



[Steve Schildwachter](#) Tom, will you be voting for or against the new contract proposal?

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[Tom Sotos](#) Kathy your comment "don't screw over teachers" is reckless and inappropriate". These negotiations are not intended to screw over teachers or tax payers. Both sides are working together to come up with a contract that is fair to both. A contract that shows our appreciation to our teachers, yet respects the taxpayers who pay the bills.

That is the goal. Not screw over anyone. Got it?

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[Kathy Meade](#) Don't screw over our teachers is not reckless. It is a valid concern. It's all part of that perspective thing we were talking about the other day. I have an inside perspective—in more ways than one. You can have fiscal responsibility and a "fair" contract but what might be "fair" to our more conservative taxpayers (who resent paying taxes) and board members might not actually be to our teachers and students. I spent every single day for a year working in a Park Ridge school last year. I am also aware there is more than compensation on the table. I have also been to a board meeting and seen the nodding and the smiling and then the complete disregard—granted, this was before you were on the board.

I went to the candidate forums when you were running for the board. One of the board members said the only reason he was running was to keep taxes low and force the schools to do more with less.

One of the reasons I voted for you was because you did not make your platform about making the schools suffer in the name of fiscal responsibility. I do have faith that you have the best interest of our schools in mind. Please don't let them screw over the teachers.

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[Tom Sotos](#) I assure you that everyone wants the same thing. Great teachers, great education and great high ranking schools. Everyone understands that all three are necessary to be the best district we can be.

We are all working hard and TOGETHER to reach that end. It is a lot of work for all involved but I assure you that in the end we will come out of this GREAT, which is what our students, teachers and tax payers deserve.

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[Steve Schildwachter](#) "Please don't screw over our taxpayers. Please don't screw over our taxpayers."

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[Patricia Lynn](#) Via Illinois law now, a percentage of teacher salary increases will be based on student growth - PERA.

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[Tom Giannopoulos](#) Raises??? Who gets raises unless they are forced upon the sheeple. I haven't had a raise in forever.

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[Sharon Knowles](#) You must work for the same company I do. We should be teachers-we'd make more especially if we are tenured.

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