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Wake County voters favor school bonds

Raleigh, N.C. - According to a Public Policy Polling survey released today, likely voters in Wake County slightly favor the \$970 million school bond referendum. Forty-five percent of respondents say they expect to vote for the referendum on November 7, while 41% intend to vote against.

The survey also found that a plurality of Wake County voters favor some mandatory year-round schools to relieve overcrowding. Forty-nine percent favor mandatory year-round schools and 39% oppose them.

Public Policy Polling (PPP) surveyed 517 likely Wake County voters on September 28. The survey has a margin of error of $\pm 4.3\%$. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

More results from PPP's Wake County survey will be released on Wednesday.

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If you have questions about this release or would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.

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Wake County Survey: Sep. 28, 2006

Q1 In November, do you expect to vote for or against the 970 million dollar school construction bond? If for the bond, press 1. If against the bond, press 2. If undecided, press 3.

For45% *Undecided*.....14%
Against.....41%

Q2 To help relieve overcrowding in our schools, the Wake School Board wants to change 19 elementary schools and up to 6 middle schools to a year-round schedule. In your opinion, should our schools be put on a mandatory year-round schedule? If you favor mandatory year-round schools, press 1. If you oppose mandatory year-round schools, press 3. If you are undecided, press 3.

Favor49% *Undecided*.....12%
Oppose39%

Q3 Gender

Women56% *Men*.....44%

Q4 Party

Democrat45% *Other*.....20%
Republican.....35%

Q5 Race

White74% *Other*..... 9%
Black.....17%



Wake County Survey: September 28, 2006

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Bond issue			
For	45%	43%	47%
Against	41%	38%	45%
Undecided	14%	19%	8%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Mandatory year-round schools			
Favor	49%	50%	48%
Oppose	39%	37%	43%
Undecided	11%	13%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Bond issue				
For	45%	55%	29%	50%
Against	41%	29%	57%	40%
Undecided	14%	16%	15%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Mandatory year-round schools				
Favor	49%	52%	43%	55%
Oppose	39%	34%	47%	37%
Undecided	12%	15%	9%	8%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Bond issue				
For	45%	48%	35%	39%
Against	41%	42%	33%	43%
Undecided	14%	10%	33%	17%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Mandatory year-round schools				
Favor	49%	52%	43%	39%
Oppose	39%	39%	38%	43%
Undecided	12%	9%	20%	17%