

Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District

Community Survey Results

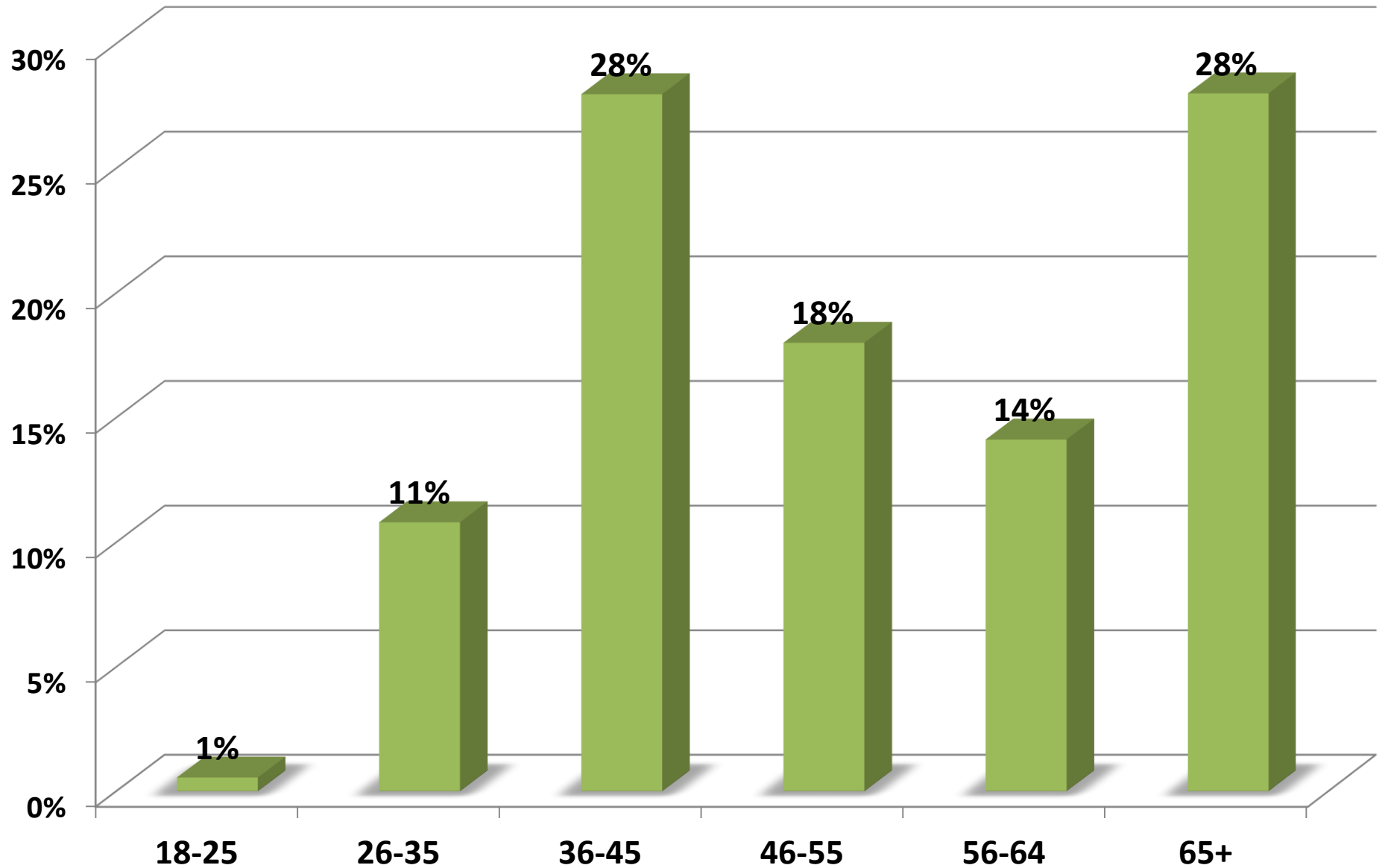
Spring 2018

Survey Summary

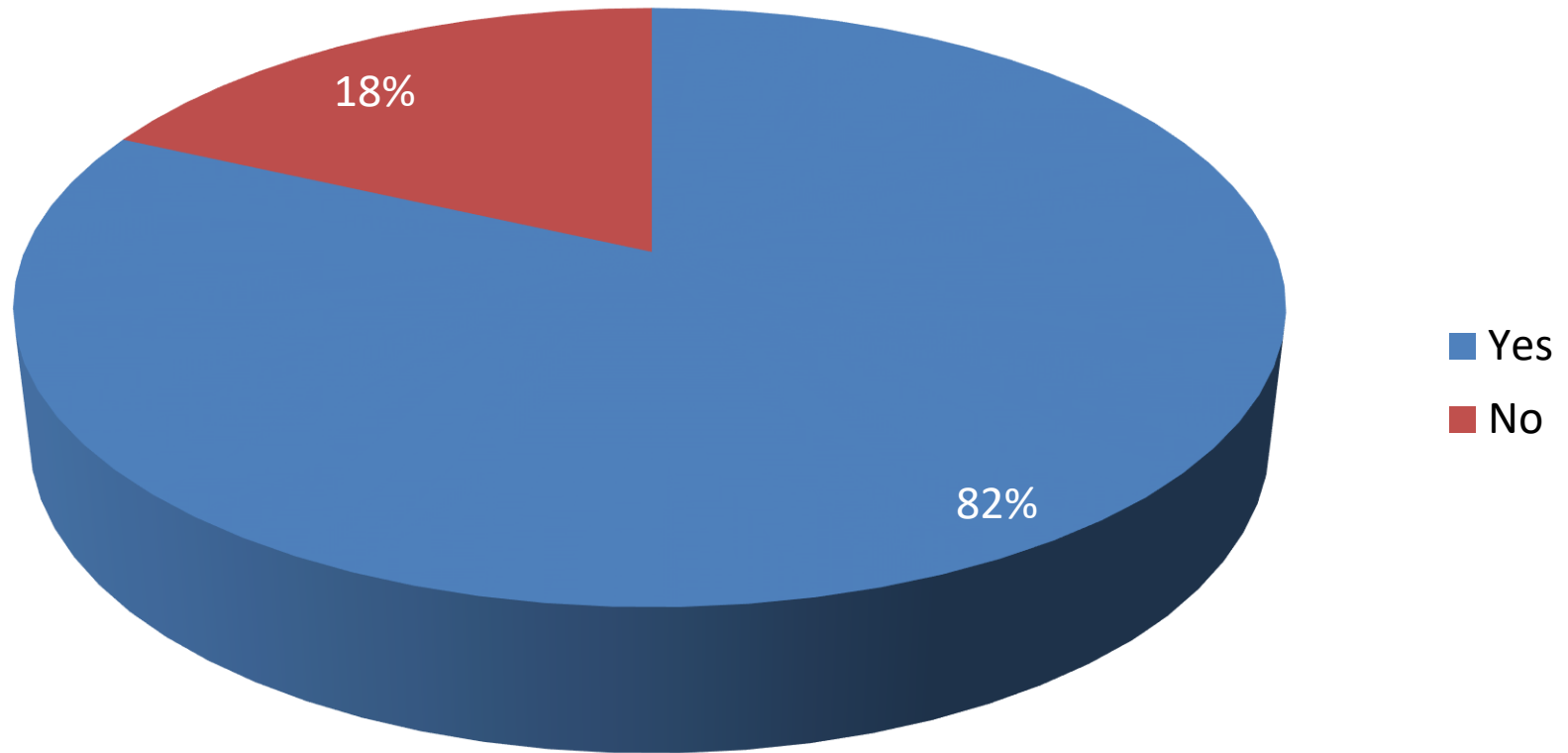
- The survey was conducted in late May – early June of 2018.
- Residents within the District were mailed a paper survey. Each survey included a unique survey access code for those who preferred to take the survey online.
- Total responses = 364 (136 paper)

Respondent Information

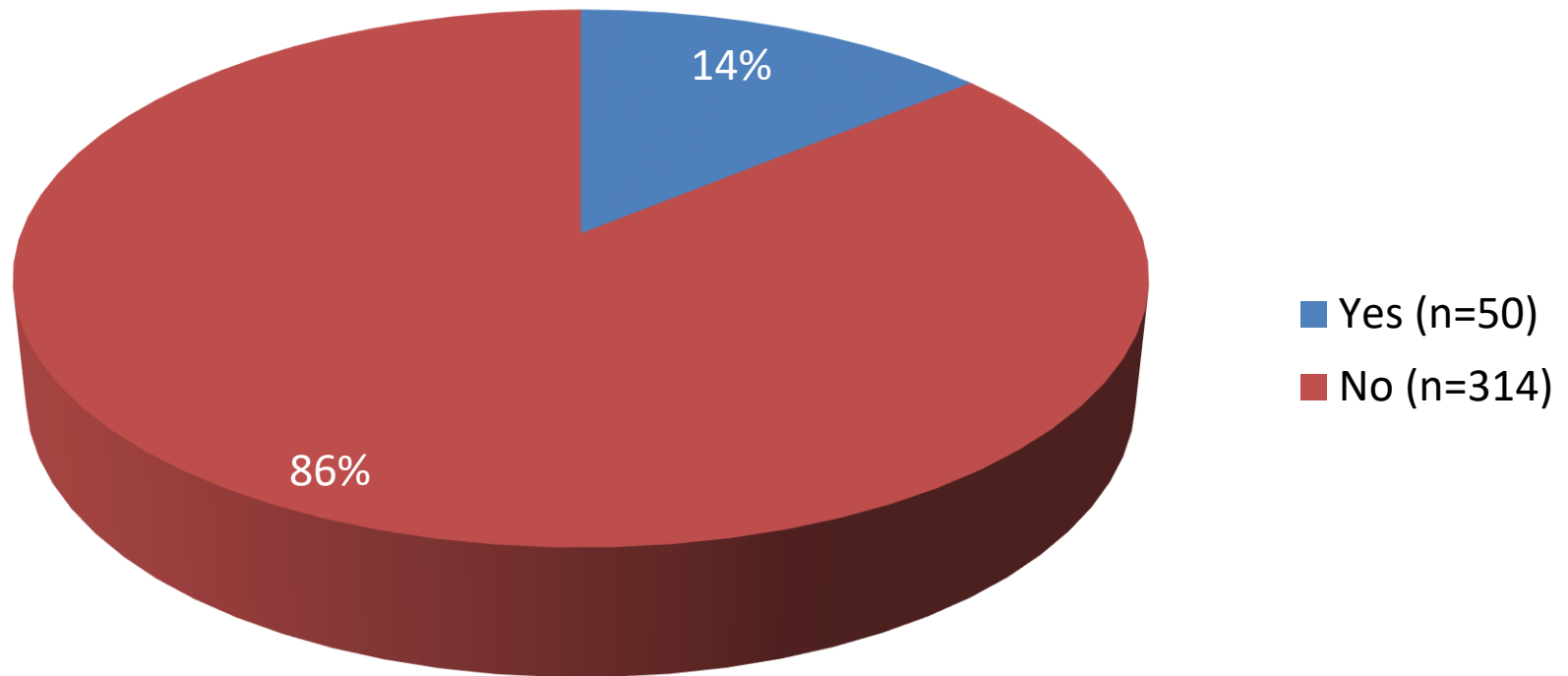
What is your age?



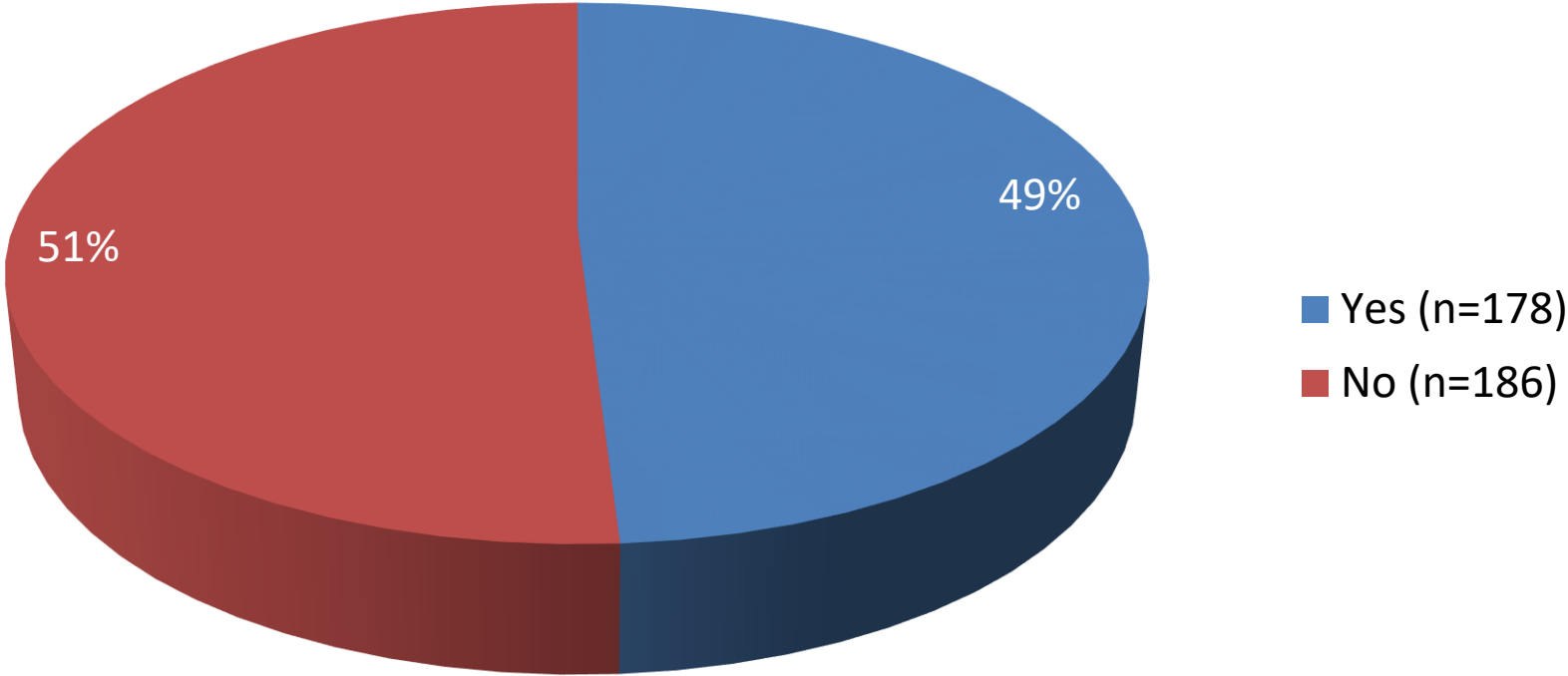
Is your primary residence in the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District?



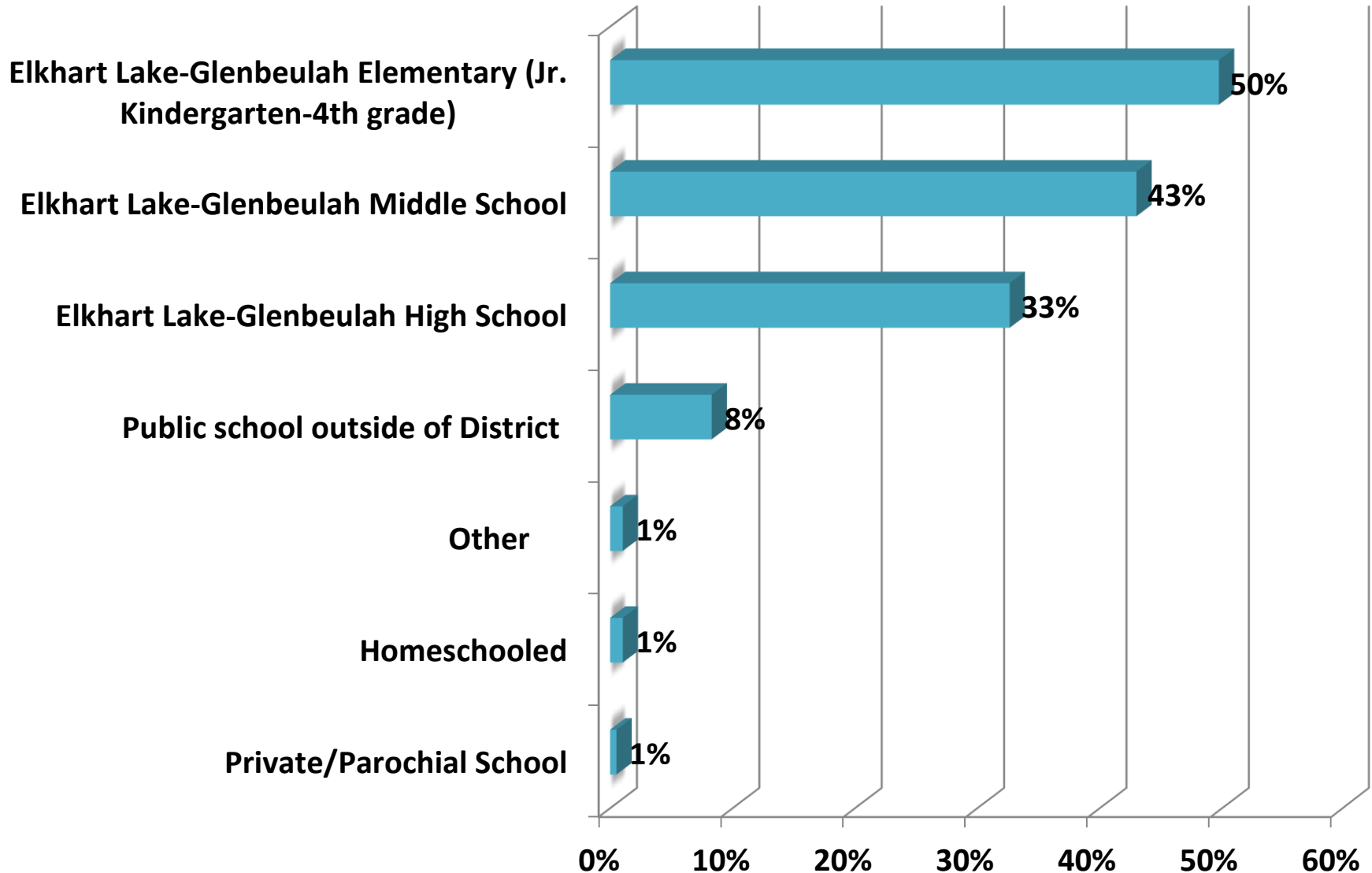
Are you an employee of the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District?



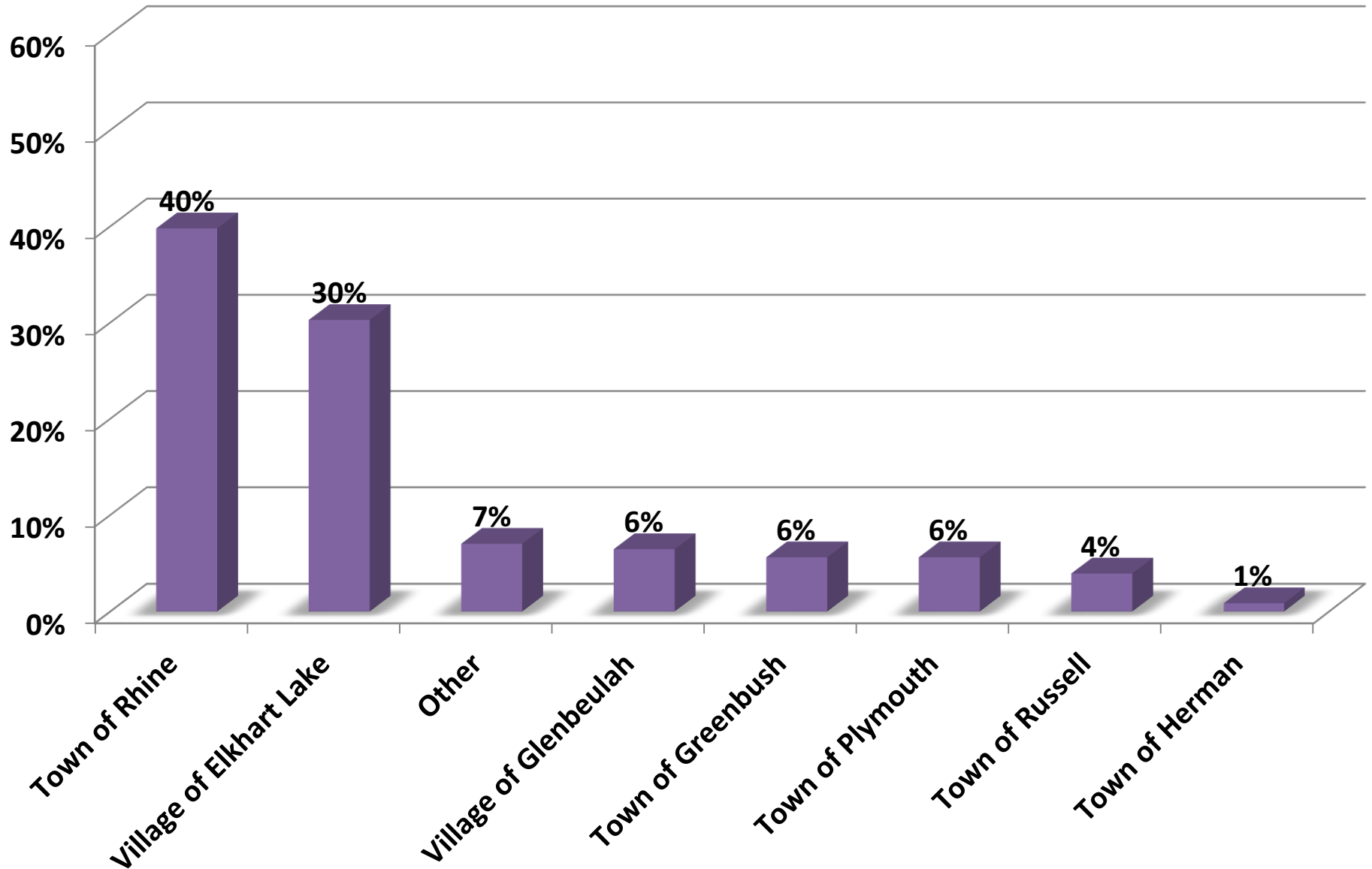
Do you have child(ren) attending school in the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District?



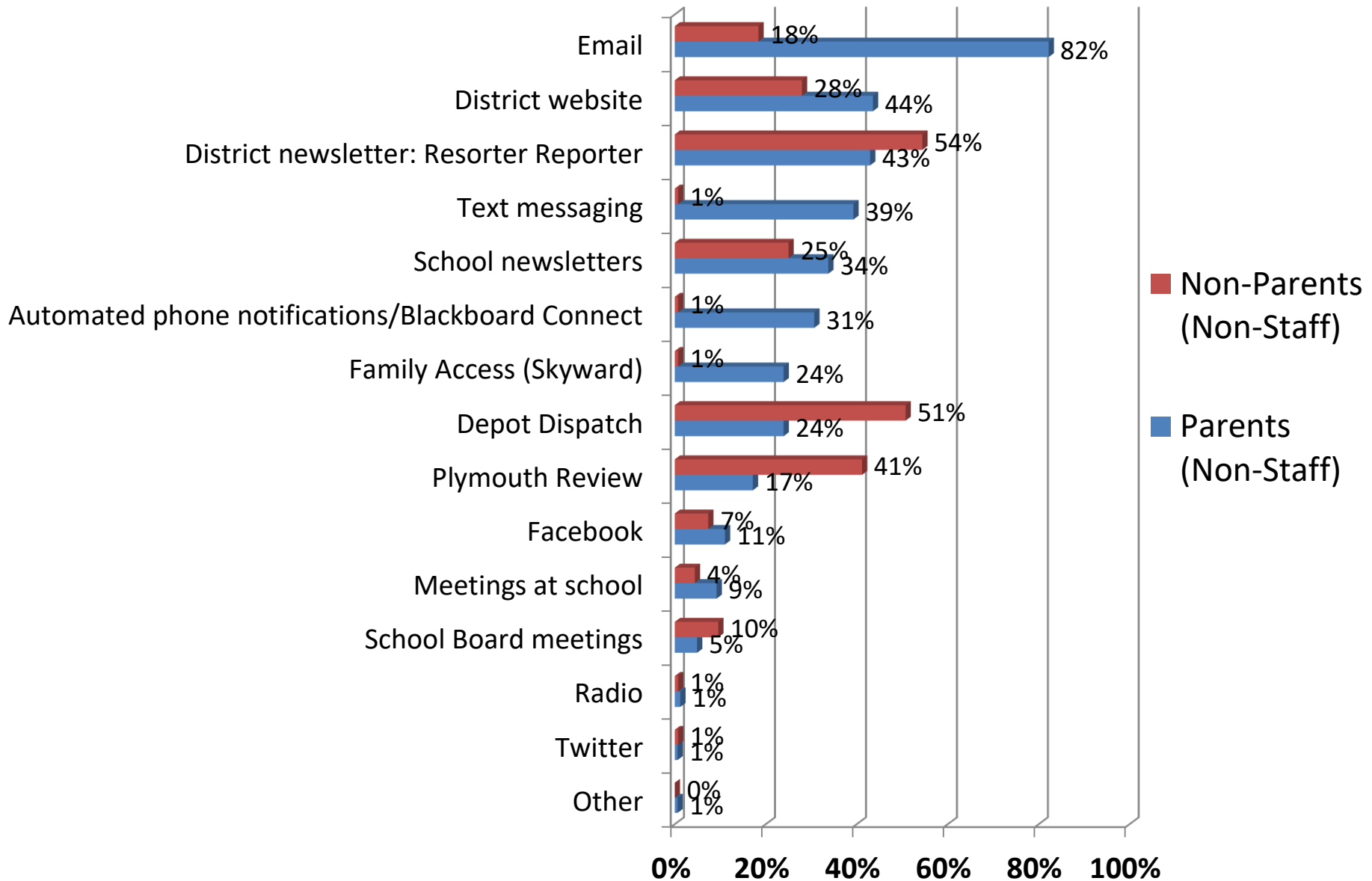
If you have school-aged children, what school(s) do they attend?



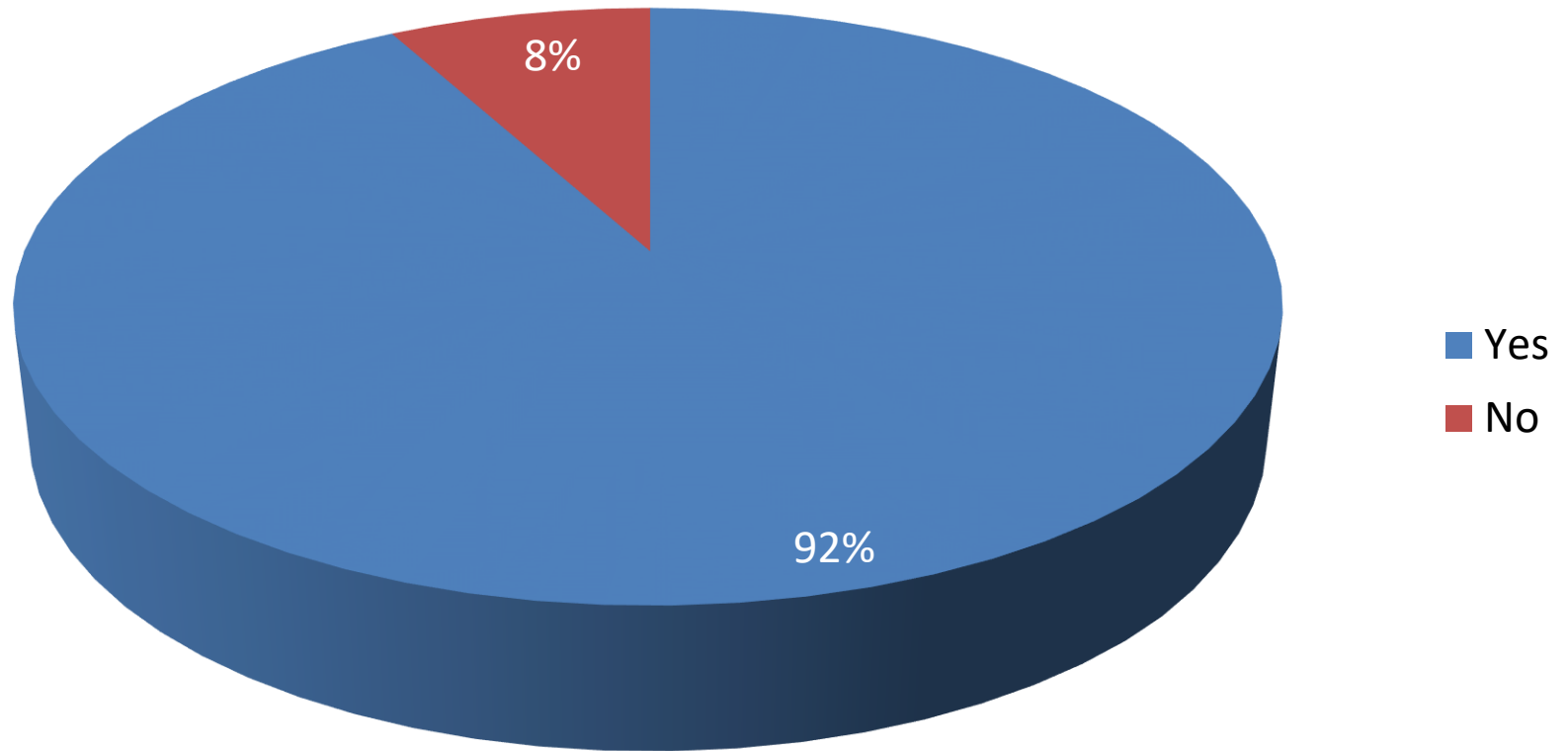
In which city or township do you reside?



How would you *like to receive* school/District information?



Do you have internet access at your home?



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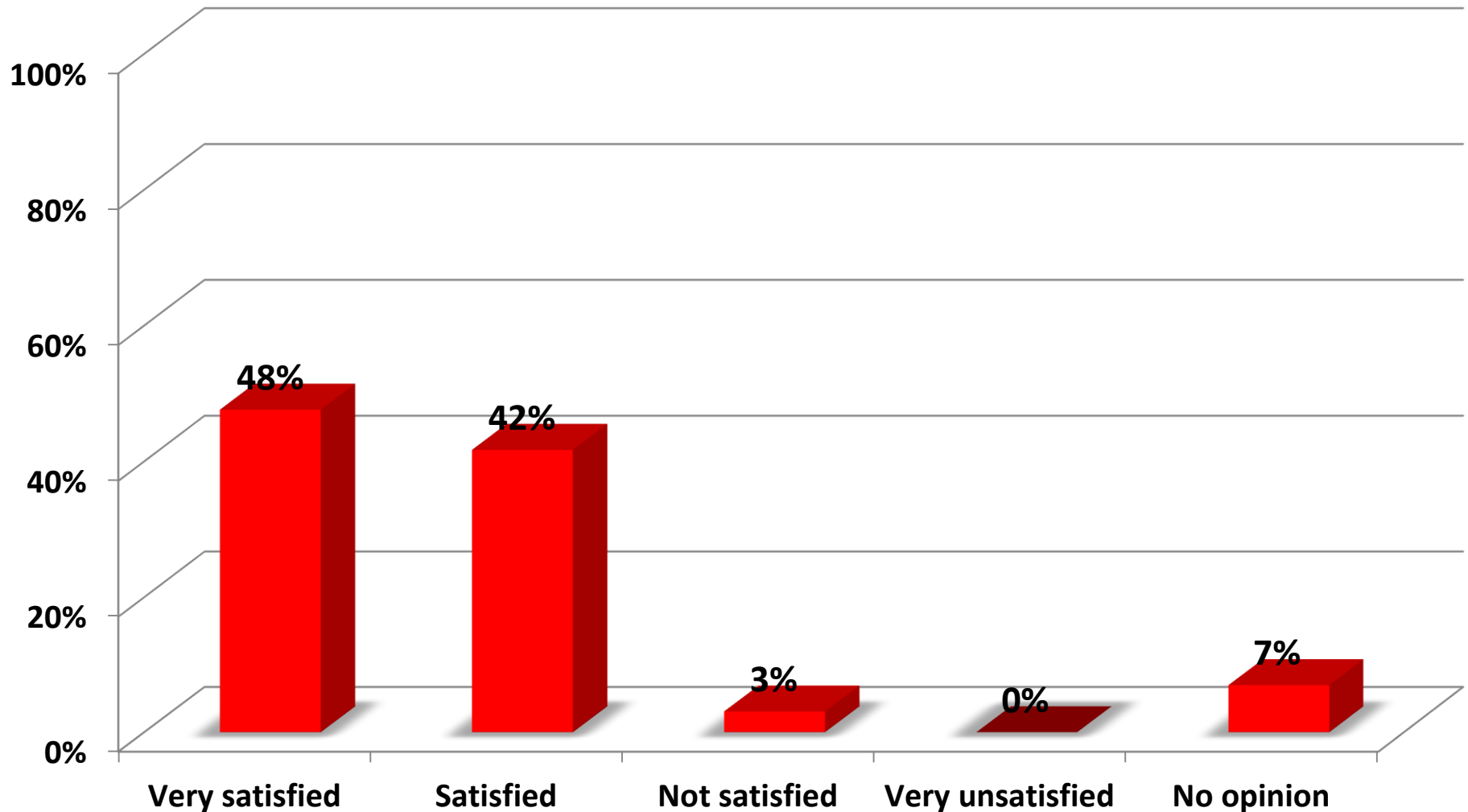
How well are we doing in the following areas?

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

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Building pride in our community	3.54	3.29	3.48
Delivering a high-quality educational experience	3.54	3.33	3.44
Preparing students for life after high school	3.35	3.10	3.39
Maintaining school facilities	3.02	3.10	3.36
Partnering with area businesses and organizations	3.20	3.19	3.36
Keeping the public informed	3.31	3.22	3.17

Overall, how satisfied are you with the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District?

(All Respondents)



Educational Planning

Please check up to four of the initiatives where you believe the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District should focus their efforts over the next five years to improve student learning: (Slide 1/2)

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Help students with career planning/life after high school	46%	31%	52%
Keep technology up to date	37%	43%	35%
Maintain and expand the opportunity to earn 2- & 4-year college credit while in high school	24%	43%	34%
Recruit and retain high-quality staff	48%	37%	30%
Continue developing community partnerships for students (e.g., Youth Apprenticeships, co-ops, mentoring)	7%	22%	28%
Continue to expand offerings and experiences in the CTE (Career & Technical Education) areas	0%	18%	27%
Provide mental health support services for students dealing with social/emotional issues	35%	26%	26%
Provide support services when students have difficulty learning	26%	16%	26%
Increase school safety and security	33%	25%	21%

Please check up to four of the initiatives where you believe the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District should focus their efforts over the next five years to improve student learning: (Slide 2/2)

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Develop new and innovative programs to improve and personalize student learning	20%	24%	19%
Increase the number of students attending college/technical school	4%	6%	16%
Continue to provide a variety of world language offerings and global education experiences	11%	17%	15%
Expand online and distance learning class offerings to better meet students' needs and schedules	2%	7%	13%
Maintain small class sizes	43%	32%	11%
Expand fine arts offerings	13%	12%	10%
Provide training/development opportunities to enhance skills of staff	9%	11%	8%
Increase communications with our parents and community	4%	3%	6%
Maintain/Increase co-curricular and extracurricular opportunities	20%	17%	6%

District Initiatives

How are we doing?

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

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Expansion of dual credit college coursework	3.46	3.30	3.52
Expansion of college and career readiness experiences	3.33	3.28	3.44
Expansion of the CTE curriculum/facilities/programming	3.32	3.32	3.43
Investments in technology advancements and upgrades	3.41	3.22	3.36
Expanded enrichment and enhancement learning programs	3.00	3.15	3.32
Fine Arts programs continue to offer new and unique experiences to students	3.11	3.08	3.27
Continued instruction of Spanish JK-12 with the introduction of French at the middle and high school levels	3.04	3.05	3.26
Financial literacy scope/sequence expands K-12	3.07	3.15	3.25
Development and implementation of ACP (Academic and Career Planning)	3.02	3.06	3.24
Introduction of Global Education concepts JK-12 and ability to earn the Global Education Achievement Certificate	2.89	2.95	3.19

Operational Referendum

(Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District Taxpayers Only)

In 2015, the community generously supported the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District with a four-year operating referendum. The goal of these funds was to allow the District to maintain the quality services and programs our community has come to expect and replace the aged heating and ventilation system (HVAC) at the elementary and high school buildings.

Due to careful planning, the District was also able to utilize these funds to complete other facility projects, including:

- Update and add exterior lighting to buildings, parking lots
- Add secure entrances to the high school and daycare
- Installation of solar panels at the high school (for educational purposes and to power the Fitness Center)
- Resurface tennis courts and parking lots
- Update lighting, generator and communication systems
- Install additional security cameras through the District
- Update technology infrastructure
- Update bathrooms in child care, elementary and high school
- Replace fixtures, plumbing and tile flooring
- Replace inefficient windows and doors
- Address Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) code compliance issues
- Purchase an additional van for student/staff transportation

In addition, we have allocated funds to complete phase 2 of the HVAC replacement project. There are 6 units still in need of replacement, and these units will be replaced as they fail.

Operating Funding Support

Due to changes in student enrollment, over the next six years, the District will receive \$600,000 to \$900,000 less funding annually. In addition, the 2015 referendum which provided \$725,000 annually will end. As a result, beginning in 2020 the District is forecasting a budget shortfall ranging from approximately \$1.18 to \$1.61 million for each of the following 5 years. The District is proposing a new referendum to address this shortfall while maintaining the current (2018) tax mill rate of \$7.91.

If voters do not support the proposed referendum, the District will need to make significant cuts to programs and services and delay technology replacement and maintenance projects in order to balance the budget.

If voters support the proposed referendum, the District would be able to maintain current programs and services as well as address technology and maintenance needs.

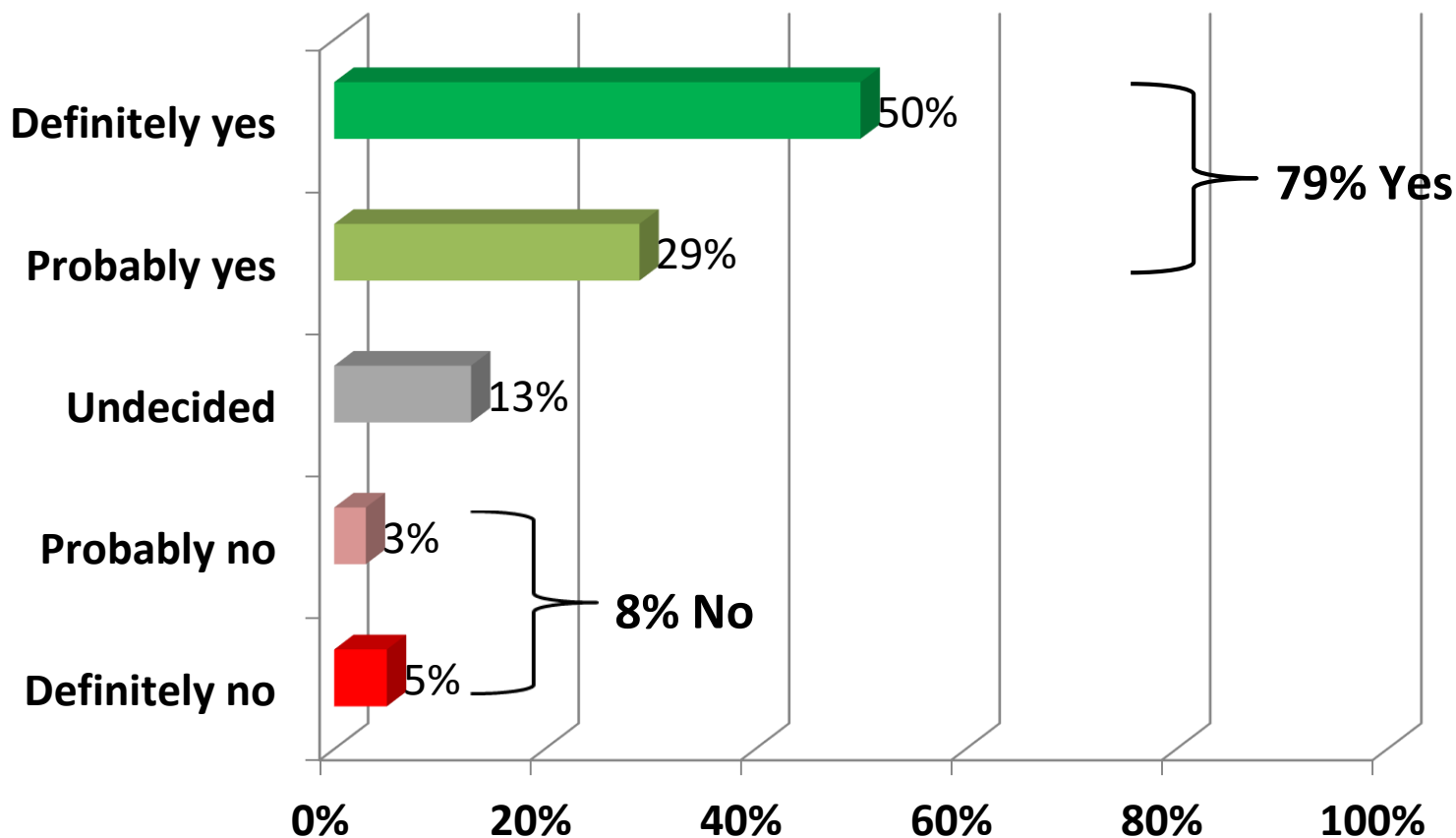
The table below shows the annual funding included in the proposed referendum.

School year	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Estimated funds needed	\$1.18 million	\$1.25 million	\$1.44 million	\$1.54 million	\$1.61 million
Tax mill rate	\$7.91	\$7.91	\$7.91	\$7.91	\$7.91

Would you support renewing the operational referendum as described above for each of the next five years?

If approved, the School's tax rate would not increase over the 2018 level (\$7.91)

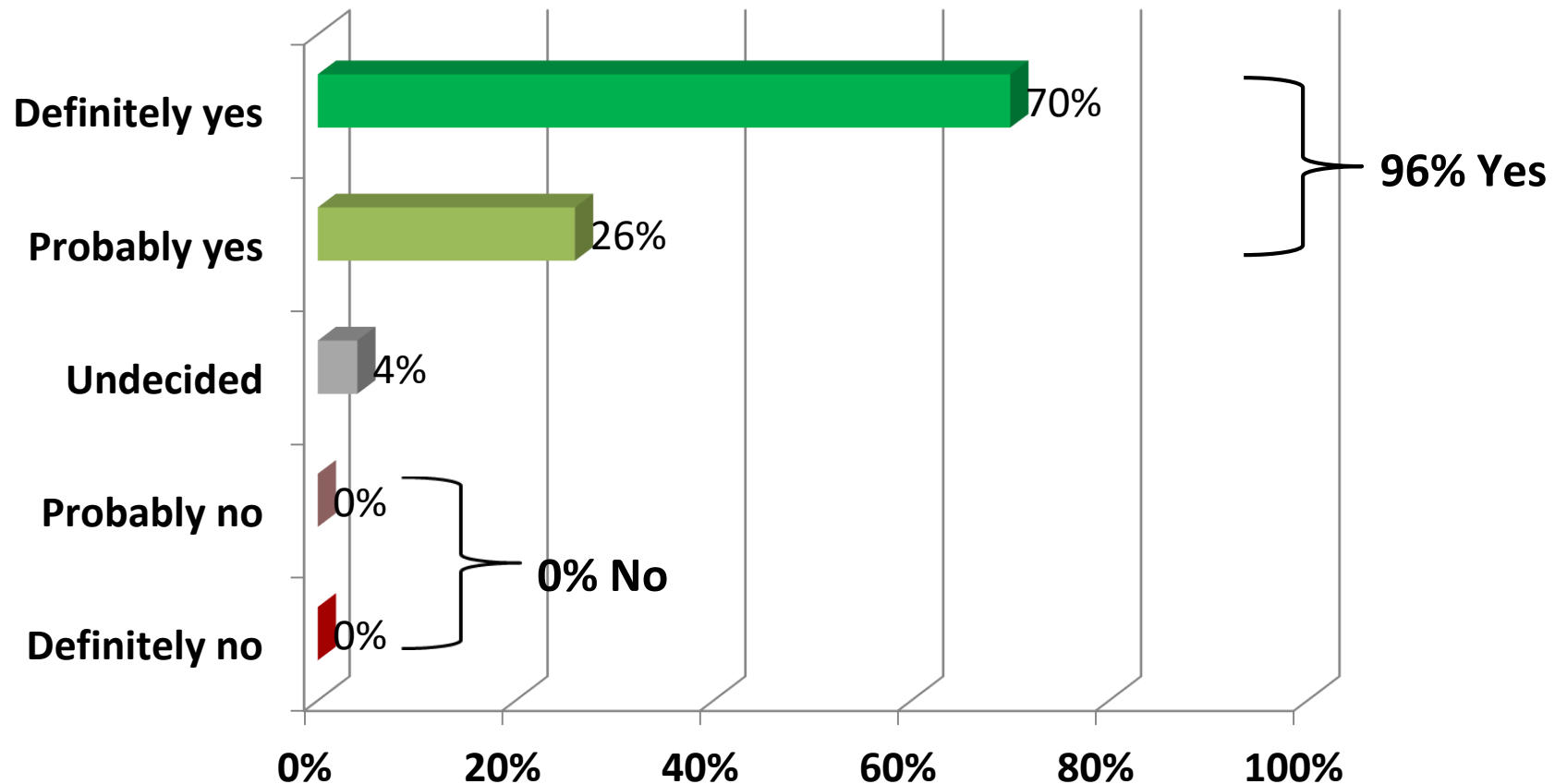
All Taxpayers



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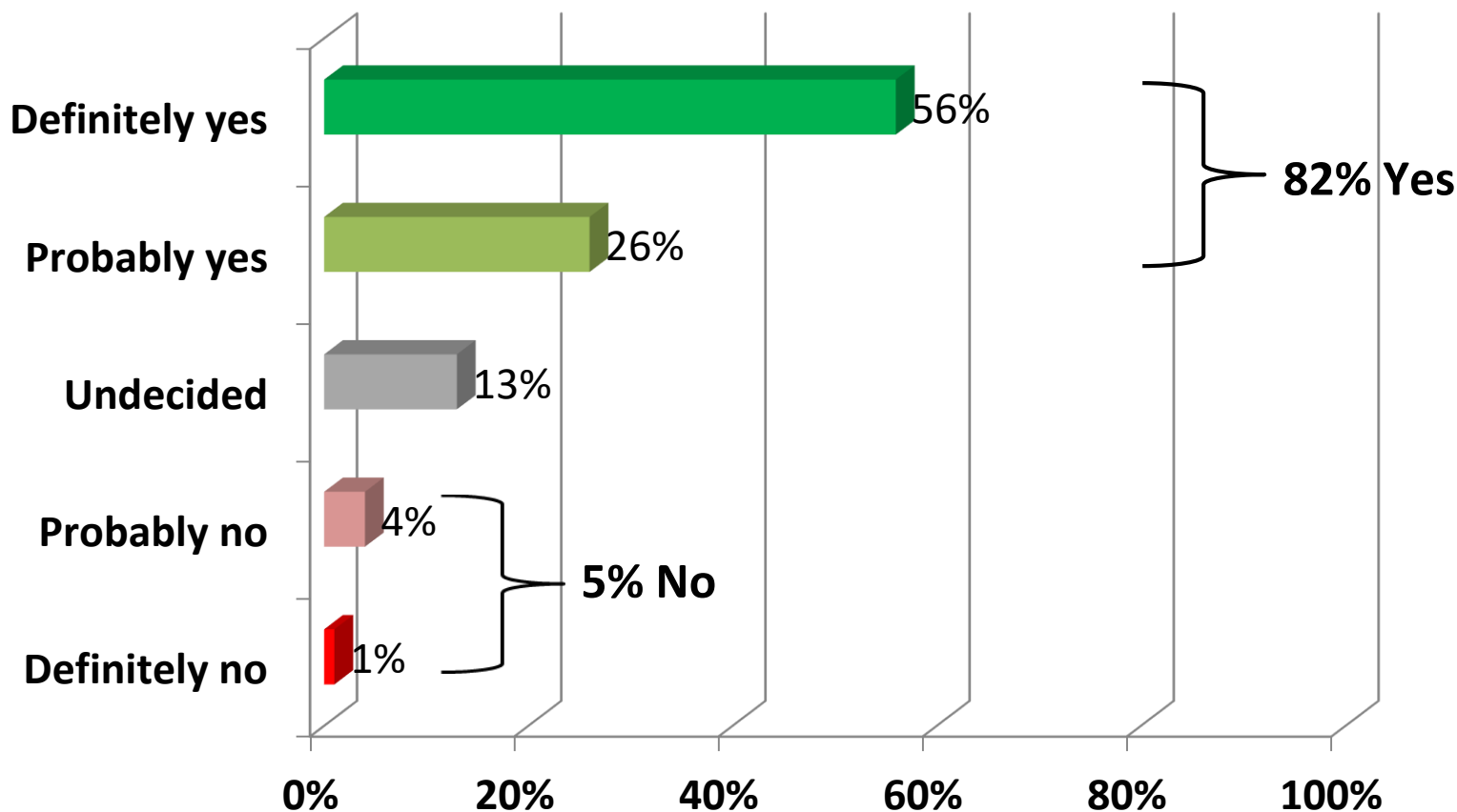
Staff Taxpayers



Would you support renewing the operational referendum as described above for each of the next five years?

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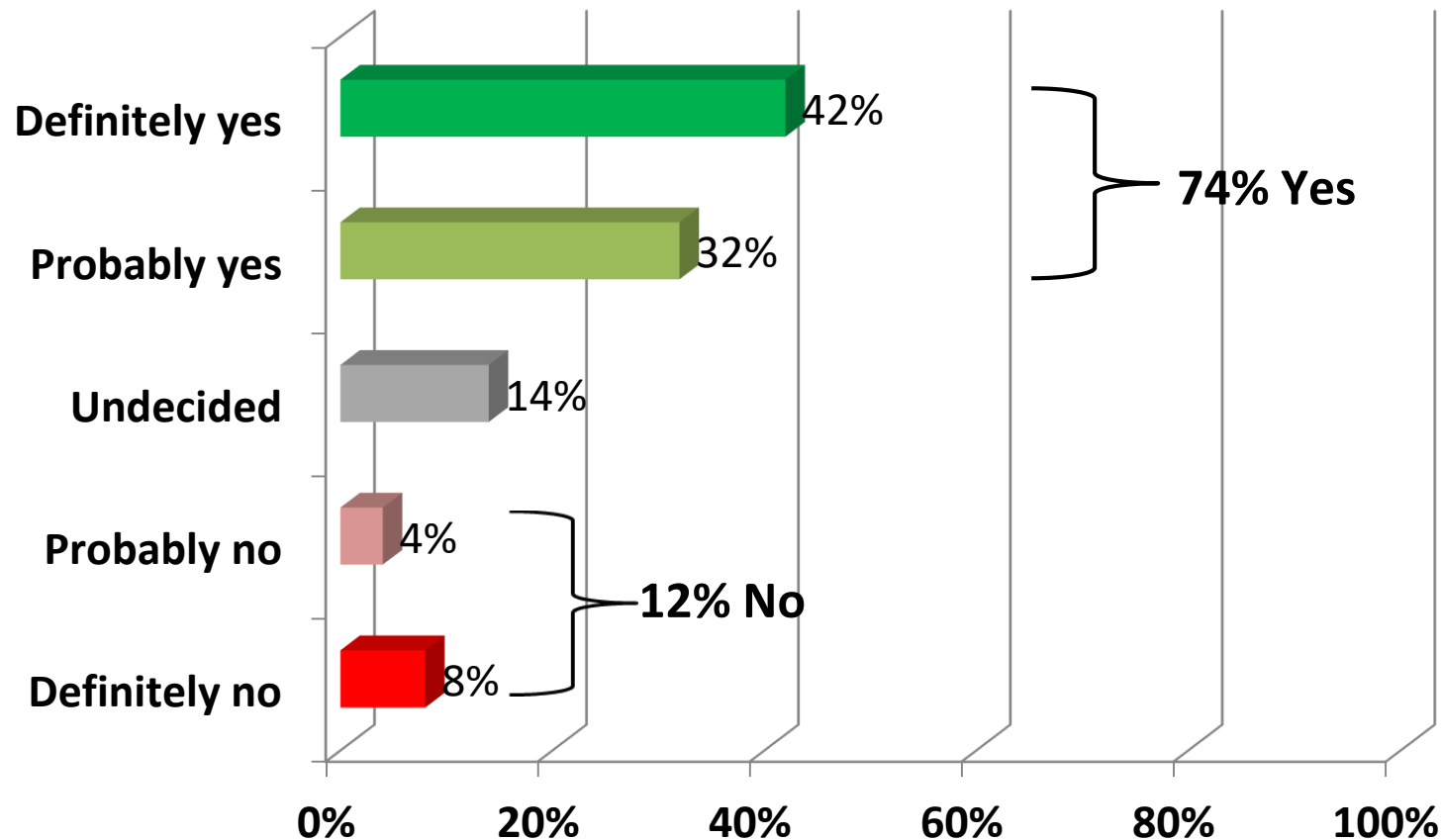
Parent Taxpayers (Non-Staff)



Would you support renewing the operational referendum as described above for each of the next five years?

If approved, the School's tax rate would not increase over the 2018 level (\$7.91)

Non-Parent Taxpayers (Non-Staff)



Expanded Operational Referendum

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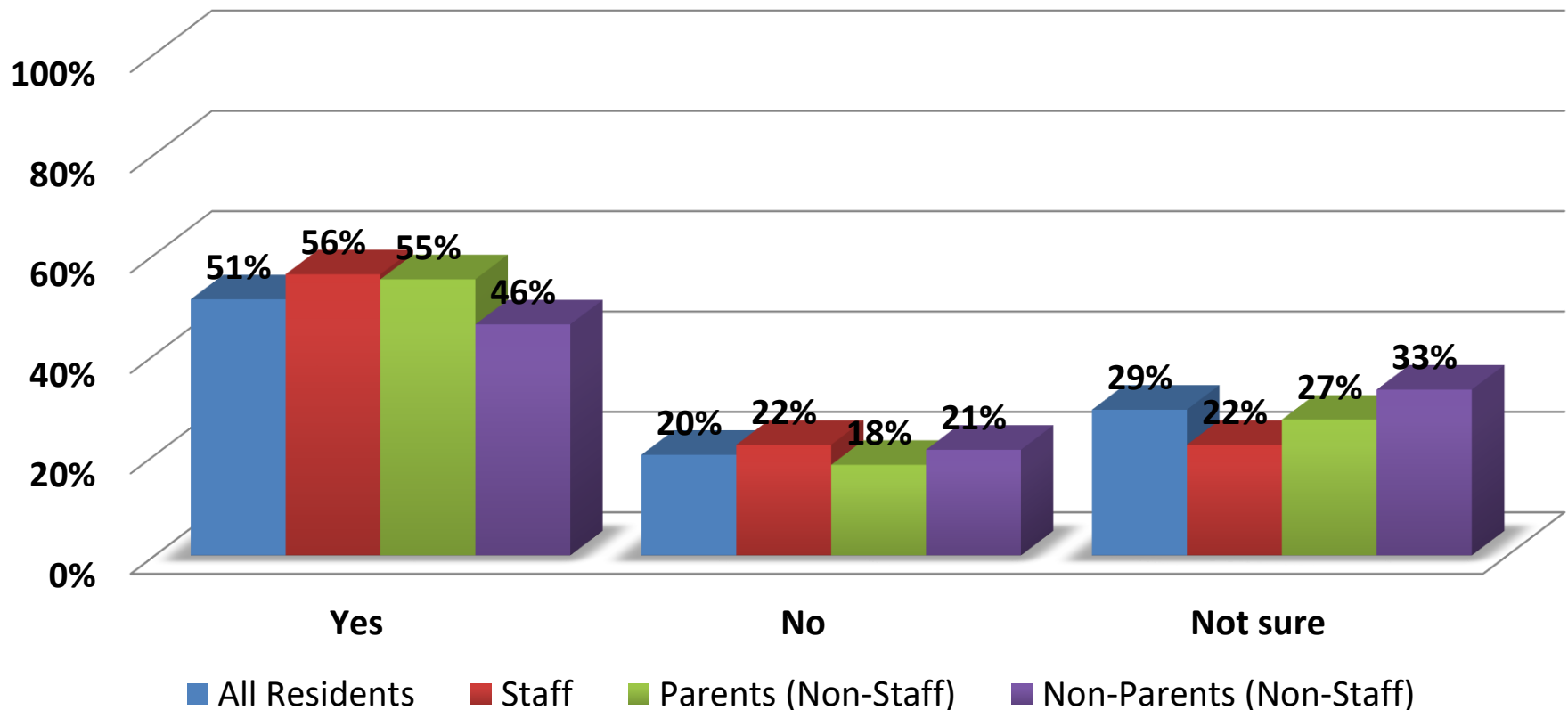
Update Lighting and Bleachers at Football/Soccer Fields

Estimated cost: \$262,000

Would you support a referendum that provides funding to update the lighting and bleachers at football/soccer fields?

If approved, the school's tax rate would increase by approximately \$9.50 for each \$100,000 of property value over the 2018 level.

(Taxpayers Only)



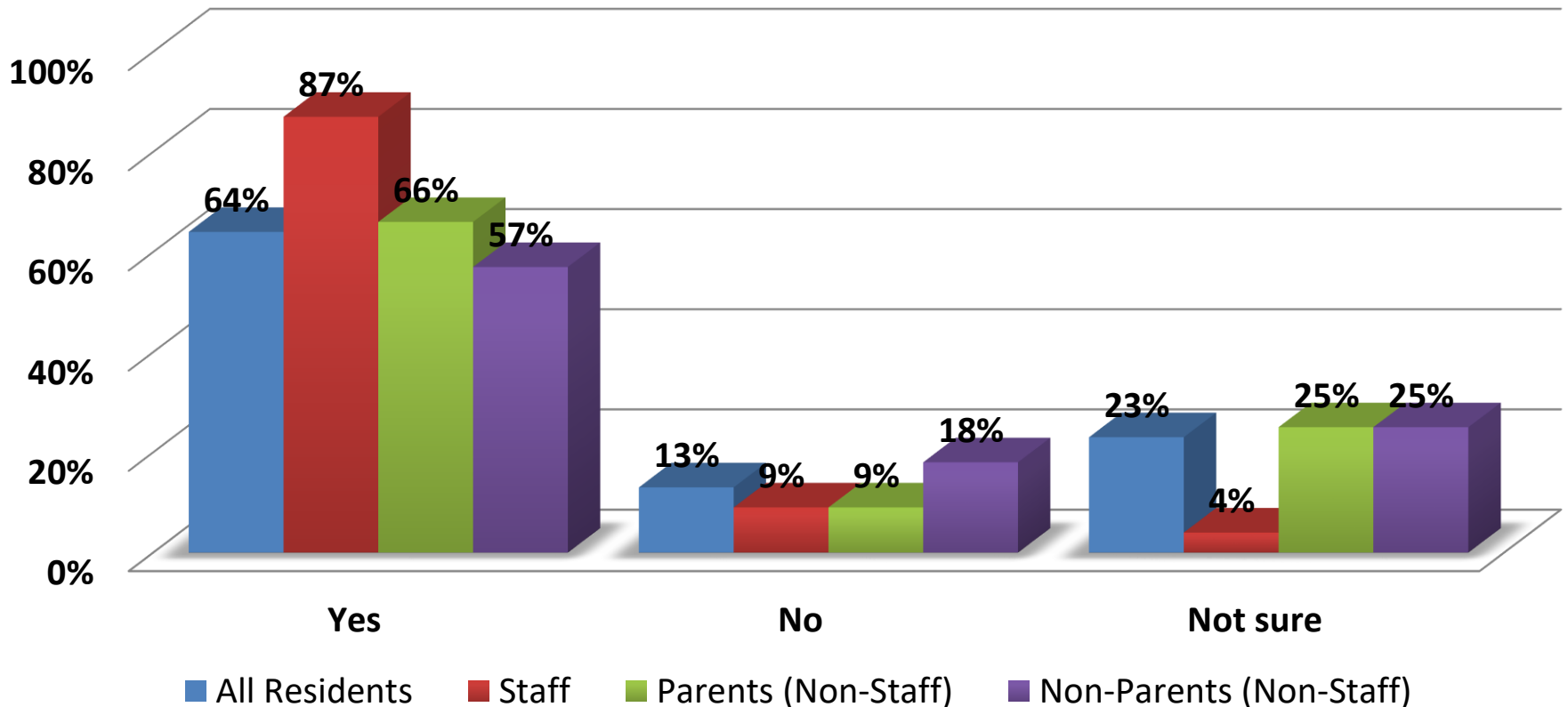
Update Auditorium

Estimated cost: \$310,000

Would you support a referendum that provides funding to update the auditorium?

If approved, the school's tax rate would increase by approximately \$12 for each \$100,000 of property value over the 2018 level.

(Taxpayers Only)



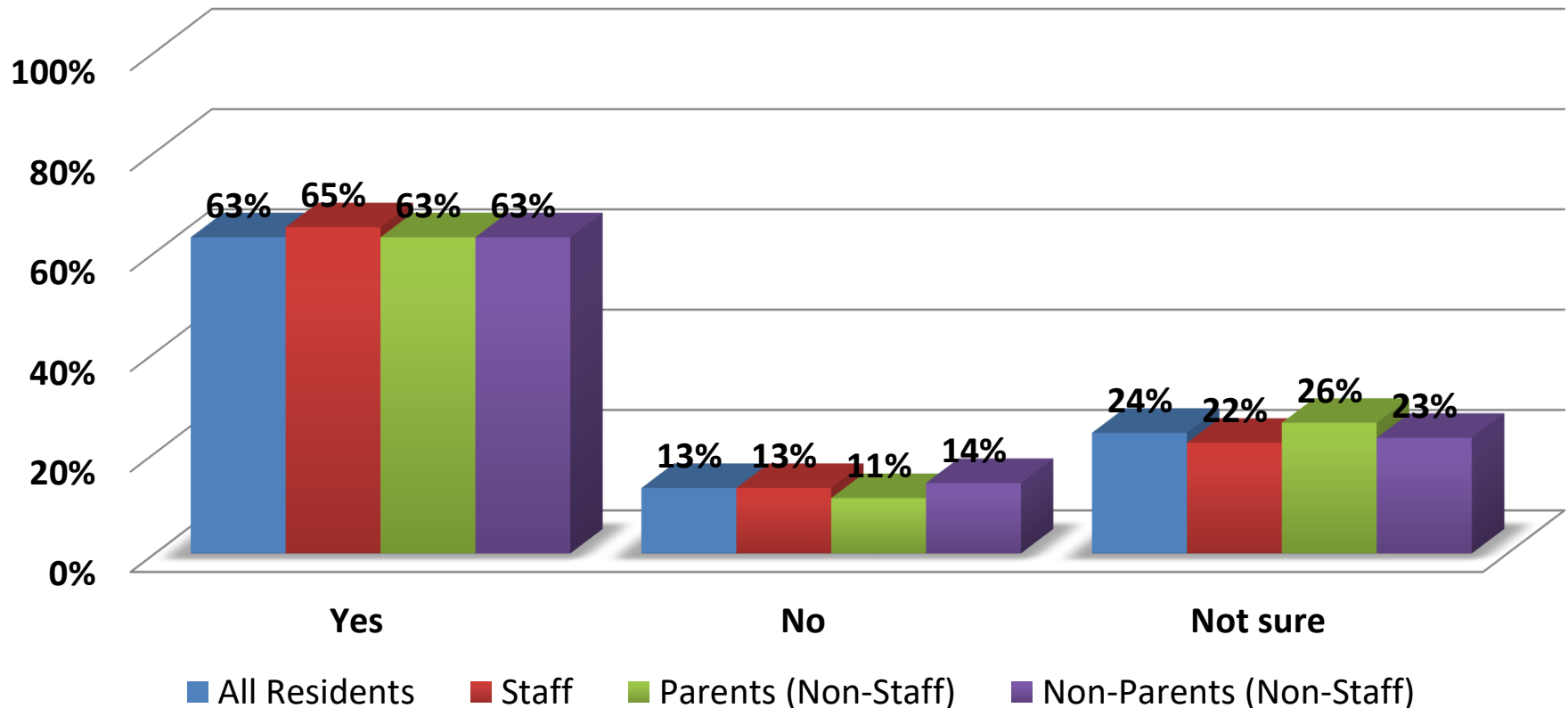
Renovate Culinary Arts Classroom and Lab

Estimated cost: \$225,000

Would you support a referendum that provides funding to renovate culinary arts classroom and lab?

If approved, the school's tax rate would increase by approximately \$8.50 for each \$100,000 of property value over the 2018 level.

(Taxpayers Only)



Would you support a referendum that provides funding to...

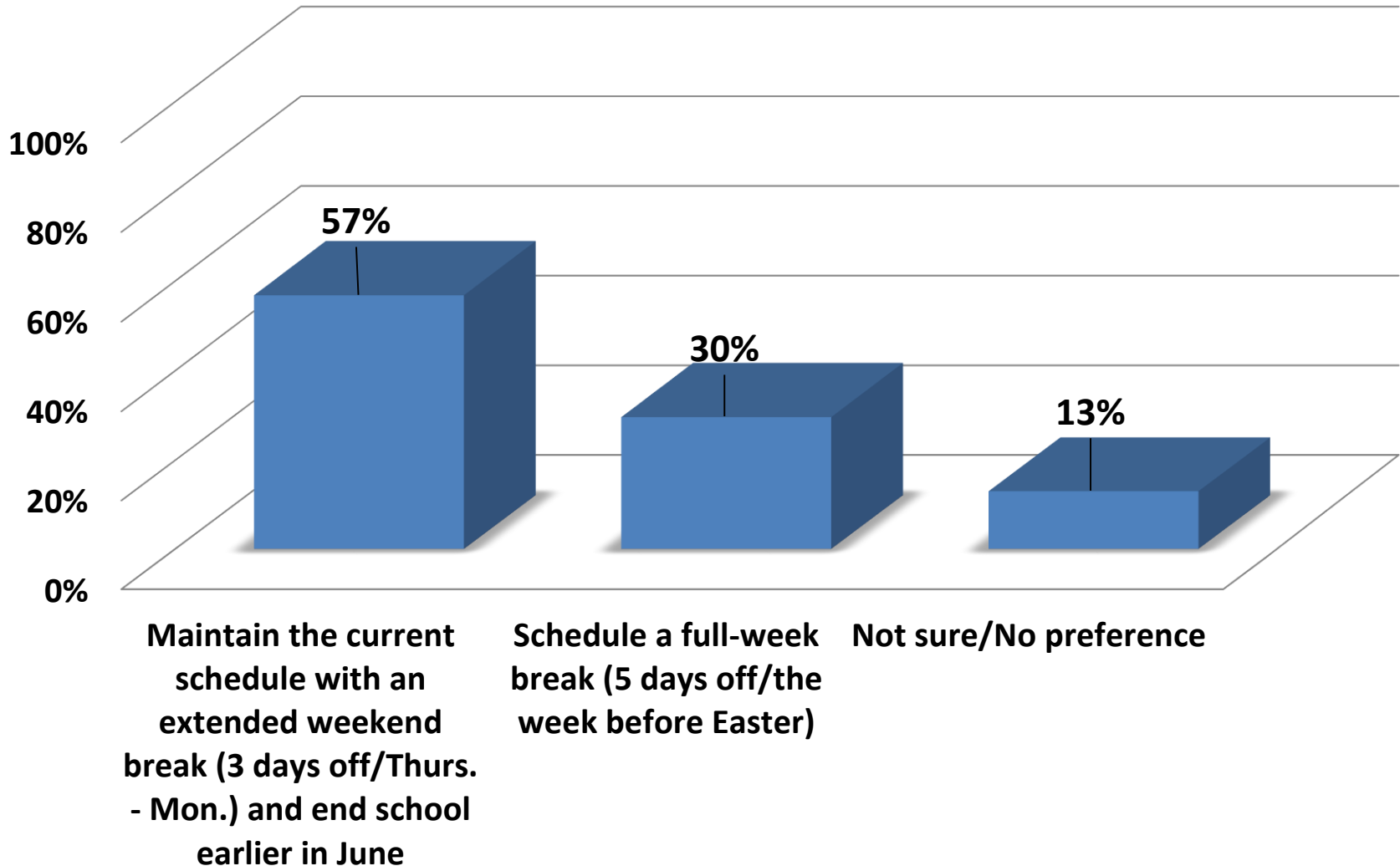
Yes (10), No (1)

Item	All Taxpayers	Staff Taxpayers	Parent Taxpayers (Non-Staff)	Non-Parent Taxpayers (Non-Staff)
renovate culinary arts classroom and lab?	8.44	8.50	8.60	8.30
update the auditorium?	8.42	9.18	8.92	7.81
update the lighting and bleachers at football/soccer fields?	7.45	7.50	7.75	7.16

Parents Only

School Calendar

What advice would you give the Board regarding a spring break beginning in the 2019/20 school year?



Elementary School Feedback

Strongly agree (5), Agree (4), Disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1)

Item	% Strongly agree/Agree	Average
My child has a positive relationship with at least one adult at school.	100%	4.70
All things considered, I'm satisfied with the school.	99%	4.56
I am comfortable contacting the school with concerns and problems.	98%	4.50
My child feels safe at school.	99%	4.42
My child is being adequately prepared for the next grade level.	98%	4.42
I am satisfied with the communication regarding my child's progress and learning.	96%	4.40
Technology is used effectively to support teaching and learning.	94%	4.30
My child's school has high academic expectations that challenge my child.	95%	4.30
Teachers personalize instruction to meet my child's needs.	90%	4.25
When my child has a problem at school, he/she knows how to get help.	91%	4.18
I am satisfied with the level and appropriateness of discipline at school.	88%	4.00

Middle School Feedback

Strongly agree (5), Agree (4), Disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1)

Item	% Strongly agree/Agree	Average
My child has a positive relationship with at least one adult at school.	99%	4.50
I am comfortable contacting the school with concerns and problems.	97%	4.45
All things considered, I'm satisfied with the school.	96%	4.42
My child feels safe at school.	96%	4.35
Technology is used effectively to support teaching and learning.	96%	4.31
I am satisfied with the communication regarding my child's progress and learning.	93%	4.29
My child is being adequately prepared for the next grade level.	96%	4.28
When my child has a problem at school, he/she knows how to get help.	93%	4.18
Teachers personalize instruction to meet my child's needs.	88%	4.17
My child's school has high academic expectations that challenge my child.	93%	4.13
I am satisfied with the level and appropriateness of discipline at school.	86%	3.97

High School Feedback

Strongly agree (5), Agree (4), Disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1)

Item	% Strongly agree/Agree	Average
My child has a positive relationship with at least one adult at school.	100%	4.50
I am comfortable contacting the school with concerns and problems.	92%	4.19
All things considered, I'm satisfied with the school.	98%	4.19
My child is being adequately prepared for the next grade level.	98%	4.17
When my child has a problem at school, he/she knows how to get help.	94%	4.11
My child's school has high academic expectations that challenge my child.	94%	4.09
Technology is used effectively to support teaching and learning.	94%	4.04
I am satisfied with the communication regarding my child's progress and learning.	86%	4.00
My child feels safe at school.	88%	3.98
Teachers personalize instruction to meet my child's needs.	83%	3.78
I am satisfied with the level and appropriateness of discipline at school.	73%	3.48

Thank you!