

Did you attend the community meeting on March 7 about a four-day school week?		Based on the information you have, which would you prefer (please choose one)?		WHY?	Do you have other ideas?
Yes	No	Four-day week	Five-day week		Open-Ended Response
Yes		Four-day week		It will boost student and staff moral, and save a lot of money. I would rather stay a few extra hours and have an extra day off. Staff and students will be less likely to "burn out". This leaves more time for recreational activities that help us all relax. Relaxation and recreation is very important!	Administrative pay cuts and trimming of positions instead of staff cuts. Start at the top, instead of the bottom when cutting salaries/positions. Do not waste so much money, spend it wisely or do not spend it at all.
Yes		Four-day week		Because of the cost savings.	
Yes		Four-day week		It will be the deciding factor in whether or not I seek employment elsewhere or retire.	
Yes			Five-day week	It is a hard decision, however I feel that the implications of a four day week for those families who live in poverty and are at risk outways the needs of the school. I worry about those who didn't attend the meetings and won't complete this survey because they are doing their best to just get their kids to school and keep a roof over their heads. These kids are the ones who would be most affected by the 4 day week and we as a community need to keep this in mind.	I wonder if the idea of year round school has been explored? It might solve the "class size" issue too. I think we need to solícite the community not for monetary help but for volunteer help. In the kitchen, janitorial, teaching lessons and supplementing curriculum and support classrooms (as aides). My fist cut would be bussing. Even the poorest families in this community have transportation and would be able to handle getting their kids to school, hopefully. It is a tough decision.
Yes		Four-day week		It makes the most sense and I know we can work out all of the questions and details. It is much better to save positions and keep cuts as far away from student achievement as possible.	Mondays off makes the most sense. We need a community effort to help figure out "what the kids will do" on the day off.
Yes		Four-day week		Teacher cuts will negatively impact student performance	Charge for busing. Parents are saving on gas, so they can pay a small fee per semester for a service for thier children
Yes		Four-day week		It will save money. I know from personal experience that academic achievement frequently improves in 4-day schools. Attendance is typically better. Teacher absenteeism is usually less in a 4-day school saving money on subs.	If we do this to save money, it is critical to shut down the buildings. It's easy to say, "Oh, no one is in the building, we can use it for this or that." Before you know it, you've lost the savings in heat and electricity. Also, hourly staff can double up on jobs to achieve full-time pay and benefits. For example, bus drivers can work in the kitchen or help with custodial work. They earn the pay rate for each job they do - it's a headache for payroll, but they get their benefits that way.
Yes		Four-day week		Because of the projected savings to the district. "A no-brainer"	About the 5 day vs. 4 day? Other ideas: consolidate department heads. Maintenance and Food Service run by one "head."
Yes		Four-day week		saves \$	Eliminate CSAP
Yes		Four-day week			Cut the funding to Crest Academy, they are draining money from the school district. Cut admimstrators salaries.
Yes			Five-day week	I have 2 grandkids at SMS and do not want longer days for them as they have homework everyday as it is. One less day of school means more homework. I also run the kitchen at LES and do not want my hours cut. I will lose 32 hours a month, can barely make ends meet now.....	Have you looked into year round schooling? Will bring info to the next meeting.....

Yes		Four-day week	I understand that this will save the district money and keep positions.	<p>*The BOE needs to respond with specifics to the questions asked at the community meeting: 1. What specific expenses make up the projected cuts and SAVINGS in your tiered system? 2. What specific expenses will make up the projected amount saved by going to a 4 day week? 3. If the community will back a 4-day week, teachers could stay frozen another year. HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF YEARS WE'VE BEEN FROZEN NEEDS TO BE STATED IN MEETING SO THAT PEOPLE KNOW TEACHERS ARE GIVING UP THEIR "CONTRACTED" STEPS/LEVELS. The community should also know what the administrators are giving up as well. 4. Teachers need to display humility and professionalism when the discussion arises around the length of our CONTRACT day. It is a forgone conclusion that if we start earlier and end later, our reporting times will have to be earlier and later. 5. 1 Furlough day = 1 Sick day. Pick it! I would rather give 1 sick day back to the district next year than work one day for free.</p>
Yes		Four-day week	I would prefer to see our district save money this way rather than having. to cut over a \$160,000 in teaching positions.	I seriously think we need to take a look at getting rid of Crest Academy, they started out as a private school because people we against having their kids in the middle school, so if people don't want their kids in public education let them pay for it themselves! We do NOT need to keep funding them at the cost of \$152,000 plus dollars a year!! The last 2 years they have cost our district alot of money!! We need to support our teachers and students who value public education and not continue to cut teachers and programs to fund those who do not support our school distirct! This is a serious issue and you need to honestly take a look at it! I have trouble trying to see your justification in allowing us to keep taking a loss for them. Cut the strings NOW!!! Show those of us teachers and parents that we support public education!
Yes		Four-day week	I would prefer the four day week in order to save teacher jobs.	No
Yes		Four-day week	If it means that teachers will be fired, a four day week.	Eliminate the director of food service and maintenance. These are unnecessary positions that can be handled in house for all three schools. As exciting as athletics are to this community, we come to school to be educated. The priority should education and then sports. If a sporting group can self fund their activities then great, but otherwise we should consider cuts in athletics, rather than teachers.Lastly, we should consider using reserves, rather than losing teachers.
Yes		Four-day week	I think it would be a great benefit to the community and save academic programs.	
Yes		Four-day week	Savings to the budget. Better attendance. Incentive to retain and recruit quality teachers.	Reduce the number of student contact hours which would in turn reduce salaries - huge saving I bet.

Yes		Four-day week	<p>Students are our top priority. By saving jobs we keep the integrity of the programs we have to offer students at all levels and we keep the classrooms sizes down. As much as parents may complain about having the added expense of day care on the day off, it really becomes a wash with the other days being extended because younger students will return home close to the same time their parents do. The off day also gives older students the flexibility to work as baby sitters for parents who may need day care on that day, it gives them opportunity to work at the Boy's and Girl's Club or at other jobs. It also gives students a full day to work on homework or be with family. A four day week gives the school district the opportunity to work closely with the community organizations to come up with creative ideas and opportunities that benefit our students. The challenge lies in the fact that we have to learn how to work together to make it successfully happen. There will always be cons of a four day school week but we have to look at those cons as obstacles we can overcome by being supportive, open minded, creative, and flexible, keeping our students' best interests in mind. I actually see more cons for our district and our students by choosing NOT to go to a four day week. When you loose the integrity of student programs in a district you loose kids which means you loose funding. The other aspect of this is that it's hopefully a 'temporary fix' which means that when the state is more financially stable Salida School District can always go back to the regular five day week.</p>	
Yes		Four-day week	<p>I like the idea of a slightly longer class period. This will allow more time to develop lessons in class. An obvious plus would be the budget savings if the numbers we have been given are in deed accurate.</p>	freezing salaries for our administrators
Yes		Four-day week	<p>easier for time away and appointments. Less school time lost</p>	<p>1) eliminate the art program at CES - it is not established and art is already done in the classroom. 2.. maintenance supervisor necessary? Can an experienced janitor take over for less money? 3. cut back on activities and concerts for bands and choirs and field trips for other groups until the</p>
Yes		Four-day week	<p>Financial reasons - keep teachers for smaller class sizes. Going to a four day week helps save money for the district.</p>	
Yes		Four-day week	<p>I would prefer it if it will save jobs, which I feel should be our #1 priority at this time. We have already cut so many jobs (last year) and I think that it would harshly effect learning and our community to cut more. I would prefer Mondays off and I think they would offer better savings as well as psychological buy-in for the students and community events on Fridays.</p>	<p>Offer team-teaching part-time positions for elementary teachers? That way, one position could be split between 2 people, saving both jobs. Move the Crest Academy to one of the main district buildings to save on rent.</p>

Yes		Four-day week		I think that it would be a good opportunity for high school students to have more time to make up work, work, and participate in out of school and school activities. I would also like to see jobs saved. I think having three days on the weekend allow for teachers to have a full 2 day weekend to rejuvenate as I usually spend at least one day doing grading and planning.	I think that we should give students high school credit for working at the Boys and Girls Club on the day off as well as other organizations. This would support the younger ages and not cost the programs more money.
Yes		Four-day week		Saves money, saves jobs and we will maintain test scores..	
Yes		Four-day week		Save jobs.	Mondays as the off day.
Yes		Four-day week		saving money for the district believe attendance will be better believe students will feel better physically with more time for rest, activity, etc. wonderful community and/or business programs could be offered for the grade school ages or even ms & hs family time will be encouraged and welcomed stress of studying, classes, applying for scholarships, homework, etc. will be lessened	tutors could be available at boys/girls club or another area to help struggling students on that 5th day
Yes		Four-day week		I would not mind going to a four day week if we cut teacher/student hours by 40. We are still above the state reg. hours still. but the students would not have to be in school middle of August to first week of June. 20 hours before 20 hours after.	Larger class room sizes by 5- 7 students would not hurt the teachers teaching ability.
Yes		Four-day week		I want to save teacher jobs and keep classroom size manageable. I want to continue to offer a varied curriculum, extracurricular opportunities, and a quality staff. I believe the four day week is one way to preserve the above. I definitely prefer having Mondays off, as so many holiday occur on Mondays that I think it would be less disruptive to families.	I know the board is against it, but if we cut a week of student/teacher contact to go to 1140 hours instead of 1180, that would probably save a job right there.
Yes		Four-day week		I believe that a four day work week is our only option if we want to keep our current staff as is. I realize the hardship this will heap upon our support staff, nutrition employees, janitorial and bus staff. I am sorry that it will affect these positions negatively, however, cutting teaching positions and creating larger class sizes is not what is best for children.	There are positions that currently could be utilized in a more economical manner. I believe there are positions that could have a restructuring of job descriptions to include more duties. We do have some positions that have "fluff" time.
Yes	No	Four-day week		I believe the Four-Day Week Option is the most expedient means of reducing operational expenses without cutting personnel.	We will continue to find and refine areas where greater efficiency will reduce expenditures, that may help with anticipated shortfalls next year.
Yes		Four-day week		To enable us to keep more staff and more programs. As a small district, we have a responsibility to the community and our future to offer the most possible options in "specials" or electives. If any other business was forced to make a cost-saving decision between a) firing community members OR b) keeping the same number of business hours but changing their work-schedule, the decision would be an obvious one.	have students pay for any printing - like you do in college. (I already passed this on to Tami). Ask community groups to pay for maintenance and utilities (at a fair rate) when they use the building - research how much it costs to get a membership to a community center, or how much people are charged for individual visits.
Yes		Four-day week		aIt will save staff, activities and services. It works. I have attended a 4 day High School and I have taught a four day week. I taught 1st grade with a four day week. We got along just fine. It was some of my best years of teaching.	How much is the Crest and Horizons currently costing the district. How much will they cost the next 3 years? Has their enrollments declined. Is it justifiable to spend that much on so few? Maybe the numbers I hear are incorrect, if so please let us know what the numbers are.

Yes		Four-day week		Savings to the district and same number of contact hours with staff and students!	I believe that the hours of the day should actually be 8:00-4:15 instead of the proposed 8:00-4:00. This would shorten the calendar to 153 days with the same contact hours. If the district is truly looking to save money every day counts. To lengthen a day by fifteen minutes seems an amount that would be reasonable for students and yet shortened the number of days the school district would be occurring additional expenses.
Yes		Four-day week		I like the idea of more time with my kids and a shorter summer break provides better retention.	
Yes		Four-day week		I feel that we can maintain quality instruction by modifying how we teach. I feel that students will adjust faster and with fewer problems than we will as adults. This also allows us to save \$165,000 that would otherwise have to come from additional staff cuts or from reserves.	I think we should definitely forego the \$60,000 it would take to give vertical and lateral increases across the board. Since we have had a 15% raise over the past three years from the Mill Levy, it is hard to justify another raise this year given the overall economic climate and the cuts we face. Is it fair to ask a couple of employees to lose their jobs entirely so that the rest of us can get a raise?
Yes		Four-day week		Save teachers and money	I would like the Tuesday - Friday option the best!
Yes		Four-day week		4 day school week saves the district up to 2% of our operating costs. I am on the calendar committee and conducted extensive research on effects of a 4 day work week. Based on this research and numerous studies completed over the years, the 4 day work week has no negative effects and in some cases has actually contributed to increased academic achievement, teacher and student retention and uplifted morale. In light of the budget cuts, it makes sense to choose an option that both saves us money and has the possibility of adding to academic achievement in our district.	Does the freeze on staff salary include administrators? In the past, they received a salary increase while teachers did not. Reducing the financial officer's pay to what a teacher with a masters earns could save the district an additional \$30,000. This could be something to consider. Thanks for making the best choices for students, teachers and staff in our district in light of the current situation. Is there any legislature being passed to reduce government spending in other areas besides education?
Yes		Four-day week		There is no loss of educational value and it would save staff jobs	
Yes		Four-day week		Better Attendance (staff & students), saves district \$, will allow the community to finally come up with alternative activities for our kids (rec dept needs to step up - they need to get a real program started),	1) Get rid of the Director of Teaching and Learning position: there will only be 5 staff development days throughout the year and staff are already the ones teaching, so they can organize a committee headed by Admin and come up with best use of school time based on needs of each school). 2) Look at supplementing Crest Academy at a lower level. OR not supplementing at all. 3) Reevaluate our maintenance program starting with director then going down: Can it be privatized? 4) No longer supplement the difference in health insurance of staff members using only the Hospital coverage (ex. I am on my wife's insurance, so I have the supplemental coverage for \$200.00, meaning I get the other \$277 a month in my paycheck) Forego the giving of the difference. It is a benefit after all. 5) Lower amount of BOCES services we have at SMS & SHS. Can we pay for testing, etc on a per Diem basis? 6) Charge for all bus use. That means if you ride the bus, you pay a fee.(not just for events, but day to day back and forth to school: the closer to the school they live the more they pay) We don't need bus routes in town. 7) If we go to 4 day week, allow High School students to earn credit by instructing classes for kids, whether it be academic or recreational. Possibly use space at B&G for this or other area locations.

Yes		Four-day week		It will be an adjustment, however, a savings of \$160K at a time when we must cut \$800K is substantial, and will help in not cutting as many staff/programs. The domino effect of staff and program cuts will be felt by all. Families will be forced to leave Salida, taking children out of our district, resulting in more dollar losses.	
Yes		Four-day week		I would rather see the savings come through a 4-day work week rather than cutting certified staff and programs. It makes perfect sense to save teachers and programs!	Respectfully consider dropping the Crest Academy. They have cost our district a lot of money and have placed undue financial strain on our district. They can function perfectly fine as an independent entity through tuition as they functioned when they first opened up! This is ridiculous to keep them draining our budget! The parents who want that alternative education should pay tuition. I believe they will pay for it!
Yes		Four-day week			
Yes		Four-day week		avoid additional staff cuts	no
Yes		Four-day week		Friday off is a better fit for most working families in town, especially for those of us with small businesses. Monday is the most important business day of the week.	
Yes		Four-day week		Budget adjustments will need to be made, based on cuts from the state. Be proactive and approach the situation by saving where the school can without making cuts in personnel or salaries.	I prefer having Monday be the day off. Sports will mostly take place on Fridays, and personnel will need to be on staff. Mondays will be a quiet day.
Yes		Four-day week		It might save programs and teacher positions.	Cut football staff.
Yes			Five-day week	The more days that children have structured education the better for them. However, if we must go to a 4 day week, the day should not be Monday. Monday is a classic work day. It is very difficult for parents to have that day off of work. It should be a priority for the kids to have more quality family time if we have to resort to this. The day should not be Friday to try to keep people in town for activities and sports! Also, if it was Monday, kids who are going to be gone for sports on some Fridays would be reduced to a 3 day week. That makes no sense. Another reason to have it Friday and not Monday would be to have the kids with their family under a normal routine before the first day of school for the week. Not have them spend the first day of their week at Boys and Girls Club or some other alternative. This would be disruptive to their routine and to their learning. Let's all remember this is about the kids! Thank you to our School Board, we know this is a tough job right now.	If we had a four day week during the winter months when the heating bills are the highest and then kept the same time schedule and condensed the school year and reduced the number of school days. What would that look like? Could we send out a voluntary increase in property tax assessment that only went directly to the school system we could probably gain substantial dollars.
Yes			Five-day week	Extra curricular activities and homework schedules.	Cut salary. Cut pre-school. Cut Crest.
Yes		Four-day week		It will save money, I believe the research that shows that students end up liking school more.	

Yes			<p>Budget cuts are hitting all Colorado schools, however, Canon City, Alamosa, Pagosa Springs, Woodland Park, BV to name a few - do not consider a 4 day school week the only option - rather a "last resort", "on the bottom of their list".</p> <p>Two people with the same job title but from different districts - one 4 day, one 5 day - made the same comment about a 4 day week - it "violates work ethic" , modeling an unrealistic example to students. Also, "education gaps from not being in school" on the 5th day are a concern as a longer day does not make up for the lost 5th day of instruction Finally, safety/well being of children left alone on 5th day is a major issue - can't force children to attend programs if parents are at work. Is a 4 day school week really best for our children??</p>	<p>Get rid of some department heads, look at another provider for benefits/reduce some benefits, increase length of school day by 20 min which could reduce school year to 153/154 days on a 5 day week, consider % cut in everyone's salary, ask every family to supply one ream of copier paper, cut back on lunch choices - wasteful, furlough days, etc.</p>
Yes		Four-day week	<p>I would like to have Friday off. I am not sure if it the right decision, I wonder how many students will be in a class? How much structured teaching is going to get done in 4 days?? How will students be disciplined? If the class rooms are large, there will be disruptions, what kind of education will they really get?</p>	<p>consolidate with BV.</p>
Yes		Four-day week	<p>Save money, give more time to families and to other opportunities.</p>	<p>Help community provide new options for the day off, such as art camp, tutoring, sports camps, drama productions, etc.</p>
Yes		Four-day week	<p>Save money. Save teachers/staff. It will provide longer blocks of time for kids in the classroom. Since research says it's not specifically 5 day or 4 days that determine good test scores/education but rather the quality of time spent I prefer 4 day. This will also provide in the long run, I believe, opportunities for families to spend more time together and/or opporunities for students that they might not have gotten otherwise. BECAUSE I believe the community will step up and provide ski teams, and things like survival skills opporunities, and kayak training, hiking, etc.</p>	<p>I've emailed lots of ideas to Mr Webb. I think 4 day is one of the necessary and desirable steps to take.</p>

Yes		Four-day week	Five-day week	<p>I realize we have to cut, so I'm willing to live with the four day week ONLY if it's Friday off and NOT Monday. It seemed in the meeting that High School athletic schedules was one of the main reasons to have Monday off (to increase participation and gate fees???) . Perhaps because Mr. Webb comes from a tradition of school athletics, he gives more weight to the value of sports in general, the majority of parents do not care about Friday night gate fees as much as we care about our jobs and local businesses that require us to be in the office on Monday's. Along those lines, I think athletes should pay for program fees to subsidize bussing and the entire sports program in general should be cutting more than 10%! Our culture glamorizes and values sports too highly in my opinion. In order to compete in tomorrow's global economy, our children will require foreign language, computers, economics, science and all the AP classes you're proposing to cut--- NOT football! Furthermore, if you're counting on community entrepreneurs and parents to come up with enrichment programs to fill the gap, they're much more likely to be able to do this on a Friday, not a Monday. Lastly, this community is driven largely by recreation. One of the only ways that sector of the community is going to embrace your plan is to allow them to see the POSITIVE aspect of Friday off-- which to the vast majority means Friday-Sunday weekend to be able to ski and recreate! With regard to the calendar- I'd prefer to shorten holiday time off to avoid going into June. With that extra day off, we're NOT going to need such a long christmas break or 4 days for presidents weekend etc....</p>	AP level High school students can lead younger kids in an enrichment program on the off day for credits.
Yes		Four-day week		Decrease amount of professional staff that needs to be cut.	
Yes		Four-day week		<p>I don't think 4-day a week is ideal but my fear is what will our school system look like if there are \$170,000 in budget cuts elsewhere? I would rather my kids attend school 4days a week if they can keep all the programs (arts, pe, athletics, etc) and maintain small class sizes. I feel a well-rounded education is more important than the # of days they attend.</p>	I see this as a viable solution to the prblm.

Yes				<p>The question is not whether I prefer it, if it is absolutely necessary to maintain core teacher and keep class sizes down.</p>	<p>I am very disappointed that this survey didn't include a question asking the community which day they preferred to have the students off. After reading the paper today, I am feeling like this decision is going to be a double wammy for the students and families in the district. If Monday is the day off, not only will students be going one fewer day a week to school but MOST families in this community will be less able to take advantage of the 3 day weekends for travel and enrichment. Why is this based on athletics and keeping families in town? If families/students are committed, they won't "opt out". I'd like to see what activities take place on Fridays - why can't they be changed to Mondays? Don't athletes already miss a good portion of Fridays during the season? What other districts in the area and in the state have off on Mondays? What are the 4 major holidays discussed in the article? Can't President's Day, Columbus Day, etc be honored on Friday instead of Monday? Many places don't even take those off. Teachers are less likely to go into work if Fridays were off days - if the concern is energy savings (which is the primary reason for cost savings), wouldn't it make sense to have the schools closed to everyone on a day that they wouldn't want to be there anyway? Teachers would be much more likely to want to come in to their classroom on a Monday (off) to prepare for the upcoming week when their husband/wife, and the rest of the world will be working - will the schools really be "closed" that day??? I do agree that school should go from 8-4, this will help families not have to arrange for after school care. The extra 5 minutes with beginning at 7:55 is not worth the 2 extra days in my opinion. PLEASE find out what the community wants for the day off. This decision feels like it is being made based on sports and after school activities rather than what is best for students/families. If you are going to drop to 4 days, make it advantageous to a large majority of the school community.</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>I feel it would benefit my children and give us opportunities to take trips as a family.</p>	<p>I am a little shocked over the extra 103 contact hours our school has verses the state required 1080. My middle school complain about some of their classes and my feeling is that there is a lot of wasted time in the afternoon with these classes that seem to be "fillers". Maybe shaving some of the extra 100 hours of contact hours would help?</p>
Yes			Five-day week	<p>I did not receive any information that shows any savings for the district. I heard no energy savings. I heard not a word from the financial board member. I think this is another one of these "well when I things", but with a different twist. "but the _____ school district is doing this". Show the taxes payers where you are going to save money.</p>	<p>Maybe if the community didn't hear how the school district can't all the time. Then everyone would be excited about the bond passing and if the teachers would be less negative in comments. explain well I have to many students in my class, but I know how to make them drop out. It is sad to hear these type of comments when walking down the halls of the schools. So on this survey how can you ask for other ideas. When you have not addressed the problems. and you keep the public all up set. One other issue is the field house. First it's gone now its' not. First we will not have any home games now we will. At what point were you going to TELL the TAX PAYERS. Just asking. Will we see answer in this survey or is this just to keep the tax payer busy and other things will be done behind their back. Because you have the taxpayers money.</p>

Yes		Four-day week		<p>If we are to have a four day week, I would MUCH RATHER HAVE FRIDAY OFF! Monday is a work day for most people I know. It is way easier to get a Friday off of work than Monday. The four day week would allow us to spend more time as a family. If that means we go out of town rather than spend the night eating at the Boathouse or going to a football game, that's our prerogative. To decide on Monday rather than Friday based on the desires of the Athletic department or a board member's local business is ridiculous and unfair. What school system has Mondays off?!!!! Yes, I'm extremely aggravated at this recommendation.</p>	DON'T MAKE US TAKE MONDAY OFF!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Yes			Five-day week	<p>I am worried that a longer school day will negatively impact my child's learning. Studies show that the summer vacation is difficult for students because they do not retain what they learned the previous year. I am worried that an extra day on the weekend will have the same effect. I am also worried that there will be a rise in crime and accidents with students being left to their own devices in many cases. Salida does not offer enough structured diversions for teenagers. I worry that Boys and Girls Club will be overloaded and there won't be enough supervision. My kids are already tired at the end of the day. With a longer school day, I am worried that they won't have quality time to study at the end of the day, especially if they have after-school activities like soccer. Having Friday off will also be a financial drain on my family. We will have to find all-day daycare for 2 of our children.</p>	Unfortunately - no. That' s the problem, right? Anything else is going to negatively impact the community financially.
Yes			Five-day week		
Yes		Four-day week		<p>It saves educational programs at the school that would otherwise be cut if we remain at a five day week.</p>	<p>1. FRIDAYS OFF RATHER THAN MONDAYS-- this is hard enough for parents, let's start with Fridays off. 2. Consider putting maintenance director and food service director into one position. This has been done in the past.</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>I would support keeping our child in the Salida school district with a Monday through Thursday four-day week. This would allow a 20% savings on transportation (bus fuel & maintainance), 20% savings on food service, and utility savings over a 3-day weekend.</p>	<p>1. Have all sport fees paid by the parent of the athlete. 2. Staff salary freeze for 1-2 years. 3. Administration salary reduction. 4. explore collaborative options with CMC & BV school districts</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>our family likes to recreate, so the four day week would allow us to enjoy three day weekends. We believe there is viable education to be absorbed out of school walls.</p>	<p>there are many parents who would step up to provide rotational activities for he children. I think we can get creative. Untill parents have to, they may not want to.</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>Three day weekends, kids would be psyched, save some teachers in the district.</p>	<p>Art camp, salida rec. programs, B&G, kayak camp, computer camp, mentoring programs, volunteer and enrichment programs, math camp, science camp, astronomy camp, Monarch programs, camping camp, spanish camp, tech programs, destination imagination..... opportunities abound for that day off!</p>

Yes			Five-day week	I think that for the children's sake, it is a long day and a lot to absorb. It will also be an increased burden on working families, to provide daycare on the lost school day. The cost benefit ratio, seems that the cost to the children and their families, is not worth the benefit of saving \$170,000.	
Yes		Four-day week			
Yes				Honestly I'm not sure. I would want to see more research about which is better academically. Nothing I've read seems conclusive on that point. I like a 4-day week, but only if it doesn't harm the kids' learning ability.	If we do four days, I would like to see educational activities available on the off-day somehow. Maybe even just trying to instigate a parents co-op where they can pool their skills to offer different educational activities on different weeks. ?
Yes		Four-day week		financially good decision	maximize income sources- think outside the box- keep up the good work
Yes		Four-day week		I feel the critical resource for education are the teachers. Number of days, size of class rooms, etc are important but without the teachers education is in trouble. Reducing the number of teachers will place a greater load on the remaining teachers will under tremendous pressure and the quality of education will go down.	More outside fund raising to offset the school expenses for music, art, drama, sports and other activities
Yes		Four-day week		If we can realize the savings that are proposed to maintain current programing with the least amount of loss, then I would like to see the 4- day week with a Tuesday - Friday schedule.	
Yes		Four-day week		I could go either way. I don't have elementary aged children but I am concerned that there may not be enough options for younger families where both parents work or for single parents who might be strapped for money. However, I'm equally concerned that we're going to loose good teachers in addition to cooks, janitors and bus drivers. How's that any better for kids?	Parents/families are going to have to be responsible for more fees for things like technology, books, travel, etc. Other districts charge a standard fee per child per grade to families to off-set expenses.
Yes		Four-day week		We have to pare down the budget in some way and right now this seems the most cost effective method.	
Yes		Four-day week		I like spending time with my family and feel I can teach my kids things they may not learn in school on those days. Having time for longer family weekends would be great. I also don't want my child in a class of 30+ students and if we continue to cut staff that IS what will happen...in other words, save staff to keep size of classes down. As a father I feel this would be a great time to have with my kids.	Get rid of some of the jobs that could possibly be combined (didn't maintenance, food, and AD previously go all together?)
Yes		Four-day week		I would prefer a four day week over teacher cuts/increasing class sizes although I don't think my 1st grader will learn any more with a longer day. I would prefer that we have Mondays off.	What about combining with BV school district? If we only had to pay one superintendent/ administrative staff we would save at least ourselves \$200,000 a year. That is the same as going to a 4 day week and only 1 guy suffers the loss.
Yes		Four-day week		But only if it really is going to save money. Otherwise I do prefer 5 day week. If we do go to 4 days then I prefer Monday off.	What about eliminating hot lunches? So much food gets thrown away and it would save lots of \$ if everyone was responsible for their own lunch.

Yes			Five-day week	there is nowhere for the kids to go on this day. I can't imagine that Boy's and Girl's Club could have enough room in that school to house all of the overflow of kids. I know daycare providers have no room for them.	Maybe the administration staff could take a 1 Or 2% wage cut. Maybe it wouldn't be such a bad idea to let some of the teachers go. They are not that good anyway.
Yes			Five-day week	Kids do not need more time to themselves, will not send my kindergartener to Boys and Girls so it would cost me thousands more per year, not good for kids to be in school longer days (unproductive for the last hour)	that is the problem, i hate to see anything be cut. would rather pay more taxes and have my children get a great education which is not happening in Salida. Seriously considering sending all 3 of my kids to BV next year if this goes through
Yes		Four-day week		4 day school weeks have been successful in many states. The idea of 4 days is academically sound and affords new opportunities for the students and their families. Although some families oppose the extra day off for childcare reasons, we must remember that the school is a teaching institution and was never designed to be a daycare service at the public's expense. There is always resistance to change, but often great opportunities come with it.	I am greatly opposed to the extra contact hours imposed at this time. The state mandate of 1080 is not a random number and was researched at the state level. If we return to the state required number of hours, our children would not have to attend school into June even on the 4 day schedule. Again, educational institutions purpose is not to provide daycare.
Yes			Five-day week	My research has shown an increase in criminal mischief in towns where schools have gone to 4 day weeks. Younger children attending school more hours each day will not be as productive. This will create financial burdens for parents who choose day care and many parents will not be able to pay for day care and choose for children to be alone all day. Boys & Girls Clubs charges \$10.00 per day per child when they attend on a non-school day before noon. My neighbor has 4 children. That equates to \$160.00 per month. Fridays off is completely unrealistic since so many activities are then. The school would still be open needing custodial care, etc.	Put more focus on education and down size sports.
Yes		Four-day week		1. Cost savings/teaching jobs saved. 2. More time during day for students stay on topics. Increase their opportunity for retention. 3. Quality of life/family time. 4. Less absences. Apts. & travel can occur on day off.	1. Transportation. Consolidate p/u sites to only a few locations, charge to ride the bus, change eligibility to ride criteria i.e. w/in town not available. Charge all student fees when they use buses for field trips/sporting transportation. 2. Food. Increase cost of lunches. Change the type of lunch served i.e. sandwiches so it reduces lunch prep/food cost and simplifies the process. Would be a more healthy option too.
Yes		Four-day week		More cost effective. Less attendance issues (possibly) Would like time with family I was shocked at other parent comments about "what do I do with my kid on Friday"...well, I wasn't aware that schools were daycares...I thought a teacher's job was to teach and prepare students for the next level? Also it was mentioned that the elementary school day did not have to have as many hours, so their day could actually go back to the 8:20 start time and end a bit earlier??? Say maybe 3:40, giving buses time to get to SMS & SHS at 4? Definitely need to charge fees for transportation and sports.	Also it was mentioned that the elementary school day did not have to have as many hours, so their day could actually go back to the 8:20 start time and end a bit earlier??? Say maybe 3:40, giving buses time to get to SMS & SHS at 4? Definitely need to charge fees for transportation and sports.
Yes		Four-day week		I think that the extra time off from school will help my child do better in class. I think it will benefit the schools as well financially.	

Yes		Four-day week		Save school money	
Yes		Four-day week		More time to spend with my children. I also believe that the extra day off will boost morale and performance of both staff and students.	
Yes		Four-day week		Cost effective, longer school day, more opportunities for extra curricular activity on 5th day	Lengthen the school day to 5 pm. NO HOME WORK. Longer school day allows for longer blocks of time for science teacher do lead an animal dissection or for a two hour band rehearsal, for example. Consider eliminating transportation.
Yes			Five-day week	I think its too long of a day if we increased the number of hours to expect effective learning and keeping the kids focused. Salida does not have alternative avenues for activities on Friday.	
Yes		Four-day week		Cost savings in this time of need. Teachers are just that teachers they are not daycare providers. Many other area's make it work just fine.	I also think gym and theater rental would be a big increase in Money's for the school...ie Hoopsters,Wrestling,and Caliope. Another idea would be charging for bus riders. Also sporting events could take 1 bus for both boys and girls. Increase charge to sporting events.
Yes		Four-day week		I think for sports even though Tue is the day with the most sports. it would give the kids time to get there homework done. plus we might want to go for the 3 day week end. I also think it would help the district and save some jobs.	
Yes		Four-day week		It will be saving money for the district in this budget crisis. And it has been documented that the extra day helps students/families with scheduled appointments, vacation, etc. It also will provide rest for growing bodies and more of an opportunity to engage in exercise-related activities.	
Yes		Four-day week			
Yes			Five-day week	We would prefer a 5 day week. I don't like the idea of a longer day for our child.	
Yes		Four-day week		It is proven to work in other school districts. And it saves money for our district and us parents in gas money.	As far as day for kids . It would only be elementary school kids. Once kids are in middle school they can be home alone.
Yes			Five-day week	I feel our children's schools day/year shouldn't be any longer. Teachers/staff will now have a 3 day weekend. Which isn't going to save monies as they are all paid salary. Why put the burden of an extra day off from school on the parents? Obviously the ones making these decisions do not have small children to worry about. Nor care about how much longer they will be up doing homework since our day will be much longer especially if they are involved in sports or clubs after school. How is that going to help them academically? Think long and hard about your decisions. I have talked to several parents that are thinking of pulling their kids out of our district and sending them to either BV or Cotopaxi.	Here are some thoughts: Lets cut the administration and his staffs wages by 1%. Lets get rid of Food Service Trish Wall and Maintenance Walt Sneddon. Also if we must continue to support the Crest Academy bring them over to the Kesner building or to the Admin Building. That was the most idiotic move our school district could have made was getting involved with the Horizon School & Crest Academy. You just put yourself farther in debt by this move. Way to GO!! Or how about cutting back on some these secretaries our district has. Just some thoughts!

Yes		Four-day week		I believe that saving money through cutting days (not contact hours with students) is a good part of the solution to help with the budget during these difficult times. I would much rather save money by cutting days than through cutting staff. I realize that several staff may still be cut anyway, and that some staff may face reduced hours, but the more jobs that can be saved the better for the community and the students who need those staff members' support.	I wish I did, but unfortunately I haven't come up with anything.
Yes		Four-day week		Save staff and programs	If any teachers or programs need cut, then crest academy should be the first to go! This alternative option for education should be a private school run from tuition generated by the parents who CHOSE to send their students to this program!
Yes		Four-day week		Our family has the blessings of both one child and a flexible schedule. One of us parents can fairly easily be with our child if the other has to work on a non-school day. Additionally, there are several other school districts with 4 day school weeks that show student achievement actually improves or at the least maintains on this schedule. Whether that is attributed to community involvement, student satisfaction, teacher motivation (to fit new material into fewer contact days), who can measure?	Yes! I have extensive experience with teenagers. And bored/unhappy teens = trouble. Can the district give learning credits for involvement with extracurricular activities (athletics, clubs and even work/jobs) to encourage student involvement in the community at large? Perhaps even team up with local businesses to provide apprenticeships? If you like this idea and want help developing it, you may call Becky - 207-4314
Yes				This is a question that can't be answered how asked. I prefer not to make this choice but if it is either losing core teachers/staff or going to a 4-day week, I prefer the 4 day week. I do trust that EVERY other cost-savings option has been seriously considered. ie, discontinue daily busing for students to and from home. I made a number of comments on the note cards distributed at the meeting. My hope is that all this info will be compiled and looked at together.	Off day SHOULD be FRIDAY. It is much more difficult to take off work on a Monday. Mondays are work days for everyone in the state (and the country for that matter) and Fridays are typically much more flexible. Families will be much more able to take advantage of Fridays off and travel, enrich their child's experiences, etc. The decision SHOULD NOT be made based on sports activity participation. I do not support the argument that students should have Mondays off to ensure greater spectator participation at Friday evening sports and that fewer athletes will miss Friday sports events if the day off is Monday. If athletes and their families are committed, they will choose not go out of town on Fridays so they will not miss sporting events their children are involved in.
Yes			Five-day week	I believe a four-day week is a strong signal of a school district in decline, which is run in a second rate fashion. I believe my kids will not receive an education on par with other communities and I will consider withdrawing my kids from the school district and enrolling them elsewhere if Salida goes to a four day week.	Cut everywhere else but keep the five day school week.
Yes		Four-day week		There is a cost savings, which equates to jobs. Additionally, communities who have made the switch generally do not go back.	
Yes			Five-day week	Due to my work schedule.	
Yes	No		Five-day week		
Yes		Four-day week		I believe it would benefit both the students as well as the budget. I would rather go to a 4 day week than see anymore people lose jobs.	

Yes		Four-day week		<p>This is an easier decision for me since my children are older and don't need childcare. I see this as a way to save a few jobs. I'd rather have one day off a week, whether Friday or Monday, than a classroom with 40 kids in it. I've been reading lots of studies and student achievement stays the same or increases slightly while moral of students and teachers was raised considerably on a 4 day week.</p>	<p>Working on it. This poor town is fund-raised to death as it is. I've always thought a town based lottery would be fun. Tourists and locals buy lottery tickets. Not sure gambling is the best way to support a school, but it might be better than penny jars in banks.</p>
Yes			Five-day week	<p>There is enough of a drug problem and sexual problem with the young children in our community day that we will be leaving them unsupervised for additional time, huge mistake. Kids need daily structure that is consistent, not longer hours with less frequency. If we are really looking at things accurately start by cutting athletic funding. I mean "are we raising professional athletes or intellectuals" how will they really survive in the real world. I wonder, how come Buena Vista is not proposing to cut their school week, they have amazing athletic programs, go less contact hours, what is it that they are doing that we are missing? Maybe someone should figure that out, rather than shortening summer break, jeopardizing our kids lives and possibly increasing community frustration for parents and children by the consequences that may occur by lack of supervision.</p>	<p>Yes, what is BV doing differently? Cut athletic funding. Longer bus routes with more students on each bus, some have 6 or 7 kids. Focus on education more, athletics less. My children love sports but face it, they will never make a dime from them as adults, education is your responsibility to them not coaching.</p>
Yes			Five-day week	<p>I think that the unattended youth that are too old for boys and girls club and too young to have an all day job are going to create problems and not use thier time well while unattended. I believe that the burden of dealing with youth should be a shared one by the community, not put back on the individual parents who have to work and may or may not be able to supervise thier children.</p>	<p>read the new york times magazine article about chris christie, governer of New Jersey. the teachers may have to agree to a percentage pay cut to keep all employed. we are in a tough place these days and cutting programs that enrich our childrens lives such as art and music is a terrible idea. I suppose larger class size would be better than program cuts.</p>
Yes			Five-day week	<p>I am opposed to school beginning earlier in august and extending into june. please reconsider adding these make-up days by reducing winter break by a couple of days and eliminating the four day president's weekend. Our family always takes advantage of the Memorial Day holiday/first of June to travel, etc. Summer is a wonderful time! A winter full of Fri/Mon off is not easy.</p>	<p>YES! Please consider a 4.5 day school week with school being dismissed at noon on Fridays. Eliminate food service for Fridays. This gives the community a chance to feel out what a four day school week would potentially be like. This could be a transition into a four day week. I realize this doesn't save the district as much money, but surely it would save something. PLEASE CONSIDER!</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>To save teachers and I would like the Tuesday through Friday option</p>	<p>consolidate BV and Salida School Districts</p>
Yes		Four-day week		<p>It seems inevitable in order to save positions. The economy, as far as schools are concerned, doesn't seem to be getting any better and if we cut so many staff this year, what will happen the next. If we aren't offering choices and enough classes, especially at SHS, then people will leave.</p>	<p>Get rid of Art at LES, it's much more important at higher level Reorganize maintenance dept Cut some of the sports \$'s: do we need new uniforms every year? I know it's on a roatation basis, but stop that for a few years until economy is better. (Folks threaten to go to BV, but they are considering 4 day the next year) Fees for riding the bus. Mentioned at community meeting was town matching funds used from reserves, this seems VERY doable. Very afraid of touching staff pay because of the fact it affects their retirement!! Use foods from school gardens to help supplmeent food costs: expand on it. Possibly have an agriculture class that runs a greenhouse?</p>

	NO	Four-day week		The financial savings is important.	
					<p>First -Dissolve Crest Academy and make it no longer under the auspices of the school district. Subsidizing Crest Academy for hundreds of thousands of dollars is why we are in a fiscal crisis and the whole community knows it. We are considering cutting teachers who have committed themselves to our public schools while Karen Lundberg, the teacher and director of Crest Academy, left our district and began a school which competed against our public school. Crest Academy should never have been supported with public taxpayers dollars in the first place. It's clear we don't have the revenues to continue this unethical relationship with Crest, so cut it first. Besides the fact, it's a Charter School and never went through the process required to be a Charter School, it's unlawful! Secondly, cut the position of the Director of Teaching and Learning, Starr Hill's job. When we faced a fiscal crisis years ago, the position of Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Georgia Grantham's job, was eliminated. We can't afford a director of teaching and learning. Third, make our over-paid superintendent, who makes more than the governor of Colorado, work for his \$99,000 yearly salary. Ask more of the superintendent and the principals to do the job of professional development and cut the position of Director of Teaching and Learning. She should never have been given a \$4,000 bonus! Fourth, ask the superintendent to take a 15% cut in pay to continue working for us. Fifth, put all of the Title teachers, math and reading, in all three schools back in the regular classrooms to maintain smaller class sizes. These teachers should work in regular classrooms when we are faced with this magnitude of a crisis. We must keep our class sizes as small a possible, especially in K-2nd grade - it's so critical that students get the best opportunity to learn at the youngest ages. It's clear what we have to do to cut expenses. The board needs to act as leaders and do what is required of them.</p>
	No	Four-day week		It saves money, simply put!	
	No	Four-day week		It will cut expenses, possibly saving jobs in the process.	Donate back 5% of our pay to the district. If it saves jobs, we'll be better off.
	No	Four-day week		<p>I prefer the new revised 4 day draft the calendar committee has come out with with the ending date of school being 5/25. Many teachers and support staff have 2nd jobs that start over Memorial Day and teachers also attend summer school that would cut into that time if school goes til June 7th. Although a 4-day week means the loss of hrs for support staff, I feel it will save the district money by cutting food and utility expenses.</p>	

	No		Five-day week	<p>I was not able to go to the meeting as I am a single mom and live a bit out of town and with 2 young children can not go to a meeting that late - The five day week would negatively impact the more at risk families and children - I have done some research and it looks like it is the special education children and families from generational poverty that will be the hardest hit from this - the middle income families will be able to absorb the change better as they tend to have more flexible employers - I also worry about the middle schoolers who will be unsupervised for long periods of time - I know B&G club will step up and that will work for some - but that is not a great place for many kids for such a long day - it is already known as being crazy and wild over there with low adult to child ratio - it is ok for a couple of hours but for 8-9 they would have to become a lot more structured and hire a lot more employees and can they really do that for just one day a week? I also think the employees that are going to be the greatest hit are the bus drivers and lunch staff - so again the lowest paid are going to bear the burden -</p>	<p>how many teachers would have to be cut to make the difference - this is going to impact children one way or another so what is the least damage to the most vulnerable -</p>
	No	Four-day week		<p>I feel that it best supports our current economic situation and keeps programs in place for students. I also feel that this calendar choice would support families and trips as well as sports activities.</p>	<p>I would have attended the meeting if I didn't have prior commitments.</p>
	No	Four-day week		<p>Budgetary reasons only. I do not feel it is in the students' best interests.</p>	
	No	Four-day week		<p>To help balance the budget without cutting positions/programs.</p>	
	No	Four-day week		<p>My children attended school in Cotopaxi. Combined my three children had a total of less than 15 absences K-12. All athletic events could be scheduled for Thursday evening thru Saturday therefore eliminating out of classtime for athletics. All doctor and assorted appointments could be scheduled for Friday. We didn't have the availability of Boys and Girls to help working parents, but we were able to make it work. Money was saved in the lunchroom, heating and transportation departments. I liked it as a parent as an employee I will take a 10% paycut because I will go from 35 to 32 per week but its better than a 100% paycut.</p>	
	No	Four-day week		<p>It's more responsible than the alternative and so many other districts around us have adjusted to it quite nicely, I'm sure we could too.</p>	
	No	Four-day week		<p>I'd rather save money that way then cutting more positions</p>	
	No	Four-day week		<p>Don't want to see staff cuts which would potentially lead to high student-teacher ratio</p>	<p>Students paying for texts books, buses, all sports related costs and extra curricular activities that might require use of staff and a bus. Bake sales, fund raisers, etc. for class supplies</p>

	No	Four-day week		To avoid cutting teaching positions; it's the most sensible way to meet budget needs. Reduction of teachers will lead to larger classes, as a parent, I would rather see smaller class sizes with one less instructional day. Other schools that have the four-day schedule have proven to be academically successful.	The day off should be Friday, to allow for sporting events. If Monday is the day off, some students could potentially go to school one 1 or 2 days a week.
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		If it helps save jobs, why not? Also, plenty of other districts operate successfully on a 4-day week. We know the model can work.	No.
	No	Four-day week		cost savings	
	No	Four-day week		I am willing to do what it takes to save jobs and keep programs along w/reasonable class sizes.	
	No	Four-day week		If it saves teachers jobs and the district money, I am all for that.	None, we just need to work as a team and do what is best for this district.
	No	Four-day week		It would improve staff and student morale, and research suggests a decrease in drop out rate with a 4-day week.	Furlough days. We added 2 more student contact days under John Rouse, take them away and furlough staff.
	No	Four-day week		I like the 4-day week because if it is done thoughtfully, and with care, it will have less of an impact on student learning than larger class sizes or loss of programs. The 4-day week also provides the best opportunity to preserve jobs.	Dare I say it: scale back athletics. I know there is economic impact to the community, and that sport keeps some students in school. Perhaps parents can help defray travel costs and/or the Spartan Boosters could offer "scholarships" so athletes from lower-income families could still participate.
	No	Four-day week		to save teacher's jobs!!	
	No	Four-day week		I would rather work 4 days per week than see anyone lose their job.	strike
	No	Four-day week		Long term solution to saving money and it doesn't appear to hurt student achievement	
	No	Four-day week		Save money	Cut out the Director of Teaching and Learning. The superintendent should be capable of handling this part time job and is already paid a very hefty salary. Or reapportion his salary and split it with the director. Cut ties with Crest Academy. It is wrong for the board to have us sacrifice so much for so few "special" students. While children in our district are being forced into larger classes, these Crest children are able to maintain a 14 to 1 pupil to teacher ratio. We have already lost too much money funding a charter school that has no charter. Give teachers their deserved contractual steps, not fund Crest Academy.
	No	Four-day week		It will save on operational costs and it minimizes impact on staff and students if done carefully.	
	No	Four-day week		It seems the best way to meet budget shortfall without cutting instructional time or programs.	
	No	Four-day week		cost savings	
	No	Four-day week		I did not attend the meeting but I am familiar with the issues surrounding the four day week. I would approve of this change in order to realize financial savings.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week	Five-day week	parents need to know that the children are taken care of while they are at work	cut the outside maintenance position. this position cost the system 30,000 dollars a year. I believe it would be cheaper to contract the service out
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		Obvious savings (how much yet to be determined...)	To cut excessive sports travel - consider intramural activities; same for other curricular areas - for example hauling kids up Cottonwood Pass for a fall excursion - that type of activity. I think we could cut travel costs considerably.

	No	Four-day week		save money, increase attitude in students and teachers	
	No	Four-day week		a four day workweek would logically reduce operating expense.	
	No	Four-day week		I would rather go to 4 day week to save any possible staff reductions	
	No		Five-day week	Ending in June is not a good option-especially when HS, last discussion anyway, had to end May 20 for the builders. We are making cuts from the people who can afford it the least-the janitors, cooks, and bus drivers. Unless the 4 day week is Tues-Fri..what are we really saving when there are home sporting events and other activities that warrant the building being open.	Charge fee for community groups to use the building. Ask administrators to take a freeze...regardless of their contract. Cut the DTL position-we are doing our own Prof. Development for the most part anyway.
	No	Four-day week		My reasoning is based solely on effective budget cutting options.	
	No	Four-day week		Cost saving measure. Worked in a 4 day week and test scores were actually higher there. No excuse for students to be gone for haircuts, drivers license/permit, dance dresses, etc	Combine the maintenance director with Athletic director position as it used to be. Cut one position in the admin building and/or combine it with the food services director position.
	No	Four-day week		Seems like the most logical choice to make.	
	No	Four-day week		Due to current budget issues, I feel that it would be irresponsible to continue cutting positions and not allowing our students the best education possible, even if that means going to a 4 day week.	Combine maintainance, food service, athletic directors jobs in such a way that one or possibly two people could do those jobs.
	No	Four-day week		To save money for our district.	
	No	Four-day week		Less out of pocket costs for the school district. Attendance of students might be better if appts. can be made on days off and long weekends for trips.	
	No	Four-day week		Cost savings	
	No	Four-day week		It will help to reduce the amount of professional staff that need to be cut.	
	No		Five-day week	nothing for the kids to do on that day during the week while all the parents are at work. possibility kids would get into more trouble, while there would be no supervision	pay cut for superintendent
	No	Four-day week		Now that you reduced the days down it would be GREAT!!!! love the idea do it do it. I love the Monday idea it makes since with the sports and all love it and get this in gear and get it done by next year.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	I cannot imagine that we can afford to build a new school and we cannot keep it open 5 days a week	
	No		Five-day week	The four day would work if it was Monday - Thursday. The talk of the Tuesday-Friday just doesn't make sense.You are asking an entire community to change how we function in the work environment. I understand that there are activities at the high school on Friday evening, however, this does not pertain to the entire district. I know that funds have to be cut and would rather not have staff cut, as things are lean already. I wish there was a simple solution.	Hire an actual maintenance person for the entire district that actually maintains the schools with safety and budgets in mind. If there has to be a half day, eliminate lunches or just take the day off. Ridiculous waste of money & time.

	No	Four-day week		I would prefer to keep the five day week but not if it means that six or more teachers lose their jobs (in order to cut the \$166,000 from the budget) which will make class size even bigger. With the four day week, I worry about the longer days for younger children. I don't think they can absorb more academics in a day. For older kids, extracurricular activities will need to be adjusted such as shorter sports practice times and the amount of home work will need to be REDUCED, otherwise they will not get enough sleep on school nights. I would prefer a Tuesday through Friday week (with Mondays off)	Change state policy to fund education - I wish I knew how!!
	No		Five-day week	The longer hours per day would be too taxing on the children. They would also have more days of "There's nothing to do" and would get bored and therefore get into more trouble.	
	No		Five-day week		
	No	Four-day week		More time with my family in the winter.	
	No	Four-day week		The \$ savings for the district. Would hate to see sporting events or any other activities cut because of budget.	Definitely Mondays off. Students will not have to make up for the Monday holidays.
	No		Five-day week	The biggest reason is that the High School students would have a 3-day weekend, and we are all painfully aware that our youth that nothing to do anyway. Do we really need more of our youth misbehaving for 3 days? Also, daycare costs are very high, and many parents have a work schedule around school for little ones. To add another day of paying for day care would seriously cut into budgets. School is by no means a day care, but every dime a parent can save is one that is needed.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		1.) It saves the district 160K. 2.) A 4 day work week is a good perk to offer our underpaid teachers. 3.) While it is unfortunate that the change will impact pay for support staff, it is important to first attend to the needs of students by ensuring that teaching positions and classroom budgets are maintained.	Tax the fatcats who made big bucks selling the derivatives that led to the financial crash.
	No	Four-day week		We had it at a previous school and it was great!! Plus it's better than losing teachers here because of budget cuts.	It should be on Mondays because of sporting events on Fridays.
	No	Four-day week		If this keeps the district from cutting programs that kids need, than it is a good option. I also think that the Tuesday thru Friday option would better utilize the savings.	
	No		Five-day week	One less day my child is at home and out and about to get into trouble.	
	No		Five-day week	I was unable to attend the March 7th meeting. I do, however, plan to attend the meeting on March 21. Currently, the five-day week works well for our son. My concern for the four-day week schedule is that the school days would be longer thus the expectation for nightly homework completion would be ridiculous and unfair.	I will have to wait until I attend the community meeting on March 21 to gather more information.

	No	Four-day week		I want to save the district money and make sure that we do not have to cut staff. Classes at the Elementary level are already large and I feel we need to try whatever we can to save our staff and keep our class sizes down.	I would look into getting rid of bussing. We would all have to get our own children to school. We could charge a fee for bussing to activities and sporting events. Charging a fee would make it fair for those who want to participate and those who don't would not have to pay.
	No		Five-day week	I'm concerned for families that are low income and/ or are grappling with multiple risk factors including substance abuse, mental health issues, etc. Research points out it is much better for children/ youth coming out of these families to be in school and not at home an extra day. Boys & Girls Clubs have said they can not incorporate all the children who will be left home alone at the Club. These children will be at home, unsupervised. In addition, the number of hours children are being educated will be reduced. Although it is higher than state average it is being reduced which again, is not a good thing for especially children coming out of low-income families who may not be subject to enrichment by their families in the same way that children are in middle-class families.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		Flexibility to schedule other activities and appointments, trips out of town without missing school. Would prefer Friday's off to Monday's off - easier to adjust work schedules around friday off.	
	No		Five-day week	The ratio of 5 to7 just seems more effective to learning than 4 to 7. The other issue is daycare for working parents. Can we set up a 4 day work week? I understand the operating cost issue.	can we implement energy savings on a daily basis?
	No	Four-day week		Seems the best option More family time	
	No	Four-day week		I think the four day would work for the school, cutting some costs as well as other advantages for workers, and, I think a lot of families would find the three day weekend great and to the advantage of families who are encouraging education of all sorts that happens outside of school; I do wonder about parents that both work five day work weeks and what they do with their child; that has probably been dealt with many times in other communities and can be handled here in the same way; we don't have to reinvent the wheel for this to happen since it is not uncommon anymore to have a four day school week; I think most parents and kids would find this liberating once they thought about it	I don't have children in school and think as many parents as possible should respond to this and really think about it; they should come up with solutions that would work both for the school and their family-not an impossible task
	No		Five-day week		
	No	Four-day week		I want my child in school for an education not to use the school as a babysitter. I feel I can teach my child some invaluable lessons on the day they spend with me.	Sports taking a partial cut?
	No	Four-day week		It would save the school money on food, utilities, etc. Would give our family an extra day of the week to be together.	
	No	Four-day week			

	No	Four-day week		It is unfortunate that cuts need to be made at all, however, large class sizes really scare me. To keep more teachers in the classrooms-I am willing to stand behind cutting the school week to 4 days. I would like to see the school year extended into June as well. The U.S. is falling further and further behind in the global sense and to cut education is appalling to me....we need to keep the kids in class (with adequate staffing) as much as possible.	
	No	Four-day week		my daughter would do alot better in attendence if there was only 4 days. The day off could be used for appts and such.	no
	No		Five-day week	Students learn and retain their skills and knowledge better with 5 day. (3 days are too long to be gone) If we have further cuts are we going to a 3 day? This is just a band-aid and kids will suffer.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	I think elementary students can't do a productive longer day; I worry the afternoon becomes babysitting, or more recess. A sick day costs 25% of the week.	Unfortunately, no! I do understand if it has to be done :(
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		Four days is fine, but only if it is a Tuesday thru Friday schedule. Too much business is conducted on Mondays and I think Friday off schedule would be easier on parents.	What about 8 to 4 five days a week with more vacation time. Such as a week off at Thanksgiving. Mon to Wed at Thanksgiving always seems like such a waste because alot of kids are always absent. End the school year on a Friday not a Tues or Wed.
	No	Four-day week		From the information I have it sounds like if we do not go to a 4-day work week teachers/staff will lose their jobs. I don't want to see that happen. I also believe it would be great to have a 3 day weekend every week which I realize might extend the school year. I feel my kids have more than enough of a break in the summer time and they actually get bored. It would be nice to let them have break often rather than one long summer.	
	No	Four-day week			Make the school district more efficient.
	No		Five-day week	otherwise i would be unable to work enough hours to support my son	a normal 5 day school week
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week		

	No	Four-day week		due to the economic crunch our district is in id rather see a 4 day week than lose qualified teachers and staff.	honestly i have no idea, i think our community feels left out of our school. they dont feel very welcome and we should seem more gracious for the help we receive. we ask and ask and ask constantly for our kids to fundraise, for them to inundate the community businesses with requests for help but what do we offer the people that do help? nothing. we dont provide any recognition for those that always promote, provide and produce for not just our own kids at shs but all of the others. our kids are constantly coming home with i need money for... i need to fundraise for this i need to bring kleenex blah blah blah but i never see anything in the way of thanks to parents or community. i think our school needs to be more community oriented so they are willing to help out sports and extra curriculars. perhaps tammy could have a column in the tenderfoot or a monthly column in the mtn mail that keeps the community up to speed on things. instead we get emails from pissed off parents over what is wrong but nothing in a positive manner over what is going on. as a parent im sick of being asked for money all the time and hearing the bad things coming from other parents and students. our school wants/needs the community, so why dont we communicate in a manner which warrants our support? instead of always asking, i think our school needs to say thank you. dont get me wrong lots of support came out when the bond was up.....but what about everything else? i only suggest this because i know what its like to donate, support and help our school. and it should be done expecting nothing back, which most of us are fine giving like that. however when we constantly ask for community involvement and support financially for EVERYTHING, a note of thanks even in general or just keeping people up to date.....cant be a bad thing now can it?
	No		Five-day week	I would like to see our kids in school for the 5 days a week. I am a single parent and struggle to make ends meet. If this should pass to a four day week, I would have to hire a babysitter to watch my kids while I am at work.	My other ideas would be to ask the teachers to take a cut in their benefits. Why is it that the budget gets cut and it is our children who are going to pay the price. If every teacher took a small cut we could save the district as well as get our budget back on track. And most importantly our kids would not have to pay the price.
	No		Five-day week	I don't believe there is any evidence that a 4-day week is better for the students. Salida needs to dramatically improve the academic environment. Unless the board can show this benefits students academically, I oppose the change.	I'm not sure what the parameters and objectives are so I don't know what should be done. I only know there are always creative solutions.
	No	Four-day week		The only other option that I can see is that the classes will be larger and there will be less teachers. I don't think that would be beneficial.	My vote is for Friday off. Then parents can pursue other avenues of education (pottery, dance, music, sports) if they want.
	No		Five-day week	I think the students are mentally burned out by 3:00 and won't be able to pay attention and retain instructional material for that last hour of the day. I am concerned that they will not learn as much on a four-day week.	It seems like often the busses are not full and 16 passenger vans could be used. I would assume 16 passenger vans are more economical to operate and costs less, but I do not know that for a fact.
	No	Four-day week		Saves money.	Could be done on a 3 year basis and revaluated

	No		Five-day week	A 5 day schedule fits better with working parents. I have concerns about what my children and other children would do on Fridays while parents are having to work. Also, the cost to parents of younger children for day care, etc.	4 1/2 day week. 1/2 day on Friday with no hot lunch provided. Day ends at 12:30 pm.
	No		Five-day week	I do not feel that the learning will be as effective in 4 slightly longer days per week. The longer school year required by the 4 day week seems counter-productive to budget savings.	Unfortunately I believe the best solution is a reduction in staff. Any private industry facing a decline in revenue would be forced to reduce staff until the climate improves.
	No	Four-day week		save money and would allow for teachers to stay employed for student to teacher ratio to stay at a healthy %	administration level pay cuts
	No		Five-day week	I believe cutting an extra day of school is gonna make it more difficult for single parents who would then have to pay for someone to watch their child on that day. Its hard enough to be able to provide for your children when your a single parent. I myself already have to miss work everyday so I can pick up my children from school.	
	No	Four-day week		When I left calif we just went through this debate with our school system, and we did it, and I liked it.	
	No	Four-day week		Ability to keep more staff to assist children in development.	
	No	Four-day week		I think it's a good way to solve some of the budget crisis without increasing class sizes due to staff reductions.	I think that if the four-day week does not happen the school may have to discontinue bus service or cut back on the number of sports offered or the distances sports teams travel.
	No	Four-day week		It would fit better with the needs of our family, and research has shown there are many benefits to a 4 day school week.	Not at this time.
	No	Four-day week		I would rather see a four day school week than to see programs cut more and/or staff positions cut.	
	No	Four-day week		I am a stay at home grandmother so the children being home one more day will be fine. I can work with them on things they need help with more family time. Will allow the school district to have more money so can provide better education.	
	No	Four-day week		I think it saves money for the school as well as our family.	No
	No	Four-day week		The kids would like it better and it would help the school district financially.	
	No		Five-day week	just a bad idea all the way around. if it was done right then yes, but our school don't know how to do things right in the first place!	
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	The children will have less time to be kids, and have to spend more time on homework. Longer hours in school will make the kids more tired when they get home and may lose focus on their homework. Also, parents may also have difficulties finding child care or may not be able to afford more child care.	

	No		Five-day week	I used to teach at Cotopaxi and I found that students who missed a Monday, really had a difficult time getting back into the lesson we worked on the previous Thursday. Too many days off. Other than that, it was not bad and I wouldn't be dramatically opposed. If, however, the day off was a Monday and students involved in sports were gone to sporting events on Friday, I would be dramatically opposed.	I'm started to think that an extended calendar would be beneficial. Less summer vacation - maybe only two months. If there was a four-day week, I would like to see an extended calendar year.
	No	Four-day week		I not only think that it could potentially save the district money but I also believe that this community has alot to offer the kids when they are not in school they could take advantage of all the outdoor activities that we have in our surrounding areas. I went to school 4 days a week and it was a great experience.	
	No	Four-day week		Really would help on day to day operations costs. One less day of busing, less in kitchen, less on lights, etc.	Make un-academic activities a cost burden on the people who chose to participate. Other school districts do this for sports.
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	4 days will mess up all schedules for these kids. After school sports will run later, Fri I will need a babysitter or take off work. Another problem is I think the kids will be sooo tired by the end of the day that they will not be ready to effectively learn. (This comment was pointed out by my son initially). I realize it is hard times but we must make hard choices which means cutting teachers to recoup salary costs and balance the budget.	I realize it is hard times but we must make hard choices which means cutting teachers to recoup salary costs and balance the budget. Lets not hurt the very people(our kids) we are trying to help by going to this plan.
	No		Five-day week	A four day week, given that so many parents in this town are struggling in low paying jobs just to make ends meet, will be an economic burden (in the form of child care) that would be unequally shared (i.e., it won't affect those with more money, two wage earners, etc., as much).	If this is strictly a question of budget balancing, how about these: make all athletic programs self supporting, i.e. "pay to play". If cuts need to be made in staff, teachers should be the last to go. Nurses, counselors, etc., should be shared/eliminated first. Charge money for bus service. Make administrators pay NO HIGHER than the highest paid teacher. In other words, teachers should be the VERY last thing ever cut.
	No		Five-day week	My children are tired at the end of a 7 hour day, and I don't believe extending the day in order to fit 5 days of schooling into 4 will be intellectually productive. I also have concerns re: the availability of a parent to supervise them on an entire weekday every week.	I would like to see fees charged for participation in athletics, and would not be averse to ceasing the hot lunch program.
	No		Five-day week	All tell you why. I would love the four day week, but going tell June 7th is REDICULOUS the students all ready go long enough of a school year and you want to make it even longer! They would have one month full month of summer one. I think the four day week is good but these ideas of going a longer year is awful. Cotopaxi nor BV go that long why do we need to? Do you fill like it is really helping the students casue i dont it does not make them smarter and it would not help it would make them dread school more and slack because summer would be even farther away then it is now.	yes the four day week, but NOT going tell June 7th that is observed that you would make the school year even longer and hardly give them summer. Your going to add more costs to by being open all those extra days that are not NEEDED!!!

	No		Five-day week	A 4 day week would be a terrible inconvenience as a single working parent. Also I am opposed to a shorter summer vacation, this would hinder early and late summer family vacation plans. I think longer school days will wear on the children and they will not get as much out of the later classes. Finally there is not a suitable rec center or other activity center for the kids. Boys and Girls club is wonderful for the younger kids but not the young teenagers.	Lower the heat & have the kids bundle up! Take the extra teaching days that Salida has and add to summer or Christmas break, that will cut utilities.
	No	Four-day week		I am in favor of the four day week if it will save as much as projected. I do not have many concerns about the effect on quality of education, most of what I have read seems to prove no ill effects.	My concerns are for the families that will be burdened with childcare for an extra day? Sure, the school district will save, but at what cost? Most families will be required to pay for some sort of additional childcare while they work. In effect, it's like raising taxes on families with no other options. Would like to know how other districts are handling, has the district come up with ideas?
	No	Four-day week		I would only like the 4-day week if the "day off" is Monday. I have a teen who would use Thursday night as an extra "Friday Night" where as Sunday is a family day, Monday could therefore become an additional at home day because there are less "party, hang out" types of activities Sunday night and Monday.	I would still be interested in more talk about "year-round" school.
	No	Four-day week		The 4-day week will give us some flexibility with out of Salida activities we like. The 4-day week will not be perfect for us, as some adjustments will need to be made occasionally and some cost might have to be incurred to cover days when both my wife and my work schedules make that necessary.	My wife attended the meeting on Monday and came home with the summary of information exchanged. Can an added (maybe voluntary) "school tax" be arranged so individuals that can do so, can contribute funds that will go directly into our schools coffers and not into some general fund? I have doubts that this 4-day proposal will be the fix that is needed, and I think that if community could provide a bit more, maybe that would help. I am of the opinion that the existing funds aren't being wasted, there simply isn't enough revenue being directed to education. I believe we are all going to lose if this continues to be the case. Find a way to let the community kick in on a voluntary basis. Every little bit will help, right?
	No		Five-day week	Fewer days in the classroom is not the answer to a budget shortfall. The amount of time spent actively learning each week will be decreased, even if additional time is added to the 4 days in school. This is a bad idea.	Our taxes are incredibly low compared to other parts of the country. I would certainly be willing to pay higher taxes to keep our schools functioning 5 days per week.
	No		Five-day week	I have children in the Elementary School and the Middle School. The days are just fine the way it is now. Plus people will have to pay extra for daycare and really don't have the extra cash coming in for that. By the afternoon kids are starting to settle down and are tired of learning and just want to go home. This is just not a good idea for the Elementary or the Middle School children.	Maybe you need to do this for the High School only.

	No		Five-day week	I have two children-a 4th grader and a preschooler. My preschooler will be in kindergarten next year. Childcare is an issue in my family as both me and my husband work full time. It's difficult to find coverage during the scheduled breaks and can't imagine what we will do every Friday. I have talked to TLC-they think they will stay to a 5 day week so that might be an option for my youngest. Longer school days for young children are often counterproductive(then add in any extracurricular activities.....too long!) I feel for the school system as there are no easy solutions.	I hope if a 4 day school week is voted in....we will have some childcare options. Boys and Girls Club can only do so much.
	No	Four-day week		It is far more important to keep as much staff in place as possible. There has been no other alternatives that seems to be a better money saving plan. There has been no strong argument in opposition.	
	No	Four-day week			I was involved in year round school also and that worked extremely well.
	No	Four-day week		So I can Take time off work to play with my kid.	Move the district to open source computers - Initial investment with savings over the long run. Move to European country where education is valued. :)
	No			Not really convinced one way or the other.	If you do go to 4-day I would investigate why the calander would have to be expanded if Monday was the day closed. There are enough holidays that you should not have to go into June. Also, I am not sure about your logic on how much will be saved. Lastly, as a board you need to research and be convinced that there are sufficient outlets for families to send their kids on these days-- and affordable.
	No		Five-day week	Not opposed to it. I just need to learn more. I would be interested in results from any studies that compare student performances between 4 and 5 day weeks. It seems like it would effect younger kids more. I know the current day is a long one for my 1st grader. Not sure how an additional 45 minutes a day would effect him. Are those constructive educational minutes or are kids fried and day dreaming during that additional time therefore loosing out in the end.	I am huge proponent of year around school. It would be great to have seasonal breaks. Refresh the kids spirits. Our valleys economy largely based on Tourism- Primarily Summer tourism. It is difficult for families like mine to get any time off during the summer. It ends up costing us a lot in summer day care. A year around school year with breaks allocated throughout the year would dramatically increase the time we could spend as a family and would reduce school burn out in the students. I have spoken to many families that would support the year round schedule. I dont know if there is any financial benefit to that type of system for the school but it would have a huge financial impact to families like mine.
	No	Four-day week		gives kids a little bit of a break. Makes school a little better for them	
	No	Four-day week		Easier to make appts. on day off. Longer weekends for trips and holidays. Less cost for school district. Kids probably won't really notice the longer days, but will like the day off once per week!	Cut out all the extra trips for bands, field trips, etc. until the school dist. is back on its feet. Do we really need a maintenance supervisor? Would seem the janitors could be supervised by the one there the longest.

	No	Four-day week		Because the only other choice is larger classes. I would want this revisited every year to see if it is working, still necessary, etc. We are in a no win situation.	Cut Crest Now. It is too elite to be under public schools. It seems to be a great school, but it doesn't accept many types of students, (special needs, disciplinary problems, etc) The kids who get in are only those with parents who have the wherewithal to get their kids in. Those without computers/money/educated parents who aren't working 2 or 3 jobs and too busy to fill out the application, would have a very difficult time getting in to Crest. Maybe I need to apply there for my child so he doesn't have huge classes. Please look at class sizes in the high school. I would like it made public what class sizes look like for each teacher for each hour of the day. I do understand some classes are mandated for college prep, but surely we can do something other than cut elementary teachers. What do the class sizes look like in the 5th and 6th grade. The elementary school has been taking all the hits over the past 2 years (Mary Redfern-White's position, Kayla Maddox's position, paraprofessional)
	No	Four-day week		Creates a good balance of work and play.	
	No		Five-day week	We both work 5 days/week and having an open day would sink us, and we don't feel that the Boys and Girls Club should take up the slack and become Longfellow's Friday Babysitting service. If it has to be a 4 day week, my husband suggested doing what he thought was successful in his own elementary education: Having a 1/2 day per week be devoted to each child performing community service of some kind in order to orient them to practical work as well as enrich the community.	
	No		Five-day week	Long days for the kids. Sports practices after school are impacted by later start and end times. Many groups meet on Monday's so the high school will never actually be closed.	
	No	Four-day week		I would rather goto a 4 day week then have any programs cut or see anyone lose there job.	
	No		Five-day week	shorter, more frequent days help most people with learning. long days get the glazed over look.	
	No		Five-day week	Complications and cost of having to provide for a day of child care every week.	A slightly larger class size, and perhaps fewer teachers if that is the only budget option.
	No		Five-day week	Empirical data says a five day week provides far better education for students. Likewise, the buildings will save only a little bit of money by not having students in them that extra day. Salida students need to be competitive and their education is worth the expense of running the school the extra day.	Colorado is in a race to be the lowest tax state in the nation. This is not something to be proud of. Being the lowest has a lot of negative impacts on the state including roads, infrastructure, economy and worst of all, student education. It also invites a retirement community that oppose progressive change. Good business means providing revenue. Cutting budgets does not provide revenue and getting thigns back becomes increasingly difficult for the community. Raising taxes ensures revenue and communities with good roads, infrastructure, and education perpetuate that. I fully support raising taxes.
	No		Five-day week	Because parents can barely afford to live here, let alone have to take another day off work to be home with their kids.	
	No		Five-day week	The inconvenience on working parents to find daycare or a safe place thier children to be on Fridays in to large.	

	No	Four-day week		Although it has extensive social impacts on our community, the most obvious ..what will working parents do with younger kids on Friday. I would rather save school jobs and specific educational resources than cut the budget to keep a 5 day week.	Florida implements a quality virtual school which started out on Fridays to meet the required budget needs for a 4 day week, but maintain educational involvement of kids. It's now a K-12 option to take virtual classes full or part time in that state from home.
	No		Five-day week		
	No	Four-day week		As I understand the information a 4 day week would be a long term solution to some (not all) of the budget issues facing the school district. I would prefer the Monday off rather than the Friday because of the holiday issues where there are more days that parents would have off with the children, elevating some of the cost of child care. I do think that the educational hours would not have to be increased so much that the year would start so much earlier and end later. I seems that the burnout for teachers and students would increase making it difficult for kids to have peak performance in learning.	
	No		Five-day week	A four day week seems like the days are too long (we got a copy of the calendars) even though it's just a bit longer. What about sports practices and games? The kids already have a hard time keeping up with everything that they're doing without having practices start later in the afternoon or earlier in the morning.	
	No	Four-day week		I would rather have this considered first, before cutting teachers or programs.	
	No		Five-day week	It's an unrealistic burden on parents who have to work every day and would make more time that the kids would be un-supervised which would be very unhealthy. (I have 2 kids too old for child care, please don't do this to us)	If you do it anyway could you possibly provide a ski bus for kids?
	No	Four-day week		need not to extend the school day hours children will learn more at home than they will from most of your teachers	hire teachers that care get rid of the bad ones
	No		Five-day week	Children will miss continuity of reading and learning and therefore I strongly feel that five -day week is the best for the School	We know, it is because of Finance/budget school is working on this issue. It is not a good idea for the children. Children will tend to lose touch in their school life and their mind will be diverted.
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	consistency, discipline. meshes better with working parent's week. Cut costs by reducing building temperatures, turning off lights, getting children and parents to become more involved with school maintenance, etc.	
	No		Five-day week	I am a working parent with elementary age children.	
	No		Five-day week	Stress on working parents. Real world=5 day week.	
	No	Four-day week		Either one is fine with Matt & myself. Whatever helps the school out-we just don't want teachers or jobs cut. The most important thing is learning and kids(good teachers)	School all year round and so much time off year around. That was another choice & a good one. Kids will retain more if there in learning more, also just learning one academic at a time. Colorado College in Co. Springs has college set up that way and college students retain better that way!

	No		Five-day week	Conflicts with parent work schedules. However, I understand the School District's position re the budget cuts, and will support whatever measures are adopted that have the least negative influence on the quality of education our kids receive.	
	No	Four-day week		we moved to salida from creede in 2008-they have a 4 day school week, i was also the bookkeeper for the district and the financial benefit is substantial.	
	No		Five-day week	With most parents working M-F, it is just another day to find day care or another day for the kids to get into trouble.	Leave it the way it is.
	No	Four-day week		more family time for kids	
	No	Four-day week		My hope is that it would save a significant amount of money. There are other reasons I think it could be good for our students and teachers, but money is the main one. I believe the pros outweigh the cons in changing to a four-day week.	
	No	Four-day week		More family time and to save our school money.	
	No	Four-day week		I realize that with a four day week all of the field trips and school assemblies will be curtailed, however, that also gives parents/guardians a three day weekend to take their child/children to events themselves. It also gives the parents/guardians a chance to home school their child/children one day a week if they choose.	I would like to see a year round schedule be considered also. It seems the most reasonable. Year round school, 4 breaks a year, and no summer slide. The summer is too long and children tend to forget some of the things they have learned the previous year. The teachers spend the first 2-4 weeks of school just getting some of the students back up to last years end of the year levels.
	No		Five-day week	I believe it provides for a better learning environment. I do not believe that most children have mental endurance to effectively participate beyond a standard length day. I feel going to a four day week is a bad option for our children.	No solutions. Given the limited options I've seen presented, I would let go a few teachers than negatively effect the education experience for the entire student body.
	No		Five-day week	Our schools should be a place where student learning is put first not second behind budget issues. Moving to a four day schedule will impact student learning in a negative way. Students are already tired and exhausted at the end of the day now. Do we really think this is going to improve if we move to a longer day. All the research shows that a move to a four day schedule impacts student learning. Columbia University did a major study on this issue.	Since we live way out in the middle of colorado. We need to look at how we travel as athletics. Raise taxes??????
	No	Four-day week		If it truly saves the district as much as Mr Webb is saying....it is a good way to save teachers and still cut money out of the budget. Although, I do not understand why the district needs to lengthen the school year as much as they are saying. I would hate to see the school year going into the month of June!	Look at costs on transportation. Why are we bussing kids who live in town? Holman Ave--Riverside apartments is an example. And why are we bussing kids who are attending another district? Combine bussing when traveling to sports/coed vs girls bus/boys bus.
	No		Five-day week	Finding day care for both of my children on a Friday would possibly put a dent in our finances. However, I'm glad that instruction time would remain the same for the kids.	I'm not adverse to a year round schedule..that could be four days. I think kids lose a lot of information during the summer and spend the beginning portion of the school year playing "catch up" It seems to make sense to go year round, with more breaks. Especially since the old calender was designed for an agricultural society years ago.

	No	Four-day week		Even if we did not face a budget shortfall, I would prefer a four day week. I think that kids get burned out doing the same thing five days per week. We would like to give our son a variety of different learning opportunities on the fifth day. We feel his education will be richer for it and the family will be richer for the additional time spent together.	Alternatives: 1. five day weeks with longer days and several additional break weeks - Fall/Winter/Spring. 2. Five day weeks for part of the year (Dec-Feb?) and four-day weeks the remainder of the year. Adjust length of day accordingly. 3. What would be saved by dropping athletics or at least scaling them back and look to booster clubs for support?
	No	Four-day week		With the economy, not only would it save the school money, it would also save us parents in gas driving our kids to school.	No, 4 days is proven to work.
	No		Five-day week	What will kids do on that day they aren't in school? It will be hard on parents who work. Also, a longer school day will be hard on kids and teachers and I doubt that added time will be used well.	I wish I did. I just don't think a four day week will save us enough to be worth it. Our kids will suffer for it and so will parents.
	No	Four-day week		i have heard that the curriculum will be the same with compressed hours.	
	No	Four-day week			
	No		Five-day week	My elementary school kids are already tired at the end of the day as the schedule stands now. I'm afraid that five days of information cannot be squeezed into four days of instruction.	I wish!
	No	Four-day week		I amke my living in tourism with weekends being the busiest. A 4 day week would allow for more family time.	Prefer Tuesday - Friday. Mondays off.
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No			I am torn and have pro's and con's to both. I am not sure (from what I have heard second hand) how going to a four day work week, but keeping the kids in school longer will help the budget? My concerns with a four day work week, is that I work 5 days and although one child can go to B&G Club, the other one will be too young. What if any, is being proposed for after school or that day of no school care and alternatives?	
	No	Four-day week		Save the district money. Kids would be better rested and ready to learn. Students in sports would miss less class time.	
	No	Four-day week		Tuesday- Fridays school week With Mondays off. Allowing parents that work Tues - Saturday's an additional day with their child/children. Not sure if Fridays off allows parents that flexibility.	Tuesday - Friday school week w/ sat - mon off
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		If it keeps from increasing classroom sizes then i am all for. Plus Not for cutting staff, let's increase the school day a little go 4 days a week to try and keep all staff.	

	No		Five-day week	For families with a lower income, finding childcare for another full day of the week will be problematic. I don't claim to have all the answers of how to balance your budget, but this scenario will break mine. further, placing our children into a longer day would appear to me make school more of a chore at an early age. 5-9 year olds don't exactly have a long attention span as it is.	Wish i had the time to explore the budget and I recognize that funding is not something you have control over. I am sure you will do the best with what you have.
	No		Five-day week	It will be an issue with parents that work. Either the school day will be longer, or summer break will be shorter, which I don't think is a good idea.	
	No		Five-day week		
	No		Five-day week	We already have declining test and performance scores for our children. My opinion is that this will not help in the least.	4-day school weeks might work for older children. What about only implementing this for the high school?
	No		Five-day week	I feel more classroom time is best for our children. I worry that the longer days will make it more difficult for our younger children to get the most out of instruction when they are so tired. I don't want to see fewer instructional hours, I would like to see MORE. I feel the cost savings do not justify this sacrifice to the education of our children.	Before we make cuts that will directly impact the education our school offers, I feel we need to address the amount of money spent on school sponsored sports! A fee for sports that each athlete's family will pay that will actually off-set the cost to the district for offering these sports seems to make so much more sense to me! Obviously we need to make budget cuts. Why not reduce waste and change funding for "extras" before jumping in to cut actual educational costs? The education of our children is MOST important.
	No		Five-day week	School is for teaching our kids about life among other things like learning to read & write. How many people really work a 4 day work week? Those that do have a 4 day work week it came after many long years of working 5 days per week right. What are those kids going to do on there extra day off? I think we are just creating time for more trouble. Alot of people will be leaving these kids home alone, because daycare for a full day is aprox \$25.00. We can't afford it. Boys & Girls club is full. (I was told). Parents have it figured out what to do with kids on a 5 day week. I think that kids need to be in school 5 days a week. If it were up to me they'd be in school year round with just longer holidays. Kids forget to much over the summer.	Before this passes or fails I would like to see someone surveying outside wal-mart or safeway to PARENTS of students. Not Students. Also if this is due to money issues why don't you do ferlow days.
	No		Five-day week	Having a student in high school who participates in athletics. He works very hard to keep his academics up as well. He as well as I are concerned that lengthening the school day will keep practices longer and less time to complete homework assignments and there will be a need for excess homework as you are shortening the week. As a working parent I have concerns about having extra time on there hands with a day off. While I know it has worked successfully in small school districts they do not have the percentage of working parents as we do in Salida. In the city where it has worked successfully there seems to be more activities and choices to keep teenagers busy. Too many unsupervised middle and high schoolers at home during the week could lead to other problems.	Why have we never considered a block system? couldn't this work better with a shortened week?

	No		Five-day week	longer days will be difficult for children to absorb information, especially small children; my children do not like the idea of less summer vacation; any sport/knowledge bowl, etc time off would be more detrimental to child	look into non direct areas of education to cut funds, such as sports-have higher sport fees, charge for all bus rides, cut sport secretarial position
	No	Four-day week		I think 4 day weeks can be more cost effective for the school system in general. Also, it allows the children more options as far as travel is concerned where missing school would not be a concern leaving early on a Friday.	
	No		Five-day week	I am a single parent, where does my kid go on the 5th day? He won't do well academically at all with the longer school days, we struggle now. Seems poor practice that we are asking them for 4 days when, in all reality, once they leave school and college they need to work NO less than 5 days a week, which is going to be hard for them with them being used to a 4 day week. Is this really preparing them for the future? I can't imagine how the single parents will figure this out. My kid does NOT enjoy Boys and Girls Club, it isn't an option for him. Also, what about the B&GC? Are they willing to go from a 4 day schedule of opening later, and then on the 5th day be open all day? We just seem to be setting everyone up for failure. I have such strong concerns about this. Will probably make a difference on whether we would continue in this school system or not.	If I have a full budget in front of me, maybe. I'm sure there is money being spent which is ridiculous, and cuts be made else-where. What are staff members willing to do on a higher level? Are they willing to do without on things that they can get by on? What is TRULY in the best interests of the students?
	No	Four-day week		My husband and I both are off on Fridays and it would be nice for our family to have 3-day weekends. However, if the Monday-off schedule is adopted, that would put a burden on us for daycare.	
	No	Four-day week		would rather save the \$4 for teachers	
	No		Five-day week	My daughter likes her routine and does not like to change it.	We like it the way it is.
	No			I am not sure which I would prefer. I don't have small kids and the change would only impact me for a little while. If the week is shortened my concern would be how missing classes would impact kids. I wouldn't want to see extra activities such as sports, field trips, music competitions etc. be cancelled or restricted because of the potential for missing days in a shortened week.	What is the real cost savings and where will it come from?
	No	Four-day week		Sorry I could not come to the meeting. I had to work. I don't prefer 4 day weeks but to save money, programs and teachers jobs I am willing.	A benefit would be to have more time with my son. I am opppsed to Monday being the day off. Friday should be the day off. Why isn't this an option on the survey.
	No	Four-day week		I attended a 4-day week in high school and loved it. I think it is a good way to start on saving money with the budget.	I am NOT in favor of a 4-day week with Mondays off. With Fridays off we could do the majority of our sports on those days so kids would be missing less school time. I also think we need to cut the proposed hours closer to the amount required by the CDE instead of going ann additional 2 weeks/year which would save quite a bit of money

	No	Four-day week		This allows ample time for kids to complete homework and be able to spend more meaningful time with family which at times is very limited due to work schedules and homework that needs to be done. I feel that a 4 day school week would allow for more time with the family in cases when some children don't get to see the other parent or only spend their time at home completing homework, having dinner and going to bed.	
	No	Four-day week		Saves \$\$\$ and teaching positions.	
	No	Four-day week		cost	

Yes	No	Four-day week	Five-day week		Open-Ended Response
Yes			five-day week	students (3), Kids do not need more free time, costs me thousands more/year for childcare.	staff to lose jobs. It is a difficult choice and I find it extremely sad that the state would cut this much on
YES		Four day week		For the savings. Have more time with my child	Friday's off- because there are more events than Mondays. Students would not be affected as much.
Yes		Four day week			
Yes			five day week	Children being alone on 5th day and long days for students along with conflict of activities, etc. Financial hardship on parents paying for extra day care, clubs, activities in addition to the new fees for field trips, etc.	Other districts are dealing with this too. Suggestions from them: \$50.00 one time bus rider fee. Reduce capital reserve. School employees pay more of their benefit costs. Protect student learning as much as possible. Discover insufficiencies. Reduce salaries with furlough days.
Yes			five day week	You can't make up a 5th class session by giving a few additional minutes to each if the 4 days.	The teachers have not made any concessions to help the financial situation. They could take a 5% cut in pay and/or benefits that show their willingness to help.
Yes			five day week	I believe taking a day out of the school week will be detrimental to my education because 10 minutes added to the class period will not make up for the day lost.	
Yes			five day week	As a parent I am wondering how a longer school day will affect my kids homework- he already has several hours of homework. Also, how does sports practices coordinate as a longer day makes for less practice time.	Cut extra stuff
Yes			five day week	My children will be alone on 5th day	
Yes		Four day week		Because it would save the school money and I was a student at South Park High 30 years ago and liked 4 day school week & it worked well.	
Yes			Five day week		
Yes		Four day week		I don't want jobs lost and I want time to spend with kids.	
Yes		Four day week		Best scenario for keeping staff. Less school time lost for students w/ absences.	1) get rid of Director of teaching & learning 2) Get rid of head of maintenance
Yes		Four day week		With Mondays off- more days off and you could do your teacher work days on the 3 extra Mondays.	When changes are made all the information should be put out- like the football field & field house home games.
Yes		Four day week		Because it has worked so well for surrounding districts for 30 years.	Lengthen school days to match other districts for instance 7:30 -4:30 to shorten calendar year.
Yes		Four day week		FRIDAY OFF! Cut down on transportation costs, building costs, schedule more sportsactivities on Fri-Sat	Most students seem in favor of 4 day.
Yes			five day week	Concerns over what students do on Fridays. Concerns for one income parents with school aged children. Concern over length of school day, concerned over Friday /Monday off combined with sporting events on Tue/Wed or he Thr. Or extra curr. Events on tue/wed or thur and therefore students wanting a 3 day school week.	salary reductions. Furlough days. Reduce staff. Combine classes. What is BV going to do? What will Cotopaxi do? They already are on a 4 day week.
Yes		Four day week		More time with family. This would be the ultimate community test, can we all pull together, be creative & teach our kids that free time can be spent well & productive?	
Yes		Four day week			what about Crest Academy, New Horizon, we have 3 main schools, cuts should come from here. People can pay tuition if they want their children to go to these schools. My child went to private elementary and we paid and we were fine with that. There is public education available.

Yes			five day week	Student focus will be lost with 3 day weekend, older kids will be left with no supervision.	
Yes		Four day week		I think staff cuts will negatively affect student performance.	I think there should be a sliding fee for busing. The closer you are to school the more you pay. This will promote wellness by getting studnets to wlak.ride to school, will save the district money and be a fundraiser.
Yes		Four day week		Financial reasons : Prefer Friday off	Monday is a huge community work day & would be hard for people to take off. More Friday sports activities which pull kids out of school.
Yes			five day week	But if we go to a 4day week I feel strongly that it should not be on Monday. It will be far better for the kids to have a routine with parents rather than someone else before beginning of school.	Could we have a few months of 4 day weeks (Dec, Jan, Feb) and then condense some of the rest of the school year to reduce days?
Yes			five day week	best for the masses of children in Salida. Long days are a bad idea. Kids are tired by 3pm	Look over use of available funds more critically. The property taxes that go to sfchools in Salida are very high. I plan to ask the assessor how much total the school will get in 2011. Our budget is high and I think wasteful for a town this size & impacting 110 kids negatively is not the way to handle the problem. perhaps using reserves is a good idea. Administration - the superintendent & financial staff should earn their high salaries. Too many staff members for the size of our schools. Look at public funds at Crest Academy? Look at husbands and wives esepcially in non teaching positions? Real grey areas that impacts our school budget. Buses, sports & waste???
Yes			five day week	More research needed	
Yes		Four day week	five day week	Shorter days, shorter school year, day care is issues. If we really need to go to a four day week I'm not against it.	Have we looked at combining districts wirth BV? To save administrative cost for both school districts?
Yes		Four day week		Teacher's job saved. Quality family time increased.	Consolidate bus routes. Charge ride bus to & from school. Increase costs lunch/breakfast.
Yes		Four day week			
Yes			five day week	Uncomfortable meeting- didn't feel comfortable speaking. Children can only pay attention so long- long days not good.	Superintendent hired to manage monies available: grant writing - if nec find other funding. It is out there.
Yes			five day week	Children need 5 school days per week/parents work 5-6 days per week.	Cut administrative positions. Fewer buses (buses never even 1/2 full)
Yes			five day week	best for kids and families - parents of most kids work.	Learn to use funds better- this is an admin failure. Cut Sports. Cut administration
Yes			five day week	It was very intimidating & it appeared your mind was already made up & not open to any comments. Questions asked were not answered. Best for students, teachers, & community.	Furlough days, cut athletic programs to the BONE. Star ta foundation. Cut non-teaching positions esp. admin. be honest with the people in this community.
Yes			five day week	Kids need it, families need it, less suspension if kids have extra day off	Admin high payed jobs cut, sports cut, transportation cuts
Yes			five day week	I don't think there will be enough to offer kids in this town on Fridays- some parents have to work, so children will be an extra burden. I also think the budget slices form the bottom, not the top. Janitors, cooks, bus drivers- they again suffer the cuts.	I don't think it will save you what you think it will. Community fundraising. Matching funds. It will cost less if we could agree on a tax increase.
Yes		Four day week		A 4day week is a less painful cut rather than eliminating teacher's positions.	Cancel Longfellow swimming. It's a great program but too expensive for our community at this time.
Yes		Four day week		I support longer days (but not extra fluff) rather than considerably lenghtening the school year. I mad emore comments on the note cards at the meeting.	

Yes			five day week	I do not support a year's worth of Fri/Mon off in exchange for school in June	Yes! Would it be possible to compromise with a 4 1/2 day school week. I realize this would not save as much money as a 4 day, but a 4 1/2 day school week could potentially be a transition period to a 4 day week. Ideally, students would be (see comments on other survey)
Yes		four day week		I like being with my family & reading with my kids and teaching them some life lessons.	
Yes			five day week		
Did you attend the community meeting on March 7 about a four-day school week?		Based on the information you have, which would you prefer (please choose one)?		WHY?	Do you have other ideas?
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week			
	No	Four-day week		It would save \$.	
	No		five-day week	The school days are long enough. Teachers deserve all their pay and more.	
	No	four day week		Cost savings and benefit to children to participate and develop in the many recreational programs that will positively be organized to encourage participation, develop their awareness, skills, coordination, health, and self-actualization in ways that compliment their 4-day academic lives.	
	No	four day week		Custodial and maintenance work can be done on the one day there isn't school. Less lights and heat to be ran.	Cut one secretary job, Do not get new computers, get rid of school dude program, cut one maintenance head, cut all admin pay, cut summer camp for school board and admin (no more stays at vail and breckenridge)
	No		five-day week	Financial hardship, what do we do with them on the extra day off.	
	No		five-day week	I'm a single parent! Kids need to be in school.	
	No		five day week	Our children need to be in school to learn. Our teachers do not need another paid day off.	Cut Superintendent pay to make up any deficit.
	No		five day week	Financial hardship, children left alone because they have nowhere to go.	Consider a reduction in administration and teachers.
	No	Four day week			Please quit throwing away our tax money on Crest Academy when were losing so much money!
	NO		five day week	I would like for it to stay 5 day. I am not in favor of going longer for the year or the day. We have a short summer as well. If we have to go to a 4 day I would like to have Friday off. How big will classes become & how will the teachers be able to teach their class/	
	No		five day week	There is not enough opportunities for kids to stay busy on Friday. It is \$\$\$	
	No	Four day week		I believe we must do everything we can to meet the budget without negatively affecting the students through staff and program cuts.	As an alternative, what about shortening the school year if we are over the state required hours.
	NO		five day week	Parents who work M-F would have to get child care or not work thus having a negative impact on the local economy.	
	NO		five day week	It is necessary to prevent decreased enrollment.	4 day not a long term solution.
	No		five day week	Too many cuts for people who need salaries.	for students- start school in October- lengthen days

	No		five day week	There are too many single parents working 2 jobs & many where both parents work outside the household just to make ends meet without having to worry about one more full day of some sort of daycare. Some for more than 1 child. A four day week would be more of a financial hardship for too many households than for the school with a five day week.	
	No	Four day week		Not only is there significant savings but it provides for more time with family. Two of our kids (we have 4) were formerly in a district with a 4 day week and it was GREAT.	Taking Monday vs Friday is an excellent idea.
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		We came to Salida from a school district with a 4 day school week. We loved it, the kids loved it. Living in Colorado it gives more opportunity to do things that people travel miles to come do.	
	No	Four day week			
	NO		five day week	Consistency for children. Would cause economic strain for families. Would leave many middle school children unattended and open to problem behavior during the day.	Administrators should take a reduction in pay.
	No		five day week	Cxconsistency for special needs child, less tiring.	
	No	Four day week		To help cut costs that won't effect student education	
	No		five day week	Work and school same days at least	
	No		five day week	Do not remove structure for children who need it	Administration needs to look at all programs: Athletic cuts?
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week	best for kids and all	
	No		five day week	too much free time	
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week	five day week	Kids need to be in school!!! Kids need to be with Family!!!	No
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		Save money- could be used for better education.	
	No		five day week	Best	Admin needs to do their job & deal with the money right. Admin makes the big bucks - so cuts mean more there!
	No		five day week	because of families that moms & dads work. Don't always have alternet place for thare kids to go when there is no school & some cant aford the cost of babysitters.	

	No	Four day week		First, do not want to lose anymore teachers or staff or to lose any programs. I have gone online and read the benefits of a 4 day school week for students & teachers. I hope that between boys & Girls club, pool, rec dept, private childcare providers that there will be plenty of opportunities for students to focus on other activities 7 to be taken care of on the extra day off.	
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		The community needs to respect the district and let them do what they need to do.	
	No		five day week	I still want my kids to play outside after school. I have an issue with childcare on the Friday's or Monday's that they're out of school. The school day will be too long for the younger kids.	
	No	Four day week			
	NO	Four day week		with Monday off. Best way to save the needed	Best way to save the needed funds
	No	Four day week		Even though school days would be longer, children would have more time in each class each day - able to get more in depth in each individual class.	
	No		five day week	easier on parents who have to work M-Fr. Too expensive to have to pay for childcare.	
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week	If there was no school on Friday that would be 1 more day of care I would need for 3 kids.	No
	No		five day week	This will impact "at risk" families the hardest. Single moms, SPED, Generational poverty, young children who are already being hit w' other cuts, ie. LEAP, CCAP, WIC.	Job sharing, consolidating HS classes. What are these class sizes?
	No	Four day week		We are open and would rather 4 days then lose jobs.	
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		I have three day weekends it would work great for me.	
	No	Four day week		It keeps from cutting more important things.	
	No	Four day week		Because it is GREAT. I went to paxi.	
	No	Four day week			
	No		five day week	More structure for kids	no - cut some unnecessary bus routes. AGAINST staff cuts!
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week	longer weeks	
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		that's what my daughter already does and it's good, so they don't burn out.	
	No		five day week		
	No		five day week	School has always been an outlet not only for education but what are parents (working) to do with their children	K.I.S.S.

	No		five day week	I work- don't want to leave my kids unattended	
	No		five day week	Daycare expenses	New government
	No	four day week		She can play	
	No	Four day week		1 day will be good for her to sleep in	
	No	Four day week		the only reason I poick 4 days: save money, save jobs. Have concern about low income families.	
	No	Four day week		If the budget doesn't fit the kids we have I think it's a good idea.	
	No	Four day week			
	No	Four day week		To try to do everything possible before cutting staff & programs.	
	No	Four day week		I feel it will help improve our financial situation w/ minimal impact on staff and instruction.	
	No	Four day week		extra day off for the kids	
	No	Four day week		Like having 3 days off.	
	No	Four day week		went to school on a 4 day week schedule in Denver.	
	No	Four day week		it would save the district significant money- it would also cut scheduling demands of already over busy kids.	
	No	Four day week		Love the way it is here (head Start). If it oges to 5 days would like it too.	
	No	Four day week		try to cut as little as possible from staff	
	No	Four day week		save money	No
	No	Four day week		If it's M-Th: personal being able to complete job & personal responsibilities at home.	
	No	Four day week		166K savings, I'm off Mondays.	
		Four day week		enjoy weekends, save \$, only if it doesn' interfere with sports.	
		Four day week		Yay! More time on weekends & more money!	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		A four day week would be better for students because of budget cuts.	
		Four day week		providea a nice relief	
		Four day week		helps with electricity and gas for buses (eliminating costs)	
		Four day week		because I want a 4 day week	
		Four day week			
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		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week		FRIDAY OFF!	
		four day week			
		four day week		we would fee much more rested	
		Four day week			

	Four day week			
	Four day week		saves \$	
		five day week	If we go a 4 day week we'll only have 90 days off in summer.	
	Four day week		Everyone is refreshed after a 3 day week	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week		We want Monday off.	
		five day week		
	Four day week		Because it saves sports and teachers and its only 30 minutes longer.	
	Four day week		because our school doesn't have enough money.	
	Four day week		because our school doesn't have enough money.	
	Four day week		It would be great rto go snowboarding another day.	
	four day week		get Friday's off.	
	Four day week		we need money	
	four day week		shorter weeks	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week		Long weekend	
		five day week		
	Four day week			
	Four day week		my weekends get crammed with just 2 days.	
	Four day week		Long weekends	
	Four day week		It'll be awesome.	
		five day week	makes sports practice later	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week		I think it would be better for everyone and cheaper for the district.	
	Four day week		Students would be more enthusiastic to learn and would have more time to replenish and work done. Also, the school would save money.	
	Four day week			
		five day week		
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
		five day week	I'm not crazy about change.	
	Four day week			
	Four day week		It would be nice to have an extra day out. However, sports would be heard.	
		five day week	It sucks having sports so late at night and get all homework done...I value athletics and academics.	
		five day week	It would make sports later and get done later. People that have to work would be late too.	

		Four day week		saves jobs and you have plenty of weekend time to do homework and other things.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		Because of the 3 day weekend.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		It would make my job easier to maintain and money to be made!	
		Four day week		Easier for personal reasons	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		four day week		I don't want to go to school for 5 days	
		Four day week			
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		Four day week			
		four day week		It would be good to have Friday's off: gives time for family. If we have Monday's off (I don't want) sportys are on Tuesday so we will have 3 days off then. Ski race on Fridays. This helps me.	
		four day week		because we get more school done if you are an athlete. And we would be able to keep our teachers.	
		four day week		3 day weekend: gives student athletes to go away on a non school day so they don't have to miss school.	
		four day week			
		four day week			
		Four day week		Because I live in a rural area with no bus service and the trip into town is expensive.	
		Four day week		Because it's only 4 days	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		3 day weekend	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
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		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		They need to get rid of this schedule. Even it out so the whole schedule flips or keep it the same the whole year.	
		Four day week		don't really care.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		I'd skip les sif I had Friday off. I've talked to multiple students and they agree.	
			five day week	I like having longer summer and Christmas breaks. It's pointless for sports.	
		Four day week			

		Four day week		More days to work as well as have fun - it's a good break.	
			five day week		
		Four day week			
		Four day week		I would be a lot happier and if we did sports on Fridays will be cooler.	
		Four day week		I would skip less if we had a 4 day week.	
		Four day week		less stressful having an extra day. Less skipping. More refreshed come Mondays. Sports would be easier on us not missing school Friday for games.	
			five day week	We have jobs to get to.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		More days to hunt and do other stuff.	
			five day week	I don't see how it'll work without cutting into our summer.	
			five day week	Students will spend more time trying to relearn after the weekend. It will cut into our summer and shorten uor breaks.	
		four day week		students won't be missing as much school.	
		four day week		we should cut our hours because we are doing more than the required hours. We wouldn't mhave to go as long.	
		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week		I would like a 4 day week because this would obviously give us a 3 day weekend and help out with sports.	
		four day week		Sports, orthodontists, dentist, Dr. Appointments, etc could be on Fridays to decrease school missed by students	
		four day week		It would be much less stressful and I could have more fun.	
		four day week		Because sports could be on the day and less students would miss school. More students would be rested because it's a 3 day weekend.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		The school's budget and it gives students, parents and faculty a little break from school.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		It will decrease student absences because it allows students a week day to schedule appointments.	
		Four day week			
			five day week		
			five day week		
			five day week		
		Four day week		I like the 4 day week because I'd rather go to school for another 30 minutes rather than a whole other day. But honestly I really don't mind.	
		Four day week		I feel yes because we get a 3 day weekend and can be good for us and teachers for work and family purposes.	

		Four day week		I think it would be great. I think it will help a lot on the attendance rate and be good on teachers & students.	
		Four day week		with another day on the weekend students would have time to rest and get ready for the week.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		longer weekends	
		four day week		Saves \$, teachers have more planning time, sports on Friday	
		four day week			
		Four day week		saves money and not as many cuts for teachers.	
			five day week	because it extends the day and the year.	
		Four day week		because it would cut \$ without taking little bits and pieces of other things.	
		Four day week		I think it should be Wednesday off to give sports people a chance to catch up on work for being gone.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
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		Four day week			
		Four day week			
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		Four day week			
			five day week		
		Four day week		It would be less stressful. More days to get homework done & study.	
			five day week	with sports and clubs I don't want my days to run any longer.	
		Four day week		It would give us more time in class which might help us. The only thing I would dislike would be the sports after school.	
		Four day week		More days off, 30 minutes isn't much.	
		four day week		It would be nice to have Friday's off. Two days just isn't enough	
		Four day week		I believe this could reduce costs and it should be Friday's because they are sports days and Cotopaxi has them off. It would be better that way.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		More time to get things done.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week			
		Four day week		I would definitely chose 30 mminutes extra in the day for a day off.	
		Four day week			
		Four day week		extra day off	
		Four day week		Because I hate Mondays	
		Four day week		we would like school now	
			five day week	4 day would stink	

	Four day week		It would be better	
	Four day week		We have too many hours.	
	Four day week			
		five day week		
	Four day week		As long as it doesn't effect sports	
	Four day week			
		five day week		
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	four day week			
		five day week		
	four day week		seems like the 4 day doesn't change much, but could save jobs & money	
	four day week		As long as it doesn't start earlier (in the year)	
	four day week			
	Four day week		so teachers don't get cut	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	four day week		I love 3 day weekends	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week		saves us some \$	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	four day week		save \$ for school	
	Four day week		save school money	
	Four day week			
	Four day week		save school money	
	Four day week		I think it would be more likely to try harder in school and that I would have an extra day to myself to get together.	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
	Four day week		3 day weekends would be nice. Mondays would be best to get off. More money for our school.	
	Four day week			
	Four day week			
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	Four day week			
		five day week	We would still be missing school for sports and a 5 day week is better , more participation.	
	four day week			
	four day week			
	four day week		because everybody, including me, likes 3 day weekend.	
	four day week		solution for some budget cuts . Kids would have more energy after a 3 day weekend. Athletes won't miss school for away games.	
	four day week		rather not cut so many staff positions & have larger classrooms.	

			five day week	We've always had a 5 day. Also when it comes to sports, having a 5 day week is more beneficial to me. And I really don't want a longer day.	
		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week			
		four day week		Because it would save \$	
		four day week			
		Four day week		Get Mondays off instead of Fridays.	
		Four day week		we need to save \$. Buses don't have to run on Fridays.	
			five day week		
			five day week	I don't want our school to go any farther into summer than it already is.	
		Four day week			