

# Community Survey Results

## Lakeview School District

Fall 2020

# SCHOOL PERCEPTIONS

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

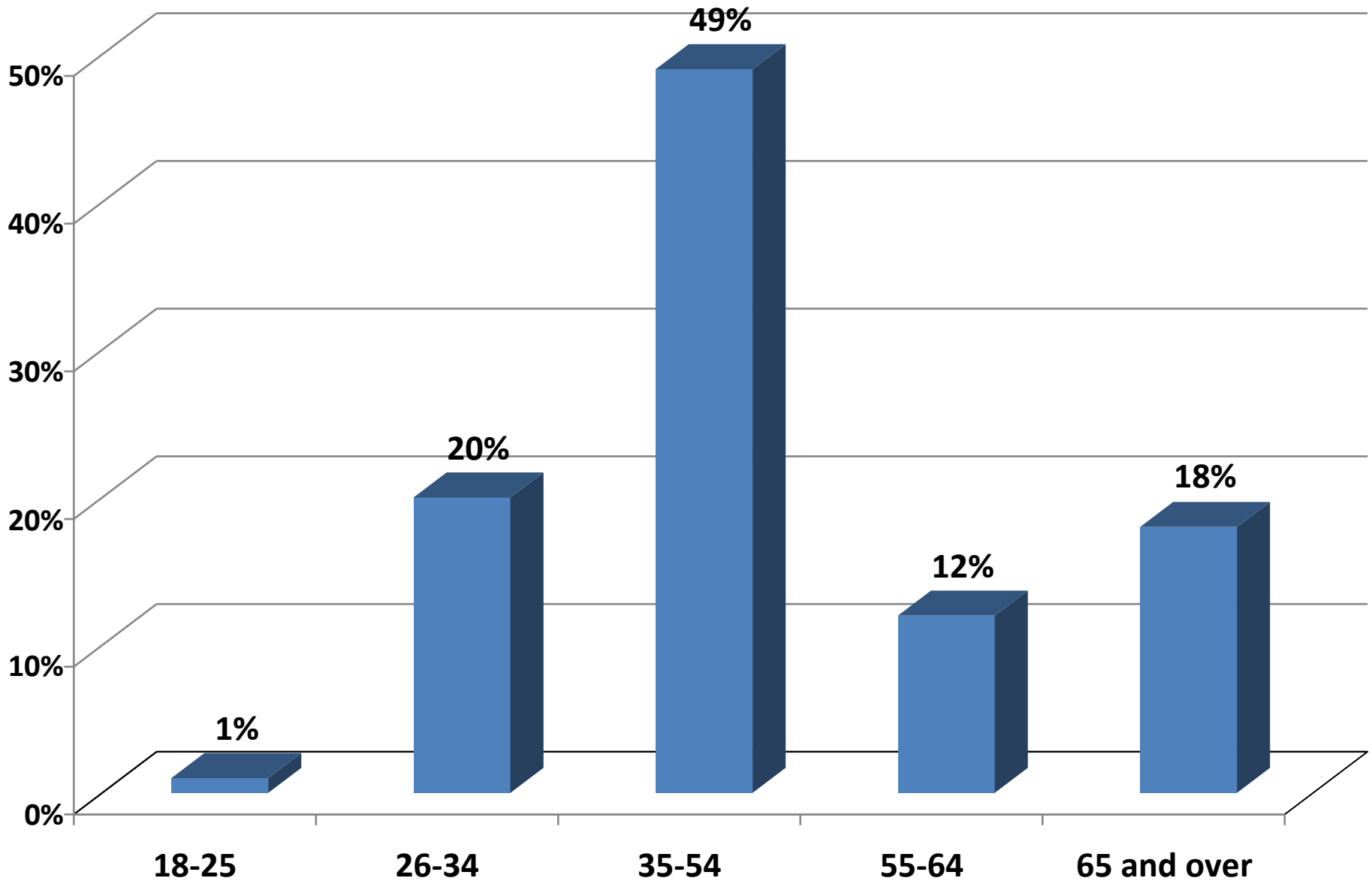
- Founded in 2002 to provide independent and unbiased research
- Conducted over 10,000 staff, parent, student, and community surveys for school improvement
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# Survey Summary

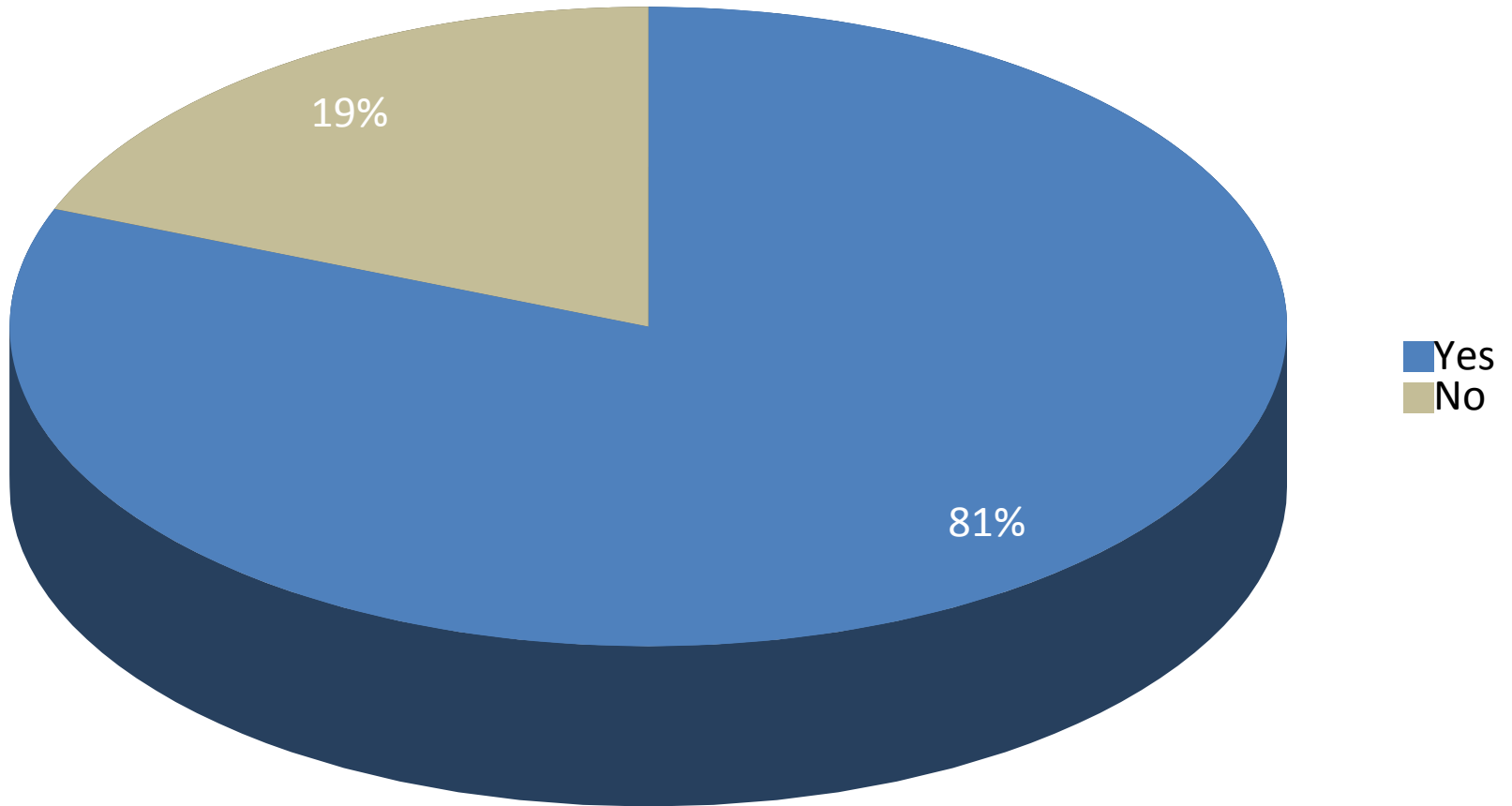
- The survey was conducted in mid-September through early October of 2020.
- Residents within the District were mailed a paper survey. Each survey included a unique survey access code for those who preferred to take the survey online.
- Total responses = 381 (108 paper)
- Participation rate = 30%
- Margin of error = +/- 5.1%

# Respondent Information

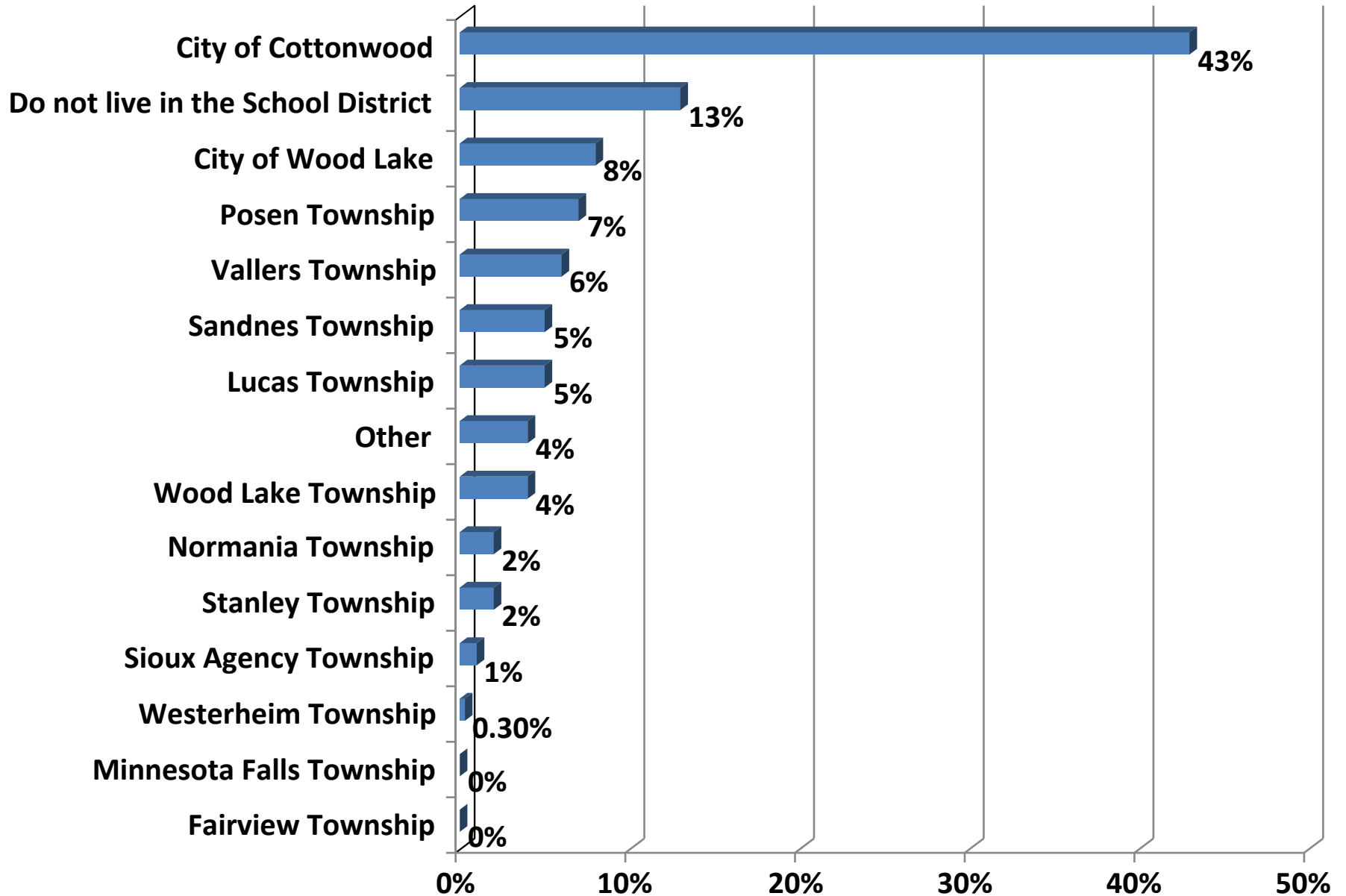
# What is your age?



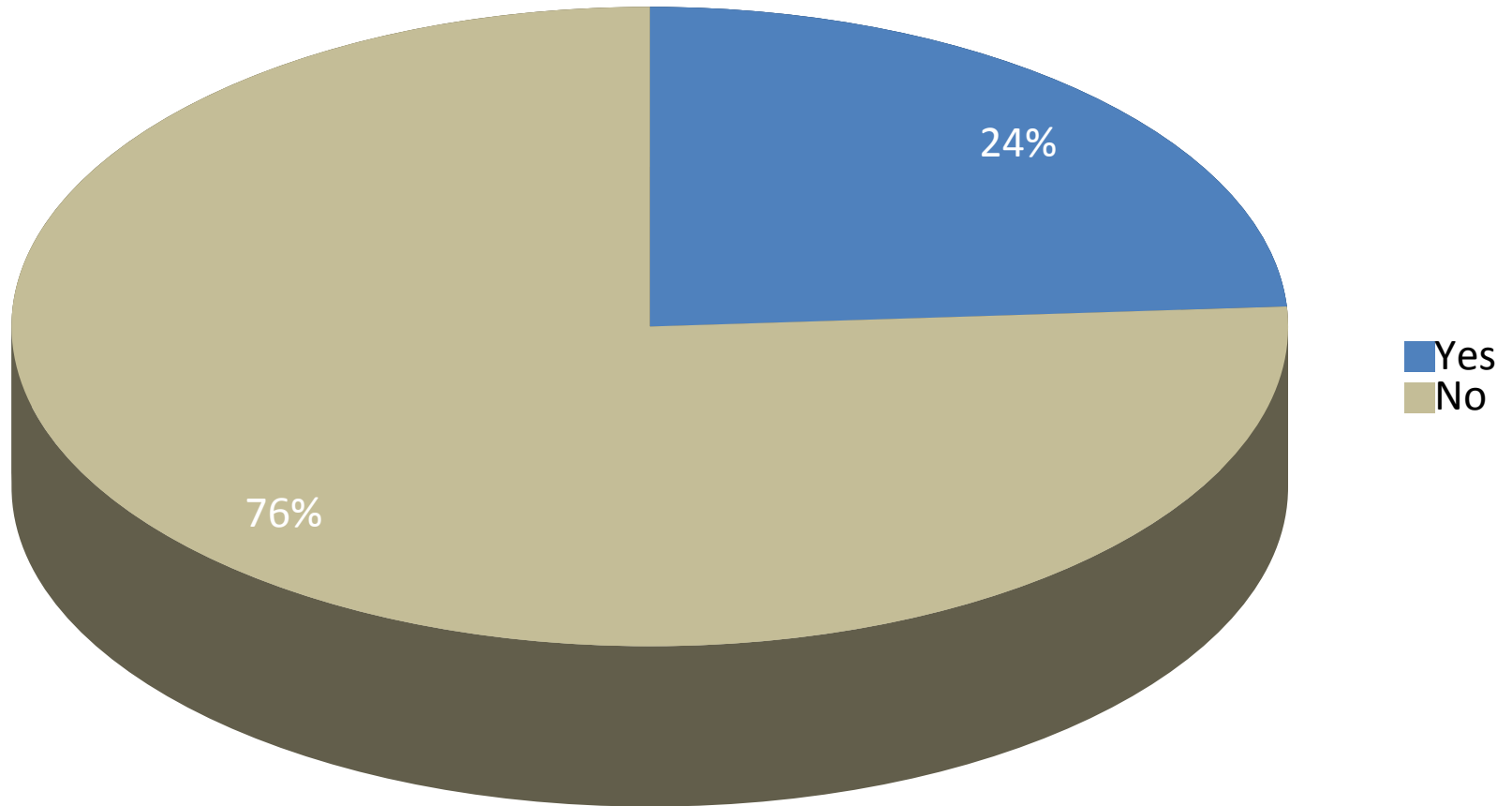
# Is your primary residence in the Lakeview Public School District?



# In which municipality do you reside?

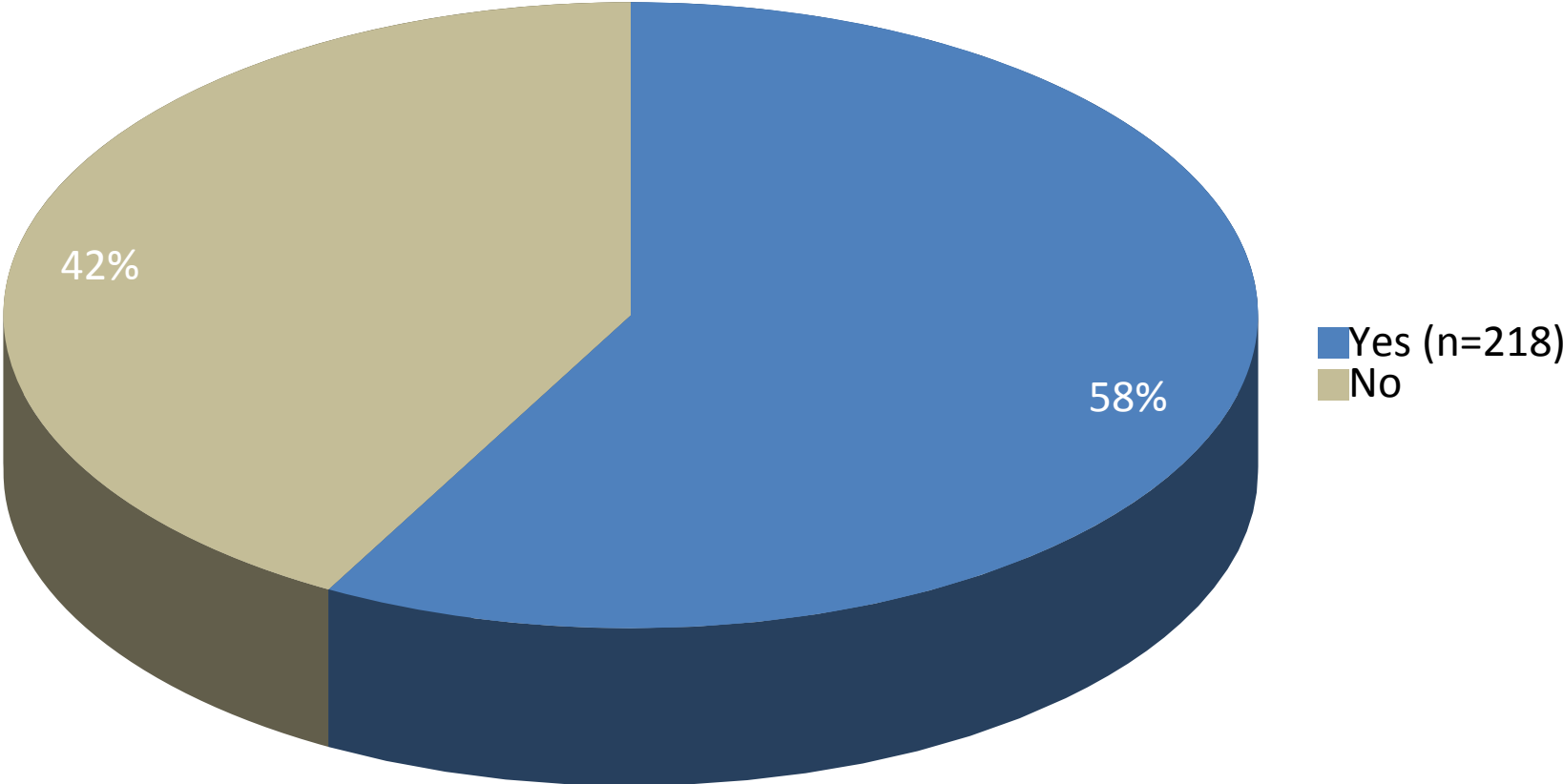


# Do you own property within the District that is taxed as agricultural land?

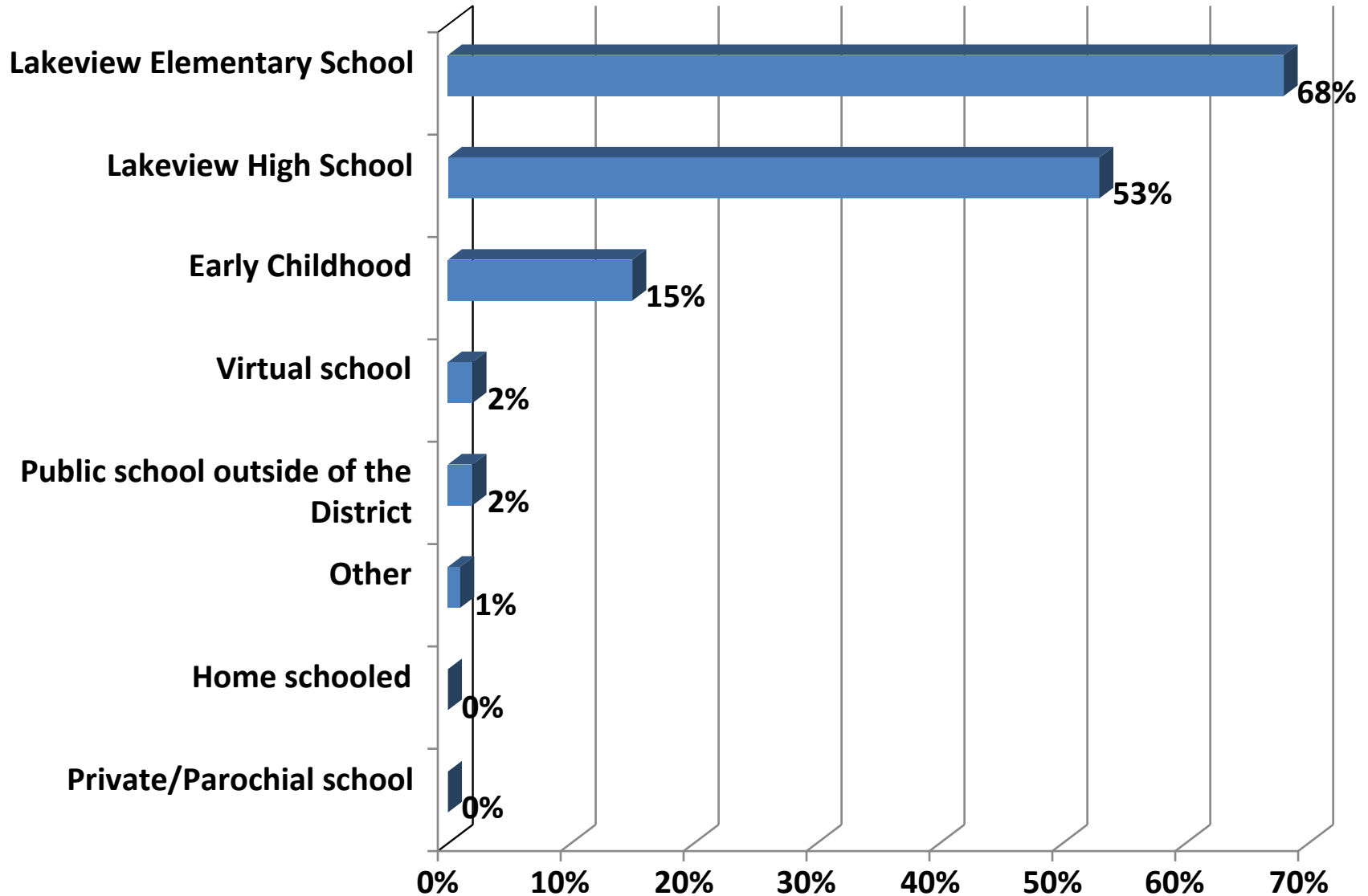




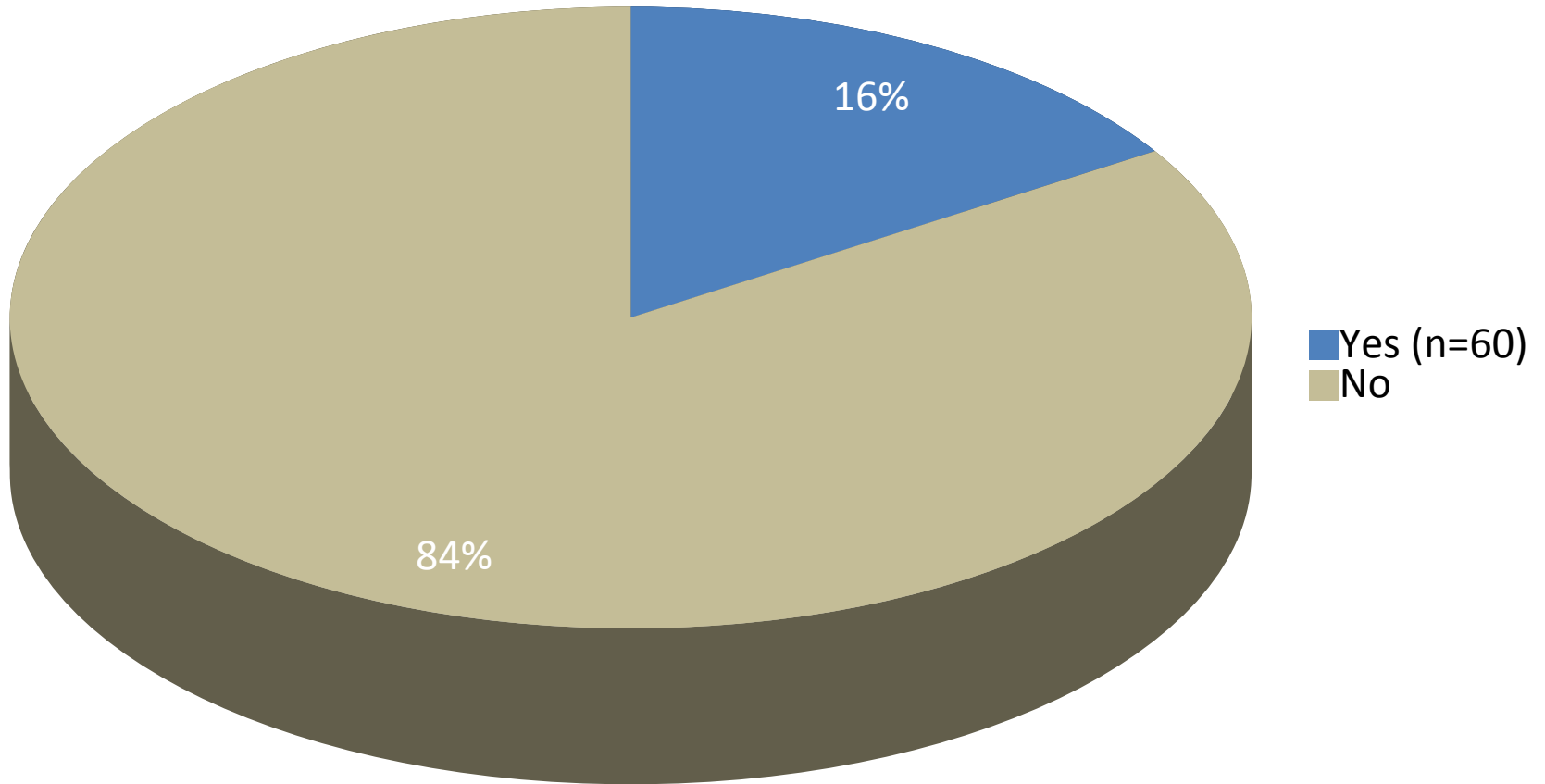
# Do you have child(ren) attending school in the District?



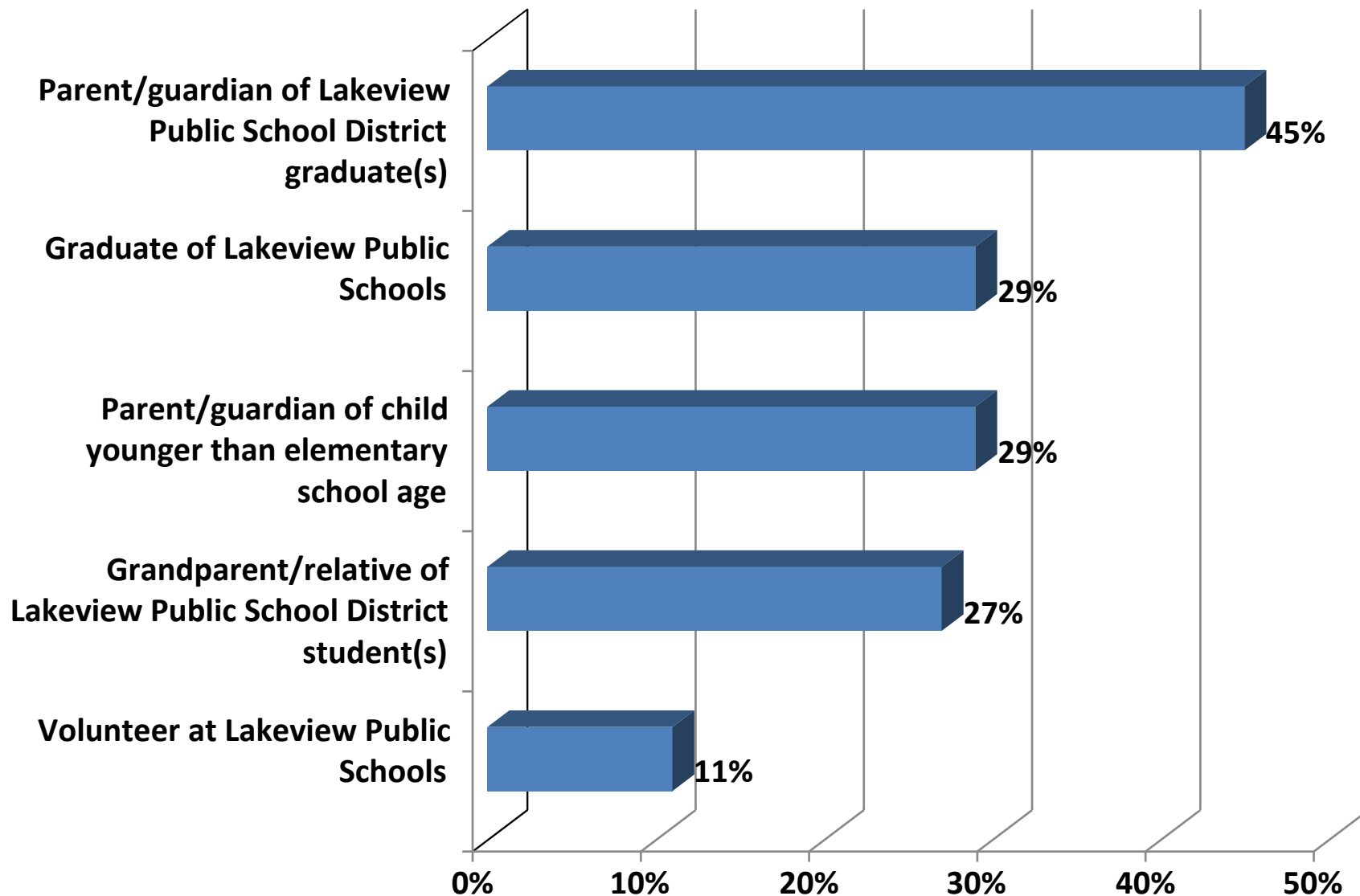
# If you have school-aged children, what school(s) do they attend?



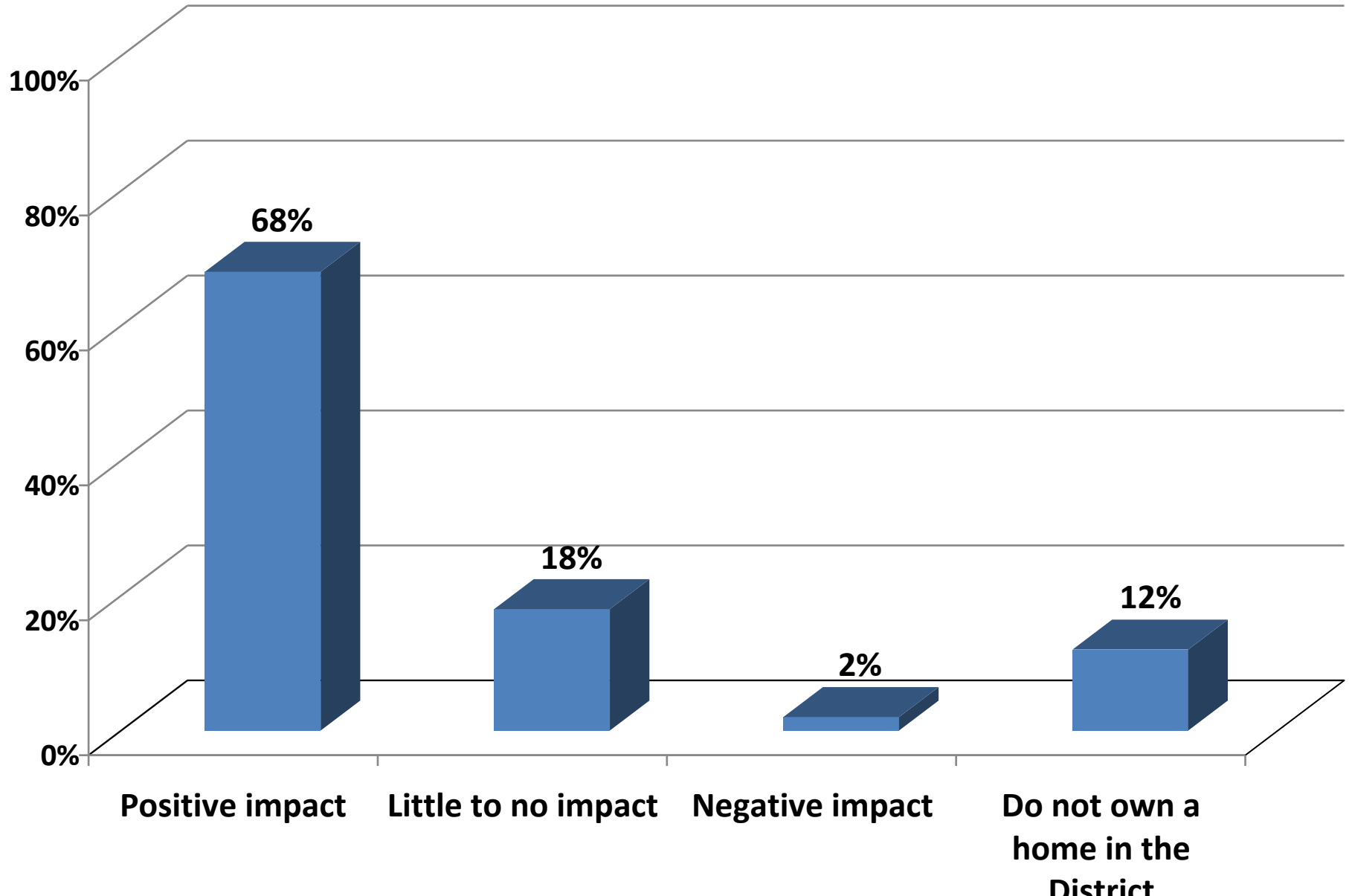
# Are you an employee of the Lakeview Public School District?



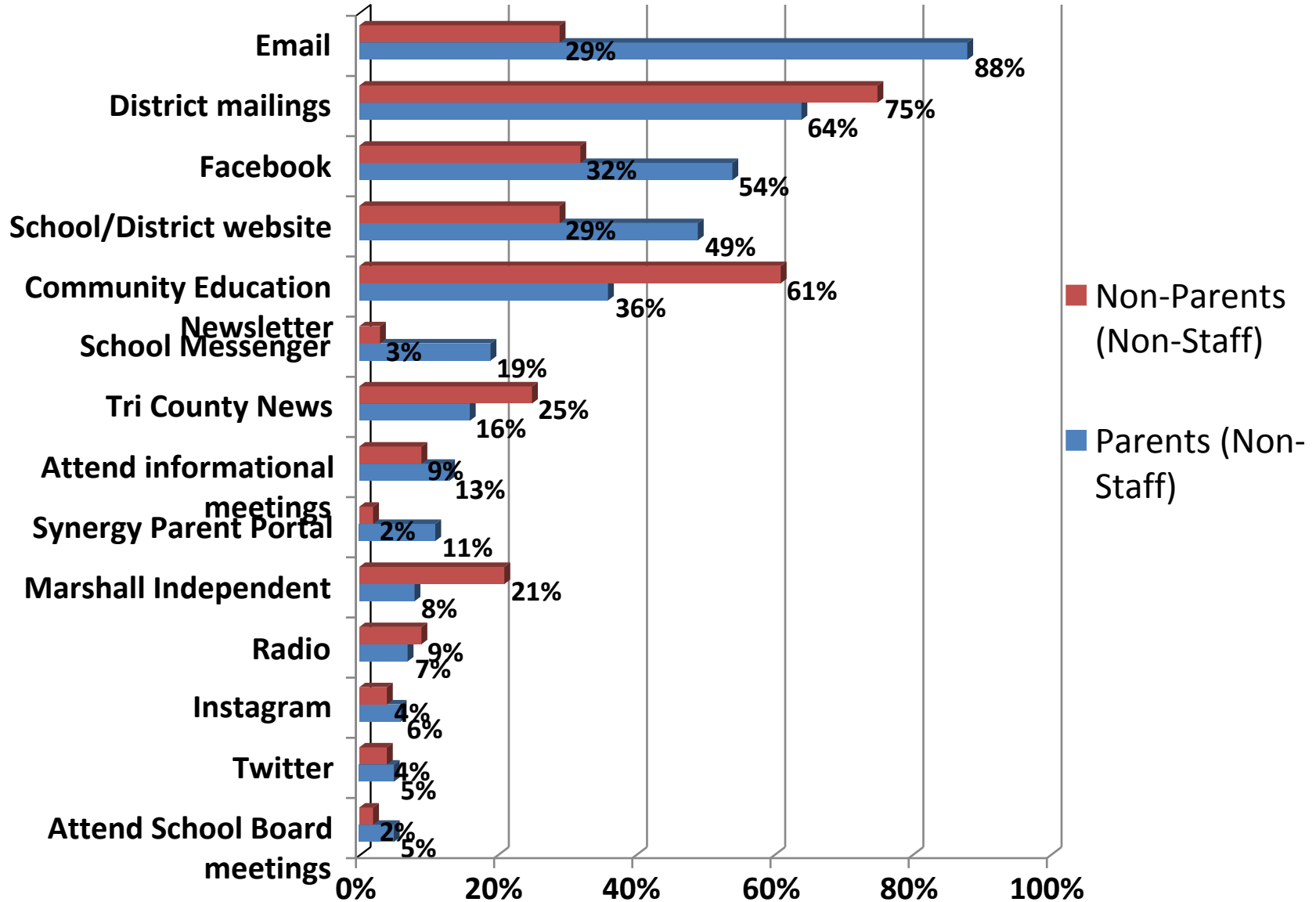
# Please mark ALL other relationships you have with the Lakeview Public School District:



# Overall, what impact do you believe the Lakeview Public School District has on your home value?



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



# Achieving Excellence

# Please tell us how we are doing in the following areas:

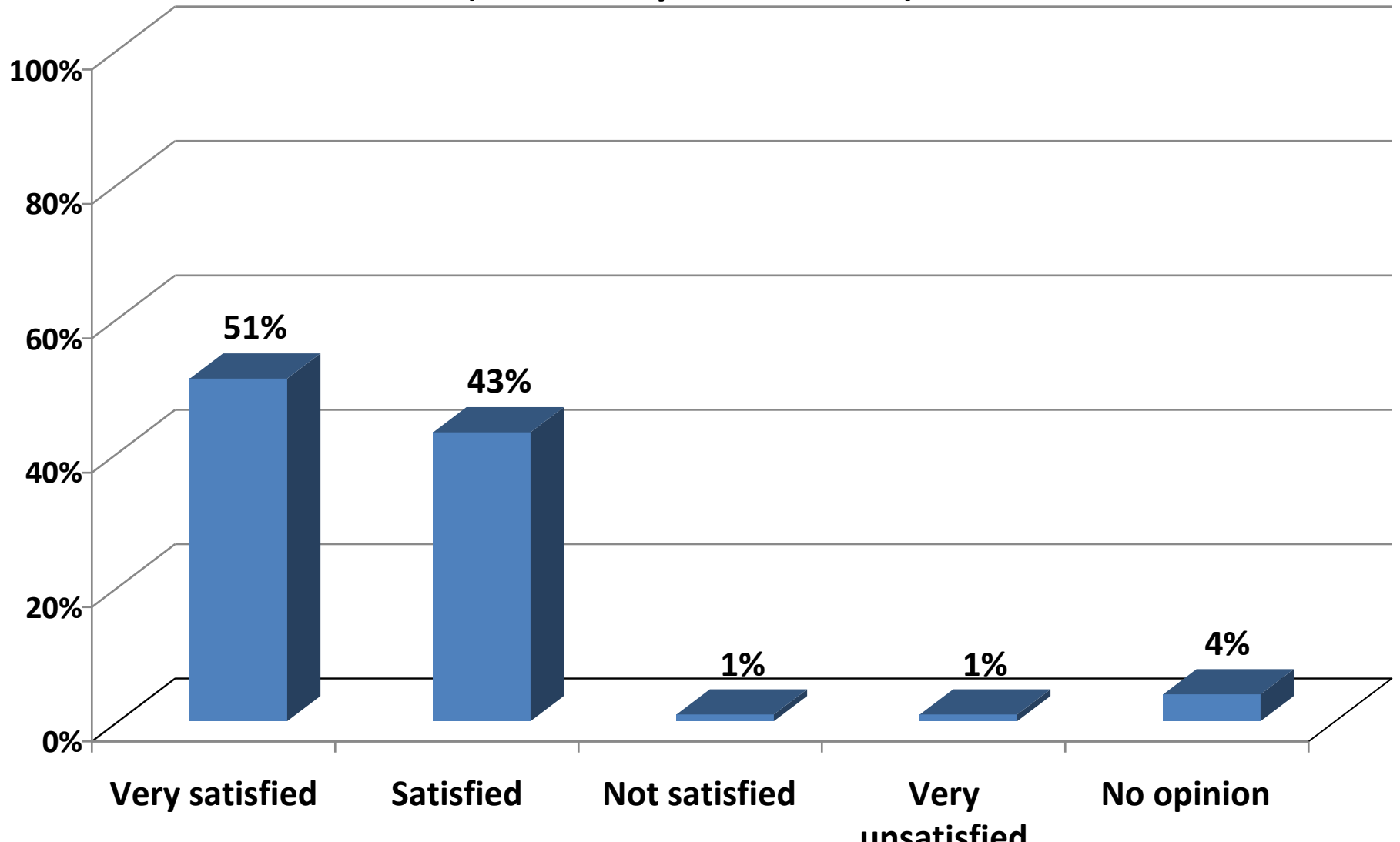
*Great (4), Good (3), Fair (2), Poor (1)*

Item	Staff	Parents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parents (Non-Staff)
Building pride in our community	3.73	3.59	3.47
Delivering a high-quality educational experience	3.57	3.49	3.36
Providing a safe and welcoming learning environment	3.75	3.53	3.32
Maintaining school facilities	3.40	3.41	3.26
Hiring and retaining high-quality staff	3.51	3.17	3.21
Developing student character	3.50	3.38	3.20
Keeping the public informed	3.68	3.38	3.13
Meeting students' social and emotional needs	3.34	3.25	3.07
Preparing students for life after high school	3.40	3.10	2.97
Spending tax dollars wisely	3.57	3.16	2.84



# Overall, how satisfied are you with the Lakeview Public School District?

*(All Respondents)*



# **Facility Planning (Information Only)**

*A Facilities Analysis* was completed by RA Morton Construction in May of 2020. The review evaluated the school's condition, adequacy of the educational spaces, and outdoor athletic space needs. The final report can be found at [www.lakeview2167.com](http://www.lakeview2167.com).

If the public supports addressing the identified needs, the primary way to obtain funding is through a bond referendum.

# Base Plan

District officials reviewed the facilities analysis and created a list of potential projects. Next, they **identified the highest priority projects and created a Base Plan.**

**The Base Plan includes the following:**

- Update safety and security systems
- Replace rooftop heating and ventilation (HVAC) units
- Update plumbing fixtures
- Replace roof sections
- Replace doors and flooring
- Repair exterior/tuckpointing and sidewalks
- Renovate locker rooms
- Replace kitchen freezer and cooler
- Replace auditorium carpet and curtains
- Repave parking lot

***Estimated cost of Base Plan: \$7.235 million***

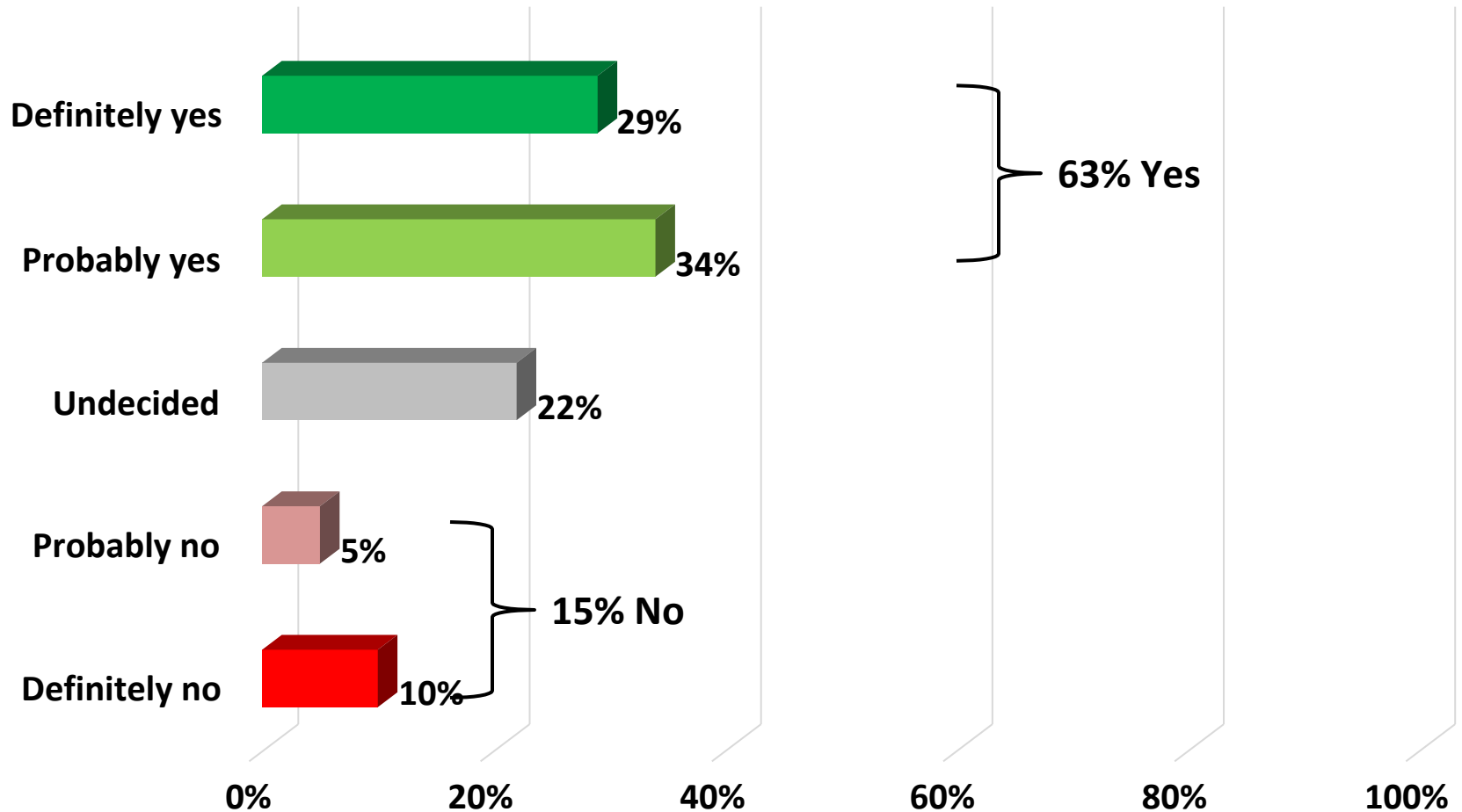
<b>ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX IMPACT FOR BASE PLAN</b>		
<b>Type of Property</b>	<b>Estimated Assessment Value</b>	<b>\$7.235 million</b>
<b>Residential Homestead</b>	\$100,000	\$22
	\$150,000	\$39
	\$200,000	\$56
	\$250,000	\$73
	\$350,000	\$107
<b>Commercial/ Industrial</b>	\$100,000	\$46
	\$250,000	\$132
<b>Ag Homestead</b> (average value per acre of land and buildings)	\$6,000	\$0.37
	\$7,000	\$0.43
	\$8,000	\$0.50
<b>Ag Non-Homestead</b> (average value per acre of land and buildings)	\$6,000	\$0.74
	\$7,000	\$0.87
	\$8,000	\$0.99

The chart above shows the tax impacts for various property values to complete the Base Plan.

# Would you support a \$7.235 million bond referendum to complete the Base Plan?

*Tax impacts are identified in the table on the previous slide.  
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All Residents

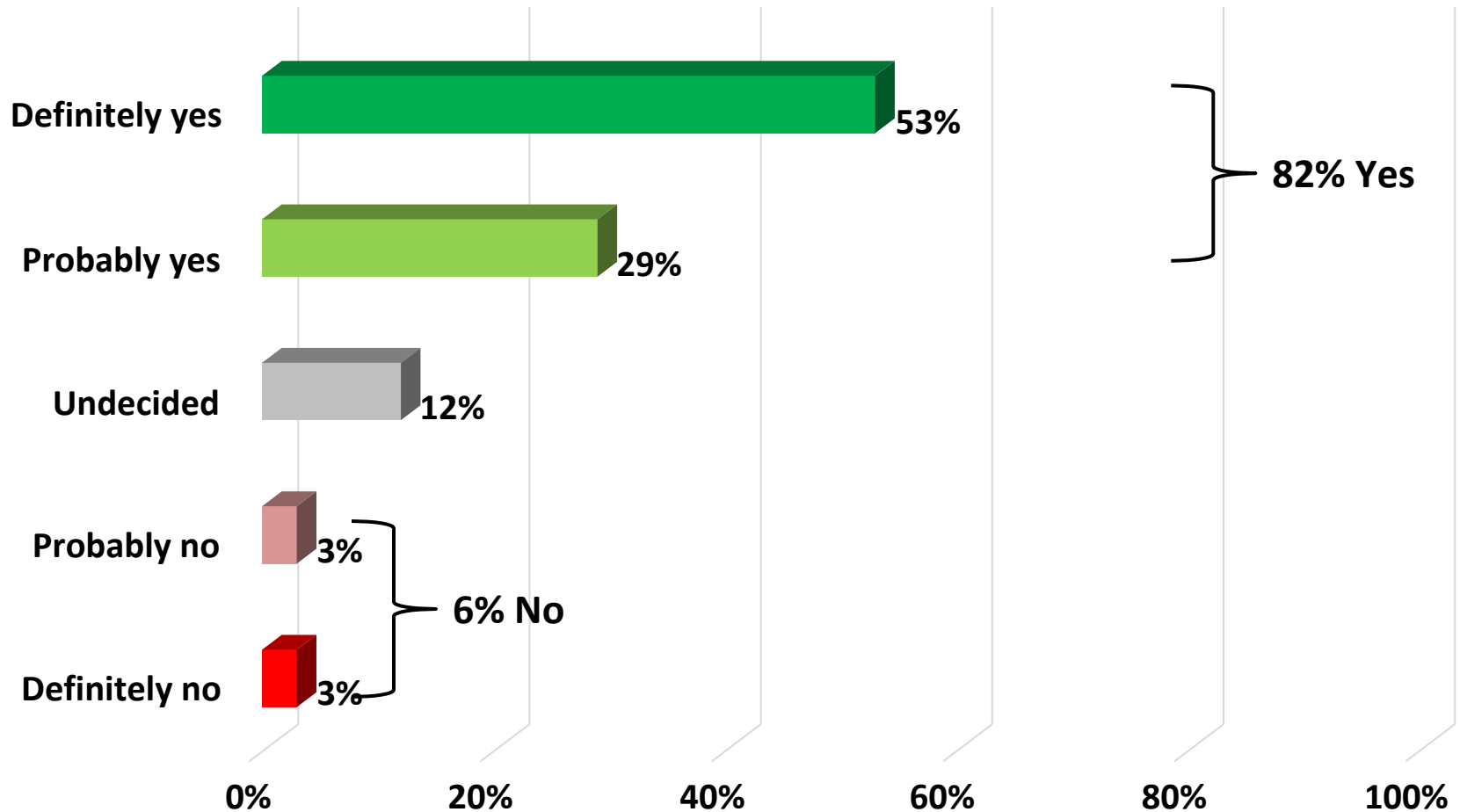


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## Staff Residents

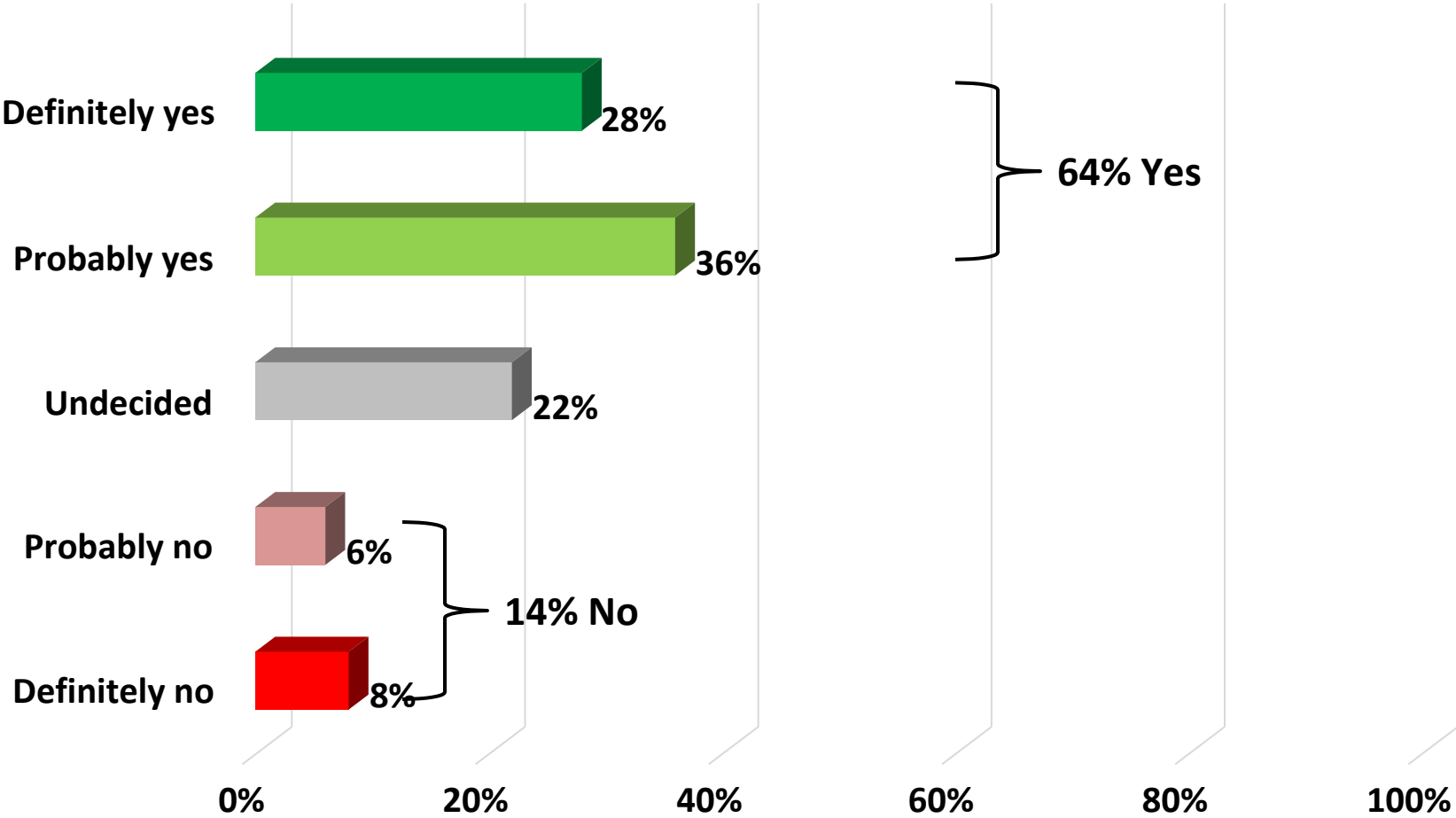




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Parent Residents (Non-Staff)

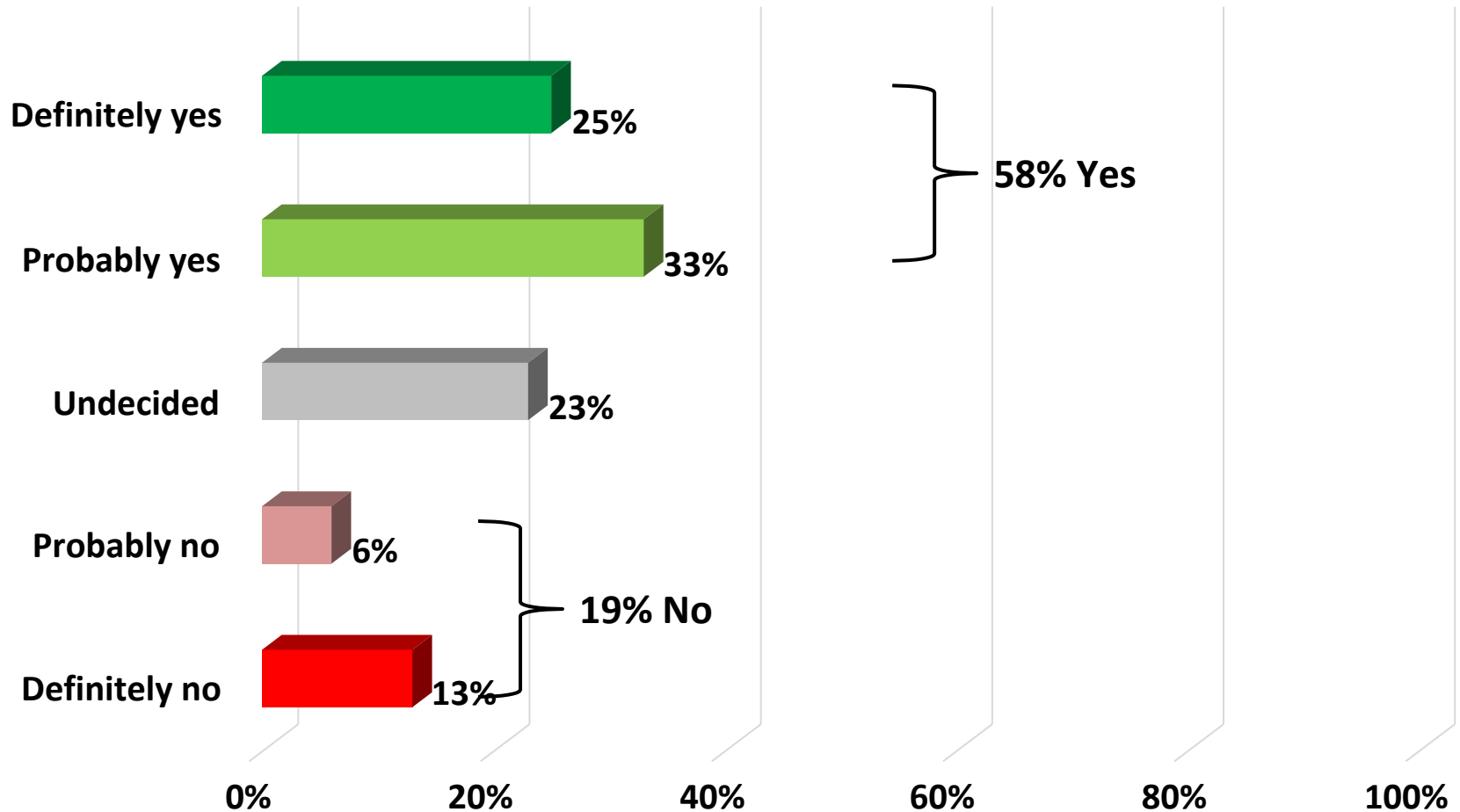


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## Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)



# Additional Projects

## **Update Auditorium Lighting and Presentation System**

The lighting over the theater seating is in need of replacement. Energy efficient LED lighting can be added. An updated projector and projection screen is also needed. *(est. cost: \$183,000)*

## **Window and Floor Replacement**

The kitchen floor is in need of replacement as well as a series of windows throughout the school. *(est. cost: \$198,000)*

## **Replace Gym Bleachers**

The visitor side gym bleachers are in need of replacement. *(est. cost: \$120,000)*

## **Update Playgrounds and Walking Paths**

The playground equipment and surface needs to be replaced. The walking paths surrounding the school and playgrounds need to be repaired. *(est. cost: \$293,000)*

## **Outdoor Athletic Field Updates**

The scoreboards at the baseball, softball, and football fields are in need of replacement. Lights are needed at the softball and baseball fields. The lower softball field could be repurposed for baseball. The outdoor concession building needs updating. In addition, the press box at the football field needs to be expanded. *(est. cost: \$1.072 million)*

## **Track Resurfacing**

The track surface needs to be replaced, improving usability for the District and community. *(est. cost: \$439,000)*

## **Turf the Football Field**

Artificial turf could be laid on the football field, creating a multi-use field for physical education classes and providing year-round practice and competition space for athletic teams and other school and community activities. In addition, this would decrease the annual field maintenance expenses (watering, fertilizing, grass cutting, etc.). *(est. cost: \$1.4 million)*

# What priority would you place on each of the following if they were included in a referendum?

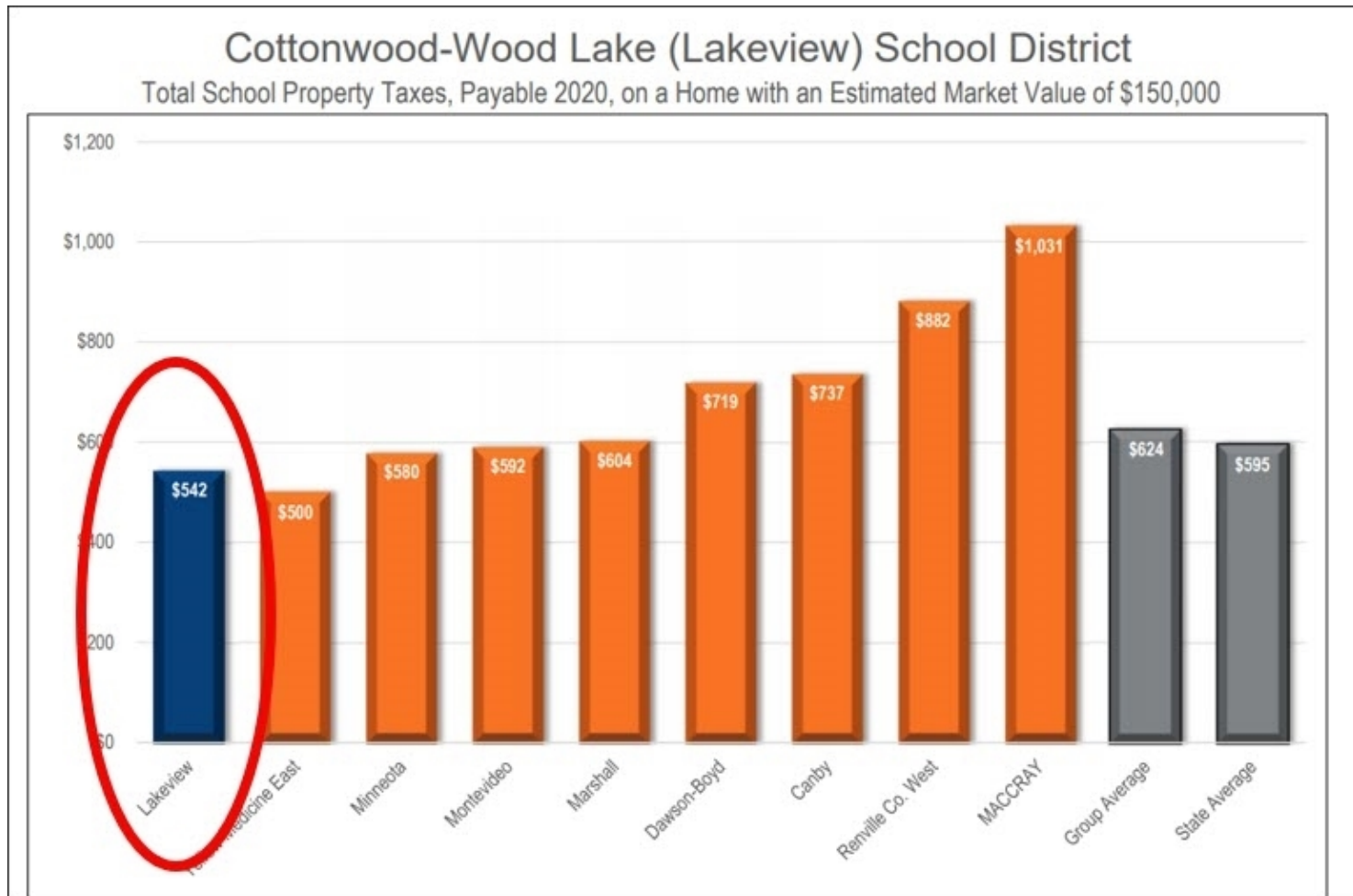
*High (3), Medium (2), Low (1)*

Item	All Residents	Staff Residents	Parent Residents (Non-Staff)	Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)
<b>Window and Floor Replacement</b> <i>(est. cost: \$198,000)</i>	2.44	2.63	2.44	2.39
<b>Update Playgrounds and Walking Paths</b> <i>(est. cost: \$293,000)</i>	2.00	2.25	2.07	1.84
<b>Update Auditorium Lighting and Presentation System</b> <i>(est. cost: \$183,000)</i>	1.86	2.19	1.85	1.80
<b>Track Resurfacing</b> <i>(est. cost: \$439,000)</i>	1.65	1.91	1.62	1.61
<b>Outdoor Athletic Field Updates</b> <i>(est. cost: \$1.072 million)</i>	1.69	1.85	1.74	1.59
<b>Replace Gym Bleachers</b> <i>(est. cost: \$120,000)</i>	1.57	1.59	1.55	1.58
<b>Turf the Football Field</b> <i>(est. cost: \$1.4 million)</i>	1.52	1.59	1.54	1.46

# Financial Background (Information Only)

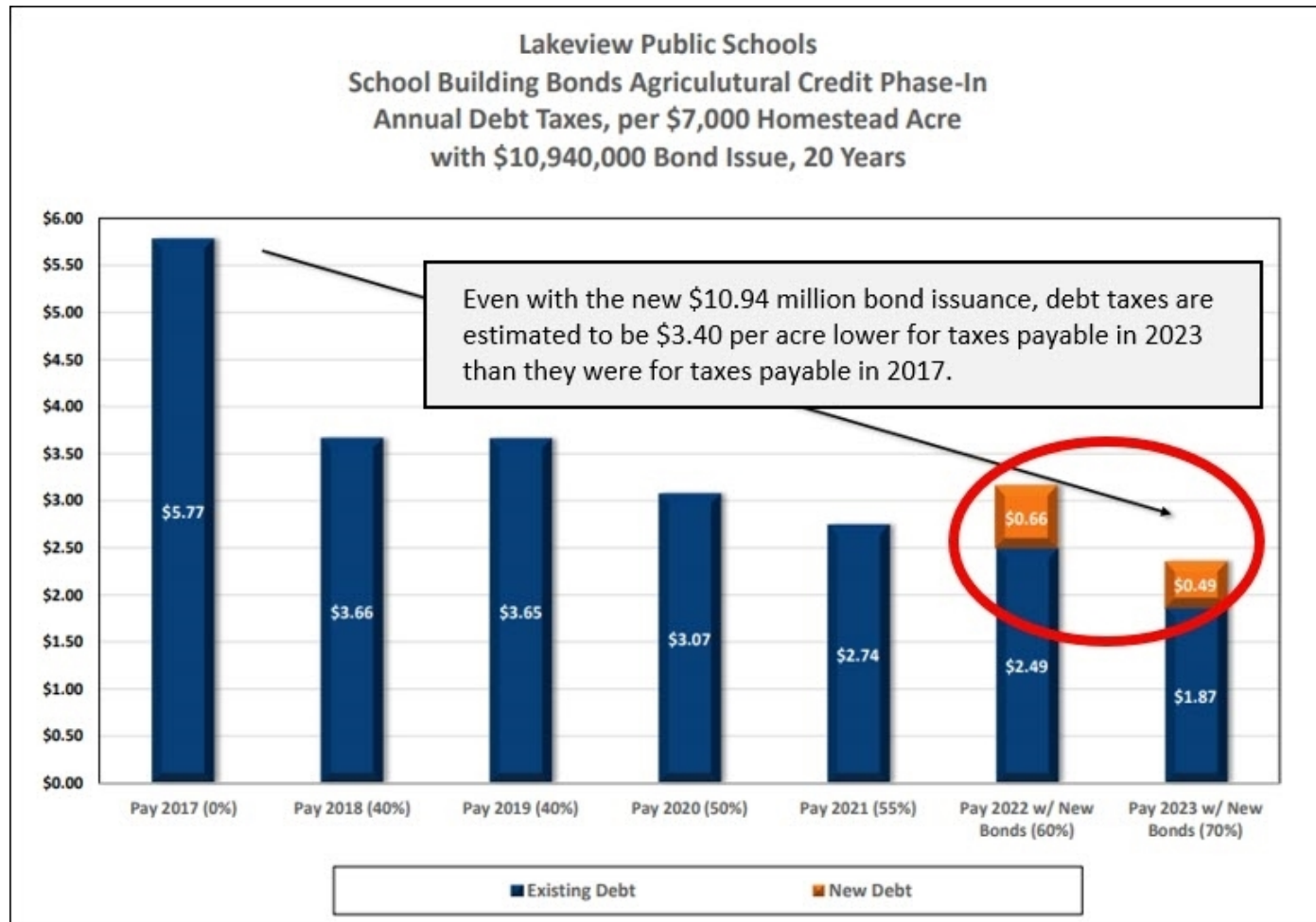
The District believes **this is a good time to address our facility needs** because:

- Interest rates remain near historic lows.
- The District works hard to be a good steward of taxpayers' dollars. As a result, school taxes are some of the lowest in the area, as shown in the graph below.

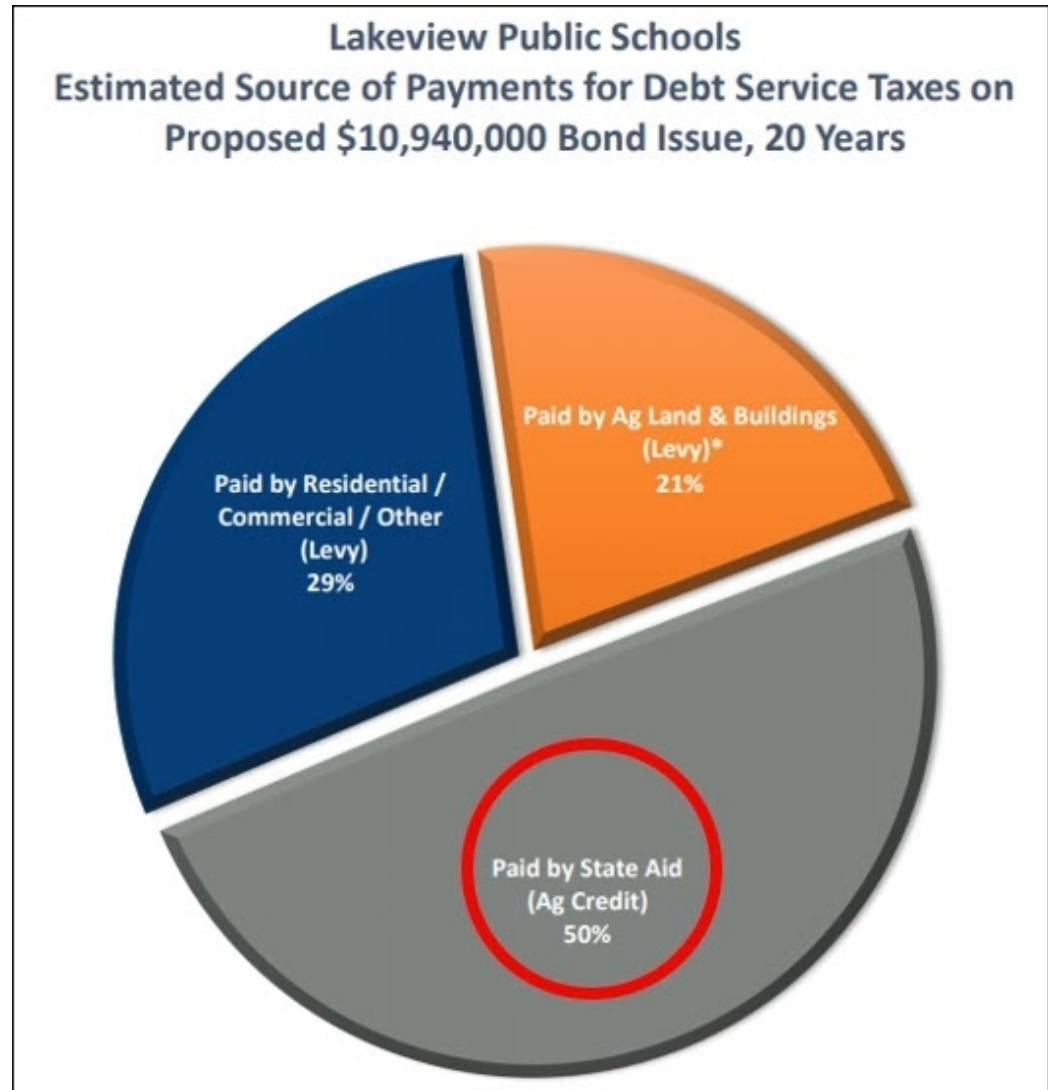




These projects would **qualify for the School Building Bond Agricultural Credit**. This credit, approved in 2017 and enhanced in 2019, reduced property taxes paid on agricultural land for school improvements by 40% initially, and then increased to 50% in 2020, 55% in 2021, 60% in 2022 and 70% for taxes payable in 2023 and beyond. **As a result, the tax impact of the District's existing debt on agricultural properties has declined since 2017, and the tax impact for a potential new bond issue would gradually decrease from 2021 to 2023 and beyond.** For example, as shown in the graph below, prior to the passage of the credit, school bond taxes on a \$7,000 acre were \$5.77 annually. Over time, that tax rate has declined as the credit phased in, and even with a \$10.94 million bond, taxes paid are estimated to be significantly lower than they were in 2017, and are at or below the rate agricultural landowners pay currently, in 2020, for the life of the new bond.



Due to the NEW School Building Bond Agricultural Credit, the state's share of the tax burden of a \$10.94 million 20-year bonded project benefiting our school community would be approximately 50%.



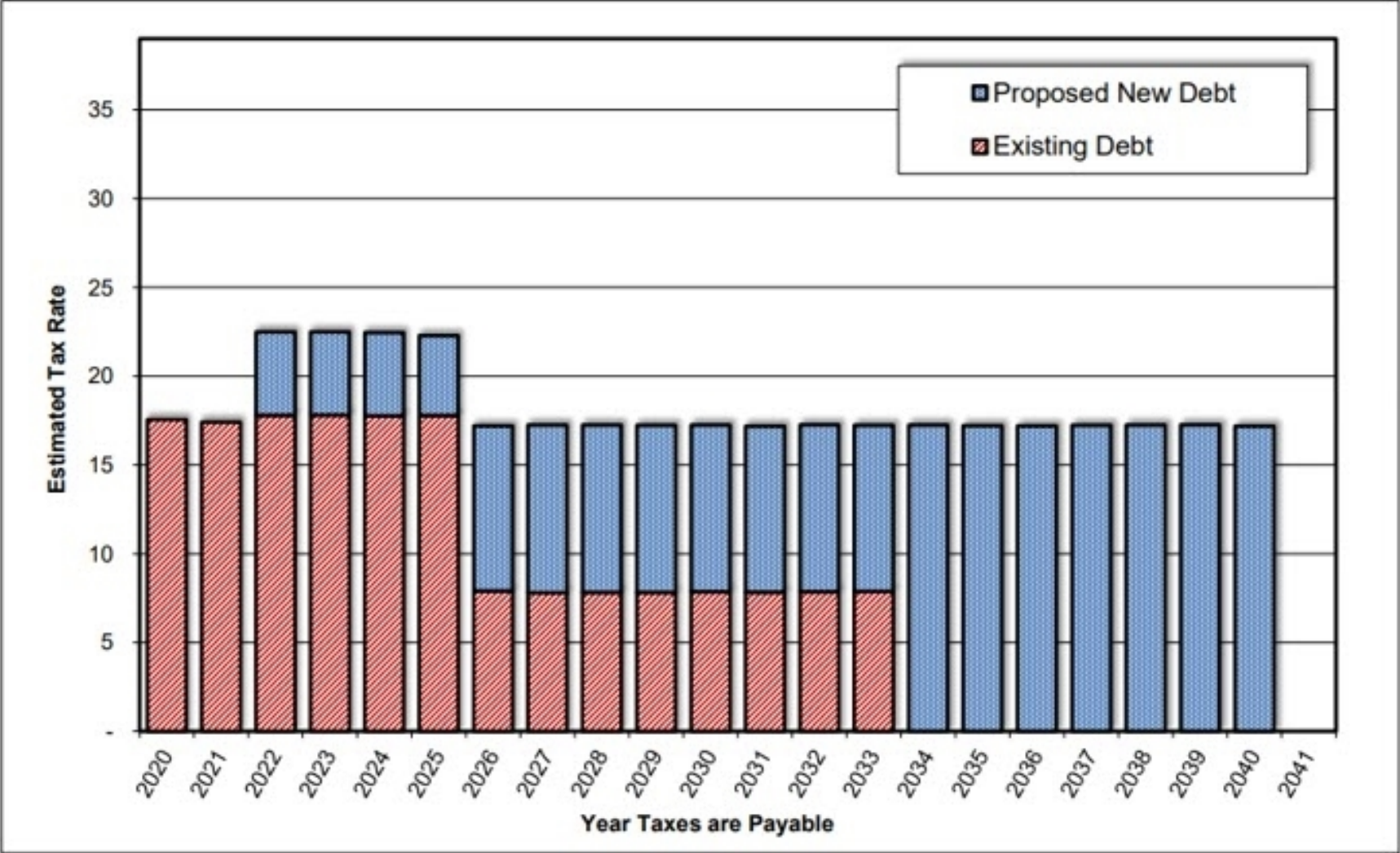
# Funding Support

The cost to complete ALL of the projects identified in the survey is \$10.94 million.

The chart below shows the tax impacts for a \$10.94 million bond for various property types and values.

<b>ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX IMPACT TO COMPLETE ALL PROJECTS</b>		
<b>Type of Property</b>	<b>Estimated Assessment Value</b>	<b>\$10.94 million</b>
<b>Residential Homestead</b>	\$100,000	\$34
	\$150,000	\$59
	\$200,000	\$85
	\$250,000	\$110
	\$350,000	\$161
<b>Commercial/ Industrial</b>	\$100,000	\$70
	\$250,000	\$199
<b>Ag Homestead</b> (average value per acre of land and buildings)	\$6,000	\$0.56
	\$7,000	\$0.66
	\$8,000	\$0.75
<b>Ag Non-Homestead</b> (average value per acre of land and buildings)	\$6,000	\$1.12
	\$7,000	\$1.31
	\$8,000	\$1.50

The **increase in taxes for school district debt is anticipated to be limited to 4 years**. At that time, most of the District's existing debt will be retired, and the debt service levy is expected to decline to a level that is similar to the current tax rate as shown in the chart.

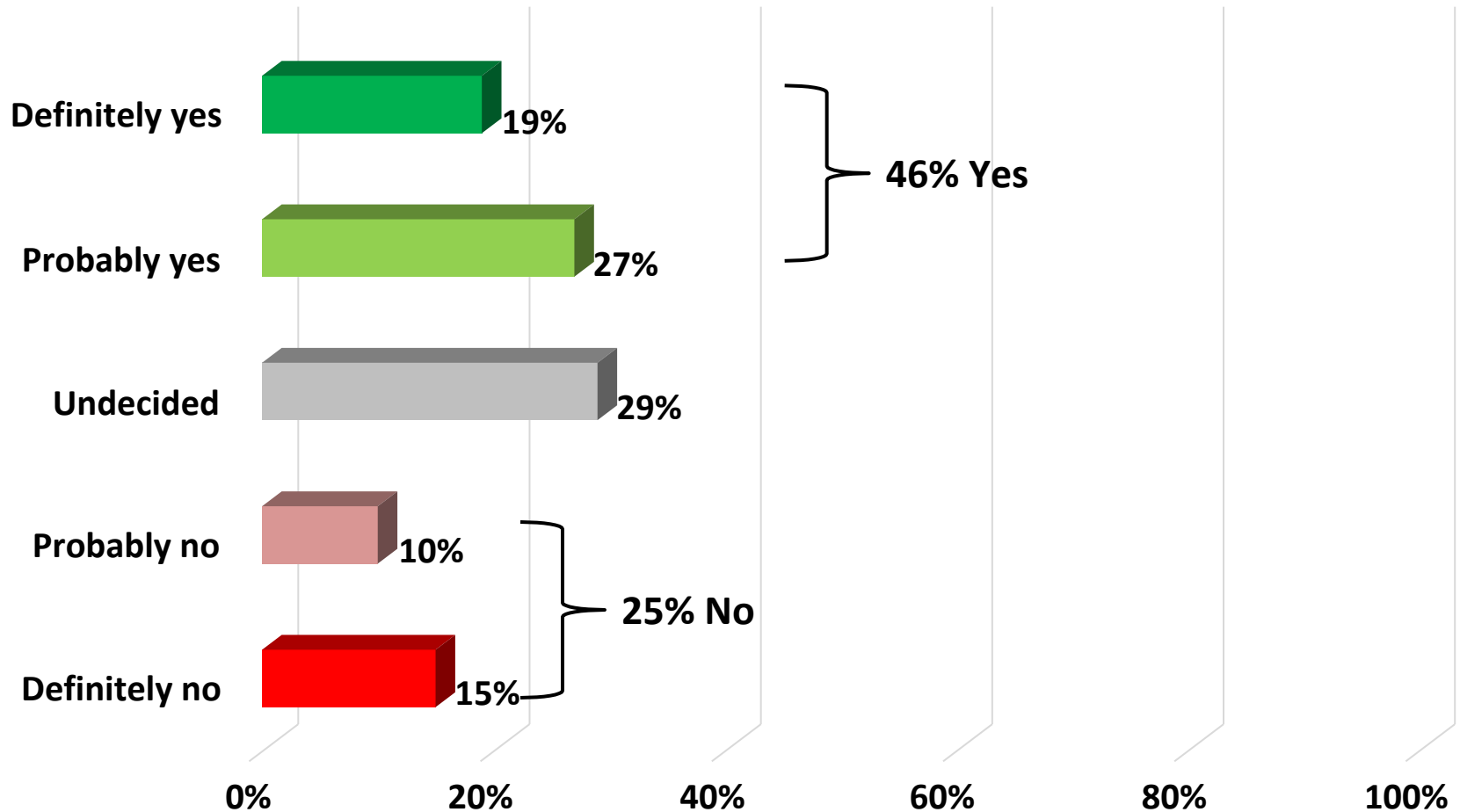


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All Residents

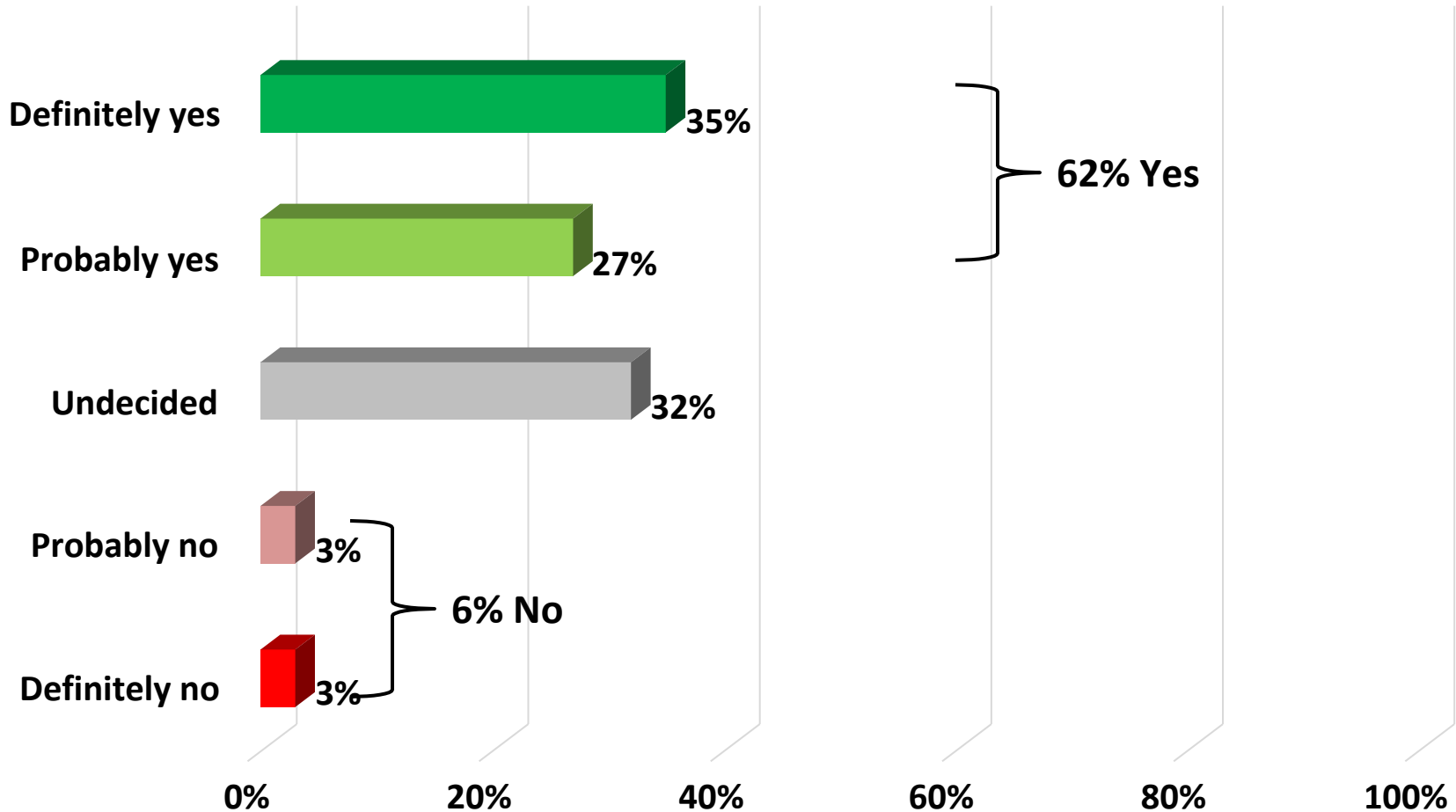


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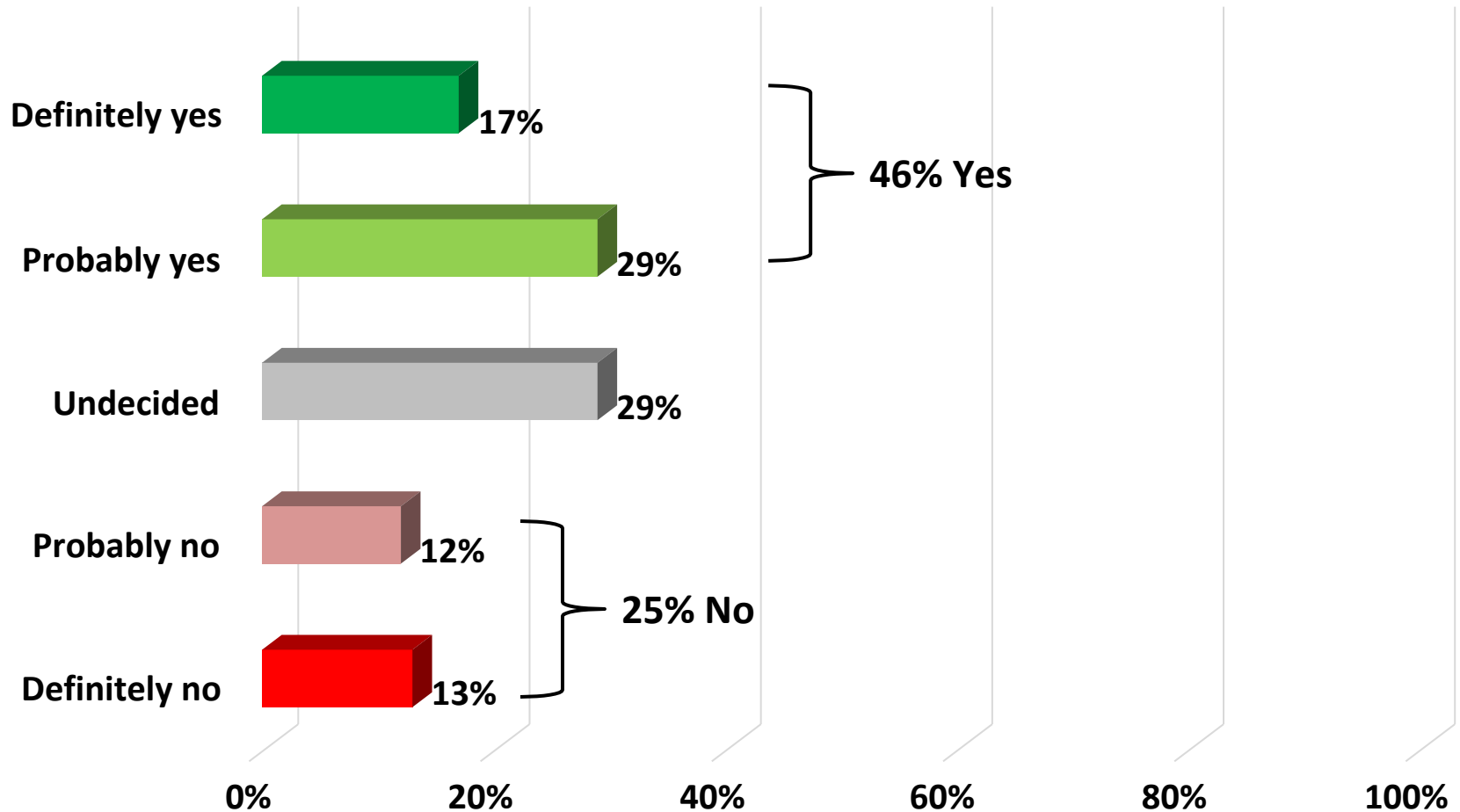


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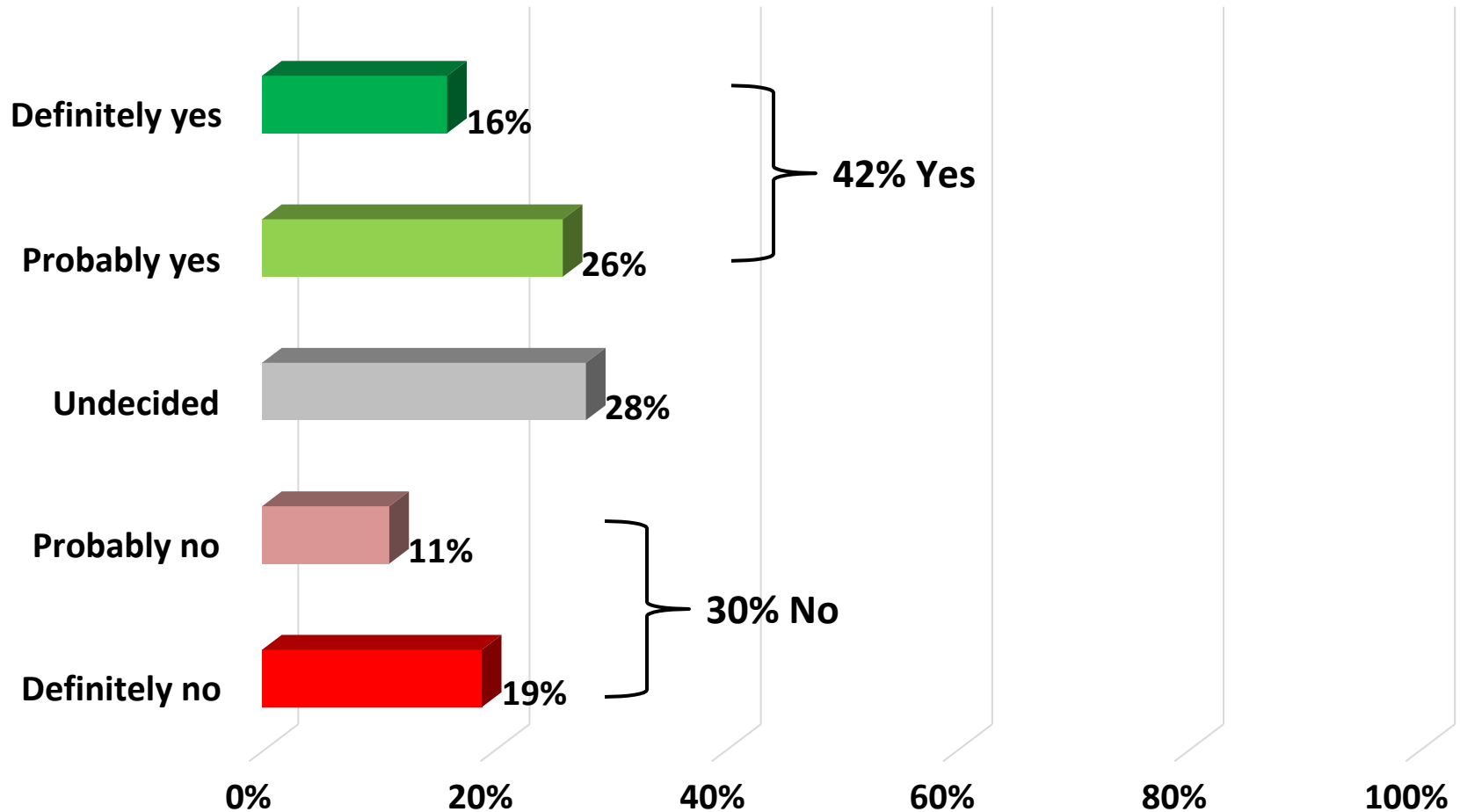


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## Non-Parent Residents (Non-Staff)



Thank you!



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