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Invest in Education Act Factsheet for Educators

Summary

- This new revenue will be distributed to the Classroom Site Fund with 60% of the money directed to the base pay pot for salaries. The definition of those eligible for these funds is broadened from just classroom teachers to also include “any non-administrative personnel who teaches students or supports student academic achievement as defined by the school district governing board including, but not limited to nurses, counselors, social workers, psychologists, speech pathologists, librarians and academic interventionists.”
- 40% of the new revenue will go to the menu money part of the Classroom Site Fund, and this can be used for Education Support Professionals’ salaries (our classified staff) as well as go to pay for full-day kindergarten. The INVESTinED initiative defines classified staff as “student support services personnel” (which means any non-administrative school personnel who provide student support and instructional support services as defined by the school district governing board including, but not limited to student food service, student transportation, and school site plant operations).
- Requires a school district governing board to develop and adopt at a public meeting a plan for the distribution of monies received from the Classroom Site Fund annually. A school district governing board must implement a process for teachers and student support services personnel to provide input on the proposed plan prior to the adoption of the plan for the following fiscal year.
- It is estimated by the Arizona Department of Revenue that this will bring in \$689 million annually. If approved by the voters, the proposed income tax will go into effect on January 1, 2019.

Where does the funding come from?

The Invest in Education Act increases monies to the Classroom Site Fund by raising the income tax rate on only the richest 1% of Arizonans.

- Increases by 3.46% on individual incomes over a quarter million dollars (or household incomes over half a million dollars) and by 4.46% on individual incomes over half a million dollars (or household incomes over \$1 million dollars)

This tax increase will not impact anyone making less than \$250,000 annually.

Why?

- Politicians have caused this teacher shortage and classroom crisis. It’s up to the people to fix it.
- Governor Ducey and politicians failed to provide a dedicated funding source for education, so we must.
- Politicians caused this crisis by putting donors and lobbyists over students, teachers, and school employees. It’s time for Arizonans to take the power into their own hands and ask those who can afford it to pay their fair share.

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