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Allowing 16 and 17-year-olds to vote will create a debacle that will cost money and also provide a loophole for funneling all sorts of money laundering through. This is unnecessary. We are already ranked so low in school achievement scores why muddy up the waters? These children have parents that can vote. It will be a huge chore to separate only the school election issues, and it will become a rats nest of legal issues and hoops to go through. This is totally unnecessary and a very frivolous unimportant thing for you to spend time and money on. It also creates a position where you have teachers and staff trying to persuade students how to vote while these votes could potentially benefit these teachers and or administrators personally, thus creating conflict of interest. These could be added legal issues that you don't want as well. Let's leave the schools to concentrate on getting our scores higher and the numbers graduating increasing.