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2019 PDK Poll

Appendix B: Topline data report

Topline results of the 2019 PDK Poll follow. Unless otherwise noted, * = <0.5 percent. In all cases, results from 2015 and earlier are from PDK/Gallup polls.

1. What do you think are the biggest problems facing the public schools in your community? [OPEN-END, ALLOW UP TO 3 RESPONSES]

	----- 4/26/19 -----			
	All	Parents	Teachers	5/21/18
Lack of money/financial support	25	26	36	26
Difficulty getting good/quality teachers	8	7	3	5
Bullying	7	11	1	10
Concerns about standards/ quality of education	7	6	7	5
Overcrowded schools/classrooms	7	9	7	7
Teacher salaries	7	4	5	9
Lack of discipline/ behavior of the children	6	5	13	10
Poor curriculum	5	5	4	7
Family/home life/parenting	4	2	10	4
Not enough teachers	4	3	4	3
Parents' lack of support/interest	4	3	19	5
Drugs in school	3	4	2	4
Political correctness/liberal ideology	3	2	*	2
Safety/security	3	3	1	4
Testing/regulations	3	3	7	2
Fighting/violence/gangs	2	2	*	3
Lack of respect/support for teachers	2	1	6	0
Mismanagement of funds	2	1	1	2
Technology/social media	2	2	2	1
Integration/segregation/ discrimination problems	1	2	1	2
Lack of religion	1	*	*	1
Language barrier/ non-English speaking students	1	*	*	*
Leadership	1	1	2	1
Government interference	1	1	1	*
Shootings/gun violence/weapons	1	1	1	3
Student apathy/lack of interest	1	*	2	1
Student stress/mental health	1	1	5	0
Teacher unions	1	*	*	1
Food (lack of/poor quality/ poor nutrition)	*	*	0	*
Privatization/charter schools	*	*	1	0
Special education	*	1	1	*
Society/culture	0	0	0	*

Everything	*	1	0	*
No problems	1	2	*	1
Other	6	7	4	9
No opinion (vol.)	3	1	0	4
Skipped	7	6	4	13

Trend among all adults:

	Funding	Stdrds.	Discip.	Viol.	Teach. qual.	Drugs	Parents	Crowding	Testing	Racial
4/26/19	25	7	6	2	8	3	4	7	3	1
5/21/18	26	5	10	3	5	4	5	7	2	2
5/21/17†	23	10	7	6	8	6	5	5	3	2
5/10/16	19	9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
5/2015	23	7	6	0	0	0	2	5	3	0
6/20/14	32	*	9	0	8	0	*	0	*	*
5/31/13	35	*	8	3	3	3	5	7	4	*
6/10/12	35	*	8	4	*	2	*	5	*	*
6/13/11	36	*	6	4	*	2	*	6	*	*
6/28/10	36	*	10	*	*	4	*	*	*	*
6/24/09	32	3	10	4	3	5	*	9	*	*
7/3/08	17	3	10	6	4	4	*	6	*	*
6/29/07	22	4	10	5	5	4	*	7	*	*
7/5/06	24	4	11	5	4	8	*	13	*	*
6/26/05	20	4	10	*	*	9	*	11	*	*
6/18/04	21	4	10	6	*	7	*	10	*	*
6/18/03	25	*	16	4	5	9	*	14	*	*
6/26/02	23	*	17	9	8	13	*	17	*	*
6/6/01	15	*	15	10	6	9	*	10	*	*
6/29/00	18	*	15	11	4	9	*	12	*	*
6/11/99	9	*	18	11	4	8	*	8	*	*
6/23/98	12	*	14	15	5	10	*	8	*	*
6/22/97	15	*	15	12	3	14	*	8	*	*
5/22/96	13	*	15	14	3	16	*	8	*	2
6/15/95	11	*	15	9	2	7	*	3	*	2
6/8/94	13	*	18	18	3	11	*	7	*	3
6/9/93	21	*	15	13	5	16	*	8	*	4
5/14/92	22	*	17	9	5	22	*	9	*	4
5/17/91	18	*	20	3	11	22	*	9	*	5
5/22/90	13	*	19	2	7	38	*	7	*	4
6/11/89	13	*	19	1	7	34	*	8	*	4
4/10/88	12	*	19	1	11	32	*	6	*	4
4/13/87	14	*	22	1	9	30	*	8	*	4
4/20/86	11	*	24	2	6	28	*	5	*	3
5/26/85	9	*	25	1	10	18	*	5	*	4
5/27/84	14	*	27	1	14	18	*	4	*	6
5/22/83	13	*	25	1	8	18	*	3	*	5
5/23/82	22	*	27	1	10	20	*	4	*	6
5/17/81	12	*	23	*	11	15	*	5	*	11
5/8/80	10	*	26	*	6	14	*	7	*	10
5/7/79	12	*	24	*	10	13	*	4	*	9
5/1/78	13	*	25	*	9	13	*	5	*	13
5/2/77	12	*	26	*	11	7	*	5	*	13
4/25/76	14	*	22	*	11	11	*	5	*	15
6/30/75	14	*	23	*	11	9	*	10	*	15
5/12/74	13	*	23	*	11	13	*	6	*	16
1973	16	*	22	*	13	10	*	9	*	18
1972	19	*	23	*	*	4	*	10	*	18
1971	23	*	14	*	*	12	*	*	*	21
1970	17	*	18	*	12	11	*	*	*	17
2/20/69	14	*	26	*	17	*	*	*	*	13

*Issue not identified or results not published.

†Results adjusted from 2017 report due to coding inconsistencies.

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

	A-B NET	A	B	C	D	Fail	No opinion
4/26/19							
All	44	9	35	39	11	5	*
Parents	60	14	45	28	8	4	0
Teachers	59	15	44	34	5	2	0
5/21/18	43	10	33	38	11	8	*
5/21/17	49	15	34	24	11	6	10
5/10/16	48	13	35	28	10	7	7
5/2015	51	13	38	31	9	4	4
6/20/14	50	12	38	31	11	6	1
5/31/13	53	13	40	29	11	4	3
6/10/12	48	12	36	31	13	4	4
6/13/11	51	14	37	32	11	5	2
6/28/10	49	11	38	33	11	5	2
6/24/09	51	10	41	32	11	3	3
7/3/08	46	12	34	30	11	5	8
6/29/07	45	9	36	34	14	5	2
7/5/06	49	13	36	32	9	5	5
6/26/05	48	12	36	29	9	5	9
6/18/04	47	13	34	33	10	4	6
6/18/03	48	11	37	31	10	5	6
6/26/02	47	10	37	34	10	3	6
6/6/01	51	11	40	30	8	5	6
6/29/00	47	11	36	35	8	3	7
6/11/99	49	11	38	31	9	5	6
6/23/98	46	10	36	31	9	5	9
6/22/97	46	10	36	32	11	6	5
5/22/96	43	8	35	34	11	6	6
6/15/95	41	8	33	37	12	5	5
6/8/94	44	9	35	30	14	7	5
6/9/93	47	10	37	31	11	4	7
5/14/92	40	9	31	33	12	5	10
5/17/91	42	10	32	33	10	5	10
5/22/90	41	8	33	34	12	5	8
6/11/89	43	8	35	33	11	4	9
4/10/88	40	9	31	34	10	4	12
4/13/87	43	12	31	30	9	4	14
4/20/86	41	11	30	28	11	5	15
5/26/85	43	9	34	30	10	4	13
5/27/84	42	10	32	35	11	4	8
5/22/83	31	6	25	32	13	7	17
5/23/82	37	8	29	33	14	5	11
5/17/81	36	9	27	34	13	7	10
5/8/80	35	10	25	29	12	6	18
5/7/79	34	8	26	30	11	7	18
5/1/78	36	9	27	30	11	8	15
5/2/77	37	11	26	28	11	5	19
4/25/76	42	13	29	28	10	6	14
6/30/75	43	13	30	28	9	7	13
5/12/74	48	18	30	21	6	5	20

3. How about the public schools in the nation as a whole? What grade would you give the public schools nationally - A, B, C, D, or Fail?

	A-B NET	A	B	C	D	Fail	No opinion
4/26/19							
All	19	2	17	53	21	6	*
Parents	25	2	23	50	18	6	1
Teachers	28	3	25	57	12	3	*
5/21/18	19	2	17	46	26	9	*
5/21/17	24	4	20	41	16	7	13
5/10/16	24	4	20	41	20	7	8
5/2015	21	3	18	50	19	7	3
6/20/14	17	1	16	51	19	10	3
5/31/13	19	1	18	53	19	6	3
6/10/12	19	1	18	47	23	7	4
6/13/11	17	1	16	51	23	7	3
6/28/10	18	1	17	53	20	6	3
6/24/09	19	1	18	55	19	6	1
7/3/08	22	3	19	44	13	5	16
6/29/07	16	2	14	57	18	5	4
7/5/06	21	2	19	51	14	3	11
6/26/05	24	2	22	46	13	4	13
6/18/04	26	2	24	45	13	4	12
6/18/03	26	2	24	52	12	3	7
6/26/02	24	2	22	47	13	3	13
6/6/01	23	2	21	51	14	5	7
6/29/00	20	2	18	47	14	5	14
6/11/99	24	2	22	46	16	4	10
6/23/98	18	1	17	49	15	5	13
6/22/97	22	2	20	48	15	6	9
5/22/96	21	1	20	46	18	5	10
6/15/95	20	2	18	50	17	4	9
6/8/94	22	2	20	49	17	6	6
6/9/93	19	2	17	48	17	4	12
5/14/92	18	2	16	48	18	4	12
5/17/91	21	2	19	47	13	5	14
5/22/90	21	2	19	49	16	4	12
6/11/89	22	2	20	47	15	4	10
4/10/88	23	3	20	48	13	3	13
4/13/87	26	4	22	44	11	2	17
4/20/86	28	3	25	41	10	5	16
5/26/85	27	3	24	43	12	3	15
5/27/84	25	2	23	49	11	4	11
5/22/83	19	2	17	38	16	6	21
5/23/82	22	2	20	44	15	4	15
5/17/81	20	2	18	43	15	6	16

4. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] Using the A, B, C, D, Fail scale again, what grade would you give the school your (oldest) child attends?

	A-B NET	A	B	C	D	Fail	No opinion
4/26/19	76	30	46	18	4	2	0

4/26/19 PS	75	28	47	19	3	2	0
5/21/18	70	30	40	22	5	3	*
5/21/18 PS	69	28	41	23	5	3	*
5/21/17	72	35	37	16	6	4	3
5/21/17 PS	71	33	38	16	6	4	3
5/10/16	70	30	41	20	4	5	1
5/10/16 PS	69	28	41	21	4	5	1
5/2015	72	28	44	22	4	2	*
6/20/14 PS	67	27	40	14	14	5	0
5/31/13 PS	71	36	35	23	4	1	0
6/10/12 PS	77	37	40	16	6	0	1
6/13/11	79	37	42	17	3	1	2
6/13/11 PS	75	33	43	20	3	1	0
6/28/10	77	36	41	18	5	1	1
6/28/10 PS	74	31	43	21	5	1	1
6/24/09	74	31	43	17	6	2	1
6/24/09 PS	73	27	46	19	6	2	1
7/3/08	72	30	42	14	5	4	5
7/3/08 PS	68	25	42	16	6	5	5
6/29/07 PS	67	19	48	24	5	3	1
7/5/06 PS	64	26	38	24	5	4	3
6/26/05 PS	69	31	38	21	6	4	0
6/18/04 PS	70	24	46	16	8	4	2
6/18/03 PS	68	29	39	20	8	4	0
6/26/02 PS	71	27	44	20	6	2	1
6/6/01 PS	68	28	40	22	6	3	1
6/29/00 PS	70	26	44	21	5	2	2
6/11/99 PS	66	24	42	21	7	5	1
6/23/98 PS	62	22	40	25	8	3	2
6/22/97 PS	64	26	38	23	7	4	2
5/22/96 PS	66	23	43	22	6	5	1
6/15/95 PS	65	27	38	23	8	3	1
6/8/94 PS	70	28	42	22	6	1	1
6/9/93 PS	72	27	45	18	5	2	3
5/14/92 PS	64	22	42	24	6	4	2
5/17/91 PS	73	29	44	21	2	4	0
5/22/90 PS	72	27	45	19	5	2	2
6/11/89 PS	71	25	46	19	5	1	4
4/10/88 PS	70	22	48	22	3	2	3
4/13/87 PS	69	28	41	20	5	2	4
4/20/86 PS	65	28	37	26	4	2	3
5/26/85 PS	71	23	48	19	5	2	3

PS = asked of public school parents

5. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] What's the most important factor to you in evaluating the quality of your (oldest) child's school?

	4/26/19
Teachers and staff	24
Education/education quality	6
Success/performance/results	6
Individual attention/support	5
Curriculum	5
School environment	5
Academic/enrichment opportunities	4
Class size	4

Safety/security	4
Learning/knowledge	3
Pedagogy	3
Overall experience	3
Academics	2
Communication	2
Supplies/funding/resources	2
Appropriate level of content	2
Child's development/progress	2
Student grades	2
Preparation for further education	1
Preparation for life	1
Other	7
No opinion	*
Skipped	6

6. [IF PS TEACHER] Using the A, B, C, D, Fail scale again, what grade would you give the school where you work?

	A-B						
	NET	A	B	C	D	Fail	No opinion
4/26/19	70	23	47	24	5	2	0

7. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] Some children like to go to school on most days while others not so much. What about your (oldest) child in K-12 - how much (does he/does she/do they) like to go to school on most days?

	----- Likes it -----			Neither likes	---- Dislikes it ---			
	NET	A lot	Mostly	nor dislikes	NET	Mostly	A lot	Skipped
4/26/19	72	28	44	16	11	9	2	1

8a. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] As far as you are aware, how big a problem is each of these at your (oldest) child's school?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	- More of a prob. -			- Less of a prob. -			
	Major			Minor		Not a	
	NET	prob.	Prob.	NET	prob.	prob.	Skip
a. Pressure to get good test scores	29	9	19	71	39	32	*
b. The physical safety and security of students overall	16	6	10	83	32	51	1
c. Physical bullying	25	8	17	74	40	34	1
d. Cyberbullying	23	7	15	76	33	43	1
e. Verbal harassment	27	8	19	72	37	34	1
f. Sexual harassment	13	4	9	87	26	61	1
g. Pressure to try alcohol or drugs	22	8	13	78	26	52	1
h. Pressure to smoke or use electronic cigarettes/"vape"	22	9	13	78	24	54	*
i. Pressure to "fit in" or conform	30	8	22	69	41	27	2
j. Racism	16	6	11	83	32	51	1
k. Religious bias	10	2	7	89	24	65	1
l. Bias against gay, lesbian, and/or transgender students	10	3	7	89	28	61	1

8b. [IS PS TEACHER] How big a problem is each of these at the school where you teach?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	- More of a prob. -			- Less of a prob. -			
	NET	Major prob.	Prob.	NET	Minor prob.	Not a prob.	Skip
a. Pressure to get good test scores	50	19	30	50	33	17	*
b. The physical safety and security of students overall	13	2	11	86	40	46	1
c. Physical bullying	26	4	22	74	53	21	*
d. Cyberbullying	31	5	26	69	40	29	*
e. Verbal harassment	34	5	29	65	42	23	*
f. Sexual harassment	11	1	9	89	33	56	*
g. Pressure to try alcohol or drugs	21	6	15	79	27	52	*
h. Pressure to smoke or use electronic cigarettes/"vape"	21	8	13	79	23	56	*
i. Pressure to "fit in" or conform	37	5	32	63	46	17	*
j. Racism	17	2	15	82	44	38	*
k. Religious bias	9	2	7	91	27	64	*
l. Bias against gay, lesbian, and/or transgender students	12	3	10	87	35	52	*

9a. [IF GENERAL POPULATION OR PARENT] How do you feel about the discipline in the local schools - is it too strict, not strict enough, or just about right?

	Too strict	Not strict enough	About right	No op.
4/26/19				
All	5	65	29	1
Parents	4	53	43	*
1971	3	48	33	16
1970	2	53	31	14
1969	2	49	44	5

9b. [IF PS TEACHER] How do you feel about the discipline at the school where you teach - is it too strict, not strict enough, or just about right?

	Too strict	Not strict enough	About right	Skipped
4/26/19	1	64	35	0

10a. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] Do you trust your (oldest) child's school to administer discipline fairly, or not?

	--- More trust ---			---- Less/no trust ----			
	NET	Trust a lot	Trust	NET	Trust a little	Do not trust	Skipped
4/26/19	59	14	46	40	31	9	1

10b. [IF PS TEACHER] Do you trust the school where you teach to administer discipline fairly, or not?

	--- More trust ---	---- Less/no trust ----
	Trust	Trust Do not

	NET	a lot	Trust	NET	a little	trust	Skipped
4/26/19	53	15	39	47	33	14	0

11. In handling discipline issues, some schools use mediation, in which the student who misbehaved and the student he or she mistreated meet together with a trained mediator to discuss the situation. How effective do you think this is at preventing the misbehavior from happening again?

		-- More effective ---		---- Less effective ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	60	9	51	40	28	11	1
Parents	69	12	57	30	24	7	1
Teachers	72	9	63	28	22	5	1

12. Which of these do you think is the more effective way of dealing with misbehavior by students?

	Detention or suspension	Behavioral counseling or mediation	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	32	67	1
Parents	29	70	1
Teachers	25	73	2

13. Some schools have a zero-tolerance policy, in which students who violate rules regarding weapons, drugs, and some kinds of assaults are automatically suspended or expelled. (Supporters say this means all offenders are treated equally.) (Opponents say these rules don't take individual circumstances into account.) What's your opinion - do you support or oppose zero-tolerance policies?

	----- Support -----		----- Oppose -----				
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	No opinion
4/26/19							
All	71	27	44	29	23	5	*
Parents	74	30	44	26	21	4	*
Teachers	71	26	45	29	23	6	0

14. Imagine a student has a folding knife in his or her backpack, classified by the school as a weapon, that he or she brought to school accidentally. Would you support or oppose automatic suspension or expulsion in a case like this?

	----- Support -----		----- Oppose -----				
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	No opinion
4/26/19							
All	45	12	34	55	44	11	*
Parents	48	17	31	52	39	13	*
Teachers	43	7	36	57	44	13	0

15. For schools that have school-based police officers, who should handle each of these situations - (the police officer) or (the school's principal)?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	Police officer	School's principal	Skipped
a. Two high school students are caught fighting at school			
All	23	76	*
Parents	26	74	*
Teachers	22	78	0
b. One high school student sexually assaults another at school			
All	88	12	1
Parents	85	15	*
Teachers	88	12	0
c. A student of any age brings a weapon to school			
All	80	20	1
Parents	81	19	*
Teachers	78	21	*
d. A student of any age brings illegal drugs to school			
All	80	19	*
Parents	83	17	*
Teachers	83	17	*
e. A student of any age distributes illegal drugs on school property			
All	90	9	1
Parents	93	7	*
Teachers	93	7	0

16. Do you think schools should or should not be involved in disciplining young people who engage in these activities?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	Should	Should not	Skipped
a. Drinking or using drugs on the weekends			
All	31	69	*
Parents	35	65	*
Teachers	27	73	*
b. Cyberbullying			
All	75	24	1
Parents	81	19	*
Teachers	83	17	*
c. Sexual assault outside of school			
All	38	62	*
Parents	44	56	*
Teachers	36	64	*
d. Other criminal activity outside of school			
All	31	69	*
Parents	36	64	*
Teachers	28	72	*

17. Confidentially and for statistical purposes only, has any child of yours ever been suspended or expelled from school for disciplinary reasons?

Yes No Skipped

4/26/19

All	8	91	*
Parents	11	89	0
Teachers	14	86	*

18. [IF HAS CHILD IN SCHOOL] Which one of these is most helpful to you in evaluating the quality of your (oldest) child's school?

	State report cards on the local schools	Your child's report card grades	Your child's scores on state standardized tests	Evaluations from other parents	Skipped
4/26/19	23	39	21	15	1

19. As far as you are aware, does your state issue a report card on the local public schools there, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
4/26/19			
All	39	5	56
Parents	52	5	43
Teachers	81	5	14

20. [IF STATE ISSUES REPORT CARD] Have you ever read the state report card for your local public schools, or not?

	Yes	No	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	51	49	*
Parents	66	34	0
Teachers	73	26	1

21. [IF HAS READ STATE REPORT CARD] When did you last read the report card for your local public schools?

	In the past three months	Four to 12 months ago	More than a year to two years ago	More than two years ago	Skipped
4/26/19					
All	14	41	25	20	0
Parents	22	48	20	9	0
Teachers	18	54	22	7	*

Q20/21 NET Table

	- Has read state report card in the last...-						Hasn't	Skipped
	NET	<4mo	4-12mo	>1-2y	>2y	Unknown		
4/26/19								
All	51	7	21	13	10	0	49	*
Parents	66	15	32	13	6	0	34	0
Teachers	73	13	39	16	5	*	26	1

22a. [IF HAS READ STATE REPORT CARD] Did you find the report card for your local public schools...

	Easy to find	Difficult to find	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	76	23	1
Parents	77	21	2
Teachers	75	23	2

22b. [IF HAS READ STATE REPORT CARD] Did you find the report card for your local public schools...

	Easy to understand	Difficult to understand	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	80	18	2
Parents	81	16	3
Teachers	77	20	3

22c. [IF HAS READ STATE REPORT CARD] Did you find the report card for your local public schools...

	Helped	Not helpful	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	77	22	2
Parents	82	15	3
Teachers	62	38	*

23. How confident are you that state report cards on the quality of local public schools accurately represent the quality of those schools?

	-- More confident ---			----- Less confident ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	46	3	43	52	40	12	1
Parents	64	8	56	36	27	8	1
Teachers	50	3	48	48	35	13	2

24. One way to measure a school's performance is to base it on the percentage of students passing the test mandated by the state. Another way is to measure the improvement students in the school made during the year. In your opinion, which is the best way to measure the school's performance - the percentage passing the test or the improvement shown by the students?

	Passing the test	Improvement shown during the year	No opinion
4/26/19			
All	24	75	*
Parents	23	77	*
Teachers	6	94	0
2008 All	16	79	4
2006 All	17	81	2

25. If public school teachers in your community went on strike for higher pay, would you support them or oppose them?

----- Support ----- ----- Oppose -----

	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	71	23	48	28	21	7	1
Parents	74	23	51	25	18	7	1
Teachers	86	48	37	14	10	4	*
5/21/2018 All	73	33	40	27	17	10	*

26. Would you support or oppose teachers in your community striking, not for higher pay, but for any of these reasons?

a. Higher funding for school programs

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	76	26	50	23	18	5	1
Parents	84	32	52	16	12	4	1
Teachers	87	45	41	13	10	3	*

b. More say in teaching conditions, such as the calendar and schedules

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	69	16	53	29	24	5	1
Parents	70	18	52	29	24	6	1
Teachers	74	31	43	25	21	4	*

c. More say in school standards, testing, and the school curriculum

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	79	23	56	20	15	4	1
Parents	83	26	57	17	13	4	1
Teachers	84	38	46	16	13	4	0

27. What do you think should be the main goal of a public school education?

	To prepare students academically	To prepare students for work	To prepare students to be good citizens	No op.
4/26/19				
All	53	21	25	*
Parents	53	18	28	*
Teachers	37	17	45	0
5/10/2016 All	45	25	26	4

28. Just thinking about these, which of these should be the main purpose of the public schools?

	To educate students in core subject areas	To prepare students for jobs	Both equally	Skipped
4/26/19				
All	15	8	77	*
Parents	15	10	75	*
Teachers	8	9	82	1

29. [IF PARENT WHOSE OLDEST SCHOOL-AGE CHILD IS IN GRADES 9-12] Say your (oldest) child had a choice of taking an elective class in one of these three subjects. Which subject would you prefer (he/she/they) take?

[ASK IF PARENT WHOSE OLDEST CHILD IS NOT IN GRADES 9-12] Say that in high school your (oldest) child had a choice of one of three elective classes. Which subject would you prefer (he/she/they) take?

	A job skills class	An advanced academic class	An arts or music class	Skipped
4/26/19	45	37	18	*

30. [IF PARENT] If jobs skills classes were available in each of these subjects, which are the top three that you would encourage your child to take?

	4/26/19
Programming/coding/webdev	54
Health/medical	49
IT hardware/systems	45
Drafting/engineering	33
Building trades	27
Communications/graphic design	22
Culinary arts/cooking	19
Automotive repair/tech/refinishing	17
Cosmetology	6
Accounting/finance/business (vol.)	1
Arts/music/drama (vol.)	1
Whatever interests child (vol.)	1
Life skills (vol.)	1
Additional academics (vol.)	*
Other	1
None of them	2
Skipped	1

31. Some high school classes are required for all public school students. Others are elective, meaning students can decide which to take. Do you think it's a good idea or a bad idea to let students who do not plan to go to college skip some required academic classes so they can take more jobs skills classes instead?

	-----	Good idea	-----	-----	Bad idea	-----	
	NET	Very good	Good	NET	Bad	Very bad	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	68	21	47	31	26	5	1
Parents	65	20	45	35	27	7	*
Teachers	73	25	47	27	22	5	*

32. Do you think public school students should be required to take a class in each of these subjects in order to graduate from high school; these classes should be offered as an elective but should not be required; or these classes should not be offered?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

Should be required	Should be an elective	Should not be offered	Skipped
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a. Civics, which covers topics such as citizenship, democracy and the role of government in society				
All	70	27	3	*
Parents	60	36	4	*
Teachers	81	16	3	*
b. Comparative religions				
All	7	70	23	*
Parents	7	69	23	*
Teachers	12	75	12	*
c. Bible studies				
All	6	58	36	*
Parents	7	61	32	*
Teachers	4	54	42	*

33. How concerned, if at all, are you about each of the following?

a. Civics class might include political content that you disagree with

	-- More concerned ---			---- Less concerned ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	27	6	21	72	44	28	1
Parents	29	6	24	70	41	30	*
Teachers	16	2	14	84	43	41	*

b. Bible studies classes might improperly promote Judeo-Christian religious beliefs

	-- More concerned ---			---- Less concerned ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	38	16	22	61	36	25	1
Parents	33	11	22	66	39	27	1
Teachers	36	17	19	64	39	24	1

c. Comparative religion classes might encourage students to question their family's faith

	-- More concerned ---			---- Less concerned ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	26	7	19	73	44	30	1
Parents	26	7	19	74	42	32	*
Teachers	15	3	12	85	43	42	*

d. Comparative religion classes might improperly encourage students to change their religious beliefs

	-- More concerned ---			---- Less concerned ----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	27	7	20	72	42	30	1
Parents	25	8	17	74	41	33	1
Teachers	16	3	13	84	42	42	*

34. Do you think it would be possible or not possible to get people in your community to agree on a set of basic values, such as honesty and patriotism, that would be taught in the local public schools?

	Possible	Not possible	Opinion
4/26/19			
All	61	39	*
Parents	65	35	*
Teachers	60	40	0
1993 All	69	27	4

35. Which of these would you prefer your local public schools to do?

	Teach values as well as factual information	Only teach factual information and not values	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	79	20	1
Parents	78	22	*
Teachers	85	15	*

36. If your local public schools taught values, do you think they should or should not cover each of these topics?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	Should cover	Should not cover	Skipped
a. Honesty			
All	97	2	1
Parents	97	3	*
Teachers	98	2	*
b. Civility			
All	96	4	1
Parents	94	6	1
Teachers	98	1	*
c. Acceptance of others with different sexual orientations			
All	74	25	1
Parents	76	23	1
Teachers	82	17	2
d. Acceptance of others with different religions			
All	87	12	1
Parents	85	14	1
Teachers	90	10	*
e. Patriotism			
All	81	18	1
Parents	83	16	1
Teachers	82	17	1
f. Respect for authority			
All	93	6	1
Parents	92	8	*

Compare to: Here is a list of different values that might be taught in the public schools. For each one, please classify, whether you think it should be taught, or should not be taught, to all students in the public schools of your community?

	1999	1993
Honesty	97	97
Democracy	93	93
Acceptance of people of different races and ethnic background	93	93
Caring for friends and family members	90	91
Moral courage	90	91
Patriotism/love of country	90	91
The Golden Rule	86	90
Acceptance of people who hold different religious beliefs	-	87
Acceptance of people who hold unpopular or controversial political or social views	71	73
Sexual abstinence outside of marriage	68	66
Acceptance of people with different sexual orientations, that is, homosexuals or bisexuals	55	51

37. [ASK IF PARENT] What do you expect your (oldest) child to do after high school?

	4/26/19
Get a full-time job	7
Full time college NET	64
Go to a four-year college full time	57
Go to a two-year college full time	7
College part-time/work part-time NET	19
Go to a four-year college part time and work part time	12
Go to a two-year college part time and work part time	7
Attend a vocational school	3
Join the military	1
Something else	2
No expectations/child's decision (vol.)	3
Don't know/not sure yet (vol.)	1
Skipped	*

38. In your opinion, is the quality of the public schools related to the amount of money spent on students in these schools, or not?

	Yes, related	No, not related	No opinion
4/26/19			
All	60	39	*
Parents	62	38	*
Teachers	68	32	0
1998 All	50	42	8

39. What do you think of the funding level for public schools in your community?

	They have the right amount of money	They have too much money	They have too little money	Skipped
4/26/19				

All	31	8	60	2
Parents	31	6	61	1
Teachers	23	2	75	*

40. Which kind of candidate for political office are you most likely to support?

One who supports...

	Increased funding for public schools	Decreased funding for public schools	Maintaining the current level of funding for public schools	Skip.
4/26/19				
All	63	5	30	3
Parents	66	7	25	3
Teachers	85	2	12	1

41. How important to you is a candidate's position on public school funding?

	--- More important ---				----- Less important -----			
	NET	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19								
All	41	12	30	43	15	12	3	1
Parents	55	18	38	34	9	7	2	1
Teachers	75	33	42	21	3	2	1	1

42. If funding for public schools were increased, how should the money be raised?

	Through higher taxes	From cuts in other government-funded programs	Skipped
4/26/19			
All	27	70	3
Parents	25	74	2
Teachers	37	61	2

43. Do you support or oppose using proceeds from state lotteries as a source of funding for public schools?

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	90	42	48	8	6	2	2
Parents	90	46	45	9	6	3	1
Teachers	92	49	44	7	5	2	1

44. Do you support or oppose each of these in your state?

a. Legal recreational marijuana

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	52	21	30	47	24	23	1
Parents	49	21	28	49	22	27	1

Teachers	53	16	37	45	24	22	2
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b. Legal sports gambling

		----- Support -----		----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	59	14	45	40	27	13	1
Parents	58	14	44	41	24	16	1
Teachers	63	12	52	35	25	10	2

45. If legal, would you support or oppose using a portion of state taxes generated from these activities to increase funding for the public schools?

a. Taxes on legal recreational marijuana

		----- Support -----		----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	77	38	40	21	12	9	2
Parents	77	43	35	21	11	11	1
Teachers	83	44	38	15	9	6	2

b. Taxes on legal sports gambling

		----- Support -----		----- Oppose -----			
	NET	Strongly	Support	NET	Oppose	Strongly	Skipped
4/26/19							
All	80	36	44	18	12	7	2
Parents	81	39	42	18	9	9	1
Teachers	87	44	44	11	6	5	2

46. [IF PS TEACHER] How much, if at all, do you feel that your community values you as a teacher?

		----- More -----			----- Less -----			
	NET	A great deal	A good amount	Just some	NET	A little	Not at all	Skipped
4/26/19	52	10	42	31	16	12	4	0

47. [IF PS TEACHER] In the past few years, have you seriously considered leaving the teaching profession, or is this not something you have seriously considered?

	Have seriously considered it	Have not seriously considered it	Skipped
4/26/19	50	49	*

48. [IF Q47=1 SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED LEAVING PROFESSION] What's the main reason you seriously considered leaving your job?

	4/26/19
Inadequate pay/benefits	22
Stress/pressure/burnout	19

Lack of respect/feeling valued	10
Student behavior	9
School administrators/board	7
Workload/hours	6
Retirement/age	5
Lack of support	4
Teaching no longer enjoyable	
/to pursue other interests	3
Paperwork	2
Poor working conditions	2
Testing requirements	1
Family obligations	2
Government involvement	1
Other	5
Skipped	2

49. [IF PS TEACHER] Would you like your child to become a teacher or not?

	Yes	No	Skipped
4/26/19	44	55	1

50. [IF Q49=2 WOULD NOT LIKE CHILD TO BECOME A TEACHER] Why would you not like your child to become a teacher?

	4/26/19
Inadequate pay/benefits	44
Difficult/demanding/stressful job	32
Thankless job	
/not respected or valued	21
Lack of support	9
Student behavior	8
Profession is changing	8
Child's lack of interest	
/better at something else	7
Standardized testing	5
Up to child	4
Better careers elsewhere	4
Poor/unsafe working conditions	3
Bureaucracy/government involvement	3
Other	14
No opinion	1
Skipped	5

58. [IF PS TEACHER] For statistical purposes only, what was your salary in 2018?

	Less than \$45,000	\$45,000 to less than \$65,000	\$65,000 or more	Average	Median
4/26/19	31	36	32	\$55,342	\$52,000

59. [IF PS TEACHER] Do you feel that (you are fairly paid), or that (your pay is unfair)?

	Fairly paid	Pay is unfair	Skipped
4/26/19	39	60	*

60. [IF PS TEACHER] If there was a vote in your school district on whether or not to go on strike for higher pay, what would you do?

	Vote to strike	Vote against a strike	Skipped
4/26/19	55	43	2

61. [IF PS TEACHER] Would you vote for or against a strike that was not for higher pay but for any of these reasons?

4/26/19 - Summary Table

	Would vote for a strike	Would vote against a strike	Skipped
a. Higher funding for school programs	58	40	2
b. More say in teaching conditions, such as the calendar and schedules	42	56	2
c. More say in school standards, testing, and the school curriculum	52	46	2

END