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## Most readers still not convinced on Proposal 1

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Voters head to the polls on Tuesday to decide Proposal 1. Many readers say they're voting no.

The election will arrive shortly with long-term implications for schools, families and communities for years to come.

Let's seize the opportunity provided by Proposal 1 to invest in our schools, children and communities by going to the polls Tuesday and urging our friends and neighbors to do the same! This is likely our best chance to fix the roads and continue support for the programs that matter most for our schoolchildren and families in this legislative session. Let's not lose this opportunity to gain more support for the programs that make a difference for Michigan's future.

While the Legislature is currently putting together the fiscal year 2016 state budget, funding decisions about third-grade reading, support for at-risk learners, and ensuring more young people are college- and career-ready may be contingent on Tuesday's outcome.



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Should Proposal 1 fail, we are concerned state lawmakers will feel pressured to divert funding from important programs for children, youth and families to focus on repairing the mess on the roads, as the Legislature previously considered.

The stakes are high — and we cannot afford the risks.

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