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M	18-34	Rep	Arapahoe	No	No Student	Cherry Creek School District has always been strong and while there are things such as business basics, credit basics, how to study and pass exams (for college), be more in lined with how college is (80%exams 20%hw) so that we're better off with students I still think they do a tremendous job
F	35-44	Unaf	Arapahoe	No	No Student	They are using scientifically backed approaches to teaching literacy rather than the unaligned approaches used previously.
M	35-44	Unaf	Arapahoe	No	No Student	Because they are teaching critical race theory and grooming kids to be transgender
F	65+	Unaf	Arapahoe	No	No Student	I see educated children
F	65+	Unaf	Arapahoe	No	No Student	They aren't censoring "stuff" like some district's nationally
M	65+	Unaf	Arapahoe	No	No Student	My significant other is a retired teacher and she thinks so.
F	18-34	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	Caring curriculum for students of all backgrounds, focus on increasing representation, more time outside, etc
F	18-34	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	They are inclusive and kinda and preparing students well. Creating safe schools is paramount.
M	18-34	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	I know administrators and educators who are dedicated to improving the district. However, I fear that institutional and legislative factors will limit their ability to promote change.
M	18-34	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	Teachers in BVSD are unionized. They get higher pay and as such, are better teachers.
F	65+	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	Excellent teachers
F	65+	Dem	Boulder	No	No Student	Teaching critical thinking (not race theory) at a very young age. Science is followed and because it is science is changed as new discoveries are found.
F	35-44	Dem	Chaffee	No	No Student	Focuses on balancing community needs and protecting educators from domestic extremism. We need more funding for student mental health and teacher salaries or we WILL start heading down the wrong track.
F	55-64	Unaf	Delta	No	No Student	There is strong leadership that involves the teaching staff and community members. The staff are always willing to go above and beyond to help students succeed. Our school district has a variety of learning options for different types of learners. They are very prudent with fiscal decisions and keep the taxpayers in mind when making major decisions.

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M	35-44	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	Children need to be well rounded, and given a lot of opportunity to discover new things, new ideas, and facts. I think our schools do a DECENT job at that. Could it be better? Absolutely!
M	35-44	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	There are a variety of different approaches taken at different schools - my family can choose what's right for us.
F	55-64	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	Teacher are doing well
F	55-64	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	While there's always room for improvement, my children attended DPS and are off to a great start in college.
M	55-64	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	Good teachers and administrators. Non-partisan school board.
M	55-64	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	I believe a well rounded education best prepares our next generation, including STEM, liberal studies, arts, music, etc. I believe this is the direction our schools are headed.
M	65+	Dem	Denver	No	No Student	Great schools
F	35-44	Unaf	Denver	No	No Student	The schools near me appear to be working toward inclusivity and curricula that is world focused. I look forward to even more exposure when my kids join our local school.
M	45-54	Unaf	Denver	No	No Student	Kids seem pretty happy in the area I live in. Not very many complaints.
M	45-54	Unaf	Denver	No	No Student	Teachers are amazing for the little they have to work with. They should be massively supported.
F	45-54	Rep	Douglas	No	No Student	New conservative board
F	65+	Rep	Douglas	No	No Student	Conservative School Board
M	65+	Rep	Douglas	No	No Student	New board members focused on education as opposed to indoctrination. No CRT or "woke" social justice propaganda.
M	65+	Rep	Douglas	No	No Student	The majority of the school board now reflects my views on education.
F	55-64	Unaf	Eagle	No	No Student	Awareness, screening and referrals for mental health issues, counselors in each school
F	45-54	Dem	El Paso	No	No Student	I work as a kitchen manager for d11 I've seen the teachers do amazing work they go above and beyond for the students even with all the struggles
M	55-64	Dem	El Paso	No	No Student	Because our government does not restrict what is taught in school

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F	65+	Dem	El Paso	No	No Student	I work in an elementary school. My daughter works at a HS. We see what teachers teach and all the work they or into learning.
M	65+	Rep	El Paso	No	No Student	Good test scores and graduation rates
F	45-54	Unaf	El Paso	No	No Student	District 3 schools seem to care about their students' futures.
M	65+	Unaf	El Paso	No	No Student	Good teachers
F	65+	Dem	Garfield	No	No Student	I've been a mentor for kids 13 -18. I think the school district here is working hard to make sure more kids graduate and go on to college.
F	55-64	Unaf	Garfield	No	No Student	They seem to be keeping teachers even though it seems many have quit during the pandemic
F	45-54	Unaf	Gilpin	No	No Student	Great teachers!!! They care about their students and work so hard to ensure their success.
M	18-34	Dem	Jefferson	No	No Student	They are teaching appropriate topics
F	35-44	Dem	Jefferson	No	No Student	They espouse their values include diversity and inclusion and progressive educational practices like restorative justice.
F	45-54	Dem	Jefferson	No	No Student	Teachers are working as hard as ever to educate our youth.
F	65+	Dem	Jefferson	No	No Student	They are independent and free from getting caught up in the god awful conservatives that are ruining the meaning of a public school education
F	65+	Dem	Jefferson	No	No Student	They seem to offer a variety of options to reach different types of students
F	35-44	Unaf	Jefferson	No	No Student	Standards based
M	35-44	Unaf	Jefferson	No	No Student	I just moved here, no kids, but compared to Oregon seems way favorable
F	45-54	Unaf	Jefferson	No	No Student	Teachers care, test scores are mostly high, lots of options for students
M	55-64	Unaf	Jefferson	No	No Student	I like the consideration of new start and end times. Closing small old schools also makes sense. Try and retain as many teachers and support as possible
F	65+	Unaf	Jefferson	No	No Student	Teachers are all working so hard. Especially coming out of Covid.
F	65+	Dem	La Plata	No	No Student	They like school and do well.
F	55-64	Unaf	La Plata	No	No Student	The teachers are very dedicated and things such as tutors are offered no charge. However, we feel strongly that school staff is underpaid
F	65+	Unaf	La Plata	No	No Student	They work hard to meet the needs of each child.

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F	18-34	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	Academically yes, although quality teachers is becoming difficult due to the pay. The district pays one of the lowest in the state so many teachers have to leave the profession. With that, larger classroom sizes can impact learning.
F	45-54	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	School board is solid and seems to be run by people who have the same goals as me. Teachers and administrators who I know and/or who my kids have interacted with generally care and are good at their jobs.
F	55-64	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	Our children graduated from Thompson School District and have valuable careers
M	55-64	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	Avoiding the issues we see elsewhere
F	65+	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	So far in Larimer County teachers are allowed to teach to the standards, and at Cottonwood Plains the teachers are making learning relevant and exciting.
M	65+	Dem	Larimer	No	No Student	Avoiding political strife
F	35-44	Unaf	Larimer	No	No Student	Doing OK.
F	35-44	Unaf	Larimer	No	No Student	Inclusiveness, progression, pro science and facts. Avoiding policies like banning books. LGBTQIA openness
F	55-64	Unaf	Larimer	No	No Student	They try hard to educate our kids.
F	65+	Unaf	Larimer	No	No Student	Teachers and administration are child-centered and encourage each student to do their best.
F	55-64	Rep	Mesa	No	No Student	I do not have any children in school.
M	65+	Rep	Mesa	No	No Student	Three new conservative board members are make up a 6-3 conservative majority and are already turning things around to the right way!
F	35-44	Unaf	Mesa	No	No Student	Promoting equity and social justice
F	65+	Rep	Montezuma	No	No Student	So long as they do not teach CRT or gender related issues that is better left to parents
F	18-34	Rep	Routt	No	No Student	People seem happy with them.
F	65+	Unaf	Routt	No	No Student	Great teachers in Steamboat but they do need more money
M	65+	Dem	Summit	No	No Student	Great teachers and minimal ugly politics in the district. The community strongly supports public schools.
F	55-64	Unaf	Washington	No	No Student	Getting students educated
F	18-34	Dem	Weld	No	No Student	The teachers are still working hard to support students.
Oth	18-34	Dem	Weld	No	No Student	Weld County District 6 has done a lot of great work in adapting to COVID and making children feel safe

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F	45-54	Dem	Weld	No	No Student	Doing so much with very little resources and parental support and involvement is declining
F	35-44	Unaf	Weld	No	No Student	We tend to have involved parents and county that leans away from the progressive agenda
F	45-54	Unaf	Weld	No	No Student	Courses and programs offered, incorporating technology in the classroom
M	55-64	Unaf	Weld	No	No Student	D6 is focused on students first in creating a safe caring environment and preparing them to be career ready or post secondary school prepared. With community and district support an outstanding strategic plan was developed to help guide all stakeholders!
F	35-44	Dem	Adams	Yes	Public	I have seen changes over the years, (probably due to better funding) in our local school. There are things that I would like to see improve but I believe the teachers and staff are doing their best and going in the right direction.
F	55-64	Dem	Adams	Yes	Public	Schools are open and Covid is still here. I praise the teachers for supporting the education system for their service. Also our children continue to be taught during this time. Can't ask for anything more than that because teachers are human also.
F	35-44	Unaf	Adams	Yes	Public	Building new schools and working to get more funding for education.
F	65+	Rep	Arapahoe	Yes	Public	Englewood High school was great for my son. They had three semesters instead of two and longer classes so he could settle in and concentrate and they were goal oriented and positive
F	35-44	Dem	Boulder	Yes	Public	Special needs programs
M	45-54	Unaf	Boulder	Yes	Public	Focused on academics
F	35-44	Dem	Chaffee	Yes	Public	They do care about the students and have programs to supplement them is they're falling behind
F	35-44	Unaf	Chaffee	Yes	Public	Excellent parent teacher cooperation and communication
F	35-44	Dem	Clear Creek	Yes	Public	I have no reason not to believe that
F	55-64	Dem	Denver	Yes	Other	They are doing the best they can with what they have but they could do a better job if the schools were better funded, which means abolishing the taxpayer bill of rights.
F	55-64	Dem	Denver	Yes	Private	Teaching the students to be responsible and accountable

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F	35-44	Rep	Douglas	Yes	Public	I went to private school and my kids go to public school and I can see many of the same opportunities and services offered as I received.
F	35-44	Rep	Douglas	Yes	Public	The board flipped this past November and we have new leadership that will get our schools back to focusing on academics and give parents their voices back.
F	35-44	Rep	Douglas	Yes	Public	We elected a new board who supports parents and puts the kids education first
Oth	45-54	Rep	Douglas	Yes	Charter	We have a new majority school board and a new superintendent that are focused on academic excellence and not indoctrination and grooming of children.
F	35-44	Unaf	Douglas	Yes	Public	The new board and Superintendent for DCSD have their priorities straight and are working hard to focus on education and literacy.
M	35-44	Unaf	Douglas	Yes	Public	Because we elected a new school board majority in Douglas County focused on educational excellence for each student instead of activism and ideological indoctrination. That school board, in turn, hired a superintendent focused on the same things. Thank goodness.
Oth	35-44	Unaf	Douglas	Yes	Charter	We live in Douglas County and it's not a liberal stronghold that's been ruined by liberal and woke policies.
M	45-54	Unaf	Douglas	Yes	Public	They seem to take in the consideration of parents opinion
M	35-44	Unaf	Eagle	Yes	Public	Because Republican douche bags are not running the show
F	45-54	Dem	El Paso	Yes	Public	My student
M	45-54	Rep	El Paso	Yes	Public	No mask, no CRT
F	35-44	Unaf	El Paso	Yes	Public	Providing sexual education. Providing opportunities for DEI.
F	55-64	Unaf	El Paso	Yes	Public	Teaching is a calling. We put too many demands on all school personnel with limited resources and little to no public support voiced - too many cynics. Demands need to be made on families - outside of remote learning due to the pandemic.
M	45-54	Unaf	Garfield	Yes	Public	They show that interest in the kids a lot. I know they could do more if there was more money directed to education.
F	35-44	Unaf	Grand	Yes	Public	Teachers keep showing up, are invested in kids, and my kids live being there.
F	35-44	Dem	Jefferson	Yes	Public	Settling down from all the covid disruptions

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M	18-34	Unaf	Jefferson	Yes	Public	Strong teachers
F	45-54	Dem	Larimer	Yes	Public	Focused on the kids and public health. They are showing that they put the kids education in front of politics.
M	45-54	Rep	Larimer	Yes	Public	Because my charter school is awesome. We did fire our superintendent, but I don't know why.
F	35-44	Unaf	Larimer	Yes	Public	They are meeting kids where they are at, understanding how crazy things have been with Covid, and helping them believe in their own abilities. I like that there isn't much homework at the elementary level as that hasn't shown to improve learning.
M	18-34	Rep	Mesa	Yes	Public	The current school board is amazing
M	55-64	Unaf	Mesa	Yes	Public	Great test scores and solid teaching with full transparency
M	45-54	Unaf	Summit	Yes	Public	My kids are engaged and know history and facts that are relative?
F	45-54	Rep	Weld	Yes	Public	Our Superintendent likes to sweep issues under the rug and run great teachers off.
M	18-34	Unaf	Weld	Yes	Public	They follow the school format that that has been used for centuries which is go to college.
F	55-64	Unaf	Weld	Yes	Public	They are providing more mental health support. More consideration to the best times for docents to learn. Increase in preschool available.
Oth	35-44	Oth	Yuma	Yes	Other	What you are doing is unethical.