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On Behalf Of:

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I have a few concerns that may already been addressed

1. I question the maturity level and lack of life experience. A prefrontal cortex not fully developed possibly effecting judgement.
2. Younger teens might be susceptible to peer pressure, family influence or targeting campaigns (e.g. via tic tok or influencers) school decisions turned into popularity contest instead of policies.
3. 16, 17 year olds can't vote in state or federal elections, sign contracts or serve on juries in most cases. Granting voting rights in school elections creates a patchwork of civil responsibilities that might dilute meaning of voting.
4. Adding younger voters would put strain on already overburdened election systems. Voting registration, education and polling logistics would need adjustments. Schools might face legal or administrative hurdles where voting age is tied to broader constitutional rules.

Thank you