



ARGUMENTS “FOR” PROPOSITION 208

Arizona students, parents, retirees, business owners, teachers, and many others have been battling for better education with little help from elected leaders. So, we fixed it ourselves.

Hundreds of thousands of you helped put Prop 208, the Invest in Education Act, on the ballot. We know there are questions and misinformation out there, so we’d like to address them now.

1. If you and your spouse earn between \$1 and \$500,000 in combined personal income, how much more will you pay?

Answer : Zero. \$0.00. Nothing.

2. If you, as an individual, earn between \$1 and \$250,000 in personal income, how much more will you pay?

Answer: Zero. \$0.00. Nothing.

3. If your household makes \$501,000 in personal income, how much more will you pay?

Answer: \$35 per year. Yes. That’s right. You’ll pay a 3.5 percent surcharge only on the income above \$500,000. Taxes on the first half-million dollars of earnings do not change!

4. How much does this tax small businesses?

Answer: Zero. \$0.00. Nothing. This initiative ONLY applies to personal income, not business income. This is worth repeating: There are no business-tax increases. This surcharge only applies to personal income.

5. Why should Arizona voters support Prop. 208?

Answer: Invest in Education restores the annual funding Arizona’s students, teachers, and educators have been promised since 2008 – funding that was cut during the last recession.

Our schools need this stability now.

Our teachers need job security and a wage that allows them to focus on teaching, not worrying about their basics like groceries and rent. Our state needs an education system that will provide opportunity to every student. And our economy needs a strong public school system.

This is the right policy for Arizona at the right time for our state.

Join me in voting yes.

Andrea Nemecek, State Director, Invest in Education, Phoenix
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The Invest in Education Act is an initiative that will help our children and educators have the resources they need to succeed and is needed now more than ever.

We need to pass the Invest in Education Act to protect school funding because a decade of cuts to education funding have hit the hardest on our state’s most vulnerable population- our children. Arizona spends \$800M less on education than it did