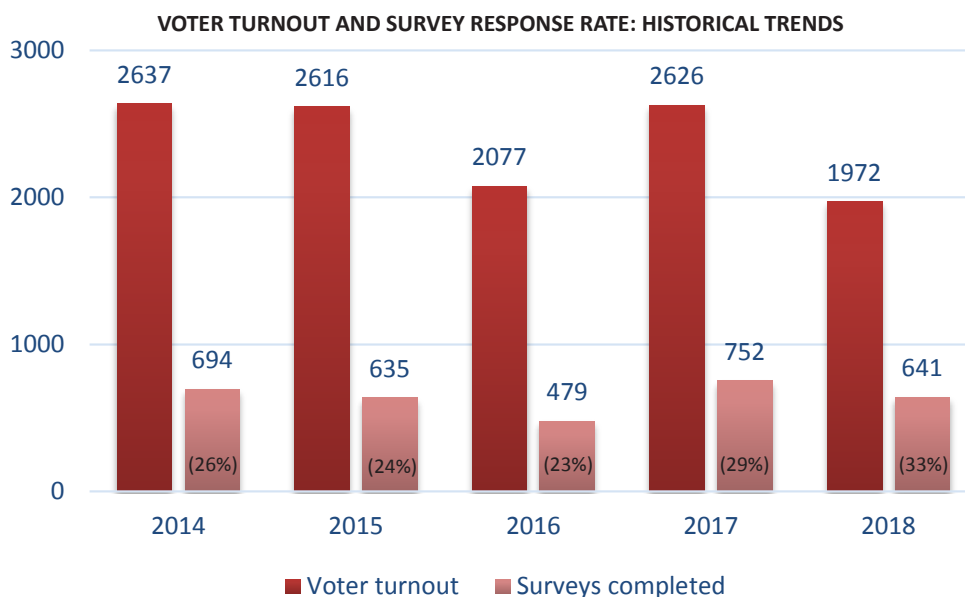
The following data was compiled by the Capital Region BOCES Communications Service in cooperation with the BOCES public information specialist assigned to Guilderland, Aubree Kammler.

Please note: Percentages, where provided, are out of the number of survey participants who responded to that particular question, and not out of the total number of survey participants. For some questions, total percentages may add up to more than 100% because participants were able to select more than one answer choice or as a result of rounding to the nearest whole number.

Guilderland voter turnout and survey participation

In 2018, 1,972 residents voted on Guilderland's school budget. This was a decrease of 25% from 2017.

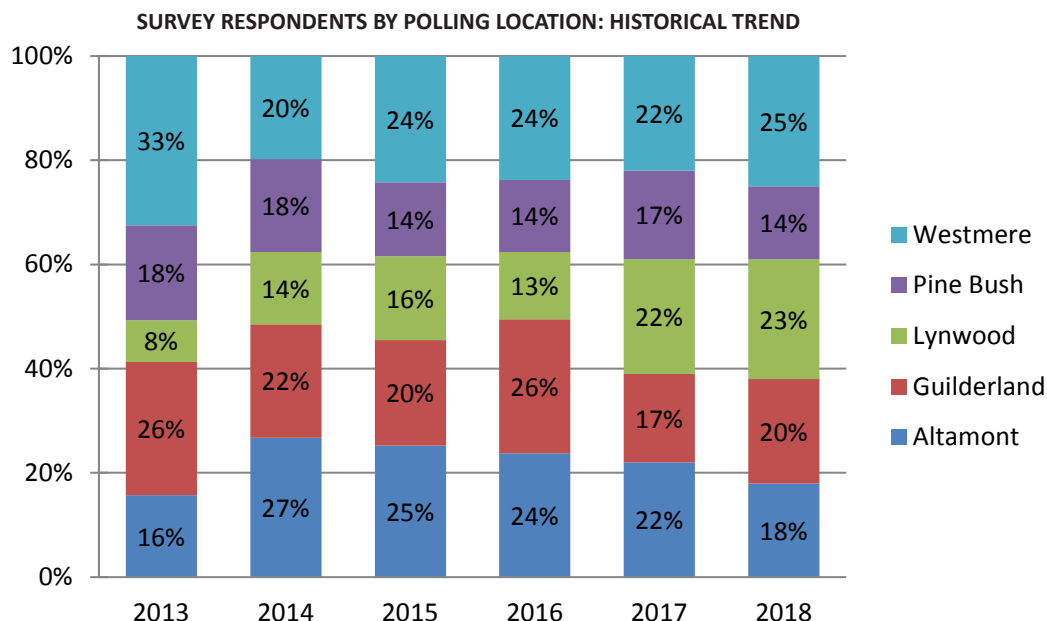
Of the 1,972 residents who voted, 641 chose to fill out an exit survey—a response rate of 33%. This response rate is the highest in Guilderland since 2014. Of the 641 completed surveys, 378—or 59%—were completed online.



In 2018, voter turnout decreased by 25% after a 26% increase of voters in 2017. Of the 1,972 voters, 641 completed an exit survey for a participation rate of 33%—the highest since 2014.

Polling locations

Of the 638 survey respondents who indicated their polling location, more voters (160) completed an exit survey at Westmere Elementary School polling location than at any other polling location (25%). Another 146 respondents completed a survey at Lynnwood Elementary School (23%), and 126 voters completed an exit survey at Guilderland Elementary School (20%). These results continue a trend that started in 2014 that saw survey participation across the five polling locations more evenly distributed than it had been in years past.



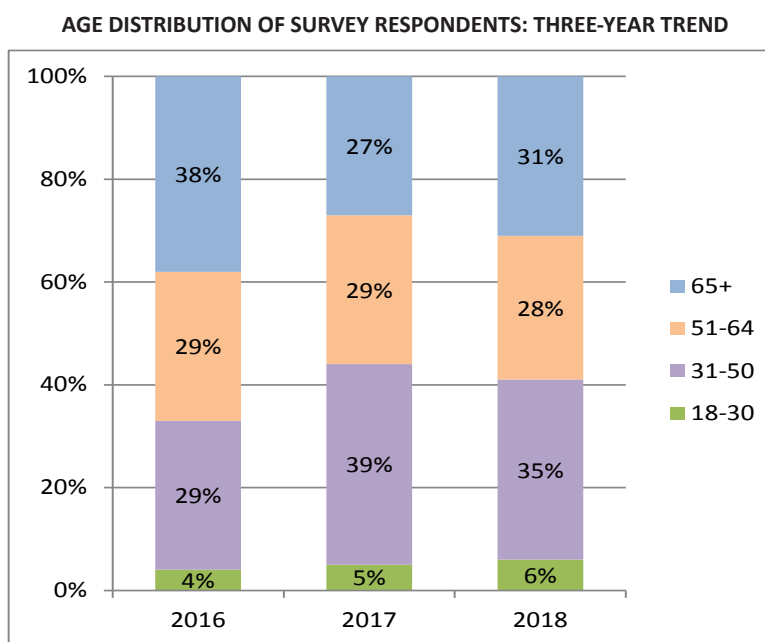
Who voted in Guilderland's annual budget vote?

Voters by age group

The chart, right, shows the distribution of survey respondents by age group over the past three years. In 2018, the proportion of survey respondents age 65 and older increased by 4 percentage points from 2017.

The proportion of those age 31-50 decreased 4 percentage points from 2017.

The proportion of survey respondents ages 18-30 increased by 1 percentage point, making it 6%. The proportion of those age 51-64 has been a steady number for the past three years. 59 percent of survey respondents are 51 and older.



Town and length of residency

Town of Guilderland residents were the majority of voters participating in the exit survey at 93% of respondents. Bethlehem residents constituted 6% of survey participants in 2018. Fewer than 1% of survey participants said they live in New Scotland (4 respondents) or the Town of Knox (2 respondents).

More than half (52%) of survey respondents said they have been district residents for more than 20 years. Another 22% said they have lived in the district between 11 and 20 years, and 26% said they've been residents for 10 years or less.

Parent and non-parent voters

As has been the case since 2009, people *without* children currently attending Guilderland schools were the majority of survey participants. In 2018, they represented 64% of respondents, which is a 4% increase from 2017.

Of these respondents, 67% said their children attended Guilderland schools in the past. About 42% indicated they have children who will attend Guilderland schools in the future. This is higher than past years, with 28% in 2017, 34% in 2016 and 35% in 2015.

Respondents with children currently attending Guilderland schools, 36% of all participants in 2018, indicated the following enrollment distribution:

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Grades K-5.....	57%.....	58%.....	61%.....	69%.....	62%
Grades 6-8.....	32%.....	33%.....	36%.....	32%.....	31%
Grades 9-12	47%.....	40%.....	43%.....	31%.....	41%

This data shows that the proportion of survey respondents with children attending district elementary schools decreased in 2018 but those with children in middle school has stayed consistent throughout the years. Parents with children in high school had an increased participation rate in the survey by 10 percentage points this year.

Typical voting habits

As in previous years, a significant majority of survey respondents (85%) said they typically vote "yes" on the budget. About 10% said they typically vote "no," and only 5% said they have not voted in the past. All percentages are consistent with results from previous exit surveys.

District and non-district employees

Of the 634 respondents who answered this question, 91% said they were not employed by the school district. This is consistent with previous years. The total number of survey respondents (54) who said they are employed by the district decreased by 12 individuals in 2018 compared with 2017.

Online survey participation in the budget development process.

In 2018, for the third consecutive year, survey respondents were asked whether they participated in district online surveys used during the budget development process.

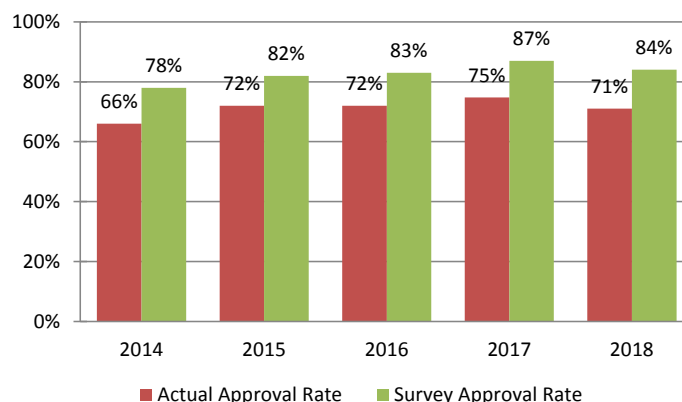
Of the 615 respondents who answered the question, 22% said they did participate in the budget development surveys, which is consistent with the 22% from 2017. Of those, 90% voted "yes" on the budget, compared with an 83% approval rate among those who did not participate in the online surveys.

How did Guilderland residents vote?

Of the 641 voters who completed an exit survey in 2018, 19 did not indicate how they voted on the budget. Of those that did, 520 said they voted “yes” on the budget, while 102 said they voted “no.” This represents a margin of 84% in favor and 16% opposed.

The actual approval rate of the budget was 71%—a difference of 13 percentage points—meaning that a higher percentage of “yes” voters completed an exit survey than did “no” voters. In our experience, this is not uncommon with school budget vote exit surveys. Since 2013, the difference between the actual approval rate and the survey approval rate has been 10 percentage points or more each year.

BUDGET APPROVAL RATES : FIVE-YEAR HISTORY



Budget approval rates among different voter categories

Budget approval rates among survey respondents were similar across all five polling sites, ranging from 89% at Pine Bush Elementary to 86% at Westmere Elementary and 79% at Lynwood Elementary.

As was the case in each of the last four years, the majority of survey respondents living in Guilderland approved the budget (84%). Of the three voters in New Scotland, two voted “yes” on the budget. In Knox, both voters who completed the survey voted “no” on the budget.

Among the survey respondents, a majority approved the budget in 2018 regardless of age or longevity as a district resident.

AGE GROUP	APPROVAL RATE			
	2015	2016	20167	2018
18-30	92%	84%	79%	78%
31-50	90%	91%	91%	90%
51-64	72%	78%	83%	78%
65+	80%	83%	86%	83%

Regardless of longevity as a district resident, a majority of respondents approved the budget. As was the case in 2016, the approval rate did not decline as length of residency increased in 2017; rather, the lowest approval rate was among those who have lived in the district 11-20 years (80%).

YEARS AS RESIDENT	APPROVAL RATE			
	2015	2016	2017	2018
0-10.....	90%	91%	91%	89%
11-20.....	81%	78%	83%	86%
20+	78%	84%	86%	80%

Respondents with children currently enrolled in Guilderland schools approved the budget at a higher rate than those without children currently attending. However, the approval rates of both sets of respondents dropped in 2018 in both categories, as illustrated below.

VOTER CATEGORY	APPROVAL RATE			
	2015	2016	2017	2018
Children currently enrolled.....	90%	93%	93%	89%
No children currently enrolled.....	76%	80%	82%	81%

For respondents with children in grades K-5 and 9-12 the approval rate dropped by 5 percentage points. For respondents with children in grades 6-8 the approval rates increased by 6 percentage points.

VOTER CATEGORY	APPROVAL RATE			
	2015	2016	2017	2018
Children in grades K-5	92%	95%	96%	91%
Children in grades 6-8	89%	91%	87%	93%
Children in grades 9-12.....	88%	92%	92%	87%

Among respondents without children currently attending district schools, data shows that those who said their children will enroll at Guilderland schools in the future approved the budget at a higher rate than other groups, as indicated below.

VOTER CATEGORY	APPROVAL RATE			
	2015	2016	2017	2018
Children previously enrolled	78%	82%	86%	84%
Children never attended	73%	75%	77%	78%
Children will enroll in future	91%	85%	83%	86%
Children will not enroll in future	70%	74%	73%	77%

Bus and equipment purchase proposition

The actual approval rate for this year's bus and equipment purchase proposition was 72%. A total of 1,963 votes were cast on the proposition, which is 9 votes fewer than were cast on the budget.

As with the budget vote, the approval rate for this proposition was higher among exit survey participants (84%) than among actual voters.

Nearly 96% of those who approved the bus and equipment proposition voted "yes" on the budget, while 24% of those who voted against the proposition supported the budget.

This year, 95% of respondents who said they typically vote “yes” approved the 2018 budget proposal, the same percentage as in 2017 and 2016. Meanwhile, 89% of those who said they typically vote “no” voted against the budget. Of those who said they were voting for the first time 77% of those respondents voted in favor of the budget.

Among 53 respondents who indicated they are district employees, all but 2 voted “yes” on the budget. The approval rate was 82% among those respondents who said they are not district employees.

Why do voters vote the way they do?

The following, in descending order, are the reasons given by the “yes” respondents for approving the budget:

I support investing in education.....	87%
I am pleased with the quality of education.....	69%
The budget meets the needs of our students.....	67%
The spending/tax increase is reasonable.....	54%
I have children/grandchildren in the schools	36%

The following, in descending order, are the reasons given by the “no” respondents for voting against the budget:

The spending/tax increase is not reasonable.....	64%
I support education, but can’t afford the cost.....	45%
I do not have children/grandchildren in the schools	28%
The budget does not meet the needs of our students.....	26%
I am not pleased with the quality of education.....	22%

From this data, one can draw a few conclusions; namely, that:

- Providing a quality educational program for students remains important to Guilderland voters. Similar to data from the previous two years, more than four in five “yes” respondents (87%) said they support investing in education, and 45% of the “no” respondents agreed, but said their economic circumstances prevented them from supporting the budget.
- As was the case in each of the last four years, more than two-thirds of the “yes” respondents (69%) are pleased with Guilderland’s educational program. In 2018, 22% of “no” respondents said they are not pleased with Guilderland’s educational program.

What were Guilderland voters' best sources of information about the budget?

Survey respondents indicated that their top two budget information sources are the district newsletter and local newspapers, respectively. In last four years, four of the top five sources have come from the district.

	2015	2016	2017	2018
District newsletter.....	66%.....	67%.....	63%.....	66%
Local newspapers.....	40%.....	38%.....	38%.....	36%
District website.....	22%.....	27%.....	26%.....	26%
School News Notifier (SNN).....	19%.....	18%.....	21%.....	24%
School newsletters.....	21%.....	22%.....	20%.....	22%
Friends/family/neighbors.....	20%.....	13%.....	20%.....	19%
District staff members.....	12%.....	11%.....	13%.....	11%
Board of Education meetings.....	8%.....	8%.....	9%.....	7%
District Facebook page.....	5%.....	3%.....	8%.....	8%
Local Access Cable Channel.....	6%.....	6%.....	6%.....	3%
Public budget meetings.....	5%.....	3%.....	3%.....	4%
PTA meetings.....	4%.....	3%.....	3%.....	4%
District Twitter page.....	2%.....	1%.....	1%.....	2%

Regardless of where respondents got their budget information, a majority approved the budget. Budget approval rates were highest among those respondents who received info at PTA meetings (96%). 11 people who said district Twitter all voted "yes". Respondents who relied on district staff members or SNN for budget information approved the budget at a 91% rate.

INFO SOURCE	APPROVAL RATES			
	2015	2016	2017	2018
District newsletter.....	85%.....	87%.....	88%.....	86%
Local newspapers.....	81%.....	85%.....	87%.....	82%
District website.....	91%.....	92%.....	92%.....	89%
School News Notifier (SNN).....	92%.....	92%.....	92%.....	91%
School newsletters.....	81%.....	83%.....	83%.....	87%
Friends/family/neighbors.....	86%.....	82%.....	86%.....	80%
District staff members.....	95%.....	93%.....	95%.....	91%
Board of Education meetings.....	96%.....	94%.....	87%.....	88%
District Facebook page.....	89%.....	93%.....	93%.....	85%
Local Access Cable Channel.....	73%.....	88%.....	63%.....	75%
Public budget meetings.....	86%.....	82%.....	91%.....	73%
PTA meetings.....	100%.....	91%.....	90%.....	96%
District Twitter page.....	100%.....	100%.....	89%.....	100%

Who were the “yes” voters in Guilderland?

In 2018, of the 520 survey respondents who said they voted “yes” on the budget:

- 26% voted at Westmere Elementary School
- 93% said they live in the Town of Guilderland
- 50% said they have lived in the district for more than 20 years
- 37% said they are between the ages of 31 and 50 years old
- 94% said they typically vote “yes” on the budget; 7% said they have not voted in the past
- 39% said they currently have children attending Guilderland schools; of those, 63% have one or more children in grades K-5
- 61% said they do not have children currently attending Guilderland schools; of those, 69% said their children attended Guilderland schools in the past and 45% said their children will attend Guilderland schools in the future
- 67% said the district newsletter was one of the three best sources of budget information, while 35% chose local newspapers and 27% chose the district website
- 95% said they also voted “yes” on the bus and equipment purchase proposition
- 10% said they are district employees

Who were the “no” voters in Guilderland?

In 2018, of the 102 survey respondents who said they voted “no” on the budget:

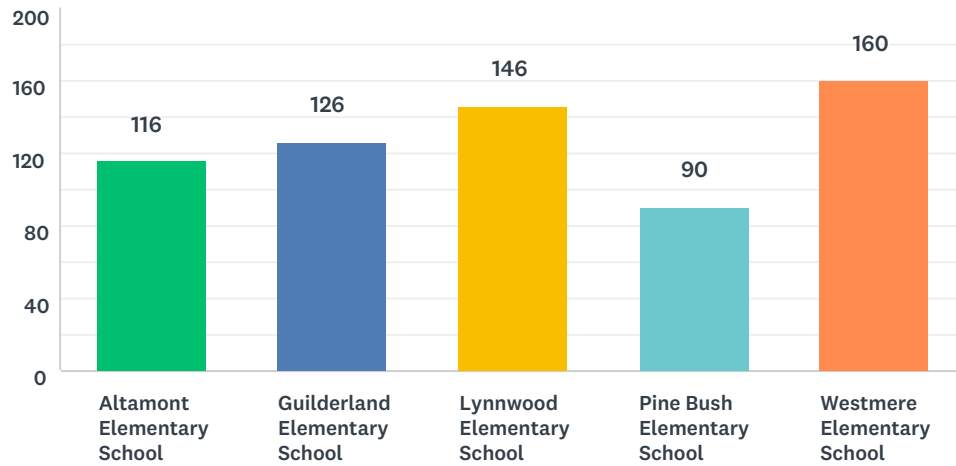
- 29% voted at Lynnwood Elementary School
- 93% said they live in the Town of Guilderland
- 63% said they have lived in the district for more than 20 years
- 39% said they are between the ages of 51 and 64 years old
- 61% said they typically vote “no” on the budget; 31% said they typically vote “yes”
- 25% said they currently have children attending Guilderland schools; of those, 52% have children in grades 6-8 and/or grades K-5
- 75% said they do not have children currently attending Guilderland schools; of those, 61% said their children attended Guilderland schools in the past and 30% said their children will attend Guilderland schools in the future
- 60% said the district newsletter was their best source of budget information, while 43% chose local newspapers and 24% chose friends/Family/Neighbors.
- 77% said they also voted “no” on the bus and equipment purchase proposition
- Two people said they are district employees

Survey Response Summary:

Survey participants' responses to all questions

Q1 At which elementary school are you voting today?

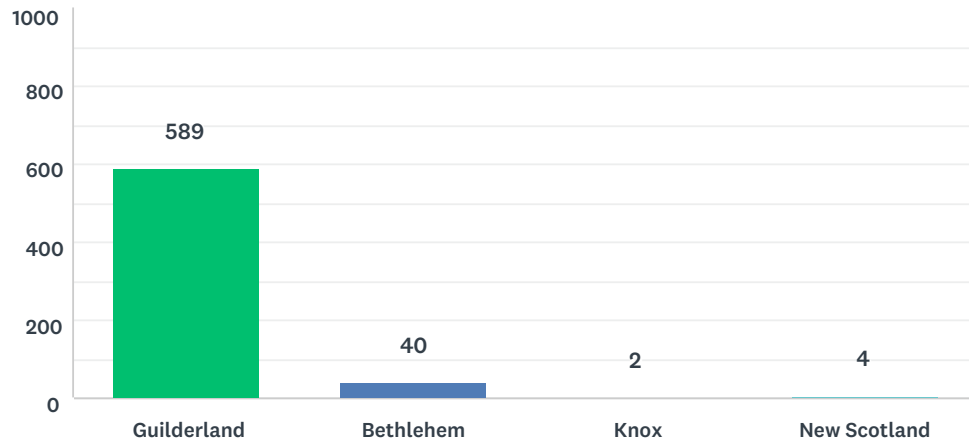
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Altamont Elementary School	18.18%	116
Guilderland Elementary School	19.75%	126
Lynnwood Elementary School	22.88%	146
Pine Bush Elementary School	14.11%	90
Westmere Elementary School	25.08%	160
TOTAL		638

Q2 In which town do you live?

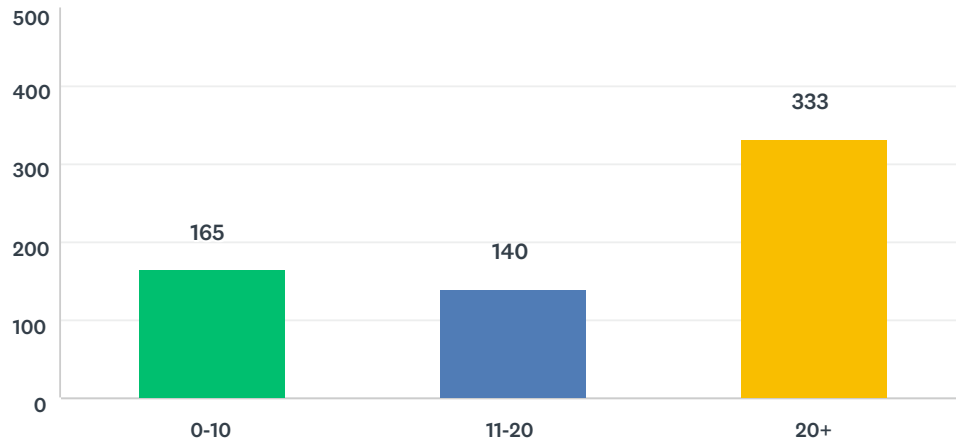
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Guilderland	92.76%	589
Bethlehem	6.30%	40
Knox	0.31%	2
New Scotland	0.63%	4
TOTAL		635

Q3 How many years have you been a district resident?

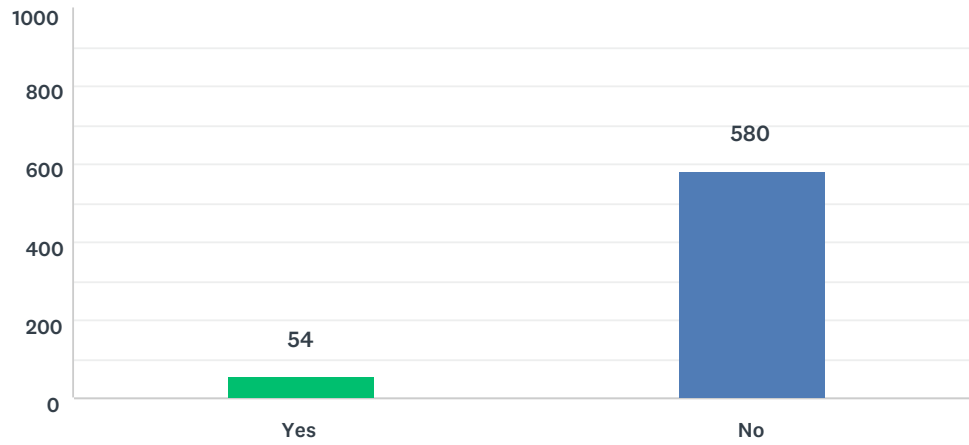
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-10	25.86%	165
11-20	21.94%	140
20+	52.19%	333
TOTAL		638

Q4 Are you an employee of the school district?

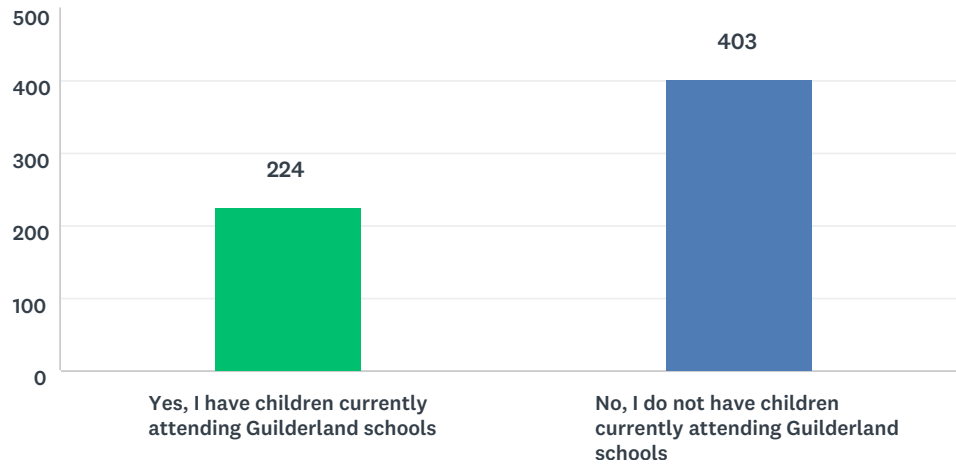
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	8.52%	54
No	91.48%	580
TOTAL		634

Q5 Do you currently have children attending Guilderland schools?

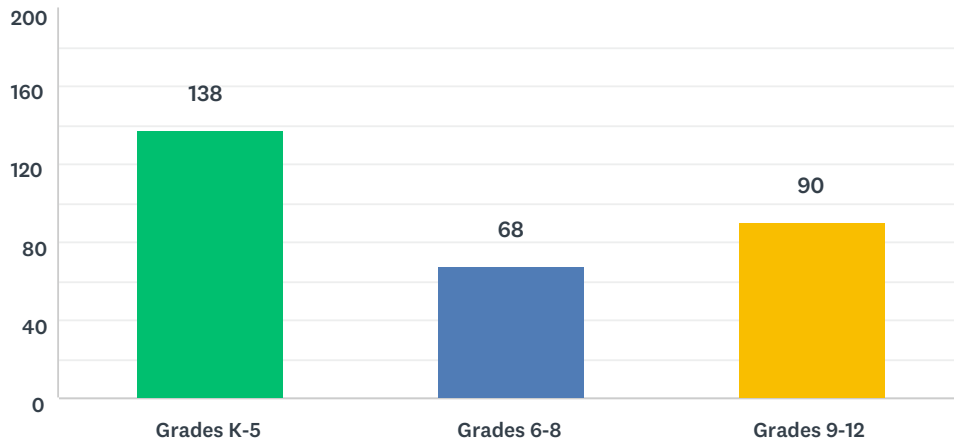
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I have children currently attending Guilderland schools	35.73%	224
No, I do not have children currently attending Guilderland schools	64.27%	403
TOTAL		627

Q6 If yes, what level(s) of school do they attend?

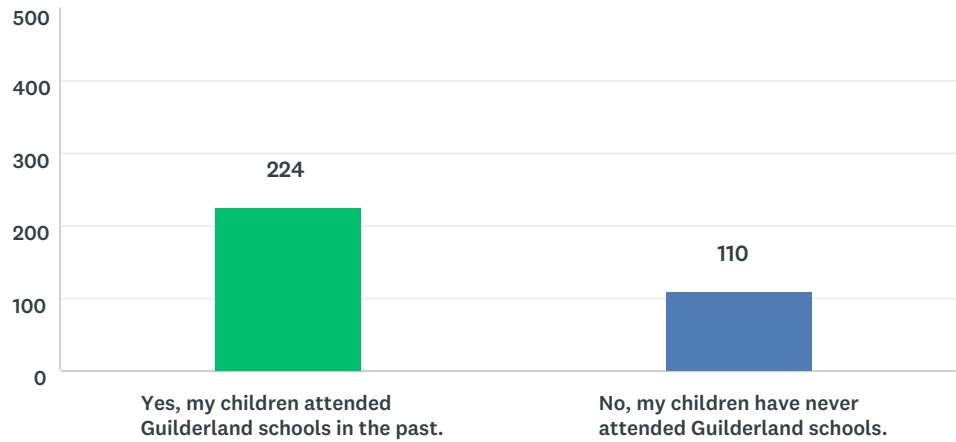
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES
Grades K-5	62.44%	138
Grades 6-8	30.77%	68
Grades 9-12	40.72%	90
Total Respondents: 221		

Q7 If no, did your children ever attend Guilderland Schools?

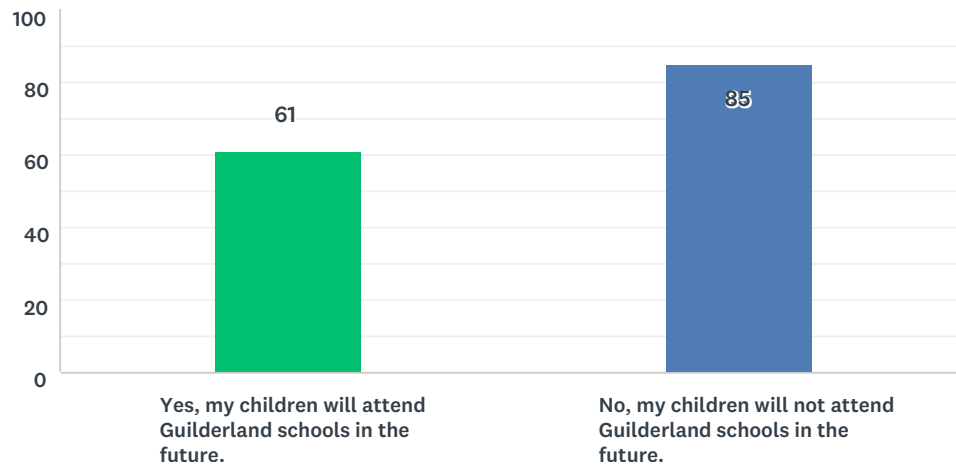
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, my children attended Guilderland schools in the past.	67.07%	224
No, my children have never attended Guilderland schools.	32.93%	110
TOTAL		334

Q8 If no, will your children attend Guilderland Schools when they are older?

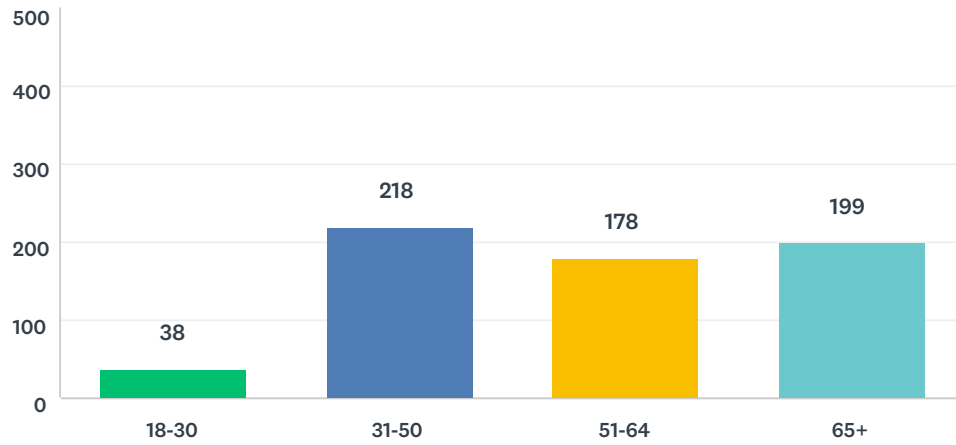
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, my children will attend Guilderland schools in the future.	41.78%	61
No, my children will not attend Guilderland schools in the future.	58.22%	85
TOTAL		146

Q9 What age category pertains to you?

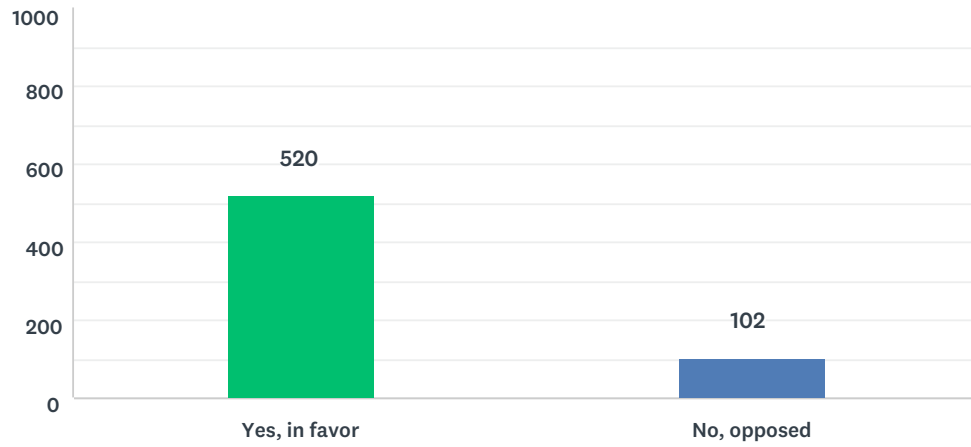
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18-30	6.00%	38
31-50	34.44%	218
51-64	28.12%	178
65+	31.44%	199
TOTAL		633

Q10 How did you vote on the proposed 2018-19 budget today?

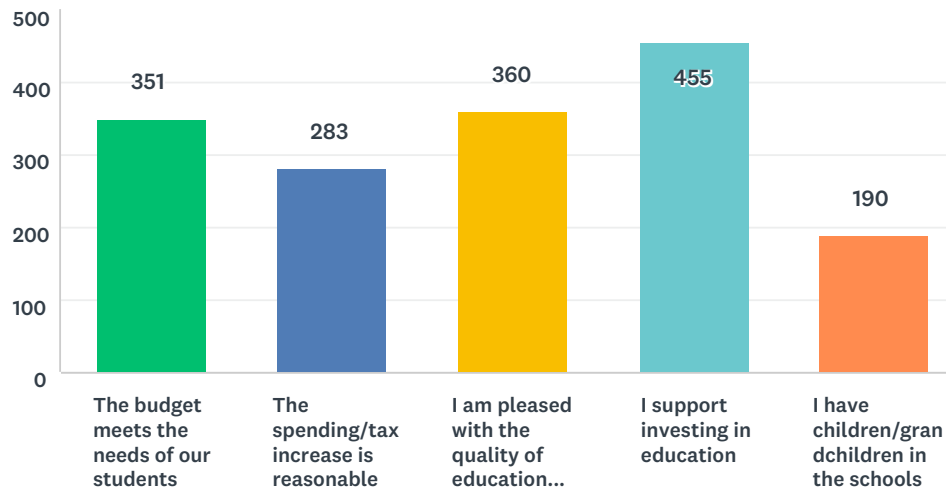
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, in favor	83.60%	520
No, opposed	16.40%	102
TOTAL		622

Q11 Why did you vote YES on the proposed 2018-19 budget? (Check all that apply.)

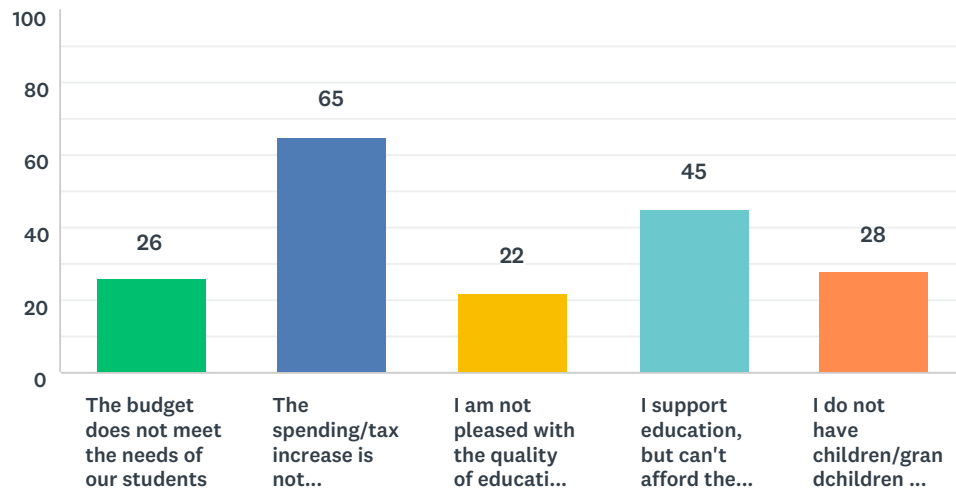
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The budget meets the needs of our students	67.37%	351
The spending/tax increase is reasonable	54.32%	283
I am pleased with the quality of education provided by Guilderland Schools	69.10%	360
I support investing in education	87.33%	455
I have children/grandchildren in the schools	36.47%	190
Total Respondents: 521		

Q12 Why did you vote NO on the proposed 2018-19 budget? (Check all that apply.)

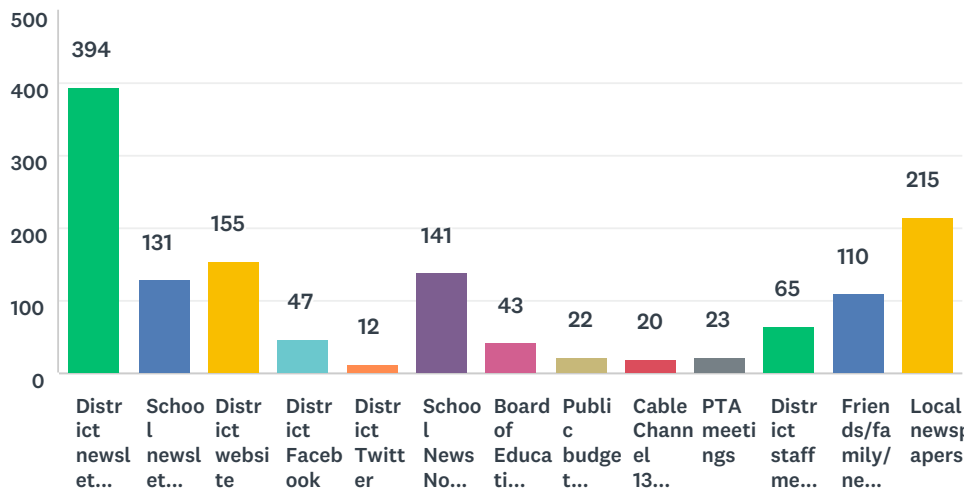
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The budget does not meet the needs of our students	25.74%	26
The spending/tax increase is not reasonable	64.36%	65
I am not pleased with the quality of education provided by Guilderland Schools	21.78%	22
I support education, but can't afford the cost	44.55%	45
I do not have children/grandchildren in the schools	27.72%	28
Total Respondents: 101		

Q13 Of the following communication channels, what were your three best sources of information about the proposed budget? (Please check three only.)

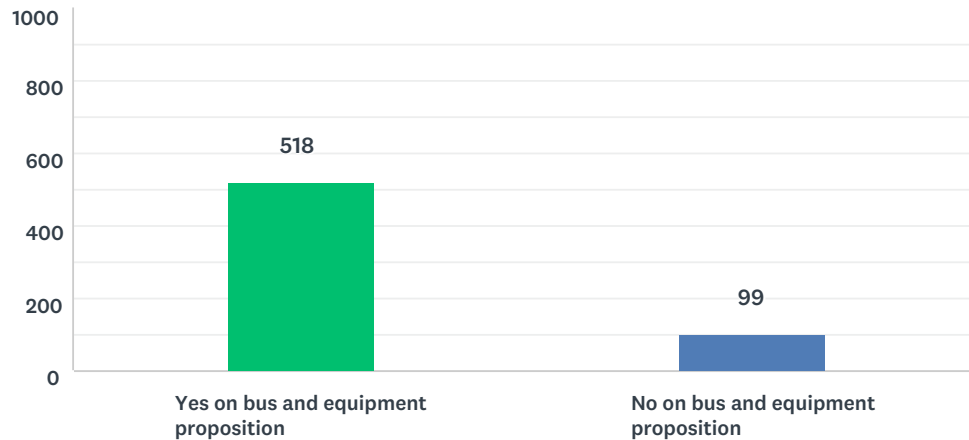
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
District newsletters	66.22%	394
School newsletters	22.02%	131
District website	26.05%	155
District Facebook	7.90%	47
District Twitter	2.02%	12
School News Notifier (SNN)	23.70%	141
Board of Education meetings	7.23%	43
Public budget meetings	3.70%	22
Cable Channel 1302/33	3.36%	20
PTA meetings	3.87%	23
District staff members	10.92%	65
Friends/family/neighbors	18.49%	110
Local newspapers	36.13%	215
Total Respondents: 595		

Q14 How did you vote on the bus and equipment proposition?

Answered: 617 Skipped: 24



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes on bus and equipment proposition	83.95%	518
No on bus and equipment proposition	16.05%	99
TOTAL		617

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU VOTED AS YOU DID:	DATE
1	I want my grandchild to have adequate bus service.	6/6/2018 10:08 AM
2	Bethlehem school district is ranked #1, yet their tax burden is lower	6/5/2018 9:45 AM
3	Buses and equipment eventually need to be replaced	5/23/2018 3:11 PM
4	I fully support	5/23/2018 3:09 PM
5	They have to be safe and dependable but not waiting until they are beyond either	5/23/2018 3:07 PM
6	Children's safety	5/23/2018 2:59 PM
7	Price is too high	5/23/2018 2:57 PM
8	I know the district needs equipment but feel the same people will make decisions with little or no input from anyone new. All the same people made all the decisions	5/23/2018 2:52 PM
9	I support student and district needs	5/23/2018 2:44 PM
10	Needed	5/23/2018 2:42 PM
11	I trust the proposal was well thought-out and reasonable	5/23/2018 2:41 PM
12	Important to keep up equipment -- safety issue	5/23/2018 2:34 PM
13	Need for newer equipment	5/23/2018 2:32 PM
14	Safety is important	5/23/2018 2:26 PM
15	I love education	5/23/2018 2:25 PM
16	No need	5/23/2018 2:23 PM
17	Safety of our children	5/23/2018 2:06 PM
18	We need buses	5/23/2018 2:03 PM
19	Follow the budget not a wish list	5/23/2018 1:59 PM
20	Need to keep up with it	5/23/2018 1:56 PM

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21	Some seems unreasonable	5/23/2018 1:37 PM
22	The importance of safety for students	5/23/2018 1:36 PM
23	Seemed reasonable and I value transportation	5/23/2018 1:34 PM
24	Important to keep investing	5/23/2018 1:27 PM
25	Need to continue to update safety -- cost effective	5/23/2018 1:25 PM
26	Cost	5/23/2018 1:23 PM
27	Important to have safe transportation	5/23/2018 1:21 PM
28	Too expensive	5/23/2018 1:21 PM
29	It is important to keep up maintenance and not get a big bill when things break	5/23/2018 1:20 PM
30	Reliable transport necessary	5/23/2018 1:19 PM
31	It is critical to purchase equipment on a regular schedule to avoid larger expenditures in the future	5/23/2018 1:17 PM
32	Safety	5/23/2018 1:15 PM
33	Very important to have safe transportation	5/23/2018 1:10 PM
34	Safety, updated equipment	5/23/2018 1:06 PM
35	Unnecessary	5/23/2018 1:05 PM
36	Important to keep safe buses	5/23/2018 1:05 PM
37	Reasonable expense	5/23/2018 1:03 PM
38	Safety is important and always a good investment	5/23/2018 1:01 PM
39	All the buses pass by our house and most of them are less than half full	5/23/2018 1:00 PM
40	Need good buses	5/23/2018 12:24 PM
41	All the buses go by my house and most of the buses are only half full or less than half full	5/23/2018 12:24 PM
42	As a former/retired administrator (a different district) I understand the importance of this proposition	5/23/2018 12:22 PM
43	Maintaining as up to date fleet is more difficult	5/23/2018 12:17 PM
44	We need these	5/23/2018 12:15 PM
45	Again, cost	5/23/2018 12:12 PM
46	I trust there is a need and we should support school needs	5/23/2018 12:09 PM
47	Safety is first when transporting children	5/23/2018 12:04 PM
48	Safe, reliable transportation is a necessity	5/23/2018 11:59 AM
49	It's necessary to keep students safe	5/23/2018 11:56 AM
50	The school personnel knows best if a bus should be repaired or replaced	5/23/2018 11:55 AM
51	Listened to professionals and voted as need be	5/23/2018 11:53 AM
52	Tax cost	5/23/2018 11:51 AM
53	Children should be safely transported	5/23/2018 11:41 AM
54	Possible replacement required	5/23/2018 11:38 AM
55	More time should be spent on the appropriate/necessary buses and already available	5/23/2018 11:37 AM
56	Safety	5/23/2018 11:30 AM
57	We should be able to repair current buses	5/23/2018 11:27 AM
58	Our buses transport our treasures every day to school. I want to make sure they arrive to school and home safely each day.	5/23/2018 11:24 AM
59	Too expensive	5/23/2018 11:16 AM

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60	I trust you	5/23/2018 11:15 AM
61	Buses are old	5/23/2018 11:13 AM
62	Safety	5/23/2018 11:12 AM
63	Investment in safe transportation	5/23/2018 11:11 AM
64	Important to have new and safe vehicles to transport our children	5/23/2018 10:48 AM
65	It's important to keep the equipment up to date for safety	5/23/2018 10:45 AM
66	New to town 1st school vote	5/23/2018 10:43 AM
67	The school budget is way out of line and costs too much	5/23/2018 10:42 AM
68	Safety for students is crucial	5/23/2018 10:41 AM
69	Safety of the children is critical	5/23/2018 10:41 AM
70	Important	5/23/2018 10:33 AM
71	Safe buses = safe kids	5/23/2018 10:28 AM
72	Safety and more modern technology is important; and staffing on buses	5/23/2018 10:24 AM
73	I believe that it's important to maintain the buses to the highest standards available for both the students and the drivers	5/23/2018 10:23 AM
74	Fix some of the hundreds of buses we have	5/23/2018 10:16 AM
75	Cost	5/23/2018 10:10 AM
76	I assumed newer buses meant that they were more environmentally friendly	5/23/2018 10:08 AM
77	To have safe transportation	5/23/2018 10:05 AM
78	Responsible request and cost	5/23/2018 10:02 AM
79	Don't think it is needed	5/23/2018 9:59 AM
80	It is needed	5/23/2018 9:53 AM
81	Upgrades needed assumedly	5/23/2018 9:49 AM
82	My children ride bus every day and have been pleased with quality of service	5/23/2018 9:46 AM
83	(Unrecognizable text) of buses, handicapped bus	5/23/2018 9:45 AM
84	My children ride bus every day and have been pleased with quality of service	5/23/2018 9:40 AM
85	We need safe vehicles to transport children	5/23/2018 9:36 AM
86	We need safe equipment for students	5/23/2018 9:33 AM
87	Approve of buying buses each year	5/23/2018 9:29 AM
88	The buses looked new enough. I would rather my tax dollar go to other fleet and equipment	5/23/2018 9:26 AM
89	I believe the current fleet is sufficient	5/23/2018 9:17 AM
90	Too much every year	5/23/2018 9:16 AM
91	Proposal seemed necessary and reasonable	5/23/2018 9:14 AM
92	Safety	5/23/2018 9:11 AM
93	Safety for students	5/23/2018 9:06 AM
94	We need safe transportation. I voted no on budget as just retired and not 100% sure of income and expenses	5/23/2018 9:05 AM
95	Vehicles and equipment don't last forever	5/23/2018 9:03 AM
96	Appropriate investment	5/23/2018 8:58 AM
97	You don't need them	5/23/2018 8:50 AM
98	Too many buses with too few students	5/23/2018 8:46 AM

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99	I support education and teachers -- school district can boost home value	5/22/2018 4:29 PM
100	We need safe buses	5/22/2018 4:25 PM
101	It pays in the long run to replace equipment regularly instead of putting it off and then facing a huge expense at one time	5/22/2018 4:24 PM
102	Maintaining buses and keeping them safe is very important	5/22/2018 4:18 PM
103	Safety	5/22/2018 4:17 PM
104	Safety	5/22/2018 4:14 PM
105	Too much waste	5/22/2018 4:10 PM
106	Cost is too large	5/22/2018 4:08 PM
107	Buses go for 1,000,000 miles	5/22/2018 4:06 PM
108	Best to have own equipment	5/15/2018 8:36 PM
109	all aspects of the school system are important.	5/15/2018 8:34 PM
110	It is important that we have buses that are safe and modern to get our kids to and from school. This is a worthwhile investment.	5/15/2018 8:31 PM
111	safe and efficient transportation is essential	5/15/2018 8:22 PM
112	Supporting education is important for our future.	5/15/2018 8:21 PM
113	The schools need to keep their buses and equipment working and up to date	5/15/2018 8:12 PM
114	Buses are important for getting kids to school.	5/15/2018 8:09 PM
115	Equipment is old and needs to be replacded	5/15/2018 8:01 PM
116	we recognize the district is lots of miles large, and buses need replacing to ensure reliability	5/15/2018 7:56 PM
117	keep kids safe	5/15/2018 7:51 PM
118	2016-2017 and 2017-2018 budgets had approximately \$2 million that was or will be added to reserves. The 2018-2019 budget has approximately the same level potential increase to reserves, The 2016-17 actual expenditures was \$92 million and the 2017-2018 budget was passed for approximately \$98 million. Why are costs going up in excess of \$5 million? The District needs to be accountable and transparent when budgeting.	5/15/2018 7:50 PM
119	Investing in the vehicles that transport our kids seems like a fairly good idea.	5/15/2018 7:50 PM
120	To keep the bus fleet up to date and avoid repair costs associated with older equipment.	5/15/2018 7:48 PM
121	Older equipment tends to cost more to operate and I am hopeful that liability insurance for transporting should be less with newer and safer buses.	5/15/2018 7:41 PM
122	we need new busses	5/15/2018 7:35 PM
123	Equipment has wear	5/15/2018 7:35 PM
124	It is necessary	5/15/2018 7:29 PM
125	Good equipment saves money in long run.	5/15/2018 7:24 PM
126	It seemed equipment had reached their end of life	5/15/2018 7:24 PM
127	Seemed reasonable	5/15/2018 7:23 PM
128	Buses are cool	5/15/2018 7:21 PM
129	Keep kids safe	5/15/2018 7:16 PM
130	Equipment has to be maintained, and eventually replaced, nothing lasts forever.	5/15/2018 7:08 PM
131	Need safe buses and equipment for our kids	5/15/2018 7:07 PM
132	I am completely shocked that we are replacing buses that have an average of only 130,000 miles on them. For a high value vehicle with a diesel engine that is well well before the point that it is cost effective to replace them	5/15/2018 7:04 PM
133	I think it is important to have new and up to date vehicles.	5/15/2018 6:58 PM

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134	Transportation is important for equal access to education.	5/15/2018 6:55 PM
135	I support the initiatives approved by the Board of Education and recommended by the district leadership team.	5/15/2018 6:55 PM
136	Safe vehicles for students	5/15/2018 6:54 PM
137	The district provides transportation to the private school my child attends	5/15/2018 6:54 PM
138	Better use of existing buses needs to be determined. Too much running students to various other school districts for classes. Parents should pay for their own child to go someplace else.	5/15/2018 6:53 PM
139	Keep our children safe	5/15/2018 6:51 PM
140	Safety concerns	5/15/2018 6:50 PM
141	There's a need to update our buses	5/15/2018 6:41 PM
142	Safe and modern vehicles are essential. I hope the district is considering electric vehicles to save money and clean air.	5/15/2018 6:39 PM
143	Buses and equipment are important	5/15/2018 6:32 PM
144	We do not have the updated buses safe for children to even cross in front of such as the flag that comes out to have the child cross in front of the bus at a safe distance.	5/15/2018 6:26 PM
145	Need to manage costs better.	5/15/2018 6:24 PM
146	Safe and reliable buses are important.	5/15/2018 6:21 PM
147	Current buses appear relatively new and we need to reduce taxes where possible without hurting the education process	5/15/2018 6:19 PM
148	Necessary for safe transport of the students	5/15/2018 6:19 PM
149	Too expensive	5/15/2018 6:15 PM
150	Safety	5/15/2018 6:15 PM
151	The updated vehicles and equipment will be more efficient.	5/15/2018 6:14 PM
152	Safety	5/15/2018 6:11 PM
153	Dont see why a few years after new ones	5/15/2018 6:09 PM
154	We need to keep and maintain safe vehicles	5/15/2018 5:59 PM
155	I support investment in maintaining school facilities and hardware in good condition *before* it becomes a serious issue.	5/15/2018 5:57 PM
156	Equipment ages and has a infinite lifespan	5/15/2018 5:52 PM
157	Well maintained buses seem important for transporting the youth of the district.	5/15/2018 5:49 PM
158	I believe the children are the future. Transport them well and let them lead the way.	5/15/2018 5:48 PM
159	Buses need to be in good working order and safe. Wear and repairs, as well as, replacements are necessary.	5/15/2018 5:45 PM
160	Getting students to and from school safely is a priority	5/15/2018 5:35 PM
161	We need to keep the buses up to date.	5/15/2018 5:31 PM
162	Buses always need upgrading	5/15/2018 5:26 PM
163	Children have a right to safe transportation to their schools.	5/15/2018 5:21 PM
164	For the childrens' safety	5/15/2018 5:19 PM
165	Buses need to be safe and in good repair. If they are not, they put students in jeopardy. I support keeping the bus fleet in good shape.	5/15/2018 5:19 PM
166	We are always in need of new busses	5/15/2018 5:13 PM
167	Need buses and equipment.	5/15/2018 5:10 PM
168	Everything wears out.	5/15/2018 5:02 PM
169	Safe equipment is vital for our students.	5/15/2018 5:00 PM

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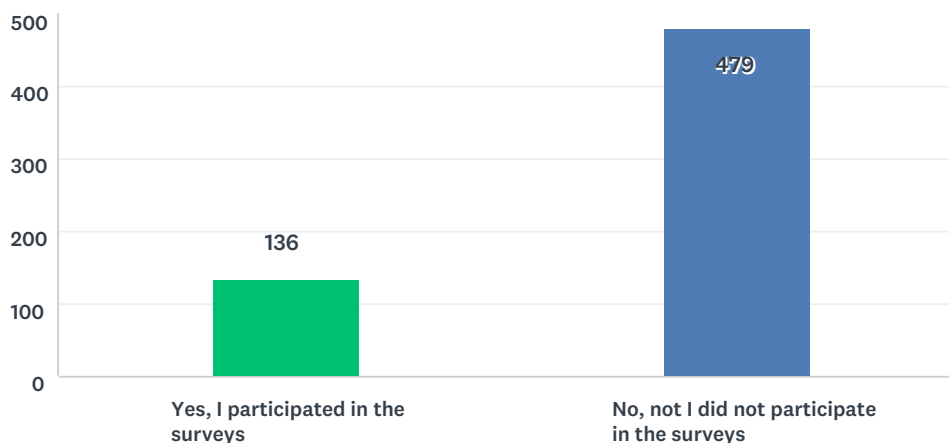
170	We don't have negotiators in guilderland. These busses are being grossly over paid for.	5/15/2018 4:58 PM
171	The district does not know how to manage a budget therefore they can not be trusted with ANY new money	5/15/2018 4:53 PM
172	Wasteful spending	5/15/2018 4:52 PM
173	Nothing's more important than safety.	5/15/2018 4:48 PM
174	We need to keep up with our equipment and bus purchases in a planned manner.	5/15/2018 4:41 PM
175	Its important	5/15/2018 4:39 PM
176	Safety is extremely important	5/15/2018 4:34 PM
177	Reasonable and necessary	5/15/2018 4:16 PM
178	I support investment in infrastructure.	5/15/2018 4:15 PM
179	My daughter will attend school here, starting in the Fall. I want her transportation to be safe.	5/15/2018 4:14 PM
180	I think they can be driven longer	5/15/2018 4:07 PM
181	It makes sense to invest some every year	5/15/2018 4:03 PM
182	My children ride the buses and I think it's important for our equipment to be safe and up to date.	5/15/2018 4:01 PM
183	I support spending on education	5/15/2018 4:01 PM
184	periodic replacement is necessary	5/15/2018 4:00 PM
185	Transportation of children and their safety is very important	5/15/2018 3:59 PM
186	Safety	5/15/2018 3:55 PM
187	I trust in the expertise of the district to plan for our needs accordingly	5/15/2018 3:54 PM
188	it is important to keep these up to date	5/15/2018 3:53 PM
189	The buses are getting old and run down. We need our children on safe equipment.	5/15/2018 3:38 PM
190	Makes sense; it's needed	5/15/2018 2:37 PM
191	Buses and equipment need to be maintained. I trust the judgement of the transportation department and facilities department to request funds as need to ensure our buses and schools are safe.	5/15/2018 2:27 PM
192	It's important to have safe transportation for the children of the district.	5/15/2018 2:04 PM
193	Safety	5/15/2018 2:04 PM
194	Students should have safe and adequate transportation to attend school and extracurricular activities.	5/15/2018 1:47 PM
195	We need reliable, up-to-date, non-polluting, quiet bus service for our school district.	5/15/2018 1:35 PM
196	It was needed	5/15/2018 1:34 PM
197	We have enough buses	5/15/2018 1:32 PM
198	I don't think we need new buses, I am dissatisfied with the buses in general & the taxes are too high already and all kinds of money is misspent	5/15/2018 1:32 PM
199	Made sense.	5/15/2018 1:09 PM
200	Buses are necessary and must be in first class condition	5/15/2018 1:09 PM
201	Buses are always getting older and many still need to be replaced.	5/15/2018 1:07 PM
202	I believe it is time to consider alternatives to gas burning, polluting methods of getting children to schools, like walking for one.	5/15/2018 1:06 PM
203	I am for safe transportation	5/15/2018 1:01 PM
204	Transportation is imperative and safety is a priority. On the issue of safety, are there Resource Officers in all of the schools? If not, there should be.	5/15/2018 12:58 PM
205	I wish to support the total education package for Guilderland students and parents including all needed equipment and buses.	5/15/2018 12:37 PM

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206	The buses and equipment are fine. If it is needed, reasons as to why it is needed should be outlined for voters or more clearly communicated.	5/15/2018 12:36 PM
207	Replacing aging equipment is safe for kids	5/15/2018 12:33 PM
208	I am in favor of keeping buses and equipment safe and up to date.	5/15/2018 12:17 PM
209	Safe transportation is essential	5/15/2018 12:02 PM
210	Usually don't ask unless needed	5/15/2018 11:59 AM
211	Always need new buses	5/15/2018 11:55 AM
212	I believe in safety.	5/15/2018 11:48 AM
213	The safety of our children is paramount.	5/15/2018 11:44 AM
214	Transporting children safely.	5/15/2018 11:37 AM
215	My children ride the bus so I want them safe.	5/15/2018 11:37 AM
216	I trust the district to maintain a safe and efficient bus fleet	5/15/2018 11:29 AM
217	I think it's important that transportation is up to date.	5/15/2018 11:20 AM
218	Children need good transportation	5/15/2018 10:45 AM
219	Safety is important as well as energy efficiency.	5/15/2018 10:29 AM
220	Given mileage on buses it seemed reasonable to replace them.	5/15/2018 10:29 AM
221	That is way too much money to spend on buses. If we took care of what we had we wouldn't need to spend so much extra money.	5/15/2018 10:11 AM
222	Thought it was necessary for the safety of our children	5/15/2018 9:56 AM
223	I want our buses to be safe for our children.	5/15/2018 9:53 AM
224	To get District's attention to educational quality.	5/15/2018 9:49 AM
225	I am in support	5/15/2018 9:28 AM
226	Spending increase is unreasonable	5/15/2018 9:27 AM
227	I support anything the district feels it needs to keep our children happy, healthy and well educated	5/15/2018 9:20 AM
228	Can't afford to keep paying more taxes. I am on a fixed income	5/15/2018 9:13 AM
229	Kids need safe transportation	5/15/2018 9:11 AM
230	Bus safety, both mechanical and interior.	5/15/2018 9:10 AM
231	I trust that the need is legitimate as determined by the school board and administration.	5/15/2018 9:07 AM
232	Necessary	5/15/2018 8:56 AM
233	We need to keep transportation modern	5/15/2018 8:46 AM
234	It makes sense to spend over time not in one lump sum	5/15/2018 8:34 AM
235	It is needed	5/15/2018 8:31 AM
236	I understand the need for regular capital purchases.	5/15/2018 8:31 AM
237	Infrastructure!	5/15/2018 8:08 AM
238	seemed reasonable	5/15/2018 8:03 AM
239	Safety	5/15/2018 8:02 AM
240	This should be included in the budget, not as a separate line item - allows for 'backdoor' the tax cap	5/15/2018 7:49 AM
241	very important to the safety of our children	5/15/2018 7:45 AM
242	safe transportation is important	5/15/2018 7:31 AM
243	Many students get driven because our routes are inefficient due to Rt. 20 and the high school starts too early for teenagers.	5/15/2018 7:11 AM

Q15 Did you participate in our online surveys, which were used during the budget process this year?

Answered: 615 Skipped: 26



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I participated in the surveys	22.11%	136
No, not I did not participate in the surveys	77.89%	479
TOTAL		615

#	IF NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU DID NOT:	DATE
1	Will next cycle	6/5/2018 10:01 AM
2	I did not get any surveys	6/5/2018 9:45 AM
3	Not aware of the opportunity	5/23/2018 3:11 PM
4	I do not use online surveys	5/23/2018 3:07 PM
5	Did not see it	5/23/2018 2:58 PM
6	Wasn't aware of them	5/23/2018 2:52 PM
7	Dislike	5/23/2018 2:41 PM
8	Didn't know about it	5/23/2018 2:32 PM
9	Not aware of them	5/23/2018 2:27 PM
10	Unaware	5/23/2018 2:23 PM
11	No computer	5/23/2018 2:20 PM
12	Didn't know about it	5/23/2018 2:11 PM
13	Was not aware	5/23/2018 2:09 PM
14	No knowledge of same	5/23/2018 1:59 PM
15	Not feeling private	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
16	Not interested	5/23/2018 1:36 PM
17	I have no computer	5/23/2018 1:30 PM
18	No. I don't remember receiving one	5/23/2018 1:27 PM
19	Not aware	5/23/2018 1:25 PM

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20	Not aware of them	5/23/2018 1:23 PM
21	Did not see them	5/23/2018 1:17 PM
22	Not aware of it	5/23/2018 1:10 PM
23	Vision	5/23/2018 1:06 PM
24	Did not know of them	5/23/2018 1:05 PM
25	Unaware	5/23/2018 1:03 PM
26	I wasn't aware	5/23/2018 1:01 PM
27	I'm not online	5/23/2018 1:00 PM
28	I'm not online	5/23/2018 12:24 PM
29	Out of area at this time	5/23/2018 12:22 PM
30	No particular reason	5/23/2018 12:15 PM
31	Unaware of them	5/23/2018 12:12 PM
32	Not informed that they were available	5/23/2018 12:10 PM
33	Didn't know about them	5/23/2018 12:01 PM
34	Wasn't aware of them	5/23/2018 11:59 AM
35	Never received one	5/23/2018 11:56 AM
36	Did not know about it	5/23/2018 11:55 AM
37	Don't do online anything. Use mail	5/23/2018 11:50 AM
38	I don't have a computer	5/23/2018 11:41 AM
39	Didn't know about them	5/23/2018 11:15 AM
40	Did not know about it	5/23/2018 11:12 AM
41	Did not receive	5/23/2018 11:11 AM
42	Not online	5/23/2018 11:03 AM
43	Didn't know about	5/23/2018 10:51 AM
44	Was unaware	5/23/2018 10:48 AM
45	Did not know about them	5/23/2018 10:45 AM
46	I did not know about any online surveys	5/23/2018 10:42 AM
47	Did not know about it	5/23/2018 10:38 AM
48	I do not take part with anything on a computer -- send mailing/meeting on telephone	5/23/2018 10:33 AM
49	Did not receive	5/23/2018 10:09 AM
50	Not a convenient time	5/23/2018 10:05 AM
51	Never saw them	5/23/2018 9:59 AM
52	Tired of taxes going up	5/23/2018 9:56 AM
53	Didn't see it	5/23/2018 9:49 AM
54	Was not aware of survey/did not receive	5/23/2018 9:36 AM
55	Did not know	5/23/2018 9:26 AM
56	My opinion would not count	5/23/2018 9:21 AM
57	Unaware	5/23/2018 9:17 AM
58	Not a parent -- did not know there was an online survey. How does one find out about this?	5/23/2018 9:11 AM
59	Away	5/23/2018 9:07 AM
60	Time, but I will in future	5/23/2018 9:06 AM

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61	Not aware of it	5/23/2018 9:05 AM
62	Didn't know about it	5/23/2018 9:03 AM
63	Prefer not to use computer	5/23/2018 8:52 AM
64	Lower our taxes	5/23/2018 8:50 AM
65	Didn't know about it and dislike computers	5/23/2018 8:46 AM
66	Do not do online anything	5/22/2018 4:29 PM
67	Not aware of them	5/22/2018 4:26 PM
68	I'm just not into computers	5/22/2018 4:24 PM
69	Didn't know about them	5/22/2018 4:21 PM
70	I did not see that they were online	5/22/2018 4:19 PM
71	No computer	5/22/2018 4:10 PM
72	didn't see the offering	5/15/2018 8:42 PM
73	didn't know they existed	5/15/2018 8:36 PM
74	lack of time	5/15/2018 8:34 PM
75	I was not aware of the surveys	5/15/2018 8:31 PM
76	I did not hear about the surveys.	5/15/2018 8:31 PM
77	no real access	5/15/2018 8:22 PM
78	I trust the board and teachers to know what the schools need.	5/15/2018 8:12 PM
79	I did not know that they were a thing.	5/15/2018 8:09 PM
80	Didn't know about them.	5/15/2018 8:08 PM
81	not enough time	5/15/2018 7:56 PM
82	I didn't hear about them this year	5/15/2018 7:50 PM
83	I was not aware of the surveys. I would have participated had I known about them.	5/15/2018 7:48 PM
84	didn't know about them	5/15/2018 7:36 PM
85	Did not know about them	5/15/2018 7:24 PM
86	lack of time unfortunately	5/15/2018 7:24 PM
87	Did not receive them	5/15/2018 7:19 PM
88	Didn't know about them.	5/15/2018 7:16 PM
89	Was not aware of them.	5/15/2018 7:08 PM
90	did not know they had them	5/15/2018 7:07 PM
91	not aware	5/15/2018 7:04 PM
92	Not enough time	5/15/2018 6:54 PM
93	Was not approached	5/15/2018 6:51 PM
94	didnt know about it	5/15/2018 6:50 PM
95	Didn't see them	5/15/2018 6:32 PM
96	I did not vote last year in this town.	5/15/2018 6:26 PM
97	didnt know about it	5/15/2018 6:09 PM
98	extremely busy this year	5/15/2018 5:52 PM
99	I did not hear about the surveyys	5/15/2018 5:35 PM
100	wasn't aware	5/15/2018 5:26 PM
101	wasn't aware of them	5/15/2018 5:26 PM

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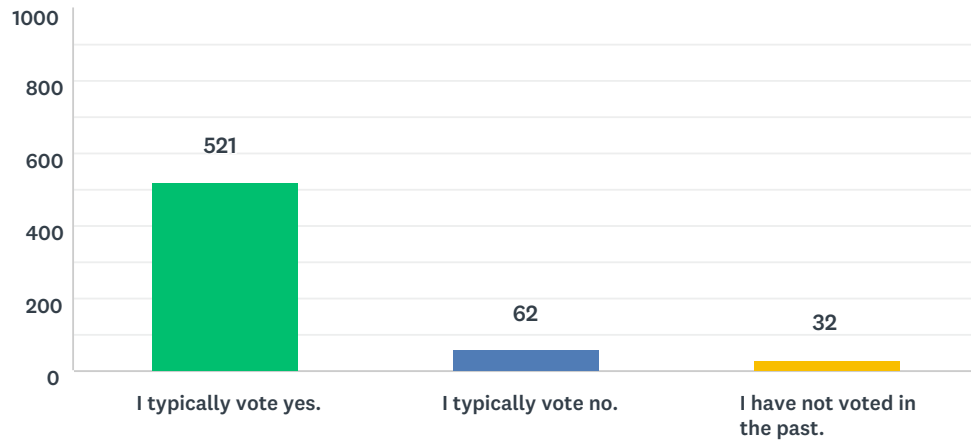
102	Not aware of them.	5/15/2018 5:21 PM
103	really didn't see them	5/15/2018 5:20 PM
104	Did not receive information about them--my children no longer attend school in district so I do not frequent the district website and social media channels as often as I once did.	5/15/2018 5:20 PM
105	didn't know there were any	5/15/2018 5:19 PM
106	Unaware of them.	5/15/2018 5:02 PM
107	didn't see it	5/15/2018 4:58 PM
108	didn't know about it	5/15/2018 4:55 PM
109	Didn't know about it	5/15/2018 4:48 PM
110	Didn't see any	5/15/2018 4:39 PM
111	Unaware of them.	5/15/2018 4:37 PM
112	Time consuming	5/15/2018 4:34 PM
113	I was not aware of the survey.	5/15/2018 4:16 PM
114	Was unaware of them.	5/15/2018 4:15 PM
115	I was not aware of them.	5/15/2018 4:14 PM
116	Too busy	5/15/2018 4:07 PM
117	Didn't know about them.	5/15/2018 4:03 PM
118	didn't know about it	5/15/2018 3:55 PM
119	not aware of opportunity	5/15/2018 3:53 PM
120	I wasn't aware of them.	5/15/2018 2:04 PM
121	I did not know about the surveys	5/15/2018 2:04 PM
122	I was unaware of such survey.	5/15/2018 1:47 PM
123	In Florida for the winter	5/15/2018 1:21 PM
124	unaware	5/15/2018 1:16 PM
125	Didn't think about it	5/15/2018 1:09 PM
126	Wanted to, but never got around to it	5/15/2018 1:01 PM
127	I was not aware that there was an online survey.	5/15/2018 12:58 PM
128	I didn't have time because of a lot of personal issues (i.e. caring for family and applying for services for myself).	5/15/2018 12:37 PM
129	I did not know about them.	5/15/2018 12:36 PM
130	Was not aware of them.	5/15/2018 12:17 PM
131	unaware	5/15/2018 11:59 AM
132	was unaware of them	5/15/2018 11:48 AM
133	Not aware of them	5/15/2018 11:47 AM
134	I was unaware of the survey.	5/15/2018 11:44 AM
135	didn't hear about them	5/15/2018 11:29 AM
136	I did not know about them.	5/15/2018 11:20 AM
137	was not aware of them.	5/15/2018 11:17 AM
138	I did not know about them	5/15/2018 10:45 AM
139	I did not know about them.	5/15/2018 10:02 AM
140	not aware of them	5/15/2018 9:28 AM

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141	didn't know anything about them	5/15/2018 9:27 AM
142	time	5/15/2018 9:11 AM
143	Missed the opportunity, sorry.	5/15/2018 9:07 AM
144	did not want to invest my time like in past years when my voice was not heard	5/15/2018 8:34 AM
145	lazy	5/15/2018 8:03 AM
146	Was not aware	5/15/2018 7:49 AM
147	I did not get one	5/15/2018 7:18 AM
148	unaware of it	5/15/2018 7:13 AM

Q16 How have you typically voted on the school budget in the past?

Answered: 615 Skipped: 26



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I typically vote yes.	84.72%	521
I typically vote no.	10.08%	62
I have not voted in the past.	5.20%	32
TOTAL		615

Q17 Additional Comments

Answered: 90 Skipped: 551

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Ever since tax cap started, goal seems to be "reach the cap." When I did budgets at the agency level for NYS, I was given a bureau budget (unrecognizable text) and was asked to write scenarios for 3%, 5%, 10%, and 12% "cuts." From a taxpayer point of view, that would be refreshing. Savings could be found by eliminating some of the high priced mid-management bloat.	6/5/2018 10:01 AM
2	The tax burden in Guilderland is way too harsh. We are looking into moving because it keeps getting higher every year. Bethlehem has better schools, better library, a much better park, yet they pay less in taxes. We send our children to private school because despite all the money spent, level of education in Guilderland is (unrecognizable text). Stop raising taxes already, kids from India outperform U.S kids yet they spend nowhere close to what U.S. does on their schools.	6/5/2018 9:45 AM
3	Have heard about the district not providing the appropriate resources for special needs students. Particularly, autism spectrum. Not happy with some of the leadership. We need more new people on the board and in school leadership to spark new and more innovative ways to meet all student needs and not using sports and arts removal as the funding source.	5/23/2018 2:52 PM
4	I would like to see more transparency in this district -- real class sizes, when courses are going to be cancelled and why, AP courses included. What are the bullying numbers?	5/23/2018 2:48 PM
5	Another year, another increase. When are you going to hold the line? I haven't had a raise in 11 years.	5/23/2018 2:19 PM
6	Extra money came in and they spent every dime. Not nice.	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
7	I think the school is very good. In particular, I am a big fan of the superintendent and the chief business office. They are high quality.	5/23/2018 1:27 PM
8	My school taxes have went up every year. We are reaching a tipping point.	5/23/2018 1:00 PM
9	My school taxes have went up every year, and have reached a point where I might have to move out of New York State	5/23/2018 12:24 PM
10	Re: #7 -- There was no info to compare the amount of the budget compared to the previous year	5/23/2018 11:55 AM
11	Examination of the use of school buses is long overdue. Many buses seem underutilized.	5/23/2018 11:37 AM
12	Channel 1302 is precious. I learn mostly from this channel so I can be aware for my grandchildren. The concerts are beautiful! Thank you	5/23/2018 11:30 AM
13	Need to control spending and not always use the increase spending lever	5/23/2018 11:27 AM
14	Please continue to strive to save funds as you are -- but make sure you get good value from your contractor and vendors by getting good quality service and competitive pricing as well as service. We appreciate all you are doing and your return is great to our community and society.	5/23/2018 11:23 AM
15	It's outrageous that the public votes on school budgets. We don't vote on the military's budget -- why can't we trust our schools?	5/23/2018 11:15 AM
16	Great school district!	5/23/2018 11:11 AM
17	Found about proposed budget from library	5/23/2018 11:08 AM
18	Please get UPK for Guilderland	5/23/2018 10:54 AM
19	I had some concerns regarding this budget proposed earlier. All the school board members were contacted by me via email. Only two returned my emails -- unacceptable.	5/23/2018 10:45 AM
20	I vote depending on that year's budget. Those of us retired and on a fixed income cannot afford the annual tax increases you keep enacting	5/23/2018 10:41 AM
21	Tell us what is really happening in our schools	5/23/2018 10:36 AM
22	I believe in more money for students/supplies only	5/23/2018 10:33 AM

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23	I'm just wondering why the Guilderland district was not represented in the recent awards to student musical comedy productions. It is important to support and encourage the arts.	5/23/2018 10:26 AM
24	In light of our current national political/social environment, I had a few thoughts to share. First, I foremost am incredibly proud of our school district and the way the superintendent, school board, and the administration within each school has represented themselves in allowing our students to share in whatever way suits them best in voicing their hopes and dreams, worries and concerns. To stand together with them is giving them the ability to continue to do so as they move forward as leaders within their future communities: schooling, social, professional, athletic. My own young adults are bearing witness currently in their individual lives and are a testament to the amazing foundations that were laid down from the age 5-7 to high school graduation by an amazing and often under-appreciated, dedicated group of principals, educators, and volunteers and you need to know that it is because of what they received and hope that current and future students can benefit from that I vote yes every year on the school budget. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed in my family and we are filled with gratitude. Thank you.	5/23/2018 10:23 AM
25	I am concerned that this is the 2nd year in a row that there has been an issue with voting in the morning. In addition, I voted no to the budget because I was concerned with how it was created. Things were added at the last minute without public discussions. As a voter, I believe we should be involved and adding items that you know are needed at the last minute is irresponsible.	5/23/2018 9:59 AM
26	Didn't know about proposed budget until yesterday	5/23/2018 9:56 AM
27	It would be great to see a budget come in significantly under 2 percent. How about a 1 percent teacher salary contract next time and are increased teacher health care contribution	5/23/2018 9:26 AM
28	Why can college students come to the school at any time, yet military recruiters are very restricted (unrecognizable text). The military is a very honorable way of life. School should prepare students for life, not just college.	5/23/2018 9:21 AM
29	We need a turf field	5/23/2018 9:16 AM
30	I still believe that programs in foreign language, Votec, community service should be enhanced even if it meant a higher increase in taxes. The need for assistants in special needs students should be met by increasing the number -- they are valuable resources for our students.	5/23/2018 9:14 AM
31	Guilderland tax rate is 5% more than Bethlehem. Why? Also, budget/district newsletter indicated 4 people running for 5 vacancies. 2 candidates currently on the board. What 2 candidates did not seek re-election? Not stated in the article. Again, I believe if you are not a parent, you are not as well-informed as parents.	5/23/2018 9:11 AM
32	I believe our district is administration heavy. The unified sports teams at the high school have a significant impact on the students (all of them). Thank you to the coaches and staff that make this program possible.	5/23/2018 9:07 AM
33	I believe my neighbors' children should have a good education	5/23/2018 9:01 AM
34	In the newspaper today -- all the area school districts are mentioned -- not Guilderland. Reason?	5/23/2018 9:00 AM
35	Comment removed due to personally identifiable information.	5/23/2018 8:48 AM
36	Schools are like armed camps. Sorry about the way society has changed -- too much fear. How did the bullying program go? Never read the newsletter. Too (unrecognizable text) much mail/Internet mail to take everything in. Property taxes are ridiculous for those of us with limited/fixed incomes. Guilderland is becoming a town with too many people who can afford expensive homes and taxes take excess money from the Keanhalto Park and apply it to the schools. They have entirely too much money and are spoiling the children. Don't need such expensive facilities. Pay for school sport programs instead; feel (unrecognizable text) up more money for educational programs.	5/23/2018 8:46 AM
37	I will certainly be selling my house during the coming decades and a good school district adds to its attractiveness	5/22/2018 4:24 PM
38	Staff is too heavy	5/22/2018 4:06 PM
39	I appreciate the efforts of the professionals and volunteers to maintain the quality of our school system. It is so important to the future to teach arts, music, critical thinking..... Keep up the good work!	5/15/2018 8:42 PM
40	I love Guilderland School District and the public library!!	5/15/2018 8:34 PM

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41	The Guilderland school district played a huge role in our decision when buying a house. It is an excellent school district and I am willing to pay more in taxes for a quality public education as opposed to sending my daughter to private school. Investing in public education is one of the best things we can do.	5/15/2018 8:31 PM
42	thanks for providing a stellar education consistently across generations	5/15/2018 8:22 PM
43	Go Dutchmen!!!	5/15/2018 8:09 PM
44	My son gets an incredible education in the Guilderland School District...specifically Lynnwood Elementary. Whatever they need to support this stupendous program...they have my vote.	5/15/2018 7:50 PM
45	Keep expenditures reasonable and yes votes will come. Spend foolishly and no votes will be the answer.	5/15/2018 7:41 PM
46	Facilities, particularly parking at GES, and athletic facilities, should be upgraded, given the size of the District and resources/tax base.	5/15/2018 7:24 PM
47	I have participated in a number of the budget meetings / discussions over the years and gradually realized that these public forums are more theater than a source of input from the community. There is no discussion of the larger issues about our budgeting such is the large increase in administration cost and personnel - we only talk about easy topics around the edges so that everyone feels nice and warm that they had input into the process.	5/15/2018 7:04 PM
48	Too much waste in the school district. reduction of erroneous bus traffic needs to be done.	5/15/2018 6:53 PM
49	Need to manage funds on hand better, allocate as appropriate such as security and of all our students, faculty and staff and not cut programs at the expense of our children. It is not appropriate to give union teachers, staff, faculty such large raises at the expense of our children. Oh and do we need to raise taxes just to fix pot holes in the school parking lots? Thank you.	5/15/2018 6:24 PM
50	Comment removed due to personally identifiable information.	5/15/2018 5:42 PM
51	Thank you for providing a rich and quality education for our children.	5/15/2018 5:20 PM
52	I have always been impressed with the quality of education of Guilderland graduates. My daughter is a teacher in another state, and I know what teachers go through in a given day. Teachers are my heroes and heroines, and they deserve all the support they need. Most people don't realize what it takes to educate a child in this day and age, and it starts with a solid budget. That's why I support this. I am retired, but it is an investment in the country's future.	5/15/2018 5:19 PM
53	Thank you for the wonderful service you provide to our community.	5/15/2018 5:02 PM
54	I am ok with inclusion, but feel there has not been enough "after-action" review of what works and what does not. I am also concerned that those not in inclusion classes with special education students are not getting the same supports that those in those classes are. The district too often jumps on the "latest and greatest" ideas in education without examining the impact of such changes.	5/15/2018 5:00 PM
55	Trump 2020	5/15/2018 4:58 PM
56	Please keep class sizes small in Elementary classes! This makes a great impact on our children's education! Thank you for adding safety precautions in our schools.	5/15/2018 4:57 PM
57	Please manage tax payer money more appropriately - try a decrease in spending for a change	5/15/2018 4:53 PM
58	Trim the fat, boys and girls!	5/15/2018 4:48 PM
59	Policy	5/15/2018 4:44 PM
60	Thank you for all you do for students here at GCSD!	5/15/2018 4:41 PM
61	The school district must do a better job of easing the school tax burden. In an era of declining enrollment, spending has skyrocketed over the years. Unfortunately, the budget vote is in May when most voters don't vote. Please make a more concerted effort to control spending!	5/15/2018 4:30 PM
62	I wish there was some way to vote at any of the elementary schools. My daughter is in aftercare in Pinebush where I pick her up and then I have to come back to Lynnwood and I don't always have time. There must be some way to make it possible with the technology available. I think you would get more voters.	5/15/2018 4:21 PM
63	Thanks for all the work everyone does putting the budget together. It's not easy.	5/15/2018 4:03 PM
64	Provide more information about the board position candidates prior to voting.	5/15/2018 3:59 PM

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65	Thank you for all that you do for my son and the kids in this community.	5/15/2018 3:49 PM
66	I am a part of a large parent community with children attending elementary schools in Guilderland. One major issue they face and would like to see change is the Teacher Assistants in K-2, especially Kindergarten and First grade. The time is split between classes. Every year brings in new types of student needs and every class should have a dedicated Teachers Assistant as it can slow the Teachers class process down trying to help students that have additional needs. As a tax payer, also a mom of students in this age range I completely agree with them. Money needs to be spent to fill full class time positions. We have children with IEP's, ESL, and other needs in the classroom. Which can make a teachers day fulfilling her learning for the day extremely hard. It also can place burden on the children that don't need the help as the teacher has to stop multiple times during the lesson process. Teacher Assistants can help smooth the process out for all students and aide in the learning process for all.	5/15/2018 3:38 PM
67	Please avoid wasteful library spending. A child play room is not necessary in the library. Most funds should be allocated for literacy resources, not toys!	5/15/2018 2:34 PM
68	Thank you for serving and supporting our public school children and public school teachers.	5/15/2018 2:04 PM
69	Very excited that Guilderland is formalizing a Mental Health program, which addresses critical human needs for the people in our community.	5/15/2018 1:59 PM
70	The board of education and its administrators are inept.	5/15/2018 1:32 PM
71	I'm sick and tired of cost increases and cuts to things in our school. Children need to be cared for, able to have as much fun as they can while learning, treated kindly and all the teachers and administrators need to be super kind and always put the CHILD first while communicating honestly, openly and caring with parents	5/15/2018 1:32 PM
72	I am extremely disappointed that I am no longer receiving any newsletters from the district. I have checked with my neighbors and they are also no longer receiving Guilderland School mailings. Are mailings no longer going out to Bethlehem residents? If you ask ..why not check online...I do, but still prefer a hard copy. Just wanted to let you know.	5/15/2018 1:00 PM
73	I would like to reiterate the importance of safety in our schools. I hope that there is a Resource Officer, at least one, in each of our Guilderland schools.	5/15/2018 12:58 PM
74	A general thought on the school budget: the cobblestone house does not belong in any way in the school budget. The school budget is for teaching our children, not restoring a or maintaining a historical building. Redistribute that building to another more appropriate funding source.	5/15/2018 12:33 PM
75	I voted no to the budget because I was unhappy that things were added at the last minute without the public being able to discuss the need for them, such as the sign at the high school. It was concerning to me that that the district knew they needed these things, but neglected to proactively add them into the budget. I am concerned that this will set a precedent and in the future things will be added at the last minute so that the public doesn't have a chance to discuss them and have their questions answered.	5/15/2018 12:04 PM
76	Keep up the good work. You are how we invest in the future!	5/15/2018 11:29 AM
77	My late husband was a teacher, working many many hours to better help students. The teachers need good support.	5/15/2018 10:45 AM
78	Comment removed due to personally identifiable information.	5/15/2018 10:26 AM
79	Expenditures must be connected to student performance and data provided to taxpayers. I oversaw budgets of over 4 billion dollars and got such data.	5/15/2018 9:49 AM
80	I vote no and yes, not typically	5/15/2018 9:28 AM
81	the district spending is out of control and as a retired individual can no longer afford the unreasonable spending. you receive more state aid than last year yet you decide to increase the burden on the taxpayers unnecessarily. the increase in teaching staff is a joke and unnecessary. i may have to move out of this district because no one there wants to control unnecessary spending.	5/15/2018 9:27 AM
82	thank you for prioritizing reducing class size	5/15/2018 9:11 AM
83	The Guilderland School District is doing a superior job at the important task of educating out young.	5/15/2018 9:07 AM

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84	I have lived in Guilderland since 1971 and the budget has never stayed the same ever. The taxes keep going up and it is getting to the point , I will have to move as my pension does not go up and the state of NY does not do enough for seniors. Unfortunately, my concerns should have been addressed years ago.	5/15/2018 9:07 AM
85	over a certain age without children attending school should not have to pay school taxes anymore.	5/15/2018 9:06 AM
86	second year in a row there is a problem with the voting in GES. last year it opened 2 hours late which hurt the local candidate, this year the machine is not functioning. Get it together, it seems odd and suspicious!!	5/15/2018 8:34 AM
87	I also received pro-budget vote information from the Guilderland Teachers' Association. They are very pro-education.	5/15/2018 8:08 AM
88	I vote yes even though I am very dissatisfied with my child's experience in the high school.	5/15/2018 7:18 AM
89	More detailed explanation of the budget items is needed.	5/15/2018 7:13 AM
90	The electronic voting machine is jammed already as I answer this survey. Good luck with the rest of the day.	5/15/2018 7:11 AM

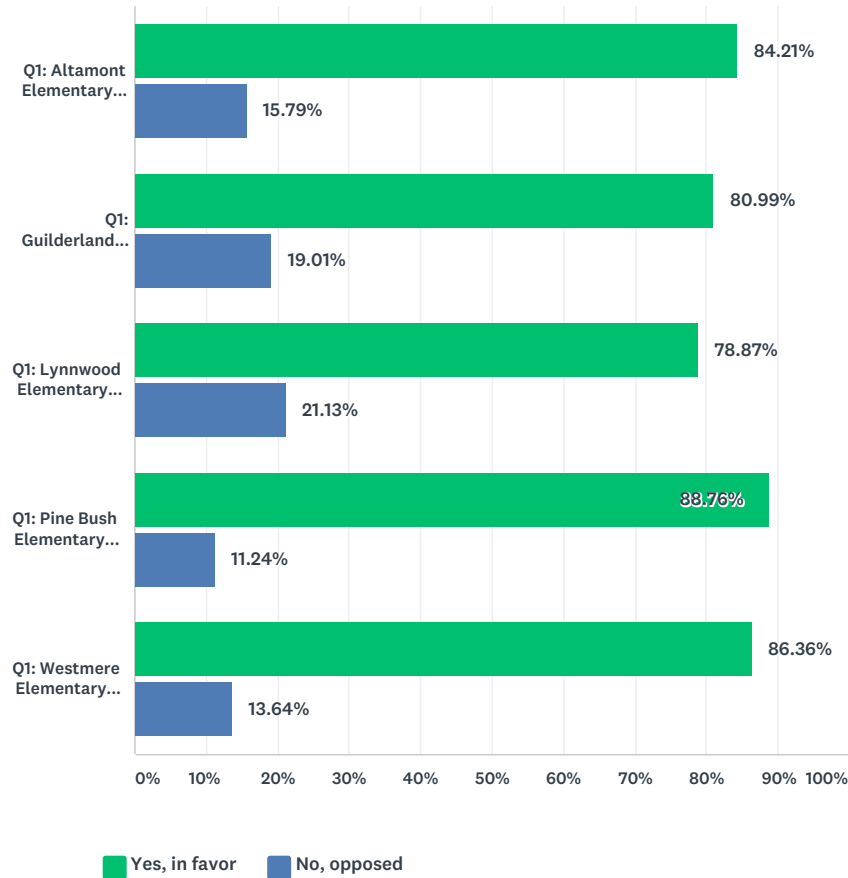
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Budget approval rates for each answer choice

*Based on respondents' answers to each question,
what percentage voted "yes" and what percentage voted "no"?*

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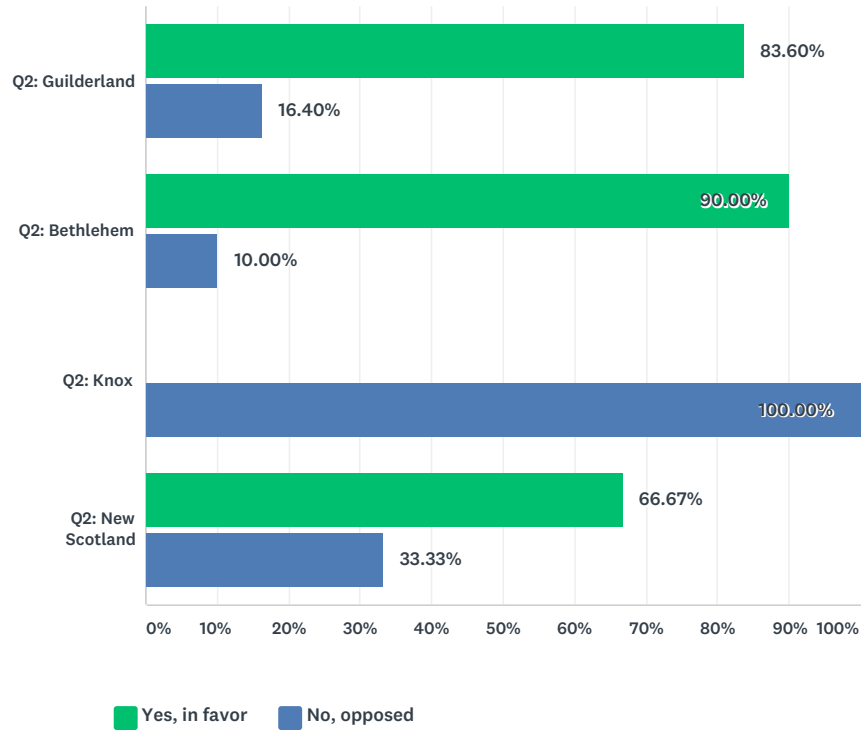
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q1: Altamont Elementary School	84.21% 96	15.79% 18	18.39% 114
Q1: Guilderland Elementary School	80.99% 98	19.01% 23	19.52% 121
Q1: Lynnwood Elementary School	78.87% 112	21.13% 30	22.90% 142
Q1: Pine Bush Elementary School	88.76% 79	11.24% 10	14.35% 89
Q1: Westmere Elementary School	86.36% 133	13.64% 21	24.84% 154
Total Respondents	518	102	620

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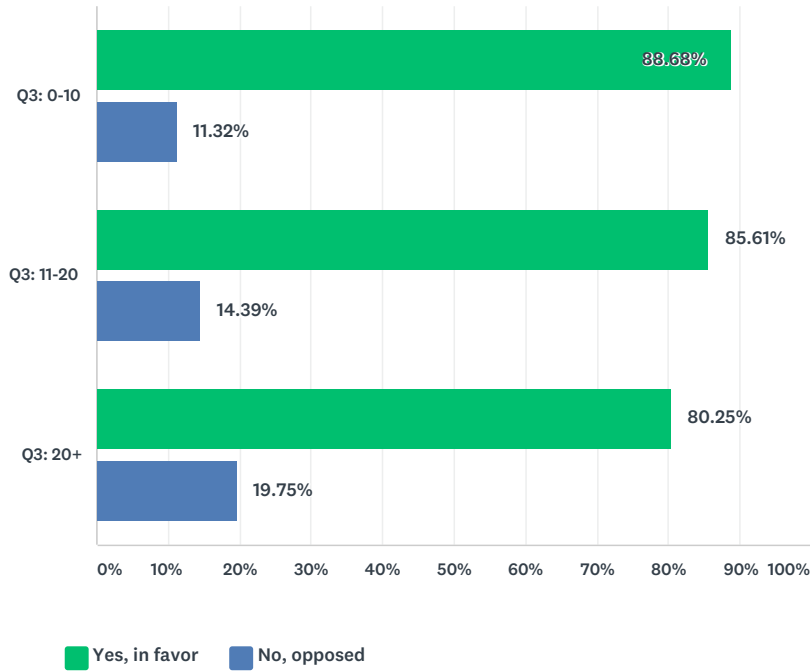
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q2: Guilderland	83.60% 479	16.40% 94	92.72% 573
Q2: Bethlehem	90.00% 36	10.00% 4	6.47% 40
Q2: Knox	0.00% 0	100.00% 2	0.32% 2
Q2: New Scotland	66.67% 2	33.33% 1	0.49% 3
Total Respondents	517	101	618

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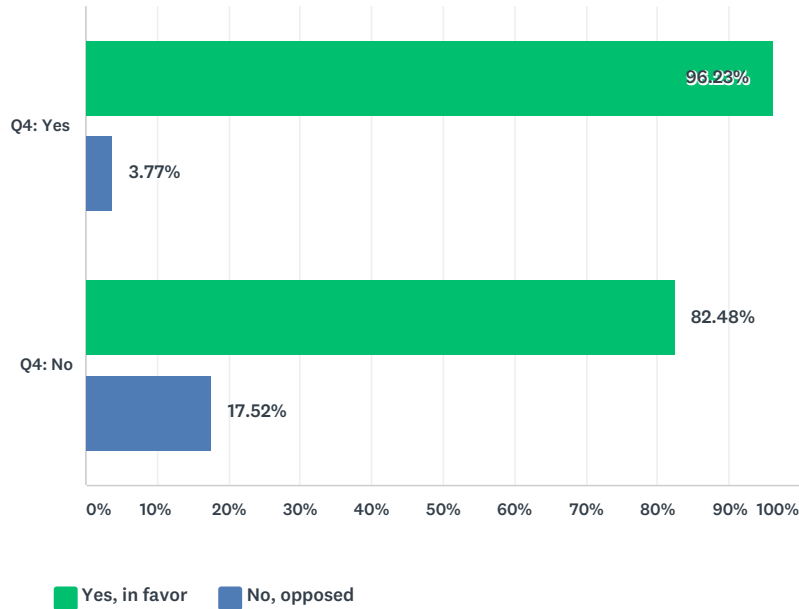
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q3: 0-10	88.68% 141	11.32% 18	25.56% 159
Q3: 11-20	85.61% 119	14.39% 20	22.35% 139
Q3: 20+	80.25% 260	19.75% 64	52.09% 324
Total Respondents	520	102	622

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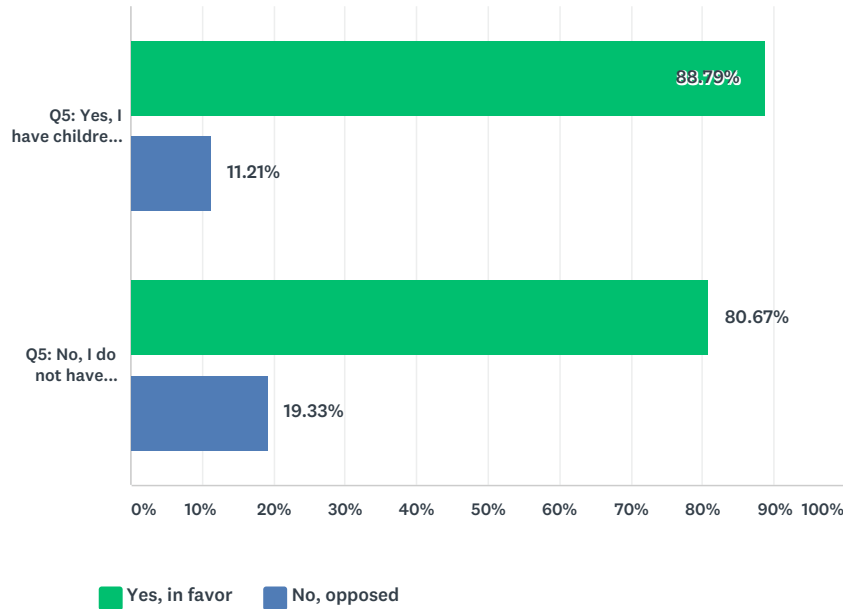
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q4: Yes	96.23% 51	3.77% 2	8.58% 53
Q4: No	82.48% 466	17.52% 99	91.42% 565
Total Respondents	517	101	618

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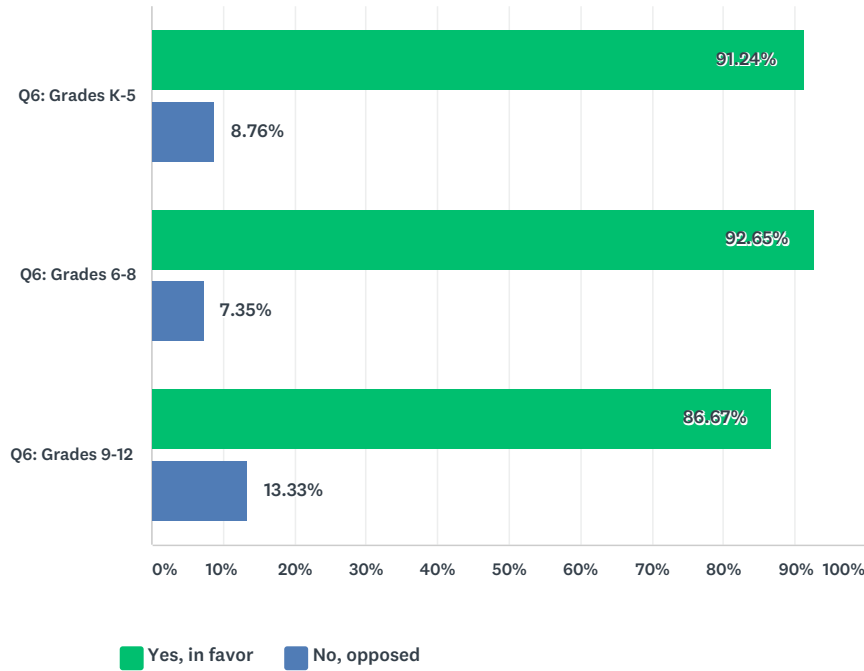
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q5: Yes, I have children currently attending Guilderland schools	88.79% 198	11.21% 25	36.50% 223
Q5: No, I do not have children currently attending Guilderland schools	80.67% 313	19.33% 75	63.50% 388
Total Respondents	511	100	611

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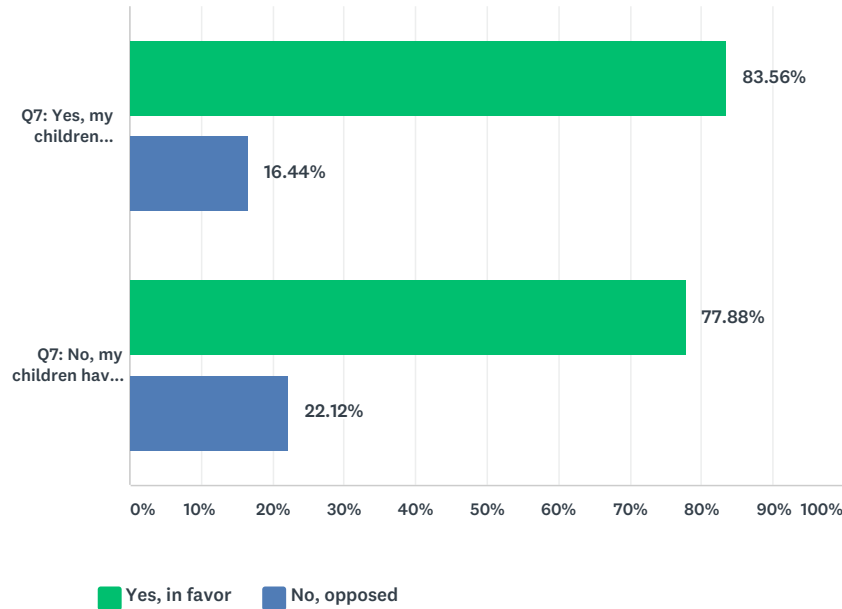
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q6: Grades K-5	91.24% 125	8.76% 12	62.27% 137
Q6: Grades 6-8	92.65% 63	7.35% 5	30.91% 68
Q6: Grades 9-12	86.67% 78	13.33% 12	40.91% 90
Total Respondents	197	23	220

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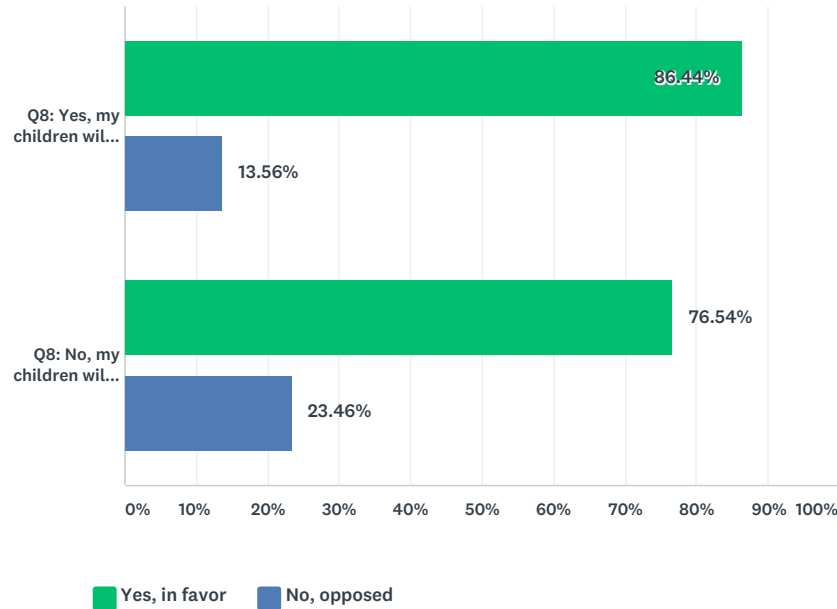
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q7: Yes, my children attended Guilderland schools in the past.	83.56% 183	16.44% 36	67.80% 219
Q7: No, my children have never attended Guilderland schools.	77.88% 81	22.12% 23	32.20% 104
Total Respondents	264	59	323

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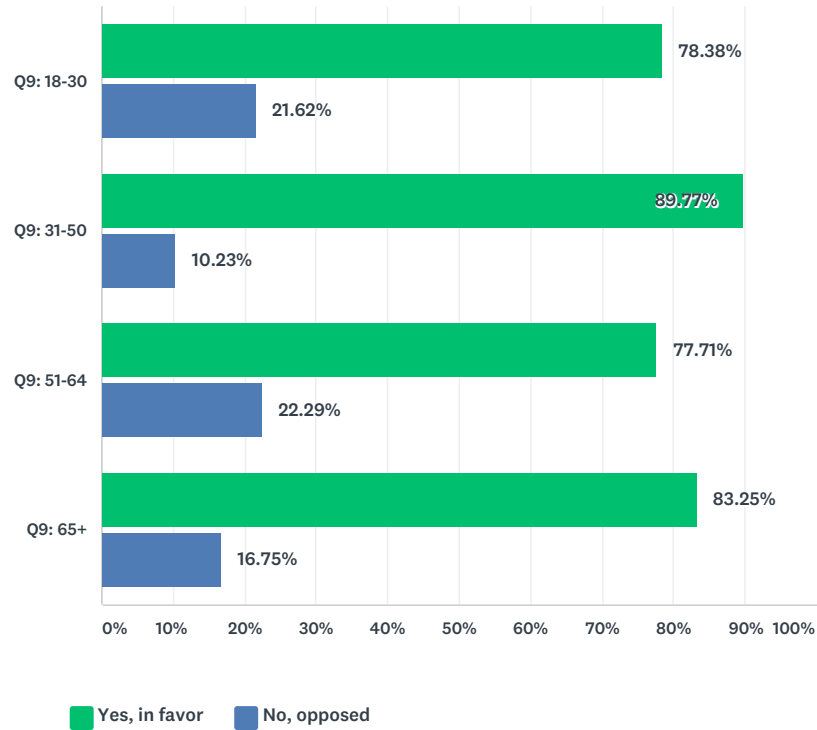
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q8: Yes, my children will attend Guilderland schools in the future.	86.44% 51	13.56% 8	42.14% 59
Q8: No, my children will not attend Guilderland schools in the future.	76.54% 62	23.46% 19	57.86% 81
Total Respondents	113	27	140

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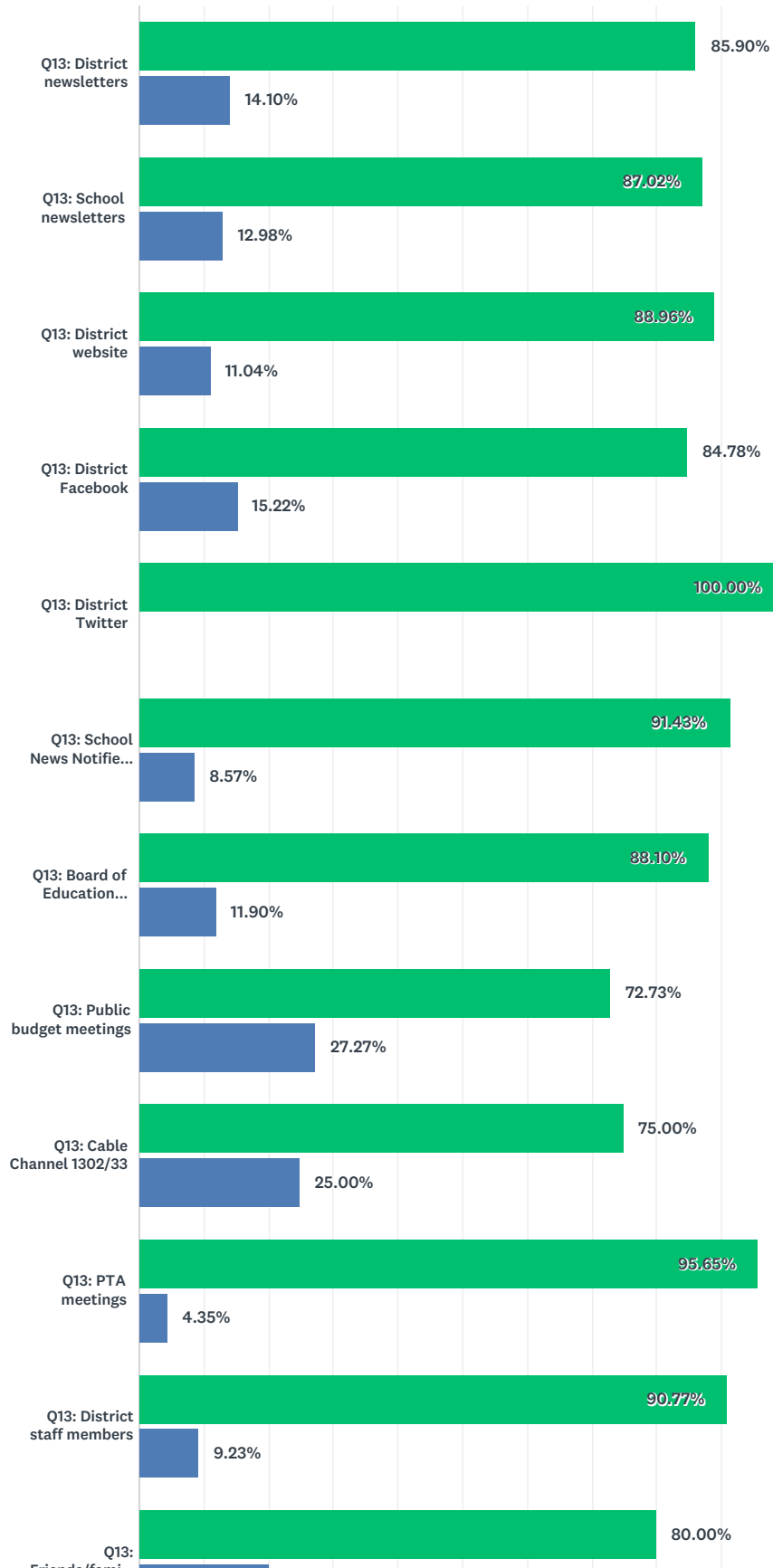
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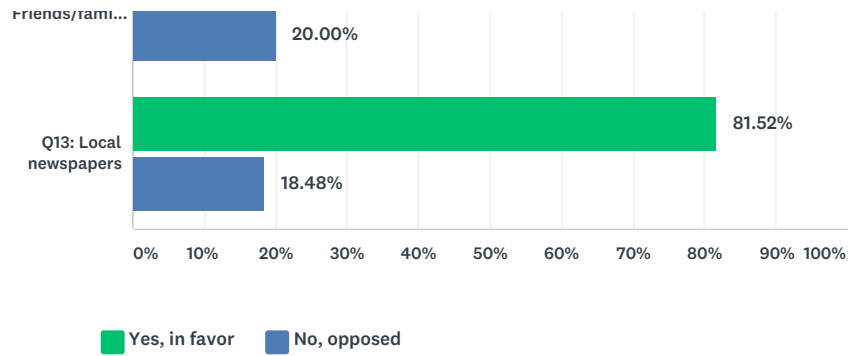
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Q9: 18-30	78.38% 29	21.62% 8	5.99% 37
Q9: 31-50	89.77% 193	10.23% 22	34.79% 215
Q9: 51-64	77.71% 136	22.29% 39	28.32% 175
Q9: 65+	83.25% 159	16.75% 32	30.91% 191
Total Respondents	517	101	618

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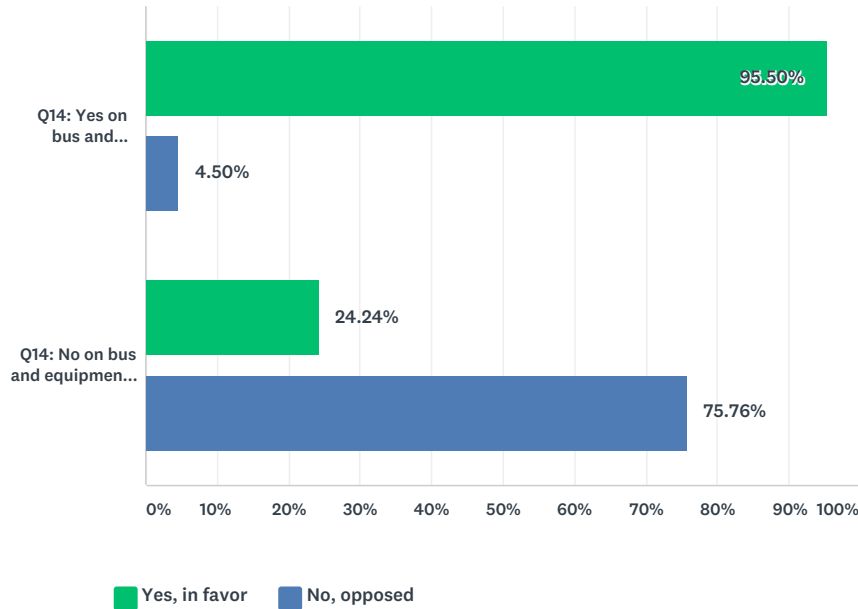
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q13: District newsletters	85.90% 329	14.10% 54	65.92% 383
Q13: School newsletters	87.02% 114	12.98% 17	22.55% 131
Q13: District website	88.96% 137	11.04% 17	26.51% 154
Q13: District Facebook	84.78% 39	15.22% 7	7.92% 46
Q13: District Twitter	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	1.89% 11
Q13: School News Notifier (SNN)	91.43% 128	8.57% 12	24.10% 140
Q13: Board of Education meetings	88.10% 37	11.90% 5	7.23% 42
Q13: Public budget meetings	72.73% 16	27.27% 6	3.79% 22
Q13: Cable Channel 1302/33	75.00% 15	25.00% 5	3.44% 20
Q13: PTA meetings	95.65% 22	4.35% 1	3.96% 23
Q13: District staff members	90.77% 59	9.23% 6	11.19% 65
Q13: Friends/family/neighbors	80.00% 88	20.00% 22	18.93% 110
Q13: Local newspapers	81.52% 172	18.48% 39	36.32% 211
Total Respondents	491	90	581

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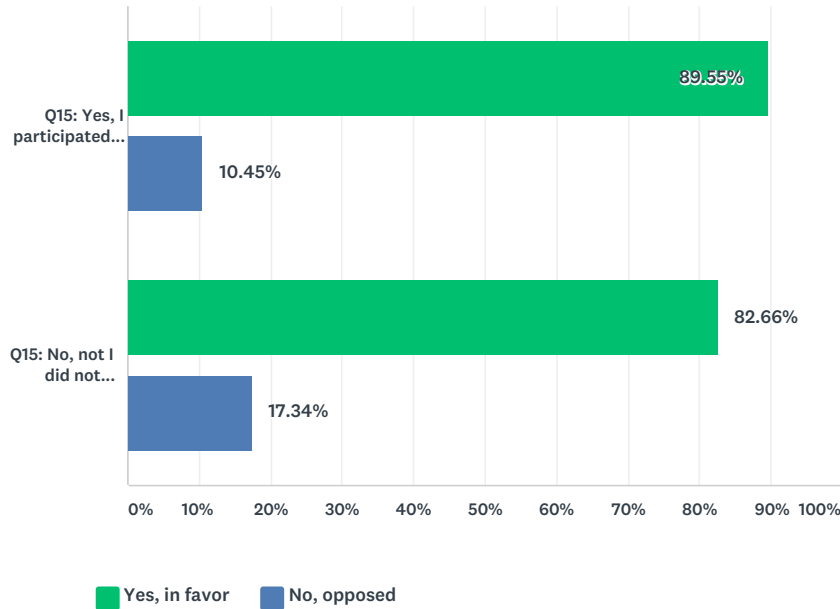
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q14: Yes on bus and equipment proposition	95.50% 488	4.50% 23	83.77% 511
Q14: No on bus and equipment proposition	24.24% 24	75.76% 75	16.23% 99
Total Respondents	512	98	610

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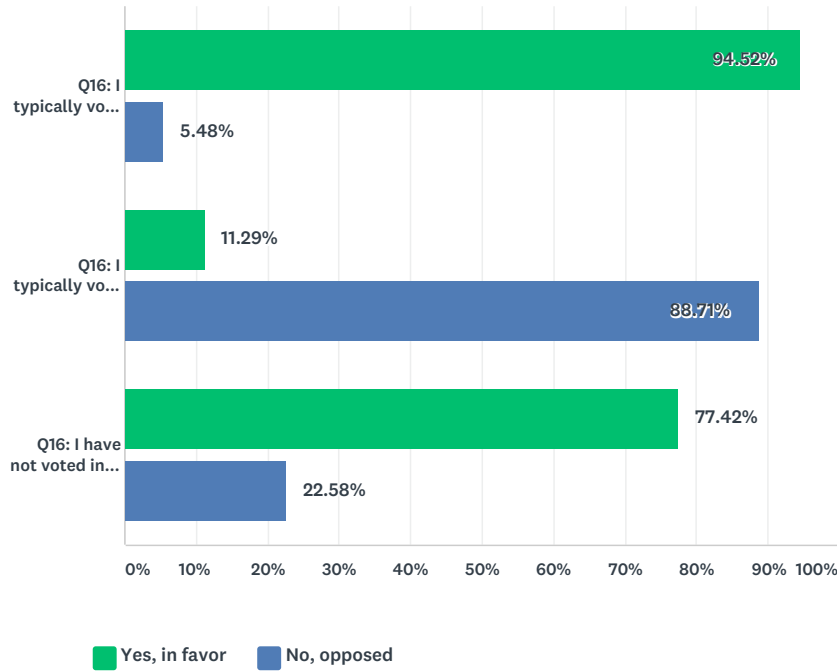
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	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q15: Yes, I participated in the surveys	89.55% 120	10.45% 14	22.30% 134
Q15: No, not I did not participate in the surveys	82.66% 386	17.34% 81	77.70% 467
Total Respondents	506	95	601

Q10 How did you vote on the proposed 2018-19 budget today?

Answered: 604 Skipped: 11



	YES, IN FAVOR	NO, OPPOSED	TOTAL
Q16: I typically vote yes.	94.52% 483	5.48% 28	84.60% 511
Q16: I typically vote no.	11.29% 7	88.71% 55	10.26% 62
Q16: I have not voted in the past.	77.42% 24	22.58% 7	5.13% 31
Total Respondents	514	90	604

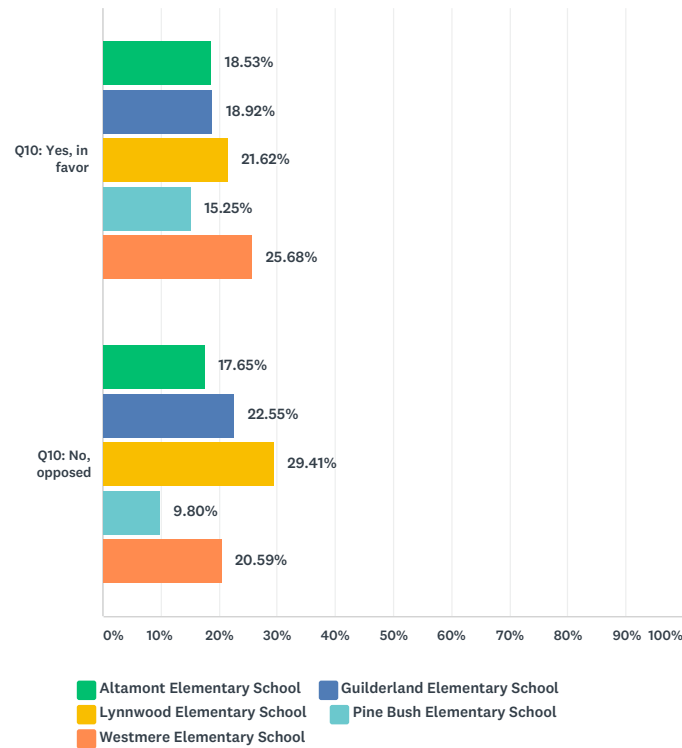
Cross-Tabulation:

**How respondents voted on the budget (yes/no)
cross-tabulated with each question**

*Of those who voted “yes” or “no” on the budget,
what percentage fell into each voter category?*

Q1 At which elementary school are you voting today?

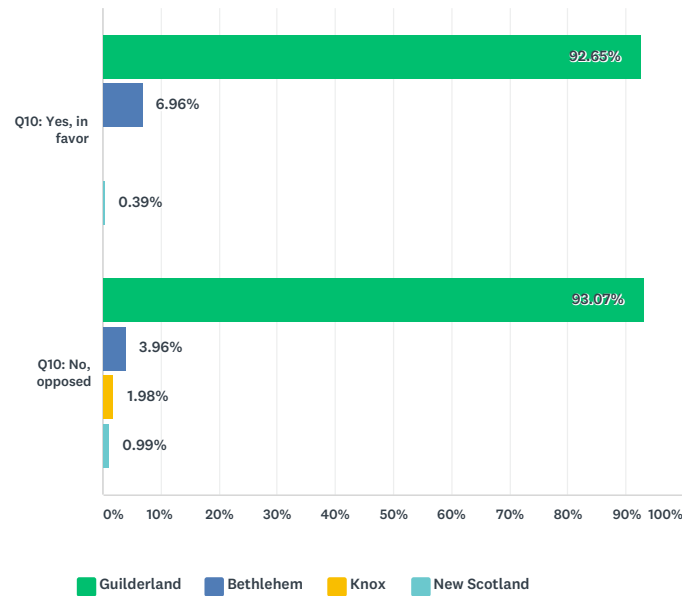
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	ALTAMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	GUILDERLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	LYNNWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	PINE BUSH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	WESTMERE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	18.53% 96	18.92% 98	21.62% 112	15.25% 79	25.68% 133	83.55% 518
Q10: No, opposed	17.65% 18	22.55% 23	29.41% 30	9.80% 10	20.59% 21	16.45% 102
Total Respondents	114	121	142	89	154	620

Q2 In which town do you live?

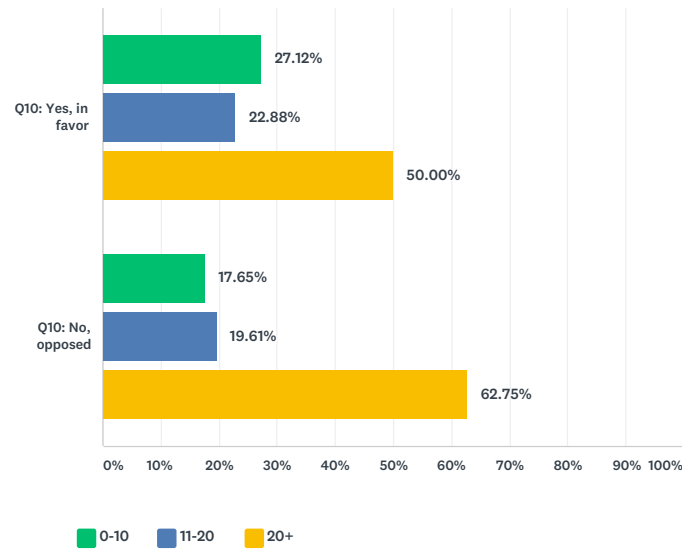
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	GUILDERLAND	BETHLEHEM	KNOX	NEW SCOTLAND	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	92.65% 479	6.96% 36	0.00% 0	0.39% 2	83.66% 517
Q10: No, opposed	93.07% 94	3.96% 4	1.98% 2	0.99% 1	16.34% 101
Total Respondents	573	40	2	3	618

Q3 How many years have you been a district resident?

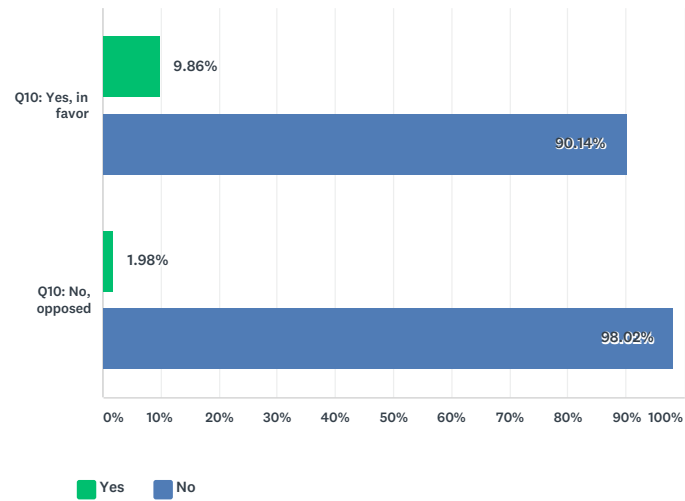
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	0-10	11-20	20+	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	27.12% 141	22.88% 119	50.00% 260	83.60% 520
Q10: No, opposed	17.65% 18	19.61% 20	62.75% 64	16.40% 102
Total Respondents	159	139	324	622

Q4 Are you an employee of the school district?

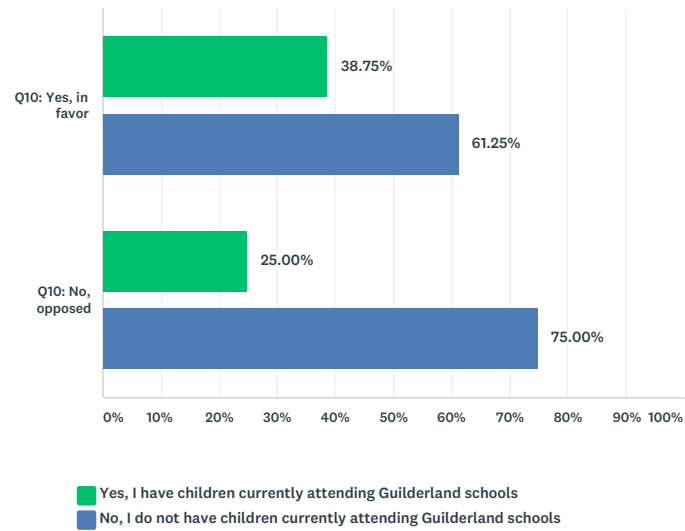
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	YES	NO	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	9.86% 51	90.14% 466	83.66% 517
Q10: No, opposed	1.98% 2	98.02% 99	16.34% 101
Total Respondents	53	565	618

Q5 Do you currently have children attending Guilderland schools?

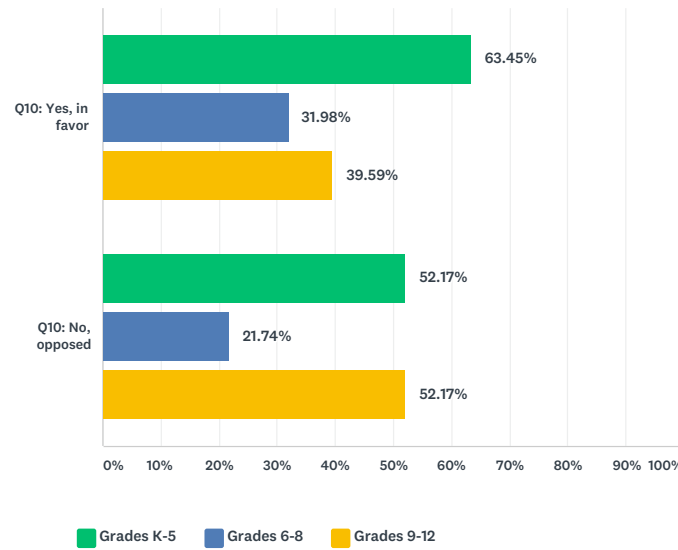
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	YES, I HAVE CHILDREN CURRENTLY ATTENDING GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS	NO, I DO NOT HAVE CHILDREN CURRENTLY ATTENDING GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	38.75% 198	61.25% 313	83.63% 511
Q10: No, opposed	25.00% 25	75.00% 75	16.37% 100
Total Respondents	223	388	611

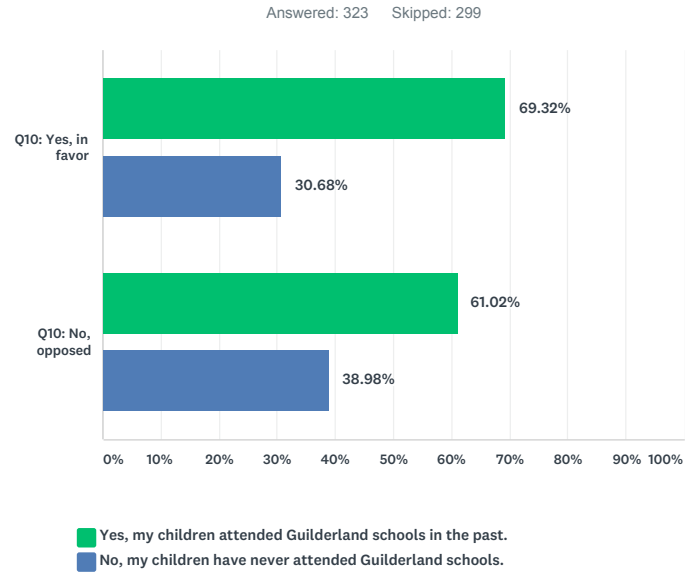
Q6 If yes, what level(s) of school do they attend?

Answered: 220 Skipped: 402



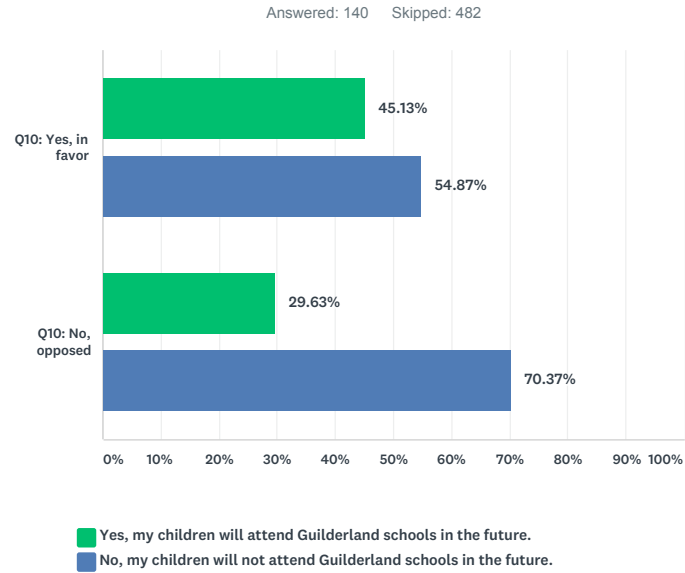
	GRADES K-5	GRADES 6-8	GRADES 9-12	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	63.45% 125	31.98% 63	39.59% 78	120.91% 266
Q10: No, opposed	52.17% 12	21.74% 5	52.17% 12	13.18% 29
Total Respondents	137	68	90	220

Q7 If no, did your children ever attend Guilderland Schools?



	YES, MY CHILDREN ATTENDED GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS IN THE PAST.	NO, MY CHILDREN HAVE NEVER ATTENDED GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS.	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	69.32% 183	30.68% 81	81.73% 264
Q10: No, opposed	61.02% 36	38.98% 23	18.27% 59
Total Respondents	219	104	323

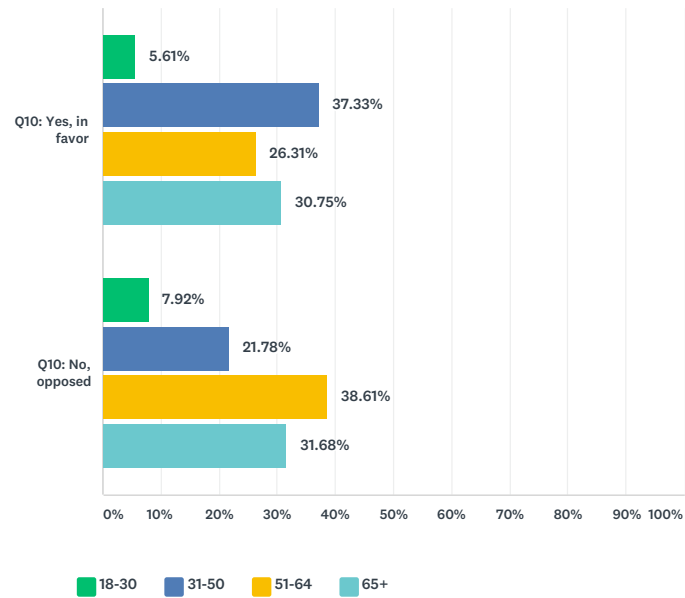
Q8 If no, will your children attend Guilderland Schools when they are older?



	YES, MY CHILDREN WILL ATTEND GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS IN THE FUTURE.	NO, MY CHILDREN WILL NOT ATTEND GUILDERLAND SCHOOLS IN THE FUTURE.	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	45.13% 51	54.87% 62	80.71% 113
Q10: No, opposed	29.63% 8	70.37% 19	19.29% 27
Total Respondents	59	81	140

Q9 What age category pertains to you?

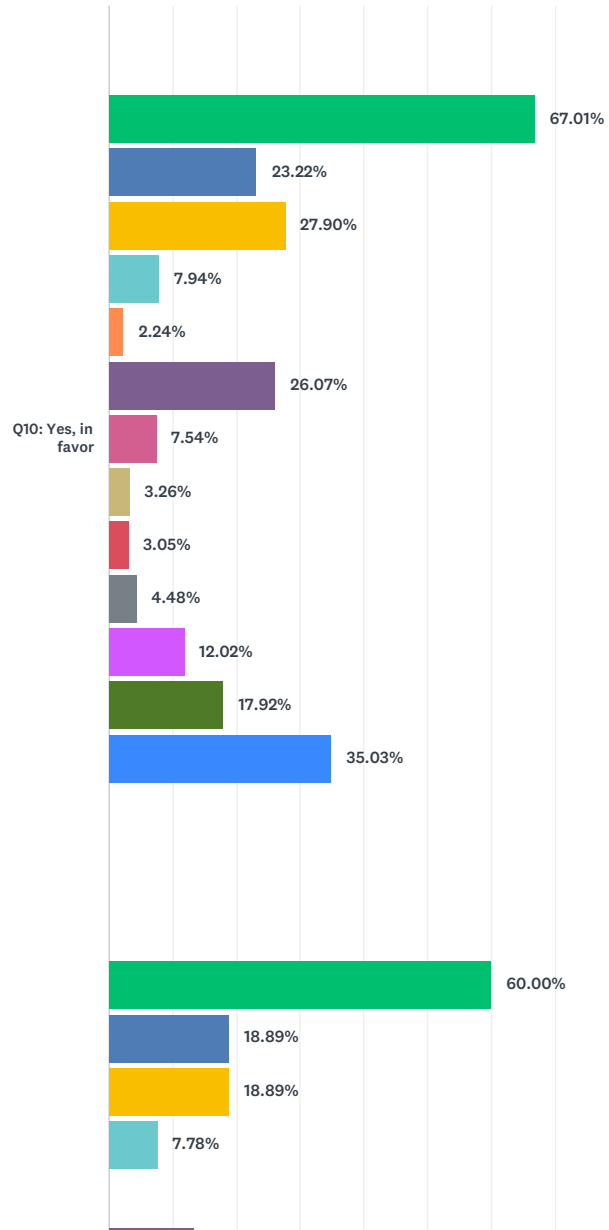
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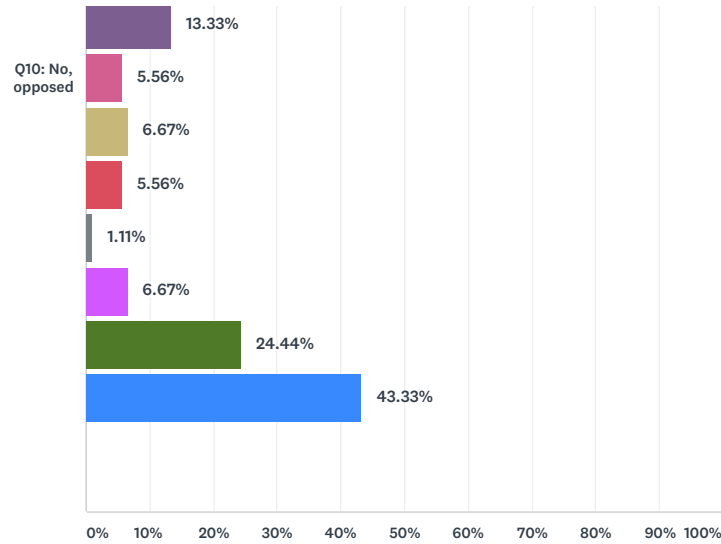
	18-30	31-50	51-64	65+	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	5.61% 29	37.33% 193	26.31% 136	30.75% 159	83.66% 517
Q10: No, opposed	7.92% 8	21.78% 22	38.61% 39	31.68% 32	16.34% 101
Total Respondents	37	215	175	191	618

Q13 Of the following communication channels, what were your three best sources of information about the proposed budget? (Please check three only.)

Answered: 581 Skipped: 41



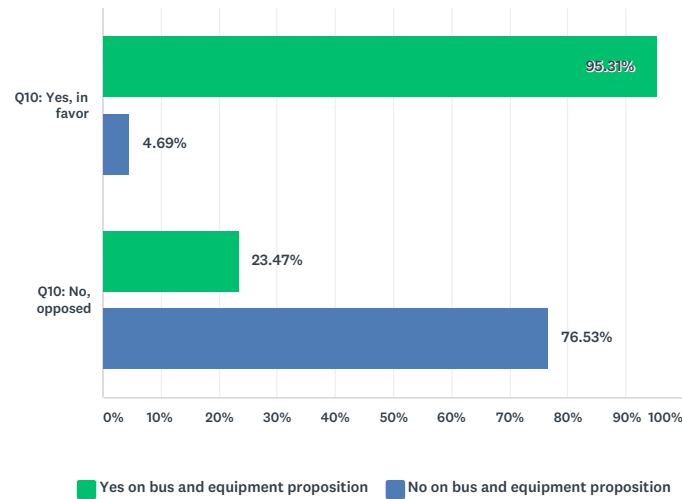
Guilderland Central School District
2018 BUDGET VOTE EXIT SURVEY



	DISTRICT NEWSLETTERS	SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS	DISTRICT WEBSITE	DISTRICT FACEBOOK	DISTRICT TWITTER	SCHOOL NEWS NOTIFIER (SNN)	BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS	PUBLIC BUDGET MEETINGS	CABLE CHANNEL 1302/33	PTA MEETINGS	DISTRICT STAFF MEMBERS	FRIENDS/FAMILY/NEIGHBORS	LOCAL NEWSPAPERS	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	67.01% 329	23.22% 114	27.90% 137	7.94% 39	2.24% 11	26.07% 128	7.54% 37	3.26% 16	3.05% 15	4.48% 22	12.02% 59	17.92% 88	35.03% 172	200.86% 1,167
Q10: No, opposed	60.00% 54	18.89% 17	18.89% 17	7.78% 7	0.00% 0	13.33% 12	5.56% 5	6.67% 6	5.56% 5	1.11% 1	6.67% 6	24.44% 22	43.33% 39	32.87% 191
Total Respondents	383	131	154	46	11	140	42	22	20	23	65	110	211	581

Q14 How did you vote on the bus and equipment proposition?

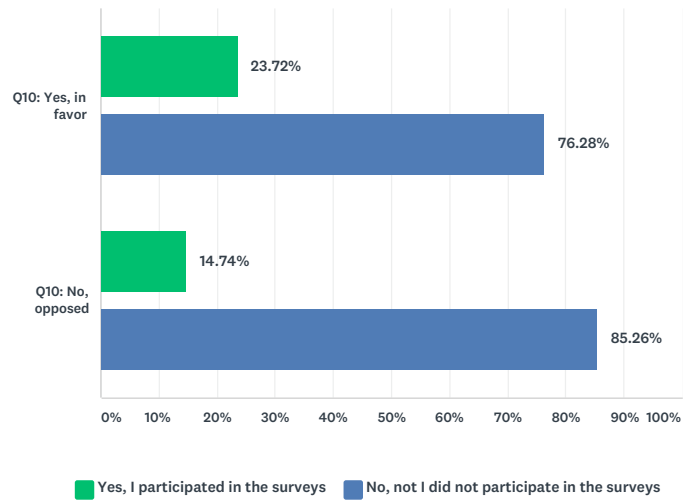
Answered: 610 Skipped: 12



	YES ON BUS AND EQUIPMENT PROPOSITION		NO ON BUS AND EQUIPMENT PROPOSITION		TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor		95.31%		4.69%	83.93%
		488		24	512
Q10: No, opposed		23.47%		76.53%	16.07%
		23		75	98
Total Respondents	511		99		610
PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU VOTED AS YOU DID:					TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor				189	189
Q10: No, opposed				51	51

Q15 Did you participate in our online surveys, which were used during the budget process this year?

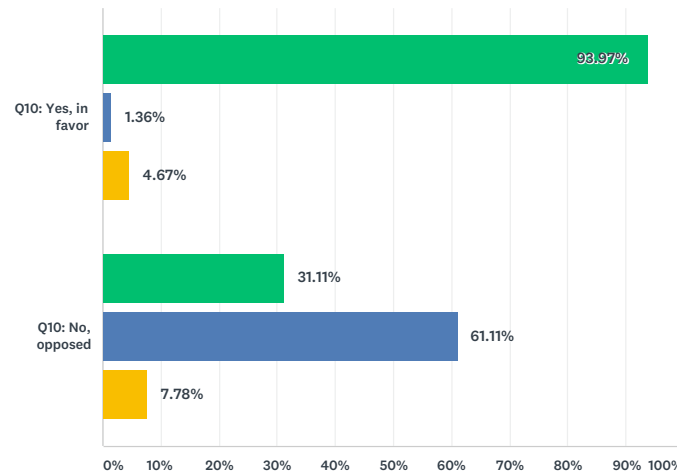
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	YES, I PARTICIPATED IN THE SURVEYS		NO, NOT I DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SURVEYS		TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor		23.72%		76.28%	84.19%
		120		386	506
Q10: No, opposed		14.74%		85.26%	15.81%
		14		81	95
Total Respondents	134		467		601
	IF NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU DID NOT:			TOTAL	
Q10: Yes, in favor				114	114
Q10: No, opposed				30	30

Q16 How have you typically voted on the school budget in the past?

Answered: 604 Skipped: 18



■ I typically vote yes. ■ I typically vote no. ■ I have not voted in the past.

	I TYPICALLY VOTE YES.	I TYPICALLY VOTE NO.	I HAVE NOT VOTED IN THE PAST.	TOTAL
Q10: Yes, in favor	93.97% 483	1.36% 7	4.67% 24	85.10% 514
Q10: No, opposed	31.11% 28	61.11% 55	7.78% 7	14.90% 90
Total Respondents	511	62	31	604