

The Questions

- 1. Do you think public school teachers in your community are overworked, underworked, or have an appropriate workload?
- 2. Do you think salaries for teachers in your community are too high, too low, or just about right?
- 3. Do you feel that public school teachers are undervalued, overvalued, or valued appropriately in society today?
- 4. As far as you are aware, how big a problem are teacher shortages in your community's public schools?
- 5. Would you support or oppose increasing teacher salaries in your community if it meant raising local property taxes?
- 6. As a means of saving money, some states are considering a four-day school week consisting of longer school days. Would you favor or oppose such a plan in the public schools in your community?
- 7. Some states and public school districts are considering expanding the school day or the school year as a way to try to improve student learning outcomes. Which of the following would you prefer for the public schools in your community?
 - a. Longer school days only
 - b. A longer school year only
 - c. Both longer school days and a longer school year
 - d. Neither longer school days nor a longer school year
- 8. How much influence do you think each of the following groups should have in deciding what's taught in the public schools in your community?
 - a. Public school teachers
 - b. The local school board
 - c. The governor and state legislature
 - d. Local residents
- 9. Do you think public school teachers should be permitted to teach their subjects as they think best, or do you think there should be state laws setting rules on what teachers can and cannot teach?
- 10. Thinking about students and mental health, which of these do you think the public schools in your community should do: Conduct mental health assessments of all students, conduct optional mental health assessments of students whose parents or guardians request it, or not conduct any mental health assessments of students?