



Vote Yes on “73” for Great Schools, Thriving Communities



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WHAT IS AMENDMENT 73?

- Statewide Constitutional Amendment
- Generates \$1.6 billion to fund Colorado public schools (for 900,000 students)

HOW IS AMENDMENT 73 PAID FOR?

- Creates a graduated tax on incomes above \$150,000, which won't impact 92% of taxpayers
- Creates a tax on corporations (not S Corps or LLCs or sole proprietors)
- Reduces and stabilizes property tax rates

WHY DO SCHOOLS NEED MORE FUNDING?

- Colorado is experiencing a teacher shortage crisis
- In the last year alone Colorado underfunded schools by nearly \$830 million
- Colorado ranks near the bottom in personal income invested in education
- Education funding has not recovered from the recession
- Colorado schools have over \$7 billion in construction and repair needs

WHY VOTE FOR AMENDMENT 73?

- Strong public schools are the backbone of healthy communities
- Colorado public schools need to be able to attract and retain quality teachers and staff
- Colorado public schools are chronically underfunded and funding is below the national average
- Underfunding our schools is a state-level problem, so we need a state-wide solution
- The \$1.6 billion amount does not even return us to the national average
- Amendment 73 creates a new, dedicated revenue stream that provides desperately needed funding
- Dollars are under control of the locally elected school board
- All PK-12 Colorado public schools benefit from increased base funding, full-day kindergarten, and additional funding for at-risk, ELL, special needs, preschool, and gifted and talented students

www.YesOnAmendment73.org

The 'Vote Yes on Amendment 73' campaign is inspired by a diverse and inclusive coalition of education-connected organizations working to advance better and more equitable funding of public schools throughout Colorado.



Amendment 73 Tax Impact Calculator

www.cosfp.org/impactcalculator/

District Impact Summaries

www.greatschoolsthivingcommunities.org/district_impact_summaries