Education Next — Program on Education Policy and Governance — Survey 2021

For details on the methodology behind these survey responses, please see "Hunger for Stability Quells Appetite for Change: Results of the 2021 Education Next Survey of Public Opinion," by Michael Henderson, David M. Houston, Paul E. Peterson, Martin R. West at http://educationnext.org/.

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For questions with both "a" and "b" versions, a random half of the respondents were assigned version "a" and the other half were assigned version "b".

For questions with "a", "b", and "c" versions, a random third of the respondents were assigned version "a", "b", or "c".

"Parents" are defined as respondents living in a household with one or more children between the ages of 6 and 17.

Due to rounding, column totals may not always sum to 100.

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Sample size	1,410	283	42	160	131	990	594	816	503	907	655	703

Covid-19 Shutdown and Reopening

1a. During the Covid-19 pandemic, many schools closed for in-person instruction. After schools reopen in person, do you support or oppose allowing elementary school students to have the option to continue remote learning?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	15	21	0	22	18	12	21	9	6	19	12	17
Somewhat support	26	28	49	23	29	26	25	27	28	25	21	32
Somewhat oppose	21	13	17	17	17	23	16	25	25	19	21	20
Strongly oppose	18	17	24	11	10	22	14	22	27	15	26	13
Neither	20	22	9	27	25	17	24	16	13	23	20	18

1b. During the Covid-19 pandemic, many schools closed for in-person instruction. After schools reopen in person, do you support or oppose allowing high school students to have the option to continue remote learning?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	22	30	24	18	35	20	24	20	19	23	17	26
Somewhat support	29	33	30	42	19	27	26	31	31	28	24	34
Somewhat oppose	21	18	13	16	16	25	20	22	21	21	23	19
Strongly oppose	16	13	27	10	8	19	13	18	20	14	24	9
Neither	12	6	6	14	22	10	16	9	9	14	12	12

2. Some argue that when schools open in the fall, they should require that students stay a certain distance from one another. Others argue that no rule is needed. What do you think? Should schools require that students stay a certain distance from one another, or is no rule needed?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Schools should require												
distance	30	32	38	43	48	20	34	26	29	30	16	42
No rule is needed	42	42	30	32	21	51	37	46	43	41	66	22
Not sure	28	26	33	25	31	28	29	27	28	29	18	36

3. How far apart do you think your local schools should keep students from one another?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Less than 3 feet	2	1	0	3	2	2	2	3	1	3	1	3
3 feet (one arm's length)	39	39	47	36	31	43	39	39	42	37	44	37
6 feet (two arm's lengths)	51	54	48	62	57	45	51	51	47	53	48	52
More than 6 feet	3	0	0	0	7	4	6	1	3	4	3	3
Not sure	5	5	4	0	3	6	3	6	7	3	4	5

4. Do you support or oppose requiring students in your local schools to wear face masks while in school this fall?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	19	20	18	29	30	12	21	17	20	19	8	29
Somewhat support	25	27	27	30	39	21	24	26	27	25	14	35
Somewhat oppose	13	12	13	10	6	16	14	13	15	13	17	11
Strongly oppose	23	23	18	14	5	30	20	25	19	24	44	5
Neither	20	17	25	17	20	20	20	19	19	20	17	21

Evaluating schools, post offices, the police force, and teachers

5. Students are often given the grades A, B, C, and D, and Fail to denote the quality of their work. Suppose the public schools themselves were graded in the same way. What grade would you give the public schools in your community?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	16	25	28	19	14	16	14	18	19	15	16	16
В	39	41	34	41	33	41	37	41	42	38	35	43
С	30	22	30	26	41	29	34	26	28	31	29	30
D	9	6	4	6	7	9	8	9	7	9	12	6
Fail	6	7	3	7	6	5	7	5	4	7	8	4

6. How about the public schools in the nation as a whole? What grade would you give them?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Α	3	7	0	9	4	1	4	1	1	4	2	3
В	21	26	33	35	20	16	21	20	20	21	15	26
С	49	47	53	31	53	52	45	52	56	45	47	50
D	18	11	9	15	12	21	20	17	16	19	21	16
Fail	10	9	4	10	11	9	10	9	7	11	14	6

7. How about the post offices in your community? What grade would you give them?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	20	26	24	31	11	20	22	19	18	22	17	23
В	45	43	47	40	47	45	45	45	49	43	45	45
С	22	21	16	18	28	23	22	22	20	23	23	21
D	8	7	11	6	10	8	7	9	8	8	9	8
Fail	5	3	3	5	4	5	5	5	4	5	6	4

8. How about the post offices in the nation as a whole? What grade would you give them?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	12	18	19	24	8	10	13	11	11	12	8	14
В	38	41	44	44	36	37	37	39	41	37	37	40
С	33	25	25	22	38	36	35	31	32	34	36	30
D	11	11	10	5	12	12	9	13	12	11	11	11
Fail	6	5	3	5	6	6	6	6	5	6	8	5

9. How about the police force in your community? What grade would you give them?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	30	36	29	28	9	36	27	33	30	30	42	20
В	40	39	51	45	39	38	37	42	42	39	41	39
С	18	16	18	20	27	15	20	16	18	18	11	23
D	6	5	0	2	14	5	8	4	5	6	3	9
Fail	6	4	2	5	11	5	7	4	4	6	3	8

10. How about the police force in the nation as a whole? What grade would you give them?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	13	17	12	14	3	15	13	13	11	14	23	4
В	32	31	29	34	11	36	30	34	30	33	44	22
С	30	30	32	30	30	30	30	31	33	29	23	35
D	14	12	25	12	28	10	14	14	16	13	7	20
Fail	12	10	2	10	27	9	14	9	11	12	3	19

11. Suppose you had to evaluate each teacher in your local schools for the quality of their work. What percent of teachers in your local schools would you put in each category? Your answers should add to 100%.

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
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Excellent	25	32	31	30	20	25	25	24	24	25	25	25
Good	32	29	34	28	29	34	32	32	35	30	32	32
Satisfactory	28	26	22	26	31	27	27	28	27	28	27	28
Unsatisfactory	16	13	13	16	19	14	16	15	14	16	17	14

School Spending

12. Based on your best guess, what is the average amount of money spent each year for a child in public schools in your local school district?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Average response	\$8,719	\$7,809	\$8,144	\$10,820	\$8,558	\$8,072	\$7,556	\$9,715	\$9,096	\$8,532	\$8,927	\$8,490
Actual (Average among												
sample)	\$15,092	\$14,772	\$15,377	\$15,087	\$15,735	\$14,845	\$14,475	\$15,649	\$15,774	\$14,780	\$14,299	\$15,603
Difference	-\$6,373	-\$6,962	-\$7,233	-\$4,268	-\$7,177	-\$6,773	-\$6,920	-\$5,935	-\$6,678	-\$6,247	-\$5,372	-\$7,113

13a. According to the most recent information available, \$[INSERT PPS] is being spent each year per child attending public schools in your district. Do you think that government funding for public schools in your district should increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Greatly increase	10	14	8	16	16	7	10	9	10	9	4	14
Increase	30	35	46	32	40	25	32	28	30	30	23	36
Stay about the same	49	41	35	40	41	53	44	52	49	49	55	43
Decrease	8	5	6	5	0	11	9	8	9	8	12	5
Greatly decrease	4	3	5	8	2	3	4	3	2	4	6	2

13b. Do you think that government funding for public schools in your district should increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Greatly increase	20	29	49	17	19	19	22	17	22	18	11	26
Increase	38	35	19	33	53	35	37	38	39	37	32	42
Stay about the same	36	32	23	44	28	38	36	37	31	39	45	30
Decrease	5	2	9	3	0	6	3	6	6	4	9	1
Greatly decrease	1	1	0	3	0	1	2	1	2	1	3	0

Accountability and the Common Core State Standards

14. Do you support or oppose the federal government continuing to require that all students be tested in math and reading each year in grades 3–8 and once in high school?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	37	31	24	44	28	35	36	38	35	38	39	36
Somewhat support	34	35	28	28	37	36	34	35	37	33	33	36
Somewhat oppose	8	12	30	7	8	8	7	9	11	6	7	9
Strongly oppose	6	10	9	5	2	7	5	7	8	5	8	4
Neither	15	12	8	15	25	14	19	12	10	18	13	15

15a. As you may know, in the last few years states have been deciding whether or not to use the Common Core, which are standards for reading and math that are the same across the states. In the states that have these standards, they will be used to hold public schools accountable for their performance. Do you support or oppose the use of the Common Core standards in your state?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	14	13	20	21	15	12	15	13	14	14	9	19
Somewhat support	29	34	26	34	33	26	29	28	32	27	21	35
Somewhat oppose	13	12	26	11	12	14	13	14	14	13	16	11
Strongly oppose	22	25	28	11	7	28	17	26	23	21	35	11
Neither support nor oppose	22	17	0	23	33	20	26	19	17	24	19	24

15b. As you may know, in the last few years states have been deciding whether or not to use standards for reading and math that are the same across the states. In the states that have these standards, they will be used to hold public schools accountable for their performance. Do you support or oppose the use of these standards in your state?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	24	20	13	21	26	23	25	24	22	25	24	24
Somewhat support	35	33	34	38	34	35	35	35	37	34	33	38
Somewhat oppose	12	15	18	13	10	13	9	14	16	10	12	11
Strongly oppose	9	10	23	7	5	10	6	11	15	5	11	7
Neither support nor oppose	20	23	12	22	25	18	25	16	11	25	20	19

School choice

16. As you may know, many states permit the formation of charter schools, which are publicly funded but are not managed by the local school board. These schools are expected to meet promised objectives but are exempt from many state regulations. Do you support or oppose the formation of charter schools?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	15	16	5	17	15	14	14	16	15	15	21	10
Somewhat support	26	27	18	26	25	27	25	27	26	27	31	23
Somewhat oppose	20	21	43	18	17	21	19	21	21	19	17	23
Strongly oppose	16	17	19	12	14	17	14	17	22	13	10	20
Neither support nor oppose	23	20	16	27	28	21	28	19	16	26	21	24

17. A proposal has been made to offer a tax credit for individual and corporate donations that pay for scholarships to help low-income parents send their children to private schools. Would you support or oppose such a proposal?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	21	25	17	29	28	17	22	19	21	20	17	24
Somewhat support	36	33	37	37	36	35	37	35	35	36	35	37
Somewhat oppose	11	11	20	8	5	13	9	13	15	10	13	10
Strongly oppose	11	10	19	3	7	14	7	15	15	10	14	9
Neither support nor oppose	21	21	7	23	25	21	25	18	15	24	20	20

18a. A proposal has been made that would give all families with children in public schools a wider choice, by allowing them to enroll their children in private schools instead, with government helping to pay the tuition. Would you support or oppose this proposal?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	22	20	10	28	31	17	22	21	20	22	25	20
Somewhat support	24	28	32	27	22	24	26	21	24	24	25	24
Somewhat oppose	17	14	9	15	9	20	14	20	20	16	16	18
Strongly oppose	19	15	29	9	14	23	14	24	26	16	19	20
Neither support nor oppose	18	23	20	21	24	16	24	14	10	22	15	19

18b. A proposal has been made that would give low-income families with children in public schools a wider choice, by allowing them to enroll their children in private schools instead, with government helping to pay the tuition. Would you support or oppose this proposal?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	17	24	18	22	26	14	20	15	14	19	15	19
Somewhat support	26	26	37	28	33	24	27	24	26	25	23	28
Somewhat oppose	18	18	14	17	10	20	14	22	21	17	19	18
Strongly oppose	22	21	32	9	14	27	16	28	30	19	30	17
Neither support nor oppose	17	11	0	23	16	15	22	12	9	20	14	18

19. Do you support or oppose allowing parents to educate their children at home instead of sending them to school in ordinary circumstances when schools are open?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	21	26	20	17	16	24	22	21	20	22	31	14
Somewhat support	29	31	24	19	33	32	28	30	31	29	28	31
Somewhat oppose	17	12	29	24	12	15	16	18	20	15	12	21
Strongly oppose	11	11	6	17	6	11	11	11	13	11	10	13
Neither support nor oppose	21	20	20	22	33	18	23	20	17	23	19	22

20. Do you support or oppose requiring parents to receive approval from their local school district if they want to homeschool their children in ordinary circumstances when schools are open?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	21	19	23	21	15	22	20	22	25	19	17	25
Somewhat support	29	25	44	30	28	29	26	31	33	27	26	32
Somewhat oppose	13	14	15	11	14	14	13	14	11	14	16	11
Strongly oppose	18	22	5	20	14	19	18	18	17	18	25	12
Neither support nor oppose	19	20	13	19	29	17	24	15	14	22	17	20

Teacher pay

21. Based on your best guess, what is the average yearly salary of a public school teacher in your state?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Average response	\$42,122	\$44,435	\$48,475	\$41,555	\$36,828	\$42,772	\$36,123	\$47,333	\$47,718	\$39,398	\$43,165	\$41,348
Actual (Average among												
sample)	\$63,924	\$64,626	\$66,189	\$68,042	\$62,247	\$62,609	\$62,992	\$64,766	\$64,334	\$63,736	\$62,192	\$64,955
Difference	-\$21,802	-\$20,191	-\$17,714	-\$26,487	-\$25,419	-\$19,837	-\$26,870	-\$17,433	-\$16,617	-\$24,338	-\$19,028	-\$23,607

22a. Do you think that public school teacher salaries should increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Greatly increase	23	23	54	30	43	18	25	21	29	20	13	32
Increase	44	44	33	39	41	47	44	45	47	43	43	46
Stay about the same	27	27	13	23	14	30	27	28	22	30	35	20
Decrease	4	4	0	6	3	3	3	4	1	5	5	1
Greatly decrease	2	3	0	2	0	2	2	2	1	2	3	0

22b. Public school teachers in your state are paid an average annual salary of \$[INSERT PAY]. Do you think that public school teacher salaries should increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Greatly increase	13	15	48	10	14	13	14	12	14	13	7	18
Increase	39	46	38	49	51	35	36	43	41	38	31	46
Stay about the same	41	36	15	36	35	45	44	39	40	42	51	34
Decrease	4	3	0	3	0	5	5	4	4	5	8	1
Greatly decrease	2	1	0	3	0	2	2	2	2	2	3	0

23. Do you support or oppose basing part of the salaries of teachers on how much their students learn?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	14	16	6	17	10	14	13	15	12	15	17	11
Somewhat support	32	30	16	30	29	33	33	31	30	33	36	30
Somewhat oppose	19	19	38	18	16	20	16	22	24	17	17	22
Strongly oppose	17	19	36	17	22	17	17	17	23	14	14	20
Neither support nor oppose	17	17	3	18	23	16	21	14	11	20	16	17

Unions and collective bargaining

24a. Do you think teacher unions have a generally positive effect on schools, or do you think they have a generally negative effect?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly positive effect	9	9	18	9	11	7	10	9	9	9	2	15
Somewhat positive effect	26	28	51	27	26	24	24	28	33	22	15	35
Somewhat negative effect	19	19	8	14	14	22	16	22	18	19	25	13
Strongly negative effect	18	17	4	13	8	21	13	22	19	17	32	6
Neither positive nor												
negative effect	29	26	20	37	40	25	37	21	21	32	25	30

24b. [RANDOMIZE ORDER: Some people say that teacher unions are a stumbling block to school reform./Others say that unions fight for better schools and better teachers.] What do you think? Do you think teacher unions have a generally positive effect on schools, or do you think they have a generally negative effect?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly positive effect	12	12	20	18	20	9	14	11	16	10	7	17
Somewhat positive effect	25	22	45	24	36	23	25	24	26	24	16	33
Somewhat negative effect	18	15	14	13	6	21	16	20	21	17	25	14
Strongly negative effect	17	13	6	14	2	21	13	20	16	17	31	5
Neither positive nor												
negative effect	28	37	15	31	35	25	32	24	20	31	21	30

25. Do you think postal worker unions have a generally positive effect on the quality of postal service, or do you think they have a generally negative effect?

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Domograta
	All	raients	1 eachers	пізрапісѕ	пізрапіс	пізрапіс	\$75,000	\$73,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly positive effect	11	13	15	15	12	9	12	10	13	10	4	17
Somewhat positive effect	28	26	40	32	33	26	28	28	30	27	21	34
Somewhat negative effect	17	16	0	9	9	21	15	18	16	17	24	11
Strongly negative effect	12	10	6	9	7	13	8	15	12	11	19	6
Neither positive nor negative effect	33	36	39	35	40	30	37	29	28	35	32	32

26. Do you think police unions have a generally positive effect on the quality of policing, or do you think they have a generally negative effect?

						White,						
					Black, Non-	Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly positive effect	7	13	15	11	9	6	7	7	5	8	8	7
Somewhat positive effect	23	21	24	22	12	26	22	23	20	24	30	17
Somewhat negative effect	22	18	33	18	17	23	17	26	27	19	20	23
Strongly negative effect	18	14	5	13	29	17	18	19	23	16	10	25
Neither positive nor												
negative effect	30	35	24	36	34	27	36	25	24	33	32	28

27a. In your view, have teachers unions made it easier or harder to reopen the public schools in your local community?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Much easier	3	7	4	3	5	2	3	2	2	3	1	4
A little easier	12	15	14	26	14	8	15	10	13	12	9	15
A little harder	17	18	38	13	17	18	14	20	21	15	21	14
Much harder	18	16	5	12	4	23	17	20	20	18	32	6
Neither	50	45	39	46	61	49	52	47	45	52	37	61

27b. In your view, have teachers unions made it easier or harder to reopen the public schools in the nation as a whole?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Much easier	2	3	7	4	3	1	2	1	1	2	0	3
A little easier	10	9	20	13	13	8	12	8	11	10	5	15
A little harder	22	18	20	18	21	24	21	24	27	20	20	25
Much harder	25	26	21	18	7	30	17	33	29	23	44	10
Neither	41	44	32	47	56	37	48	34	32	45	30	47

Online instruction

28. Typically, high school students are required to complete 24 courses in order to graduate. How many of these courses should a high school student be allowed to take for credit online?

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Average response	9	10	7	10	11	9	11	8	8	10	9	9

29. Would you be willing to have a child of yours go through high school taking some academic courses over the Internet?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Very willing	23	27	27	20	26	24	25	22	23	24	21	26
Somewhat willing	40	40	52	42	38	40	37	43	44	39	41	41
Somewhat unwilling	12	12	9	12	9	13	10	14	15	11	12	12
Very unwilling	10	15	9	11	5	10	9	10	10	10	15	6
Neither willing nor												
unwilling	14	6	3	15	23	12	19	10	9	17	11	16

Pre-K

30. As far as you know, does President Joe Biden support or oppose the government paying for all 4-year-old children to attend a preschool program?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Support	51	54	78	47	49	52	43	58	68	43	42	59
Oppose	3	3	0	3	2	3	3	2	1	3	4	1
Don't know	46	43	22	50	49	45	54	39	31	53	54	39

31a. Would you support or oppose the government paying for all 4-year-old children to attend a preschool program?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	40	48	67	62	55	30	44	37	44	38	19	58
Somewhat support	26	29	18	26	21	27	25	27	28	26	25	26
Somewhat oppose	8	7	8	3	2	11	7	9	8	8	15	3
Strongly oppose	13	9	3	5	4	18	9	16	14	12	26	2
Neither	13	7	4	5	17	14	14	11	7	16	15	10

31b. As it turns out, President Joe Biden has expressed support for the government paying for all 4-year-old children to attend a preschool program. Would you support or oppose this policy?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	35	37	36	37	52	31	33	36	44	31	14	55
Somewhat support	25	33	31	25	27	26	27	24	22	27	26	25
Somewhat oppose	12	11	25	8	0	15	9	14	16	10	20	5
Strongly oppose	14	9	8	13	4	16	13	15	12	15	26	4
Neither	14	10	0	18	18	11	18	10	7	17	14	12

Higher education

32a. What grade would you give the public four-year colleges and universities in your state?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	18	19	28	27	11	19	16	21	27	14	14	22
В	52	60	61	46	60	50	49	54	54	51	48	55
С	22	17	7	24	24	21	27	18	15	25	25	19
D	5	2	4	2	5	6	6	4	2	6	7	2
Fail	3	2	0	2	0	5	3	4	3	4	6	1

32b. What grade would you give the public four-year colleges and universities in the nation as a whole?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	8	10	14	17	12	5	9	7	8	8	5	10
В	49	48	50	57	48	46	45	53	61	43	41	58
С	29	26	28	17	32	33	30	29	22	33	32	27
D	7	12	7	3	3	9	8	7	6	8	10	5
Fail	6	5	0	6	5	7	8	5	2	8	11	1

33a. What grade would you give the private four-year colleges and universities in your state?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	24	24	37	27	20	24	18	29	34	20	23	25
В	50	58	55	48	57	48	52	49	47	51	47	52
С	21	14	8	23	21	21	24	17	14	24	22	19
D	3	3	0	1	3	4	3	2	3	3	4	2
Fail	2	1	0	1	0	3	3	2	2	3	4	1

33b. What grade would you give the private four-year colleges and universities in the nation as a whole?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
A	15	18	17	23	21	10	13	16	19	13	13	17
В	50	45	66	52	52	50	48	52	59	46	43	57
С	24	26	17	17	22	27	27	21	15	28	28	21
D	6	7	0	2	1	8	6	6	6	6	9	4
Fail	5	4	0	5	5	5	6	4	1	6	8	2

34. As far as you know, does President Joe Biden support or oppose making all public two-year colleges in the United States free to attend?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	57	55	69	54	54	59	50	64	72	51	53	62
Somewhat support	4	5	4	4	6	4	5	3	4	5	5	3
Somewhat oppose	38	40	27	43	40	36	45	33	25	45	42	35
Strongly oppose	57	55	69	54	54	59	50	64	72	51	53	62
Neither	4	5	4	4	6	4	5	3	4	5	5	3

35a. Do you support or oppose making all public two-year colleges in the United States free to attend?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	38	42	38	56	53	31	46	31	36	39	13	58
Somewhat support	23	23	25	22	21	22	21	24	25	21	23	22
Somewhat oppose	11	15	16	11	10	11	8	14	13	10	15	7
Strongly oppose	21	14	16	7	5	28	16	25	20	21	42	5
Neither	8	6	4	4	12	7	9	6	5	9	7	8

35b. As it turns out, President Joe Biden has expressed support for making all public two-year colleges in the United States free to attend. Do you support or oppose this policy?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	37	42	42	44	55	29	39	35	40	35	15	56
Somewhat support	25	24	37	25	24	24	21	28	30	22	21	29
Somewhat oppose	10	13	10	8	2	13	9	11	10	10	16	4
Strongly oppose	19	15	10	13	4	26	17	21	18	20	41	1
Neither	10	5	0	11	15	9	14	6	3	13	7	10

36. Do you support or oppose making all public four-year colleges in the United States free to attend?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	23	29	17	39	30	17	27	18	19	24	9	34
Somewhat support	21	25	39	29	26	17	22	20	20	21	11	29
Somewhat oppose	15	13	17	11	13	17	13	17	19	14	16	14
Strongly oppose	28	21	21	10	11	37	21	35	33	26	51	10
Neither	13	11	6	11	20	12	17	10	9	15	13	12

37. Do you support or oppose allowing undocumented immigrants to be eligible for the in-state college tuition rate if they graduated from high school in your state?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Strongly support	23	25	33	42	24	17	21	24	30	19	6	37
Somewhat support	22	23	36	26	28	19	22	22	25	21	15	28
Somewhat oppose	10	8	1	3	5	12	10	10	9	11	12	9
Strongly oppose	29	28	21	14	12	38	27	31	26	31	51	11
Neither	16	16	9	14	31	14	20	13	11	19	16	15

Social and emotional learning

38. How much should schools focus on student academic performance versus student social and emotional wellbeing? Please give a percentage for each. Your answers should add to 100%.

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Academic performance	52	50	52	52	52	51	51	52	52	52	53	51
Social and emotional												
wellbeing	48	50	48	48	48	49	49	48	48	48	47	49

Political activity and views

39. How frequently do you participate in political activities to support a candidate or issue, such as making phone calls, campaigning door-to-door, or distributing leaflets?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Never	65	65	76	61	55	68	65	65	60	67	67	64
Almost never	20	21	14	22	25	18	22	18	23	19	19	21
Sometimes	12	12	6	13	18	12	11	14	13	12	11	13
Fairly often	2	1	5	3	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	2
Often	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1

40. To the best of your knowledge, are members of your local school board elected or appointed by another public official such as a mayor?

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Elected	56	63	81	38	43	65	48	64	69	51	61	54
Appointed	5	2	2	6	11	3	5	4	3	5	4	5
Don't know	39	36	17	55	46	33	47	32	28	44	35	41

41. Do you happen to know when school board elections are typically held in your local school district?

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Different day than national	24	30	33	24	20	25	22	26	27	23	26	23
Same day as national	20	21	29	8	20	22	16	23	26	17	22	19
Don't know	56	48	38	68	60	52	62	51	48	60	52	58

42. Do you remember for sure whether you voted in the last school board election?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Voted	33	33	45	17	31	38	27	38	42	29	35	32
Did not vote	35	38	47	44	36	33	37	32	31	36	35	34
Ineligible	3	5	0	8	0	2	3	3	3	3	2	3
Don't know, can't												
remember	30	24	9	32	33	27	33	27	24	32	28	31

43a. School board elections are often held on a different day than national elections, which occur in November in even-numbered years. Do you think that school board elections should be held on a different day than national elections? Or should school board elections be held on the same day as national elections?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Different day than national	34	36	32	58	40	27	40	27	21	40	30	35
Same day as national	66	64	68	42	60	73	60	73	79	60	70	65

43b. School board elections are often held on a different day than national elections, which occur in November in even-numbered years. Some people argue that holding school board elections on the same day as national elections would increase the number of people who turn out to vote for the school board. Do you think that school board elections should be held on a different day than national elections? Or should school board elections be held on the same day as national elections?

					Black, Non-	White, Non-	Income <	Income >=	College	Not College		
	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Hispanic	Hispanic	\$75,000	\$75,000	Graduate	Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Different day than national	31	40	49	49	45	25	39	26	23	35	29	34
Same day as national	69	60	51	51	55	75	61	74	77	65	71	66

43c. School board elections are often held on a different day than national elections, which occur in November in even-numbered years. Some people argue that holding school board elections on a different day than national elections helps keep politics out of education. Do you think that school board elections should be held on a different day than national elections? Or should school board elections be held on the same day as national elections?

	All	Parents	Teachers	Hispanics	Black, Non- Hispanic	White, Non- Hispanic	Income < \$75,000	Income >= \$75,000	College Graduate	Not College Graduate	Republicans	Democrats
Different day than national	43	52	53	64	53	38	50	38	35	47	41	43
Same day as national	57	48	47	36	47	62	50	62	65	53	59	57