



In-Person Learning Survey

WPS Parents/Guardians, Educators, & Staff

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Parent/Guardian Survey Responses

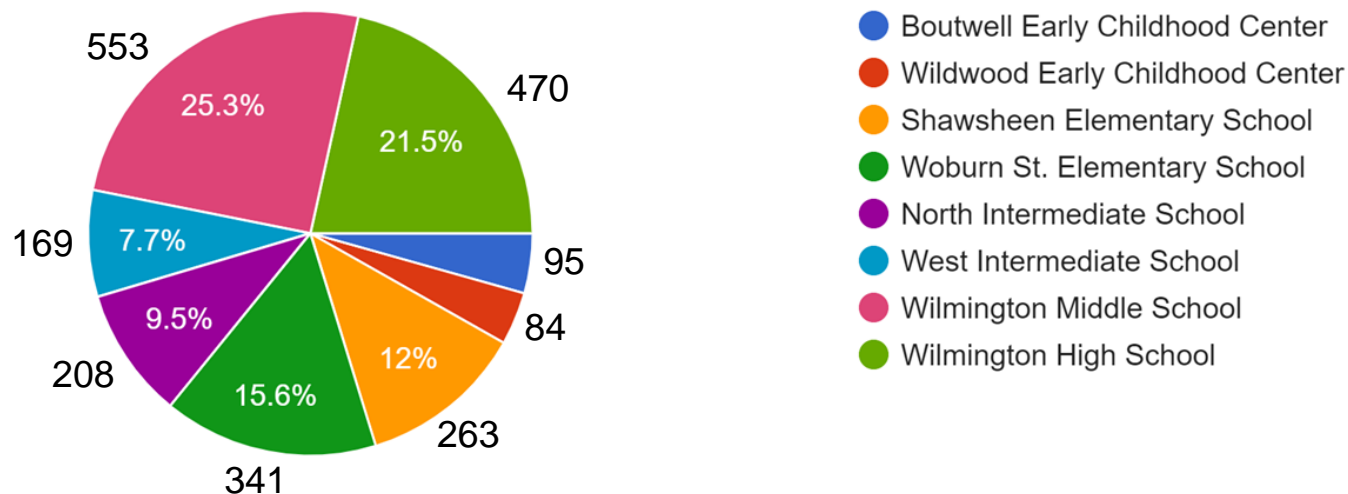
This section of the presentation will address the survey data collected from families and will be presented in three sections:

1. Data collected from parents/guardians of Kindergarten students
2. Data collected from parents/guardians of students in grades 1-12 in Cohorts A, B, and D who are currently in-person 2, 3, 4, or 5 days a week
3. Data collected from parents/guardians of students in Cohort C who are currently fully remote

K-12 Survey Responses

What school does your child currently attend? If you have more than one child, please complete this survey individually for each child.

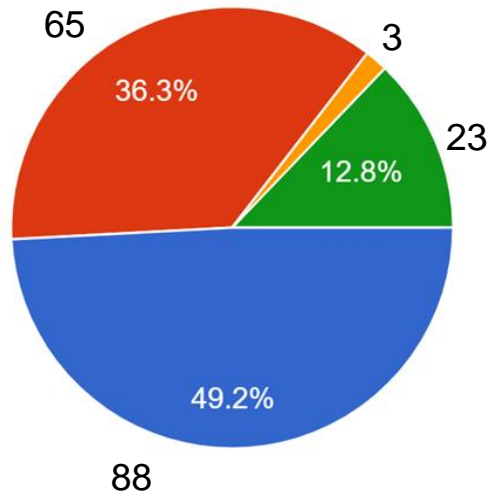
2,183 responses



Kindergarten Learning Models

Which learning model is your child currently enrolled in?

179 responses

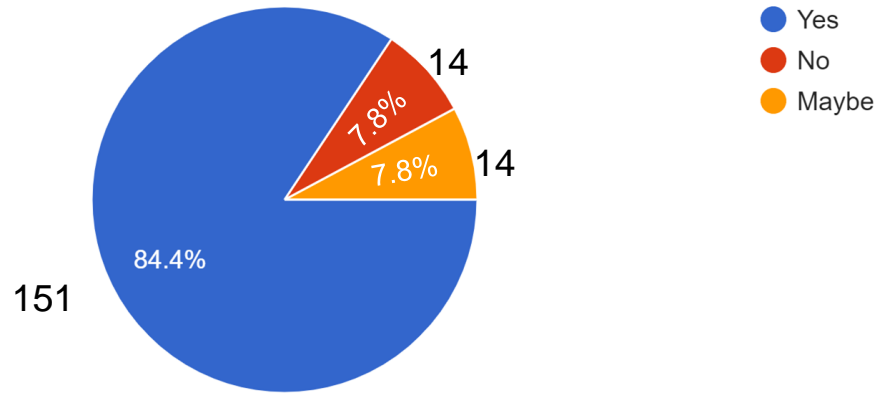


- In-Person Kindergarten - Attending the AM Session
- In-Person Kindergarten - Attending the PM Session
- In-Person Kindergarten - Attending full days
- Fully Remote Kindergarten

Kindergarten: 3-6 Ft. Distancing

Current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance recommends 6-ft. social distancing to mitigate COVID-19 transmission. Current Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) guidance recommends a minimum of 3-ft. social distancing to mitigate COVID-19 transmission. In order to bring Kindergarten students back for full days in-person, students would need to be approximately 3-6 ft. apart dependent on the size of our classrooms and the number of students enrolled in each class. When students are unmasked (eating snack/lunch) they would be 6 ft. apart. Would you send your child to school this spring for a full day of in-person learning if we implemented 3-6 ft. social distancing?

179 responses



Comments from Kindergarten Families that Answered No or Maybe

"Six feet of distance is necessary to keep the students and staff safe. There is no reason to change the schedules again and to increase the risk of the staff without providing them with vaccines."

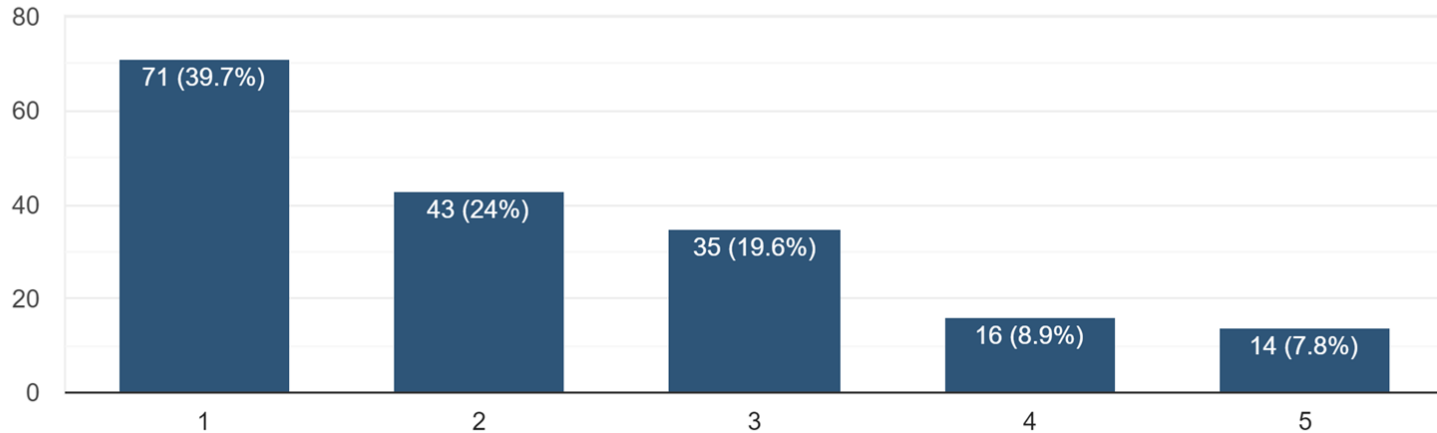
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"My son is doing well in the full remote cohort. I feel that sending him back with only 2 months of school left would disrupt the routine we have and throw him yet another curveball. We also have high-risk family members who have not yet been able to secure a vaccine appointment."

Health & Safety Concern: Kindergarten

On a scale of 1-5 how concerned would you be for your child's health and safety in the schools if all Kindergarten students returned to full-day in-... of 2021? 1 = Not concerned to 5 = Very Concerned.

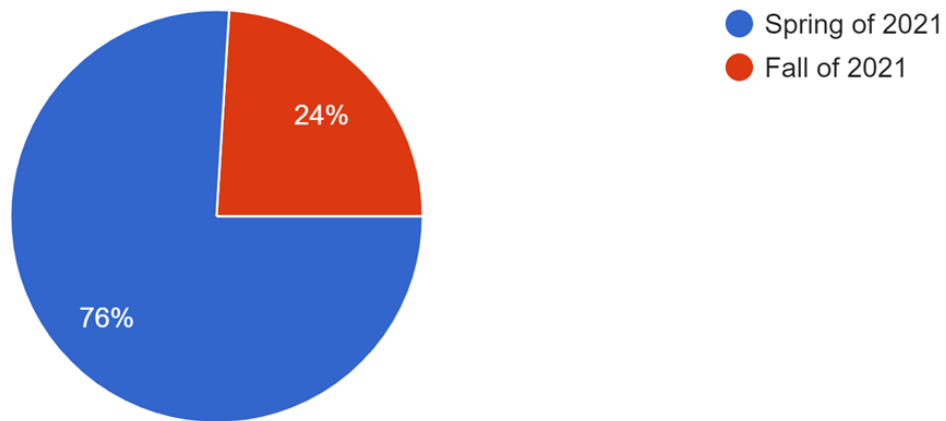
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Kindergarten: Return in Spring or Fall?

Given the choice, would you prefer that your child return to full-day in-person school this year or next year?

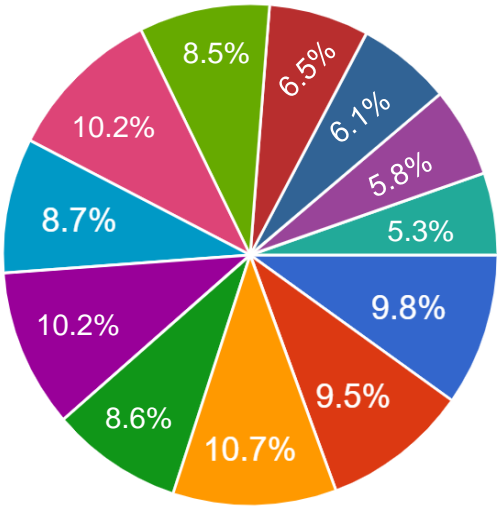
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Grades 1-12 Survey Participation

What grade is your child currently in?

2,004 responses

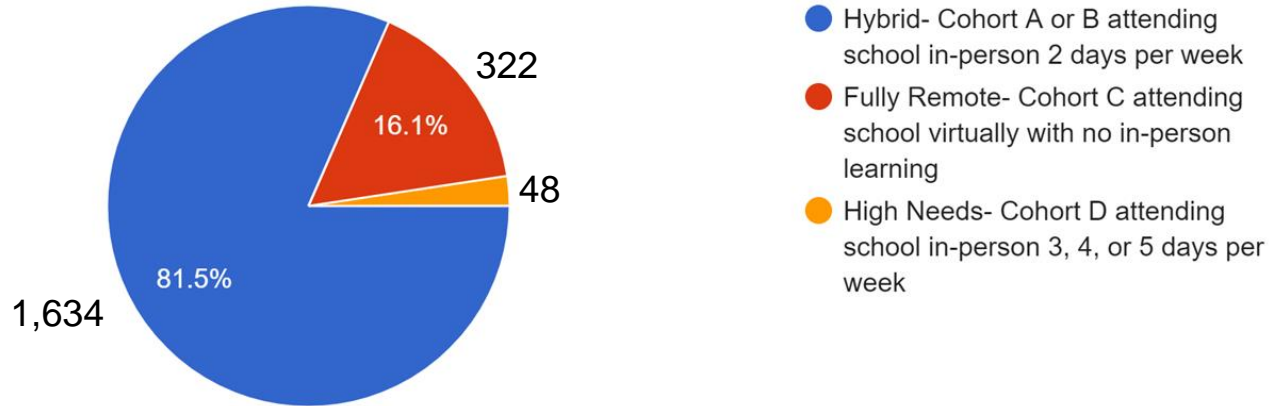


- Grade 1
- Grade 2
- Grade 3
- Grade 4
- Grade 5
- Grade 6
- Grade 7
- Grade 8
- Grade 9
- Grade 10
- Grade 11
- Grade 12

Learning Model: Grades 1-12

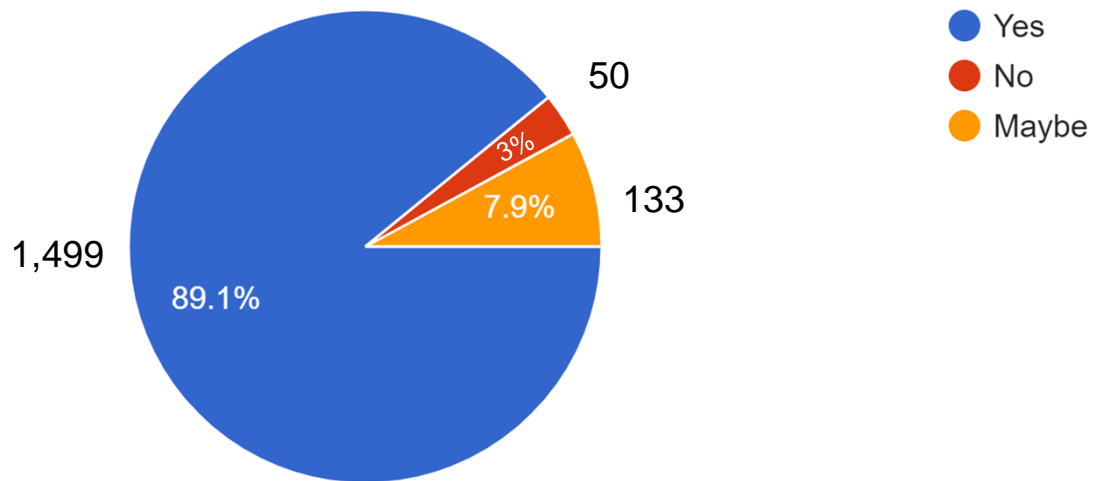
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Grades 1-12, Cohorts A, B, and D (In-Person): 3-6 Ft. Distancing

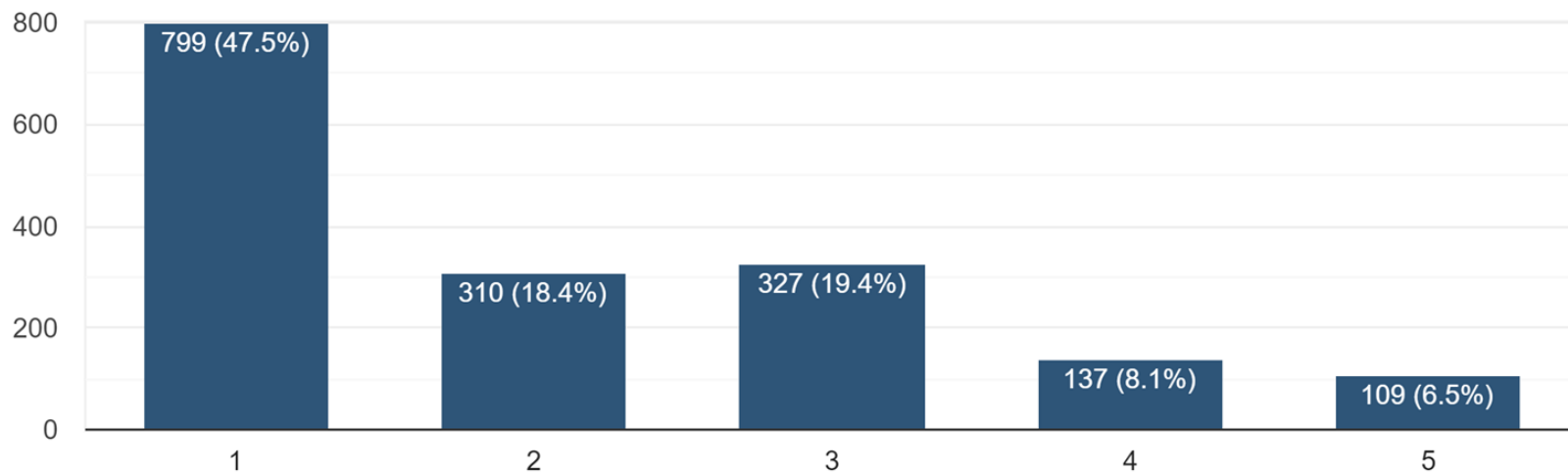
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Grades 1-12, Cohorts A, B, and D (In-Person): Health & Safety Concern

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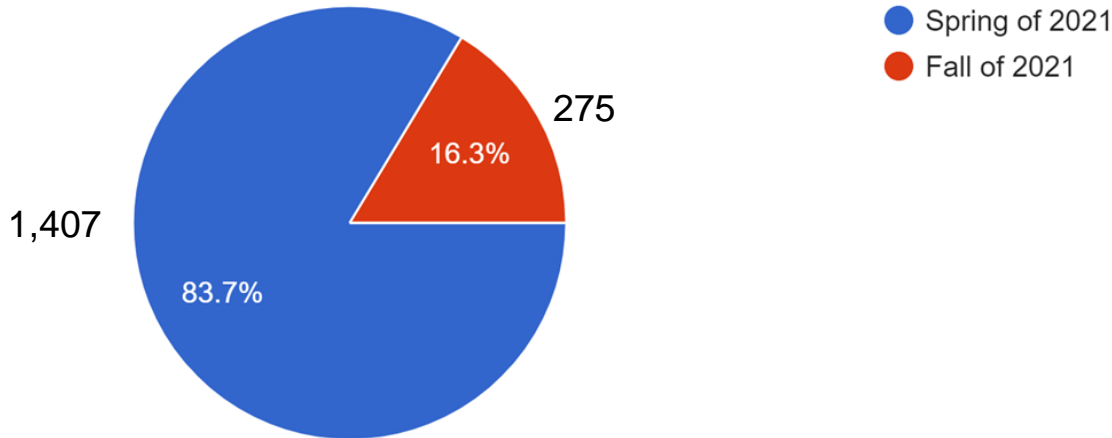
1,682 responses



Grades 1-12, Cohorts A, B, and D (In-Person): Return Spring or Fall?

Given the choice, would you prefer that your child return to daily full in-person school this year or next year?

1,682 responses



Comments: Grades 1-12, Cohorts A, B, and D (In-Person)

"I think for the mental and social well being of my child I truly hope that there is a way to get the kids back to school full time. She is a different kid on the days she is in school vs. the days she is asynchronous or remote. I understand the challenges presented in every situation this year, I just hope that we don't lose sight of what these kids have had to endure for the past year and that being on a screen and independent learning cannot replace the classroom and a teacher."

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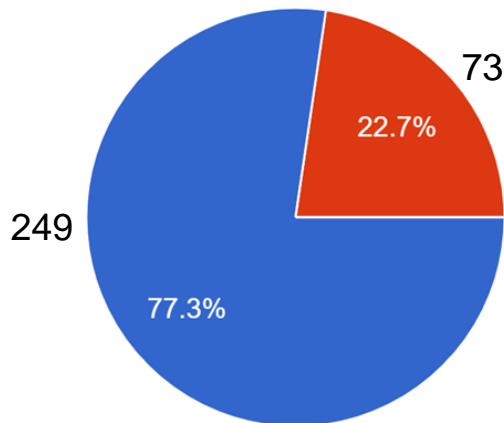
"Children need to be in school. I'm a physician who has seen plenty of evidence in literature regarding the lack of Covid related risks in children in school."

"I'm lucky because my son already has in-person learning for four days. However, Wednesdays are very difficult & learning remotely just doesn't work for him. I'd love for him to be in-person on Wednesdays if it works out. I know this is a very difficult time and the district decision makers are being pulled in many different directions so I'll end with a GOOD LUCK!!! :)
p.s. Remember that you are not a taco or pizza & can't make everyone happy."

Fully Remote Students K-12 (Cohort C)

If your child is currently fully remote and you are given the option to either stay remote or go fully in-person this spring, which would you choose?

322 responses



- I will keep my child fully remote through the remainder of the year
- If able to, I will have my child switch to full in-person learning this spring

Comments from Fully Remote Families

"My major concern with sending my daughter back to school is the plan for lunch/mask breaks and the fact that our state has chosen to not vaccinate the teachers and school staff at this point. I am an Assistant Professor of Immunology and Infectious Disease at Boston University and I have been studying COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic. Sharing air without a mask indoors is the highest risk for transmission. At BU, no one is allowed to have their mask off in the same room as anyone else under any circumstances."

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"Full remote cohort C is working wonderfully. It was a hard decision to make at the beginning of the year not knowing if we had teachers from Wilmington to teach the curriculum. I could not be happier. Lots of work, breakout rooms for the kids to team up and talk, and the teachers are attentive. Based on my hybrid friends the Cohort C grade 6 has more work and the fact they have daily instruction is wonderful. My child is happy and prefers to not come back at this time."



In-Person Learning Survey

WPS Educator / Staff
Survey Responses

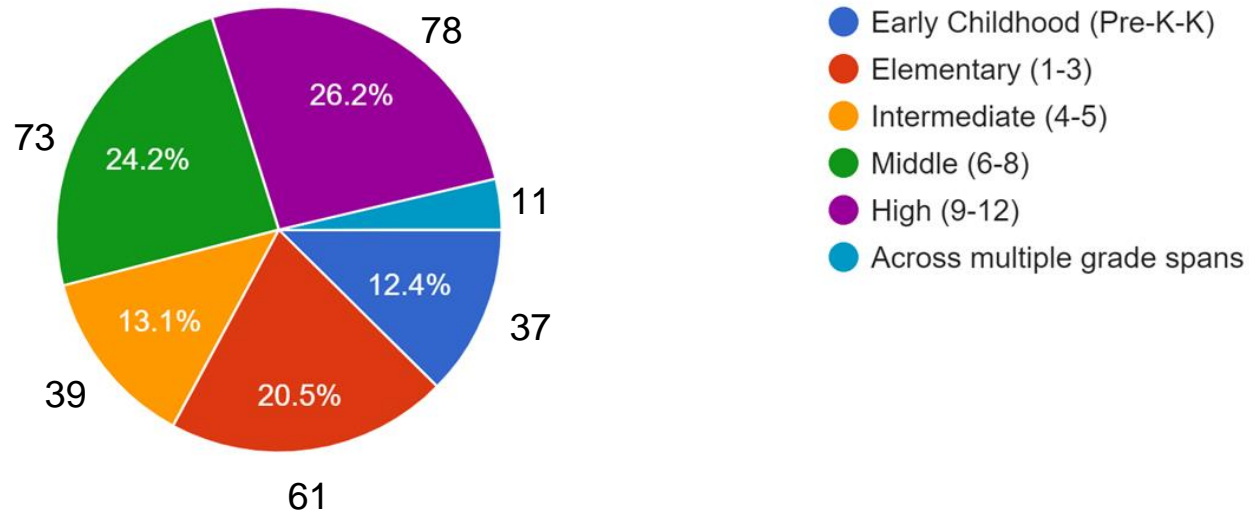
This section of the presentation will address staff survey data on the following topics:

- Staff Demographics
- Expanding In-Person Learning
- Health and Safety Concerns
- Social Distancing
- Grade Span Prioritization
- Obstacles and Potential Solutions
- Vaccinations
- Recommendations

Staff Responses

With which grade span do you predominantly work?

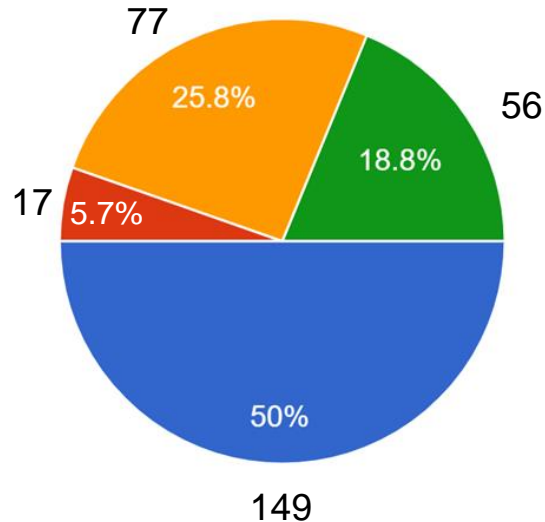
298 responses



Learning Models

In which learning model do you currently work?

298 responses

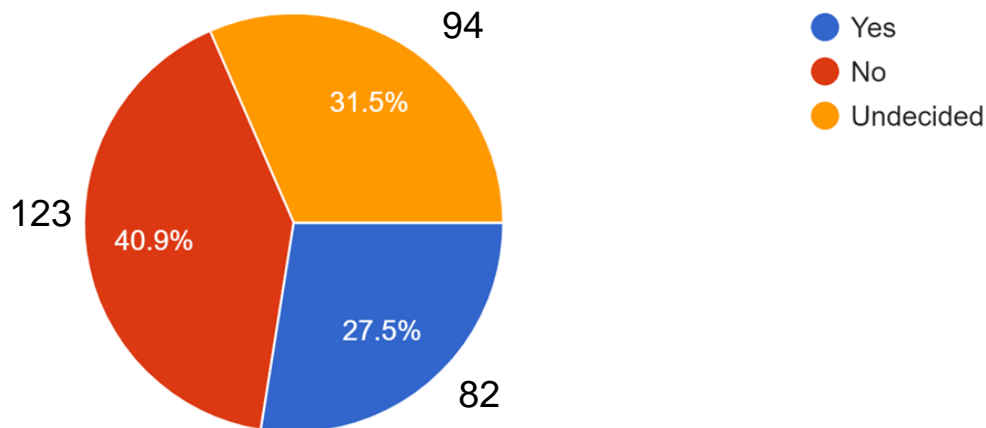


- Hybrid- I teach in-person on M/T/Th/F and remotely on Wednesdays
- Fully Remote- I teach only cohort C students remotely M-F
- Fully In-Person- I teach in-person daily, M-F
- Combination- I teach both in-person and remotely working with students in multiple cohorts

Expanding In-Person Learning this Spring

Are you in favor of expanded in-person learning time for students this school year?

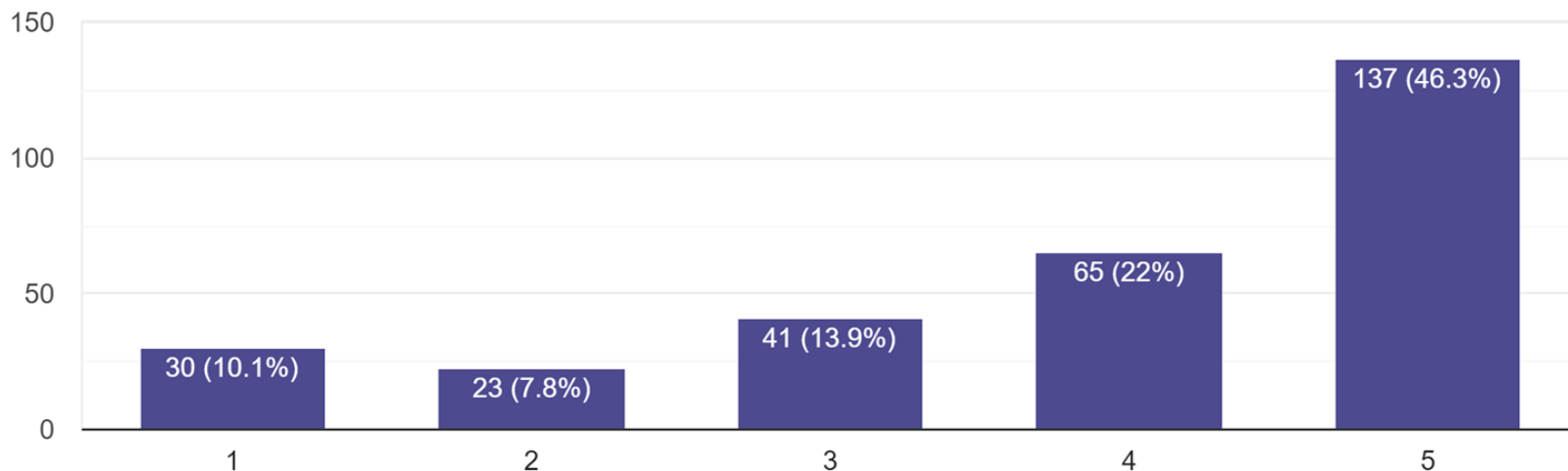
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Health and Safety Concerns

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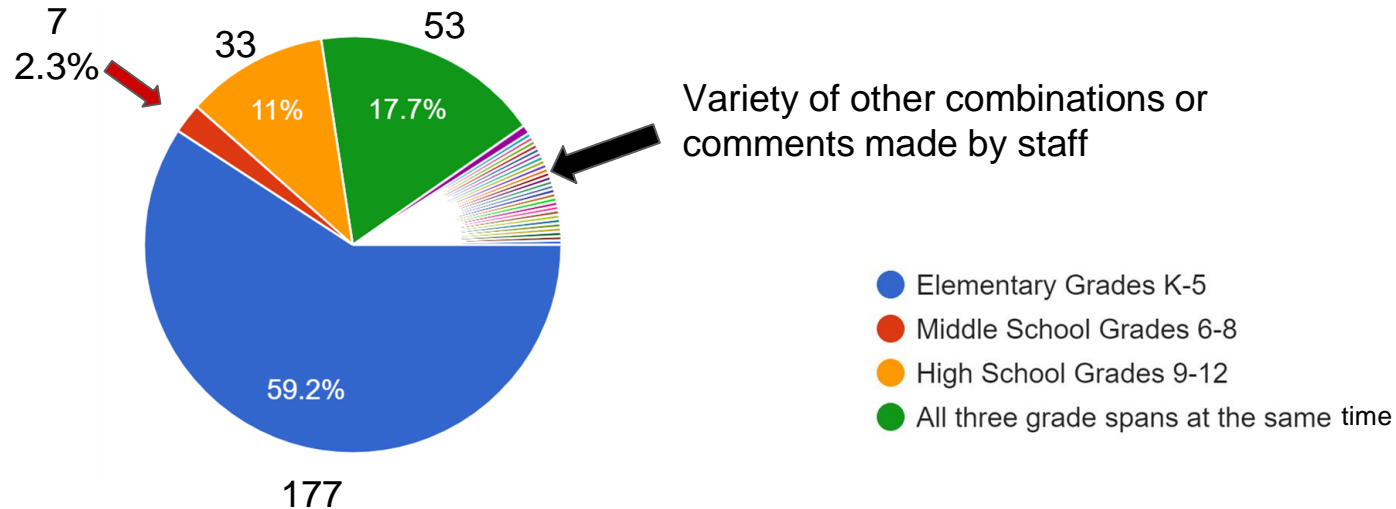
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Grade Span Priority for In-Person Learning

When we do return to full in-person learning, which grade span(s) should be prioritized for a return to full in-person learning first?

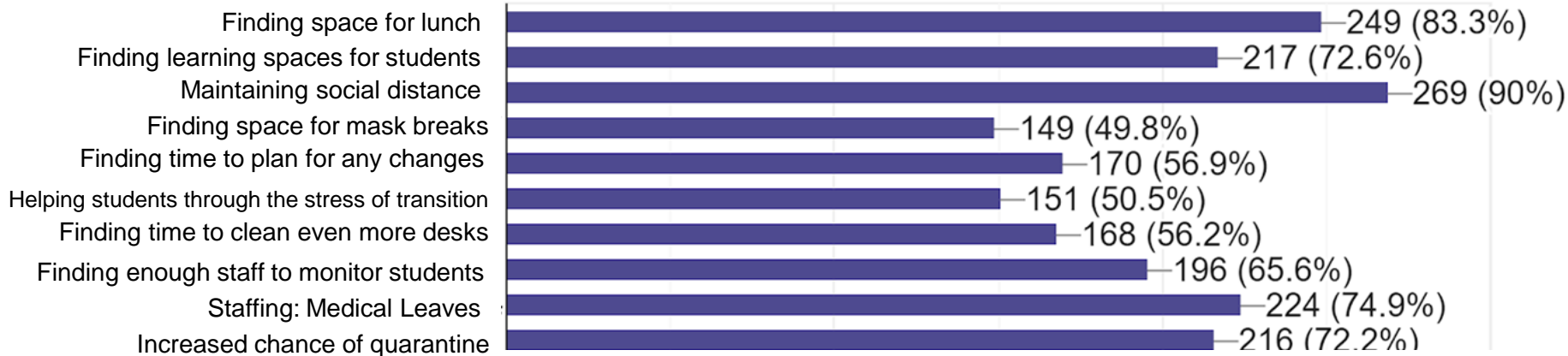
299 responses



Highest-Ranked Challenges of Adding In-Person Time

What are some challenges you foresee when adding more student in-person time? (Choose all the apply)

299 responses



Obstacles and Suggestions

What would make you more comfortable with increasing in-person time in the buildings and what are ideas or suggestions to overcome obstacles?

"Having teachers vaccinated would take away much of the anxiety about reducing social distancing to three feet that would come with a return to full in-person learning. We are very close to having teachers vaccinated. It is worth the wait to ensure staff is protected."

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*"Obstacle: children in kindergarten can't social distance even at half capacity. Adding twice as many kids in the classroom is extremely unsafe. They have poor hygiene skills at this age, as this is developmental. More children AND teachers will be exposed.
Suggestion: Do not let this age group go back until the teachers are vaccinated!"*

Social Distancing

Please select the statement that best reflects your position on social distancing.

299 responses



Suggestions to Increase Comfort with Reduced Social Distancing

What suggestions do you have that would make you feel more comfortable with reducing social distancing to a minimum of 3 ft. between students? 168 responses

"This is only possible if we can have individual desks for students. They are not able to maintain distancing with tables. I also believe that we should wait until all staff are able to be vaccinated."

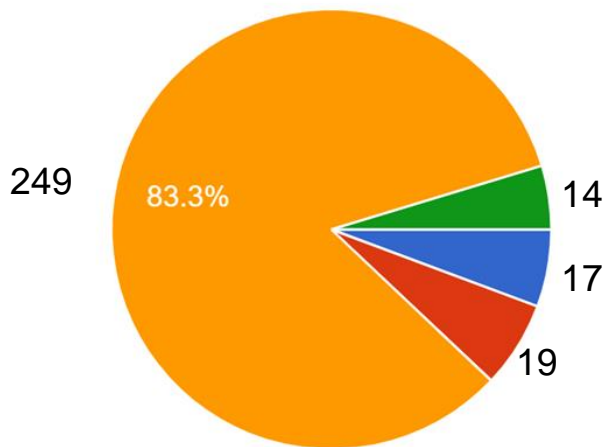
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"If six feet is the standard everywhere in society it should be no different in schools. There is a reason that six feet is the established social distancing standard so I do not see why schools would be an exception."

Vaccinations

Have you received the COVID vaccine yet?

299 responses

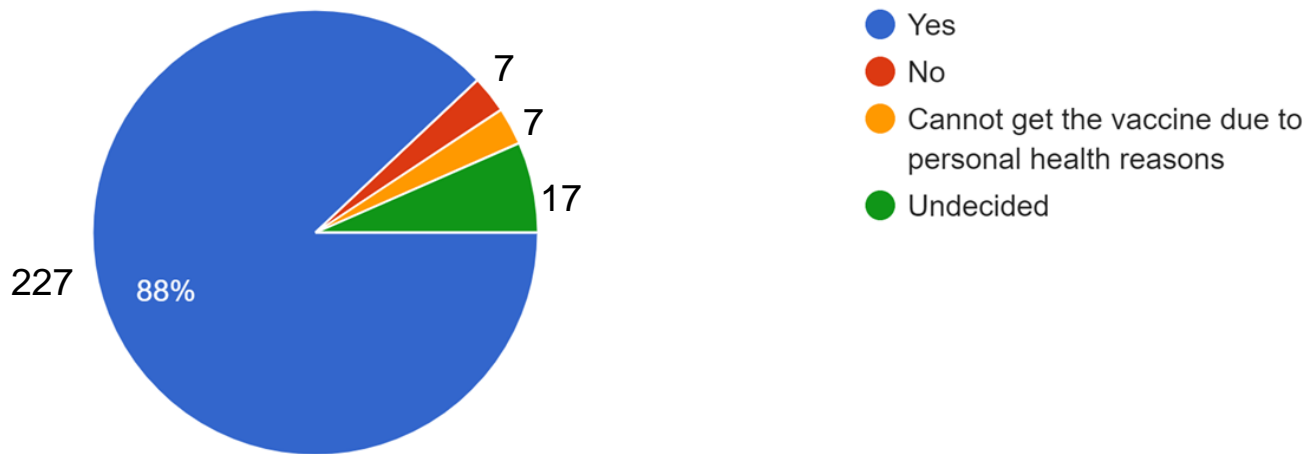


- Yes- 1st dose only
- Yes- both doses
- No
- Not yet, but I have an appointment to get the vaccine

Vaccinations

If you answered “No” above, are you planning to get the vaccine as soon as an appointment is available to you?

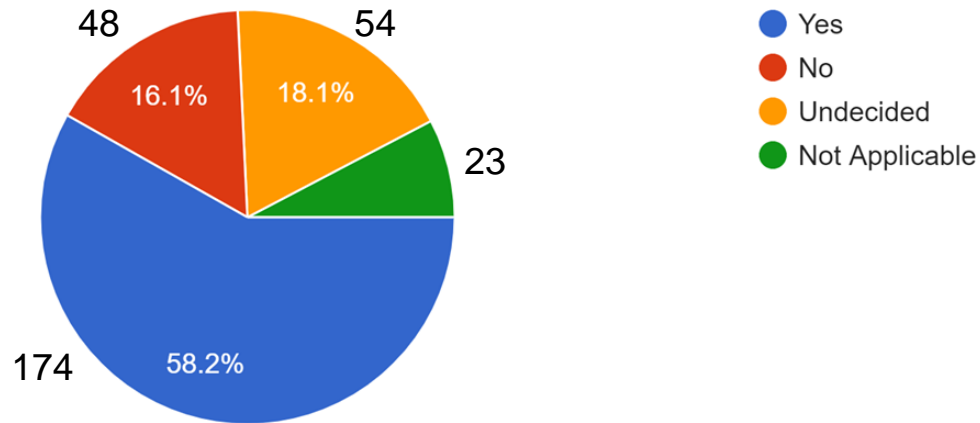
258 responses



Vaccinations

If you were fully vaccinated would you be more comfortable with reducing social distancing to 3 ft. between students?

299 responses



Staff Recommendations for Building-Based Planning Teams

1. Assuming that state/federal guidance will continue to recommend 6ft. physical distance when unmasked, what suggestions or recommendations can you provide for your school's building-based COVID-19 team around planning for lunch and/or mask breaks? 176 responses
1. What other general recommendations can you provide for your school's building-based team to help ensure the effective support of students and staff. 122 responses

"How many different lunches would need to be scheduled daily in each building to accommodate all students back fully? That would be incredibly disruptive to the learning schedule in the classrooms. Would there truly be enough staff/bodies available in each building to man that many lunch periods and students in the classrooms? These are essential logistical questions that must be addressed."

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"Thanks to the building-based teams who are working tirelessly to help ensure the support and safety of every student and staff member."

