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THE PUBLIC, PARENTS, AND K-12 EDUCATION

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KEY FINDINGS

- 1. In April, at least one-third of parents have a child attending a microschool or are interested in learning more about microschools. When given a more detailed description of a "microschool," parents appear to have less interest.
- 2. Among microschool parents, 28% say instruction is completely virtual or online, though only 4 percent of parents interested in microschooling would prefer this instruction style.
- 3. Parents say the most important considerations when choosing a microschool for their child are teaching a different curriculum than the local public schools, state accreditation, and state-licensed educators.
- 4. Roughly half of parents would prefer having their child learn at home at least one day per week.
- 5. In April, just over 40 percent of parents are currently using a tutor or are interested in tutoring for their children roughly the same as in March. The amount parents were willing to spend on tutoring rose by about \$50 to \$381 per child/month.
- 6. Parents report their children missing fewer days of school than teens self-report missing. Twenty-five percent of teens say they missed more than 10 days of school this year, while only 10% of parents say their children were absent for that much time.
- 7. About 7 in 10 parents feel students should be able to have cell phones in schools. They are much less likely to support cell phones in the classroom.
- 8. Over half of high school parents say their children are on social media at least "very" often. Teachers observe much higher social media usage among their students compared to what parents report about their own children.
- 9. Overall support levels for choice-based policies remain high among school parents and the general public:
 - Education savings accounts (ESAs) 77% / 71%
 - School vouchers 70% / 62%
 - Charter schools 73% / 68%
 - Open enrollment 75% / 69%

Methodology

This poll was conducted between April 4-8, 2024 among a sample of 2,257 Adults. The interviews were conducted online and the data were weighted to approximate a target sample of Adults based on gender, educational attainment, age, race, and region. Results based on the full survey have a measure of precision of plus or minus 2.41 percentage points.

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VIEWS ON K-12 EDUCATION

SCHOOLING AND EXPERIENCES

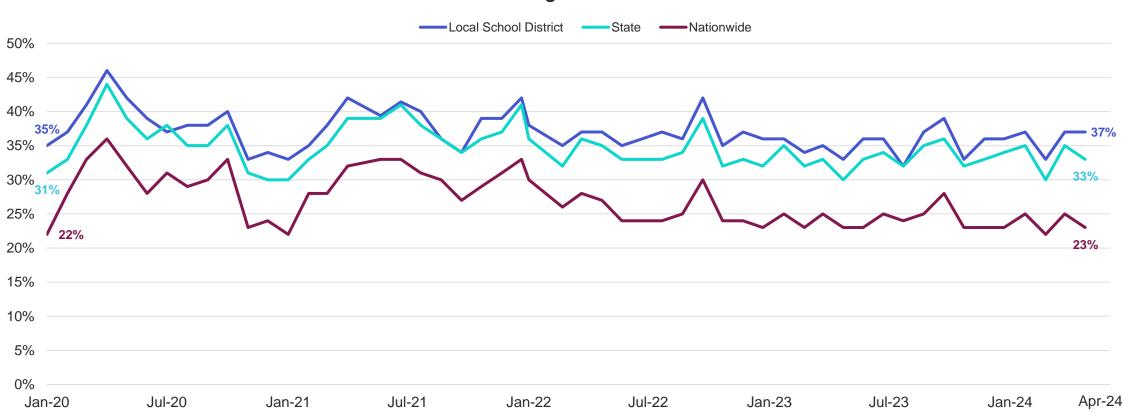
K-12 CHOICE POLICIES

SURVEY PROFILE AND DEMOGRAPHICS

The public's optimism towards the direction of K-12 education fell slightly at the state and national levels in April.

Do you feel things in K-12 Education are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have generally gotten off on the wrong track?

All Adults

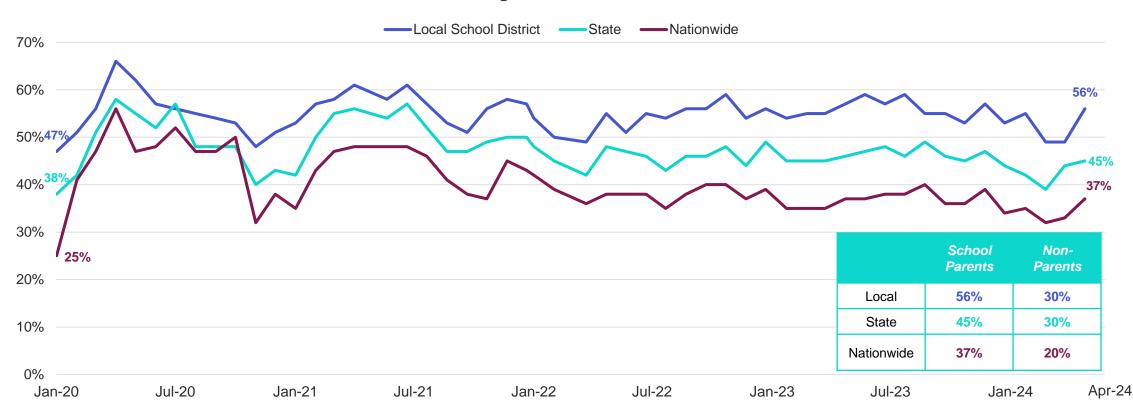


% Right Direction

Parents' positivity about K-12 education increased in April across all levels, especially at the local and national levels. Large opinion gaps continue to persist between school parents and non-parents.

Do you feel things in K-12 Education are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have generally gotten off on the wrong track?

School Parents



% Right Direction

Americans are most likely to say core academic subjects are extremely important for grades K-8. They see skills for future employment as extremely important for grades 9-12.

What do you believe should be the main purpose of education during Kindergarten through 8th grade/High School? In your opinion, how important is it for students to learn...

All Adults

% Extremely Important

Grades K-8

Average % selected Extremely Important	41%
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- Core academic subjects (58%)
- Socialization (47%)
- How to be good citizens (46%)
- $\dot{\Omega}$ To become independent thinkers (45%)
- Skills for future employment (41%)
- Values, moral character, religious virtues (36%)
- To fix social problems (16%)

Grades 9-12

- Average % selected Extremely Important 42%
- Skills for future employment (59%)
- Core academic subjects (56%)
- Ô- Become independent thinkers (48%)
- How to be good citizens (43%)
- Socialization (39%)
- Values, moral character, religious virtues (33%)
- To fix social problems (17%)

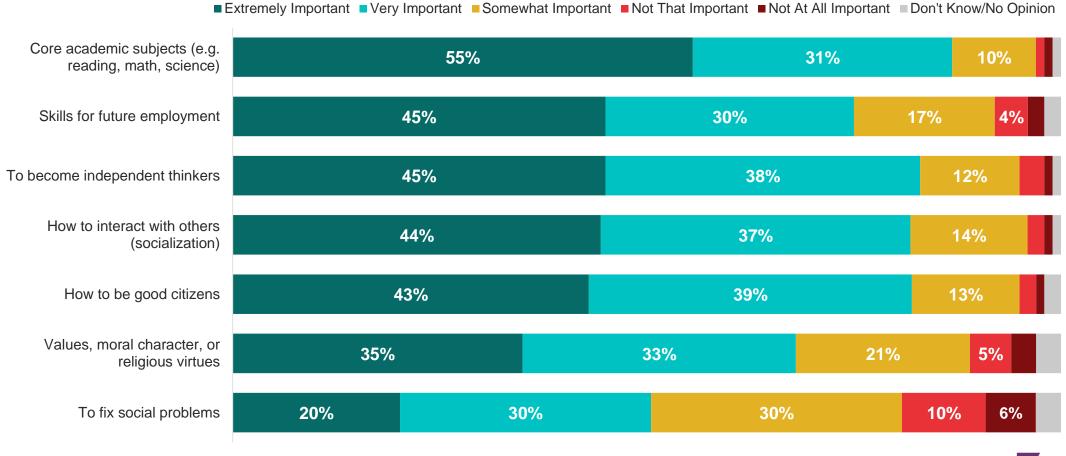


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School parents are most likely to say core academic subjects are extremely important for K-8 education. Fixing social problems ranks as the lowest priority.

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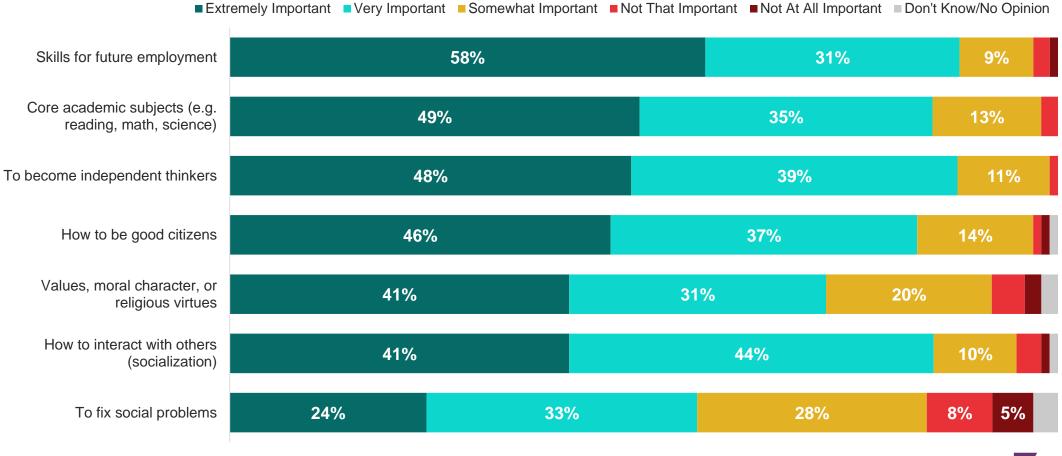
School Parents



School parents are most likely to believe that skills for future employment should be the most important purpose of high school. They view fixing social problems as a much lower priority.

What do you believe should be the main purpose of education during **High School (9th through 12th grade)**? In your opinion, how important is it for students to learn...

School Parents



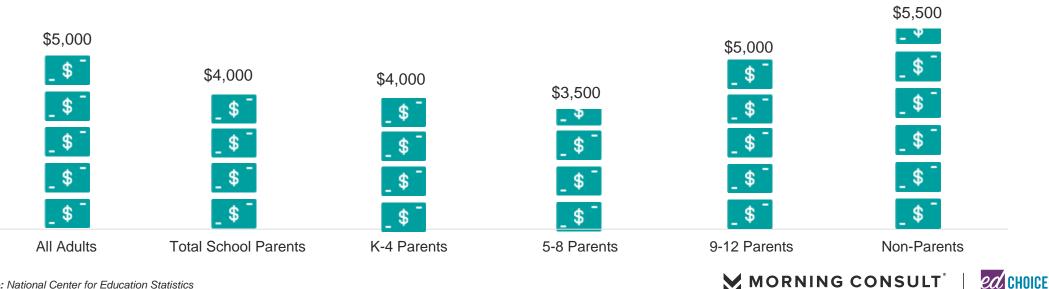
The general public and school parents greatly underestimate per-student spending in public schools.

How much do you think is spent per year on each student in your state's public schools? Your estimate of the state average-to the nearest thousand dollars-will represent the combined expenditures of local, state, and federal governments.

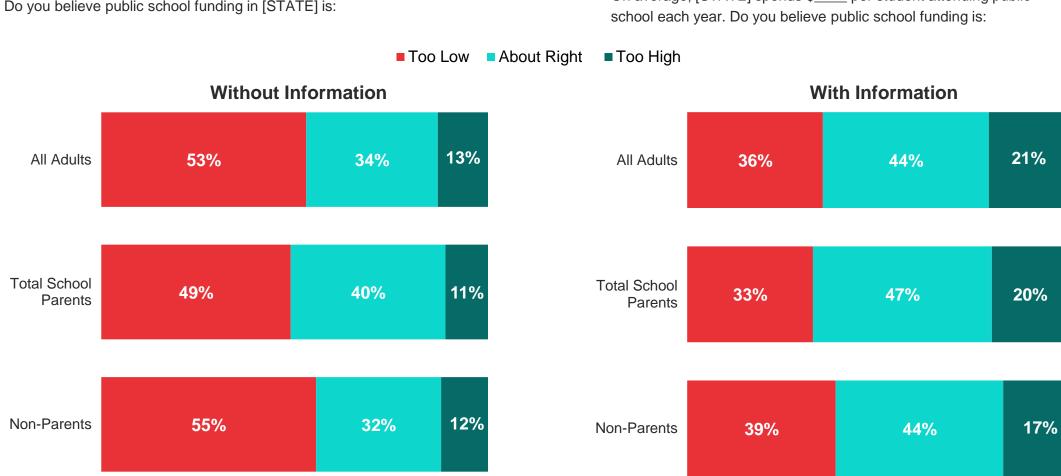


Median Estimate

FY21 State Actuals				
Maximum	\$26,097			
Mean	\$14,295			
Minimum	\$9,014			



FY21 State Actuals Source: National Center for Education Statistics Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 - April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults The public and school parents are much less likely to say their state's per-student spending is "too low" when given a publicly reported statistic – by 17 point and 16 points, respectively.



Do you believe public school funding in [STATE] is:

On average, [STATE] spends \$_____ per student attending public

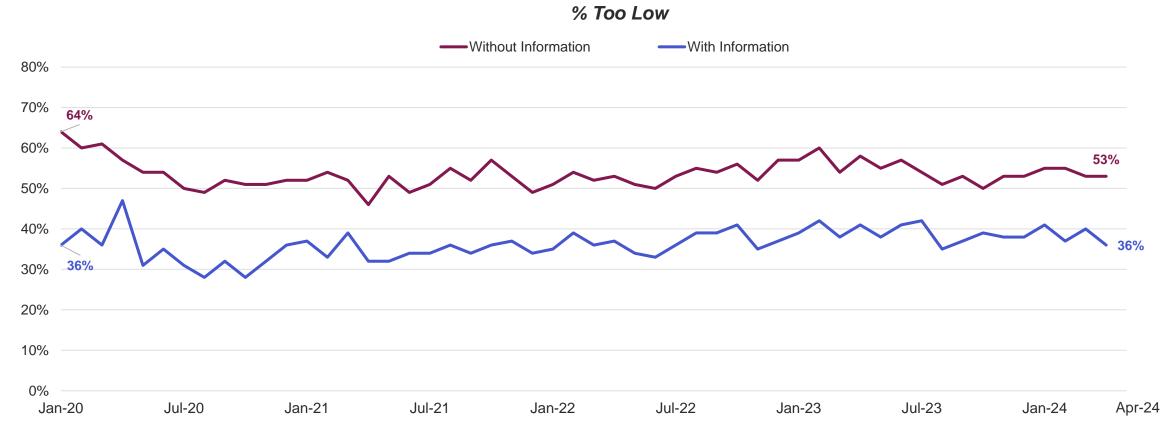
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Providing respondents with a government-reported statistic consistently affects answers, decreasing the tendency to say school funding is "too low."

Do you believe public school funding in [STATE] is:

On average, [STATE] spends \$_____ per student attending public school each year. Do you believe public school funding is:

All Adults



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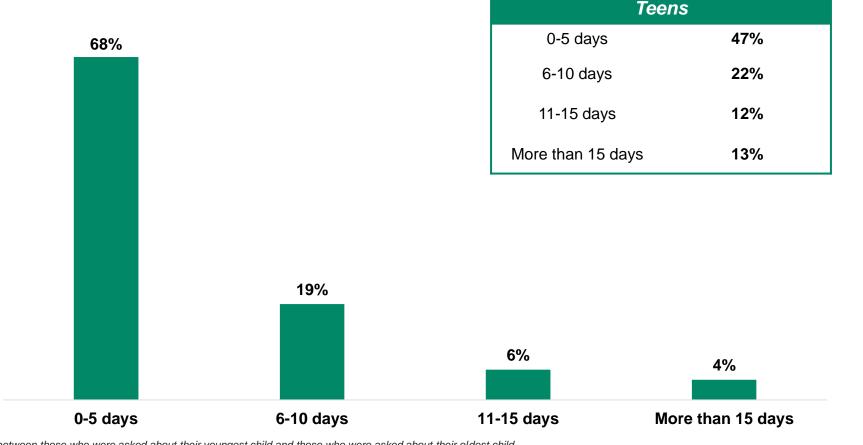
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SURVEY PROFILE AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Parents report their children missing fewer days of school than teens self-report missing. Twenty-five percent of teens say they missed over 10 days of school this year, while only 10% of parents say their children were absent for that much time.

Thinking about this school year, how many WHOLE DAYS of school has youngest/oldest child missed and been absent?

School Parents



Note: Results are composite numbers between those who were asked about their youngest child and those who were asked about their oldest child.

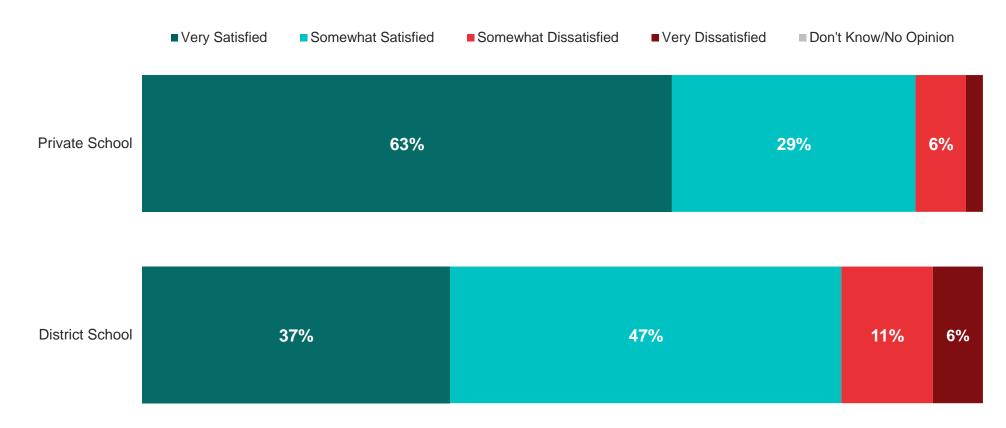
Note: *Teens data comes from March 2024 U.S. Teens Report

Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 – April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults

Private school parents are much more likely to say that they are "very satisfied" with their child's schooling experiences than district school parents.

To what extent are you satisfied or dissatisfied with your child's/children's experiences with the following types of schooling?

School Parents



Parents are consistently more likely to say they are "very satisfied" with private schools than public district schools.

To what extent are you satisfied or dissatisfied with your child's/children's experiences with the following types of schooling?

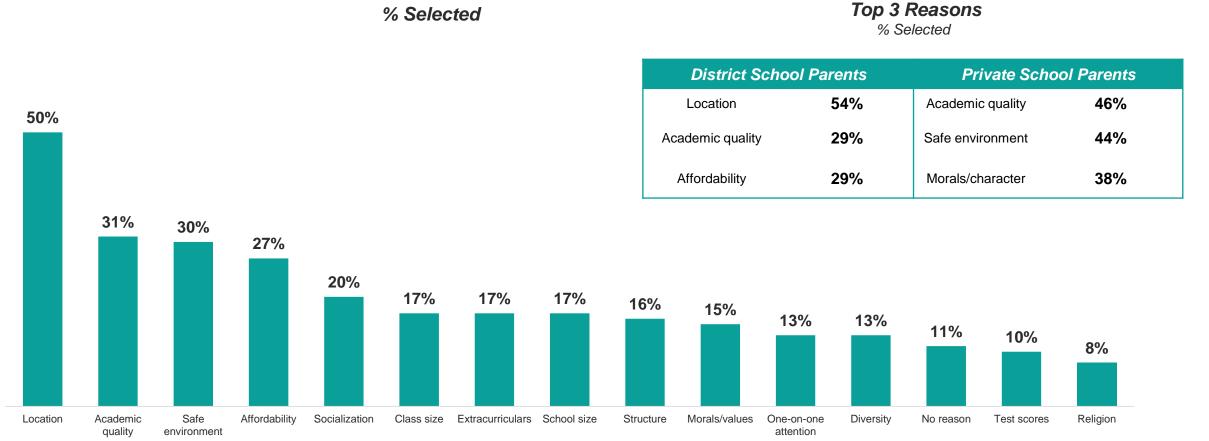
% Very Satisfied Private School District School 80% 70% 63% 60% 53% 50% 37% 40% 30% 33% 20% 10% 0% Jan-20 Jul-20 Jan-21 Jul-21 Jan-22 Jul-22 Jan-23 Jul-23 Jan-24 Apr-24

School Parents

Public district school parents are most likely to cite location as the main reason for choosing a school, and by comparison, private school parents are more likely to say academic quality or safety.

Why is your youngest/oldest child enrolled in that school type? Please select the most important reason(s).

School Parents



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Parents have a diverse range of schooling preferences. They are slightly more likely to prefer regular public schools over private schools.

If given the option, what type of school would you select in order to obtain the best education for your child?

School Parents

Private School Regular Public School Home School Charter School Don't Know/No Opinion

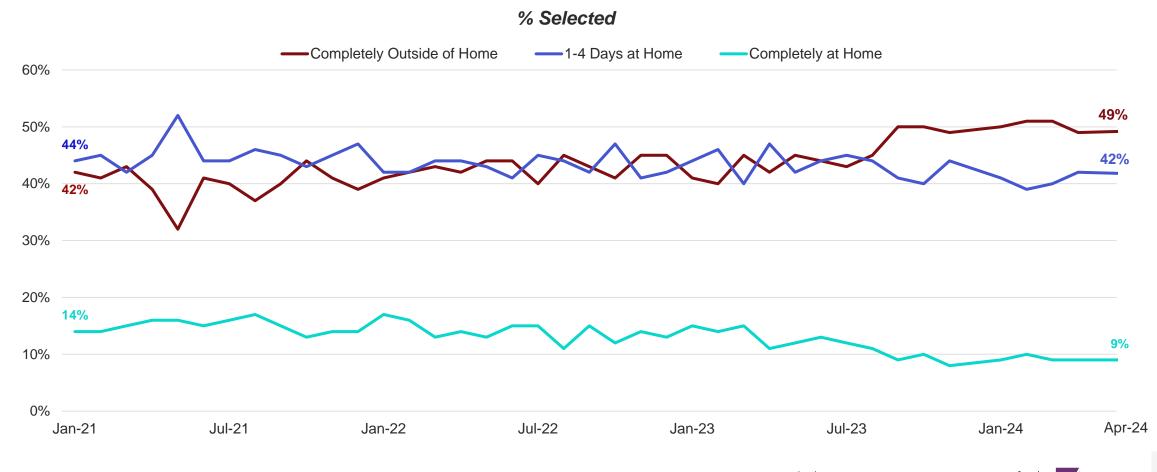


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Roughly half of parents would prefer having their child learn at home at least one day per week.

In order to provide the best education for your child/children, what would be your preferred weekly schedule and location between schooling at home with a parent/teacher/tutor, or outside the home?

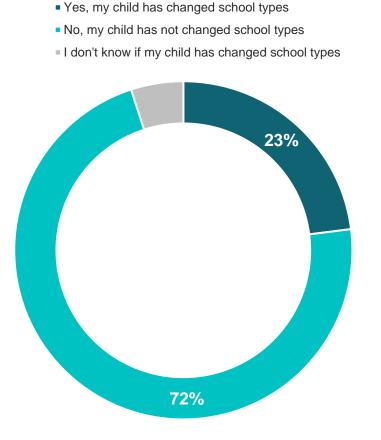
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Nearly 1 in 4 parents indicate that their child has switched from one school type to another. School switching is highest among private school, special education and special needs parents.

Besides moving from grade school to middle school or middle school to high school, has your youngest/oldest child ever switched from one type of school (or school sector) to another? The various types/sectors include public district schools, public charter schools, private schools, full-time virtual schools, and home schooling.

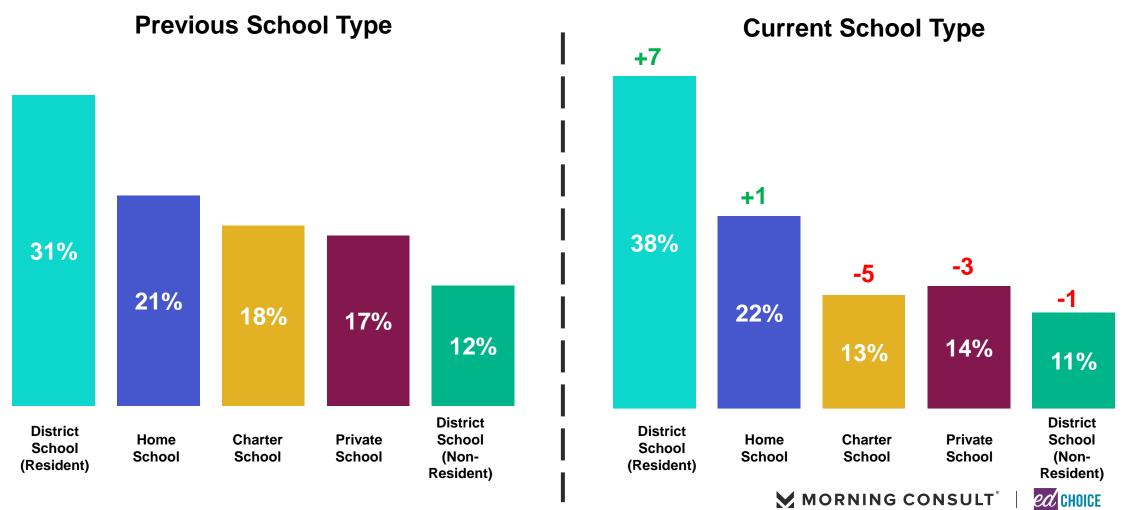
School Parents



Top % Yes					
Private School	43%				
Special Education	35%				
Special Needs	34%				
Bottom % Yes					
Bottom % Yes District School	19%				
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Among those who switched schools, parents tended to enroll in residential district schools and leave charter schools and private schools.

What type of school was she/he enrolled in before the change and what type of school is your child enrolled in after the change?

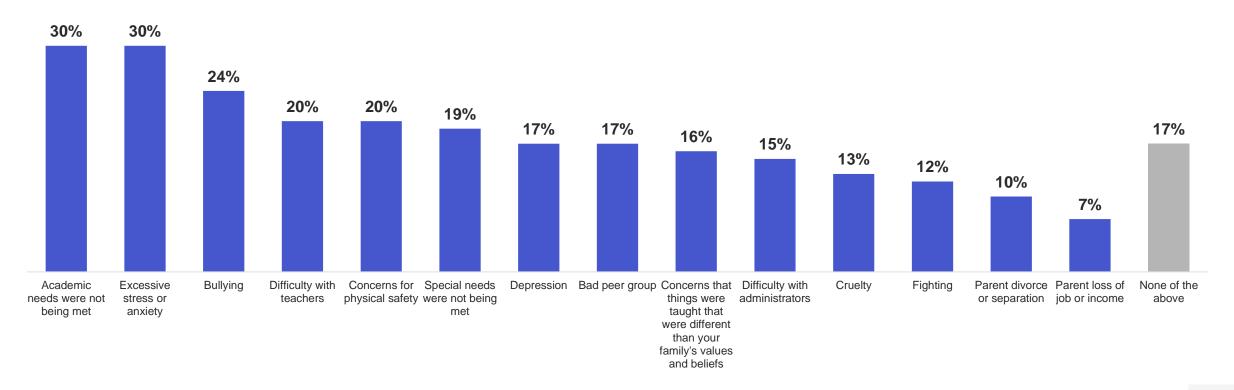


Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 - April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults

School switchers are most likely to indicate a change because of academic needs not being met or excessive stress/anxiety at their former school.

Children may encounter different circumstances both inside and outside of school that make it hard for them to achieve academic and personal success. Has your youngest/oldest child experienced any of these difficulties at her/his **former school?** Please select all that apply.

School Parents



% Selected

Note: Results are composite numbers between those who were asked about their youngest child and those who were asked about their oldest child.

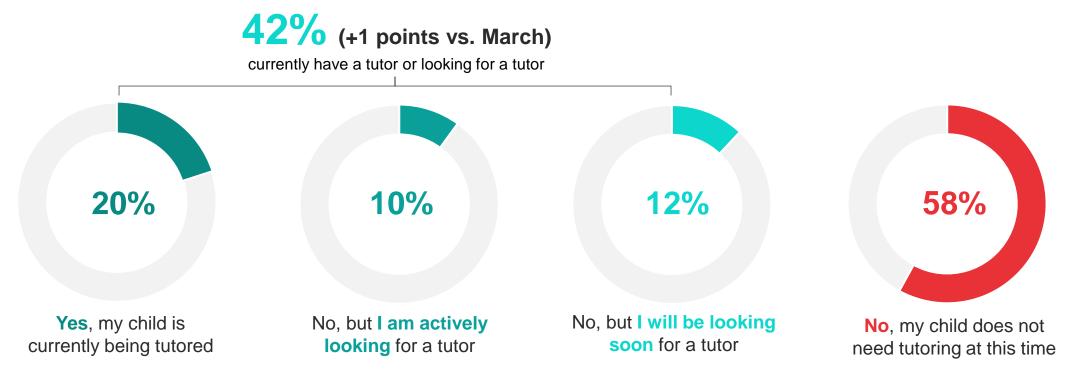
* Only respondents who indicated that their children have switched schools were asked about their child's former school.

Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 - April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults

In April, just over 40 percent of parents are currently using a tutor or are interested in tutoring for their children – roughly the same as in March.

Is your child getting tutoring outside of regular school hours this school year?

School Parents



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In April, interest in tutoring was highest among private school and special education parents. It was lowest among rural and small town parents.

Is your child getting tutoring outside of regular school hours this school year?

School Parents

	Groups most likely to be looking for / already having tutoring			Groups least likely to be looking for / already having tutoring		
School Parents	42%	Private School	67%	Education: <college< td=""><td>35%</td></college<>	35%	
		Special Education	63%	Low-Income: <\$50k	34%	
		Special Needs	61%	Midwest	33%	
		Urban	59%	Female	33%	
		Hispanic	54%	Independent	31%	
		Democrat	52%	Small town	27%	
		Liberal	52%	Rural	23%	

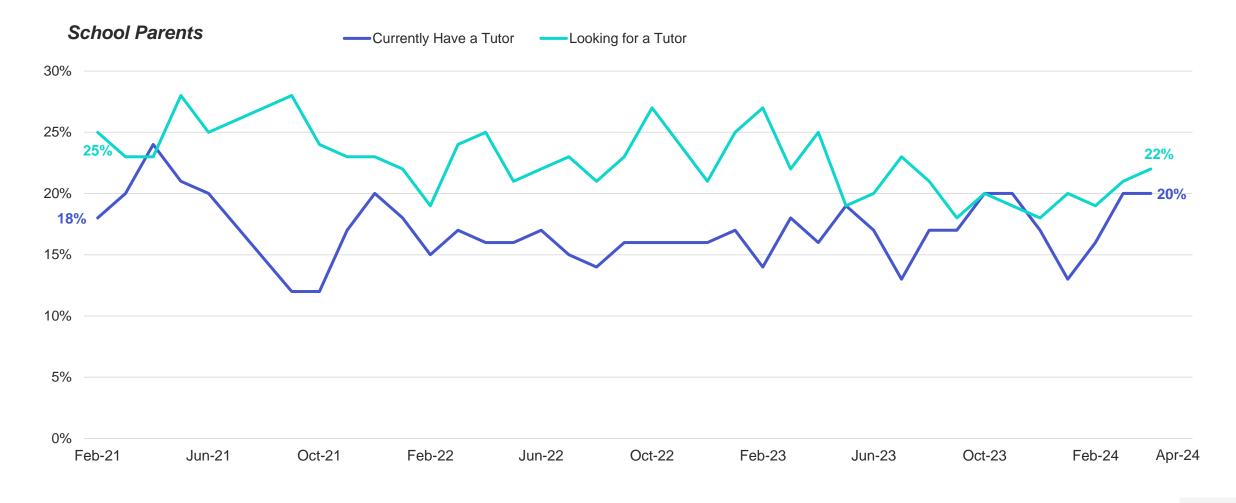
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The percentage of school parents who report either having a tutor for their child or looking for one has remained steady since March.

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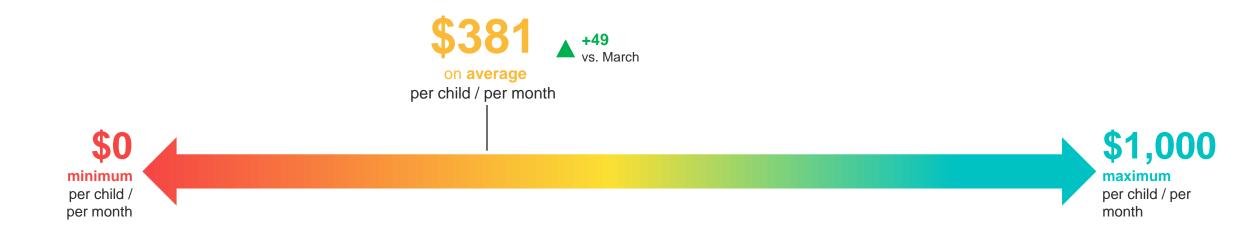
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In April, the amount parents were willing to spend on tutoring rose to about \$380 per child/month.

What would you be able and willing to spend, on a monthly basis, per child for tutoring outside of school hours?

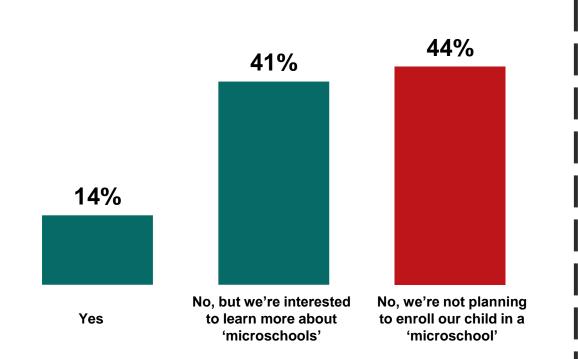
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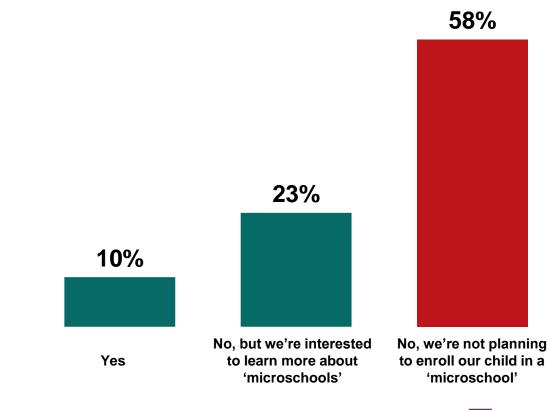
among those interested in or participating in a tutoring



In April, at least one-third of parents have a child attending a microschool or are interested in learning more about microschools. When given a more detailed description of a "microschool," parents appear to have less interest.

Microschools' are small learning environments in K-12 education typically enrolling no more than 25 students. Do you have a child currently enrolled in a 'microschool'? 'Microschools' are nontraditional, small learning environments in K-12 education typically enrolling no more than 25 students. These small schools are organized as the primary sources of learning for homeschool children, or operated as private schools or public charter schools. Do you have a child currently enrolled in a 'microschool'?





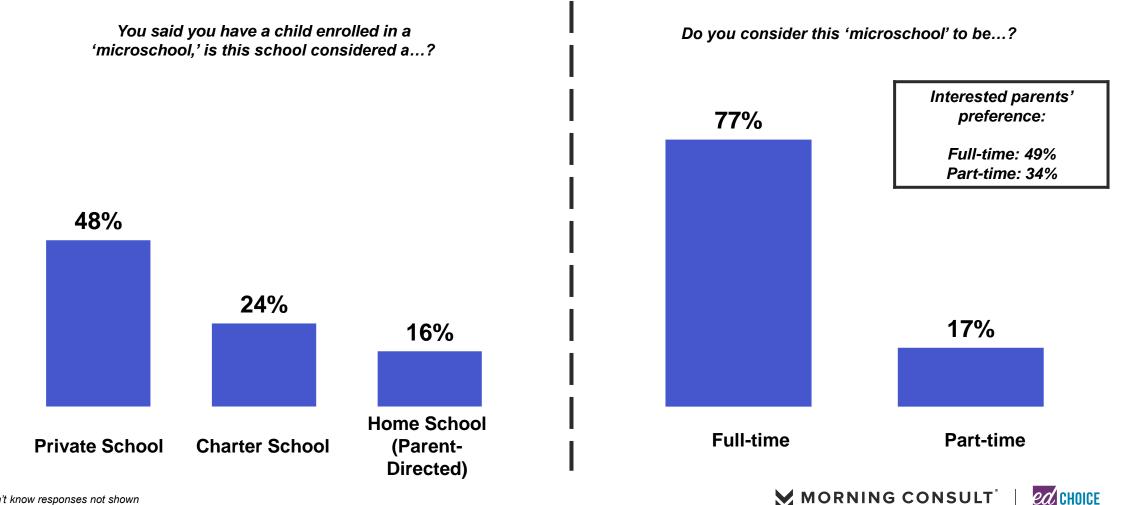
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Almost half of parents of children in microschools say the school is considered private. About 3 in 4 say they are full-time learning environments.

School Parents

among those with a child enrolled in a microschool



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Among microschool parents, 28% say instruction is completely virtual or online, though only 4 percent of interested parents would prefer this instruction style.

At a 'microschool,' would you prefer instruction to be At this 'microschool' is instruction provided...? [Asked among provided...? [Asked among parents with interest in learning parents with at least one child enrolled in a microschool, more about microschools; no child enrolled, N=422] N=1571 Completely in-person 23% Completely in-person 17% Mostly in-person Mostly in-person 22% 19% Combination of virtual/online and Combination of virtual/online and in-person (sometimes called 40% in-person (sometimes called 21% 'hybrid') 'hybrid') 12% Mostly virtual or online 7% Mostly virtual or online Completely virtual or online 4% Completely virtual or online 28% Unsure/Don't know 5% Unsure/Don't know 3%

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Parents say it is most important that microschools offer a different curriculum than the local public schools, have accreditation, and have state-licensed educators.

How important would you rate each of the following reasons for choosing a microschool for your child? The microschool...

School Parents

	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not That Important	Not At All Important	Don't Know	w/No Op	oinion
Teaches a different curriculum than our loca public schools		46%		33	%	13%		4%
Is accredited by a state-recognized organization		46%		3	11%		4%	
Has membership in a professional association		45%		30	11%			
Has teachers who are state-licensed educators	3	44%		39%		11%		
Assesses students with standardized tests	3	36%		27%	17%	10%	5%	5%
Teaches a different curriculum from my state's academic content standards		33%		36%	219	%	4%	4%
Improved access and communications with teachers and the schoo		2%		34%	19%	8%		5%
Has strong leadership that is operating the schoo		32%	3	0%	21%	7%		7%
Provides flexible scheduling opportunities	3	1%	30	%	24%	8%	6	5%
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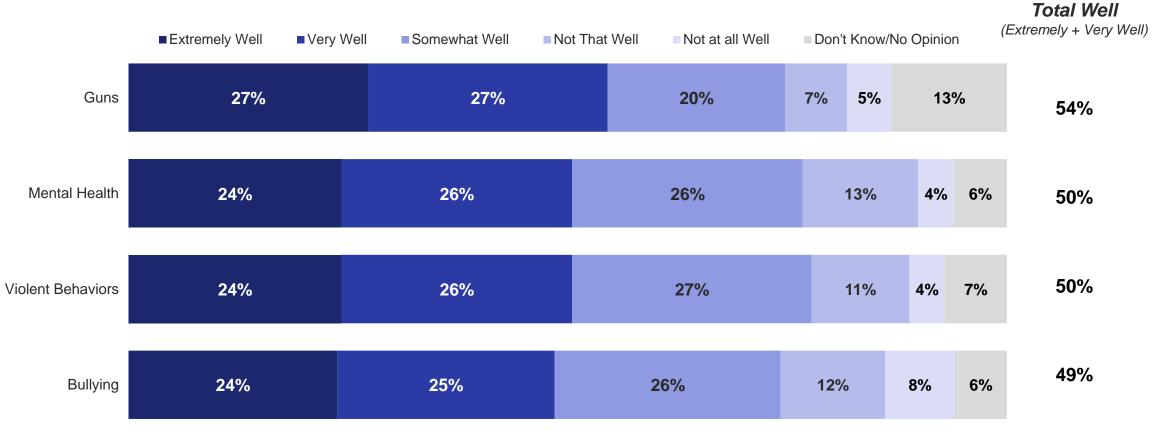
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Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 - April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults

Roughly half of school parents feel their child's school handles the following four important issues at least very well.

How well do you feel your child's school addresses the following among its students?

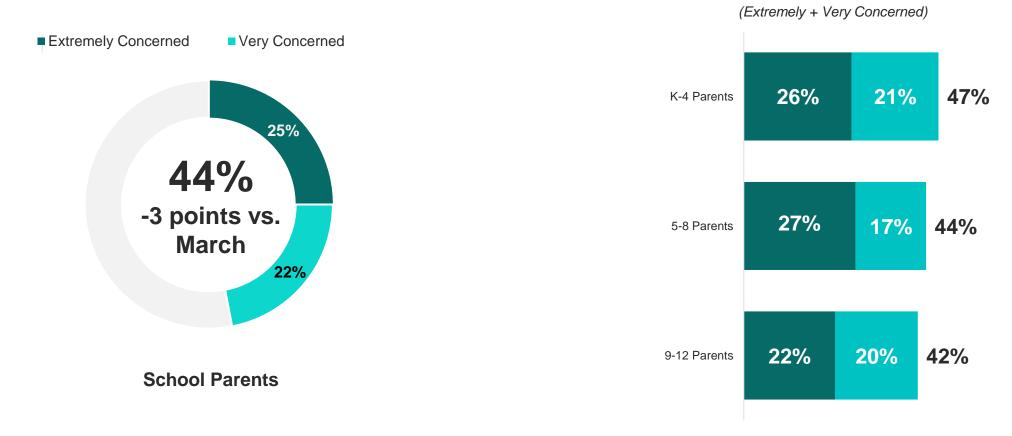
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In April, less than half of parents were concerned about a violent intruder entering their child's school. This proportion decreased from the previous month.

How concerned are you about a violent intruder, like a mass shooter, entering your child's/children's school?

School Parents



Total Concern

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Source: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 – April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults

Over half of high school parents say their children are on social media at least "very" often. Teachers see much higher social media usage among their students compared to what parents report about their own children.

Overall, how often would you say your child/children spends time on social media?

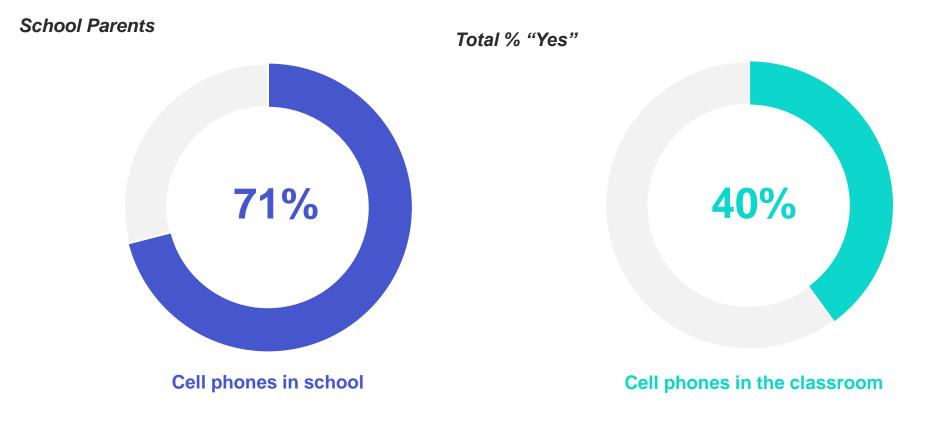
School Parents



Note: *Teachers data comes from May 2024 U.S. Teachers Report **Source**: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 – April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults 32

About 7 in 10 parents feel students should be able to have cell phones in school. They are much less likely to support cell phones in the classroom.

When it comes to cell phones, do you feel students should be allowed to have...





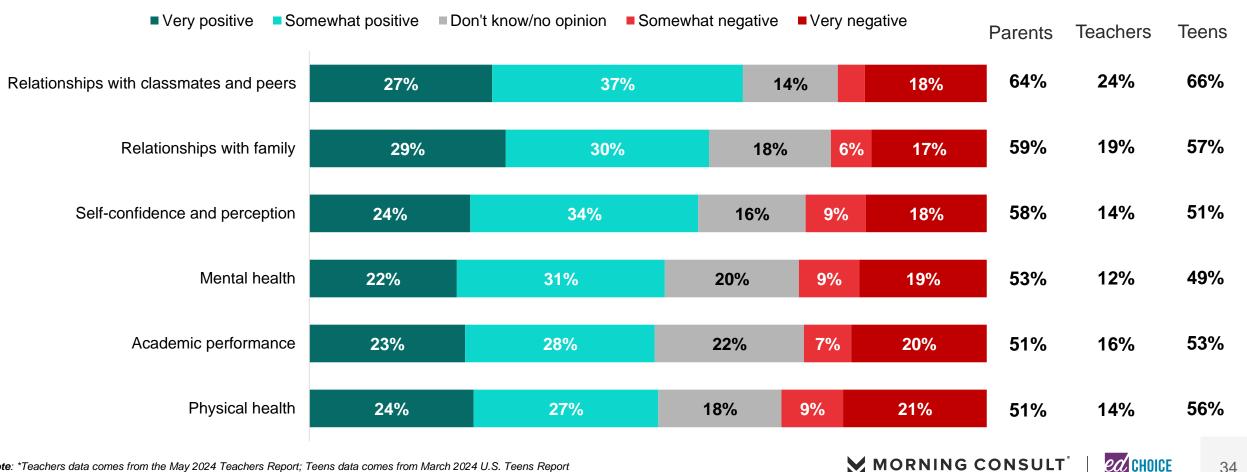
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School parents report that social media access has had the most positive impact on their child's relationships and the most negative impact on their physical health and academic performance. Like teens, parents feel much more positively about the impact of social media than teachers do.

What kind of impact do you think social media access has had on your child in each of the following?

School Parents

Total Positive



Note: *Teachers data comes from the May 2024 Teachers Report; Teens data comes from March 2024 U.S. Teens Report **Source**: Survey conducted April 4, 2024 – April 8, 2024, among U.S. adults AGENDA

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SURVEY PROFILE AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Policy Descriptions Used

Education Savings Accounts

An "education savings account" in K–12 education – often called an ESA – establishes for parents a government-authorized savings account with restricted, but multiple uses for educational purposes. Parents can then use these funds to pay for: school tuition; tutoring; online education programs; therapies for students with special needs; textbooks or other instructional materials; or save for future college expenses.

Charter Schools

Charter schools are public schools that have more control over their own budget, staff, and curriculum, and are exempt from many existing public school regulations.

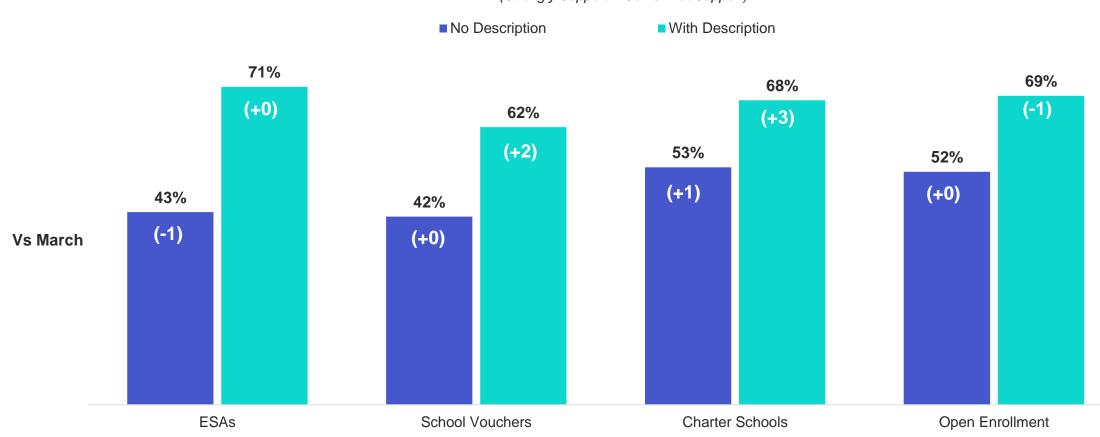
School Vouchers

A school voucher system allows parents the option of sending their child to the school of their choice, whether that school is public or private, including both religious and non-religious schools. If this policy were adopted, tax dollars currently allocated to a school district would be allocated to parents in the form of a 'school voucher' to pay partial or full tuition for the child's school.

Open Enrollment

An "open enrollment" policy in K-12 education allows a student enrolled in public school to select and transfer to a public school of their choice, rather than attending a school based on where they live. A student can be allowed to transfer to a public school in another district (called "INTER-district"). The policy is based on a first come, first served process until districts are no longer able to accommodate new students. Support for ESAs, school vouchers, charter schools, and open enrollment is much greater when given a brief description.

All Adults



Total Support (Strongly Support + Somewhat Support)

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In April, support for ESAs was highest among school parents and college-educated adults. Support was lowest among those living in rural areas.

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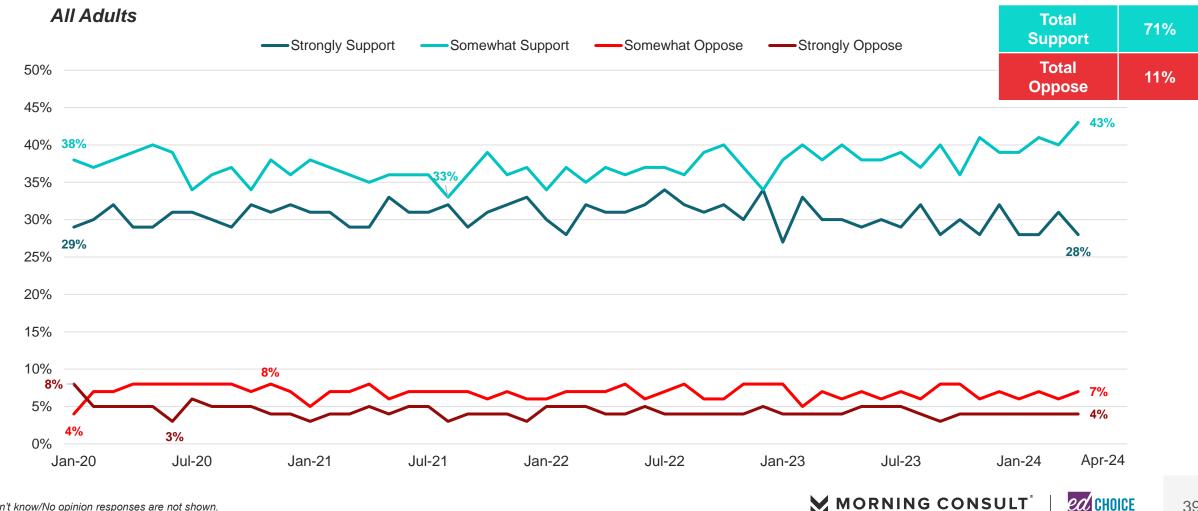
Public	71%	Groups most supportive		Groups least supportive	
Support		School Parents	77%	Independent	71%
		Education: Bachelors+	76%	West	70%
		Northeast	75%	South	70%
		High Income: \$100k+	75%	Female	70%
		Urban	75%	Low Income: <\$50k	69%
		Conservative	75%	Hispanic	69%
		Liberal	74%	Education: <college< td=""><td>68%</td></college<>	68%
		Black	73%	Rural	67%

ESA Support, Among All Adults

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Americans' overall support of ESAs remained the same in April. The public is over six times as likely to support ESAs than oppose them.

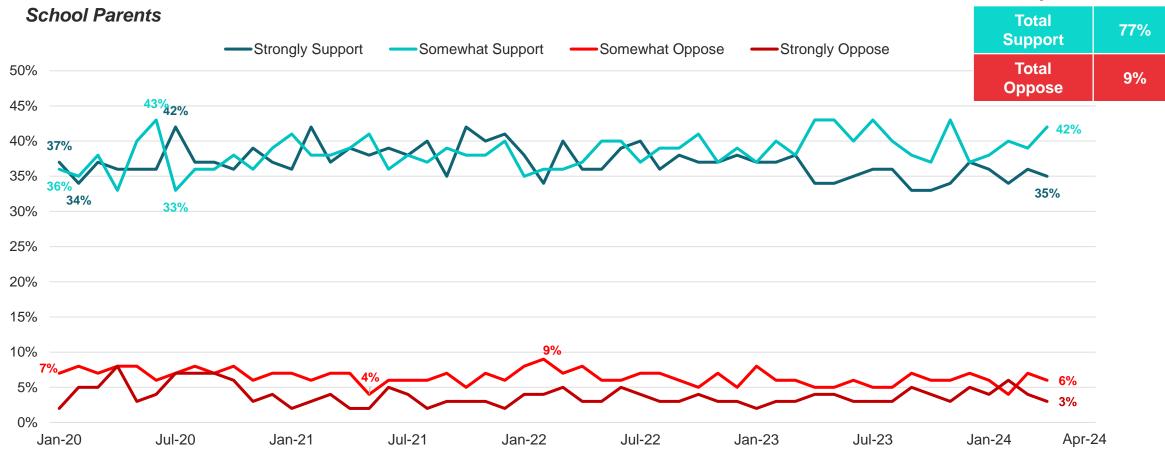
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Note: Don't know/No opinion responses are not shown.

In April, school parents were more than eight times as likely to be strongly supportive of ESAs than strongly opposed. Total support rose slightly since last month.

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April 2024

Support for school vouchers was highest among conservatives, school parents, and Republicans. It was lowest among self-identified liberals.

A school voucher system allows parents the option of sending their child to the school of their choice, whether that school is public or private, including both religious and non-religious schools. If this policy were adopted, tax dollars currently allocated to a school district would be allocated to parents in the form of a 'school voucher' to pay partial or full tuition for the child's school. In general, what is your opinion of school voucher systems?

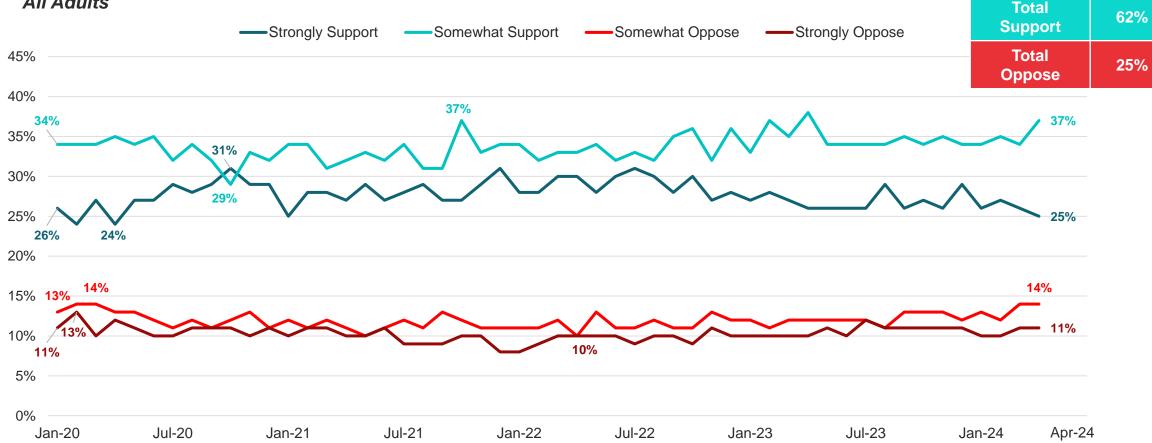
Public	62%	Groups most supportive		Groups least supportive	
Support		Conservative	72%	Independent	61%
		School Parents	70%	West	60%
		Republican	69%	Female	60%
		Black	68%	Democrat	60%
		Urban	67%	Education: Bachelors+	60%
		Hispanic	66%	Suburban	60%
		Moderate	66%	Small town	58%
		High Income: \$100k+	65%	Liberal	54%

School Voucher Support, Among All Adults

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The public's overall support for school vouchers increased slightly in April. Americans are more than twice as likely to support school vouchers than oppose them.

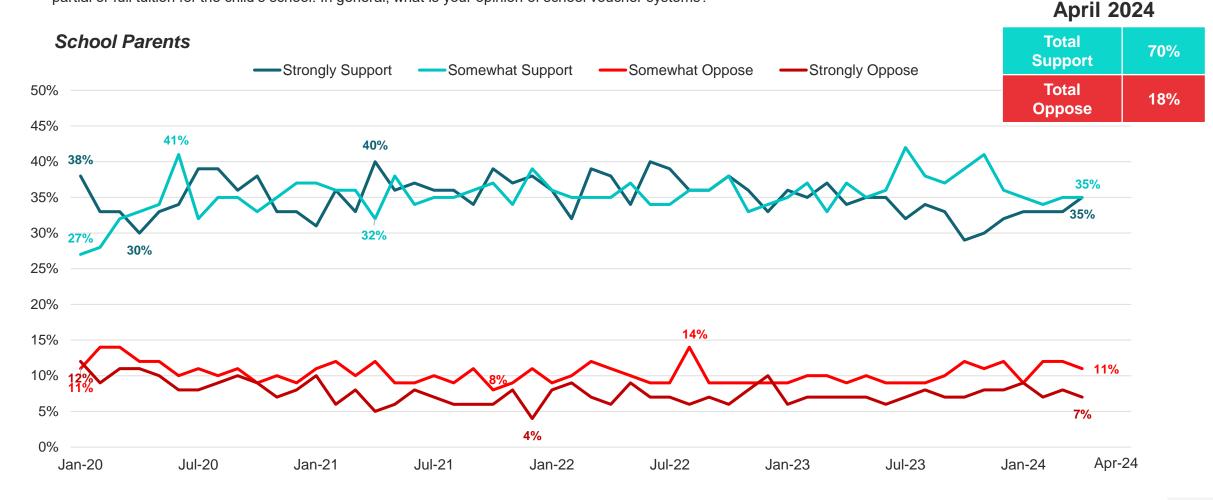
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All Adults

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Support for charter schools is highest among conservatives, Republicans, and school parents. Adults living in small towns are least likely to support them.

Charter schools are public schools that have more control over their own budget, staff, and curriculum, and are exempt from many existing public school regulations. In general, what is your opinion of public charter schools?

Public 68%		Groups most supportive		Groups least supportive	
Support		Conservative	74%	Female	67%
		Republican	74%	Midwest	66%
		School Parents	73%	Rural	66%
		Hispanic	72%	Low-Income: <\$50k	66%
		High Income: \$100k+	71%	Non-Parents	65%
		Moderate	71%	Democrat	63%
		Urban	70%	Liberal	63%
		Independent	70%	Small town	57%

Charter School Support, Among All Adults

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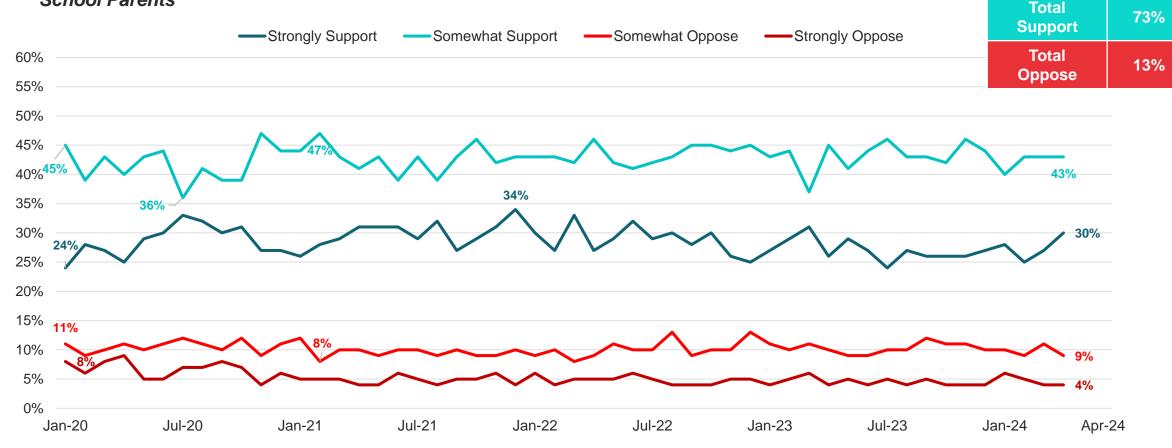
All Adults **Total** 68% Support Strongly Support Somewhat Support ----Somewhat Oppose ----Strongly Oppose Total 55% 17% Oppose 50% 45% 46% 45% 40% 35% 36% 30% 26% 25% 22% 20% 15% 12% 8% 10% 5% 5% 0% Apr-24 Jan-20 Jul-20 Jan-21 Jul-21 Jan-22 Jul-22 Jan-23 Jul-23 Jan-24

April 2024

Parents' overall support for charter schools rose slightly in April. They are over five times as likely to support charter schools than oppose them.

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School Parents



April 2024

School parents, urbanites, and Black adults are most likely to support open enrollment. Adults living in the Northeast show the lowest support.

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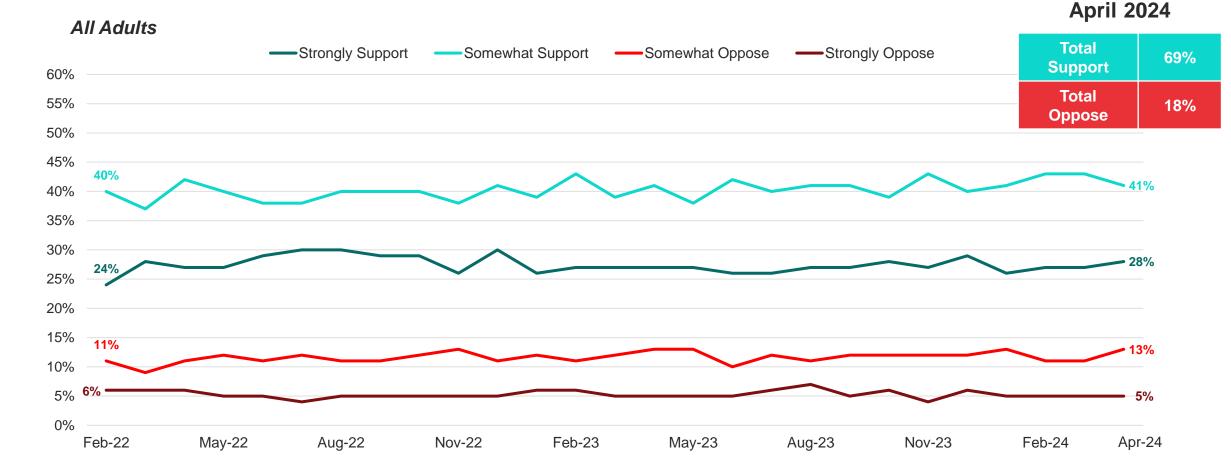
Public	69%	Groups most supportive		Groups least supportive	
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		Urban	75%	Low-Income: <\$50k	68%
		Black	74%	Female	68%
		Midwest	73%	Suburban	67%
		Education: Bachelors+	72%	Rural	67%
		Democrat	71%	Republican	66%
		High Income: \$100k+	71%	Small town	65%
		Conservative	71%	Northeast	63%

Open Enrollment Support, Among All Adults

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The public's overall support for inter-district open enrollment remained steady in April. Overall support is almost four times as large as opposition.

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Note: Don't know/No opinion responses are not shown.

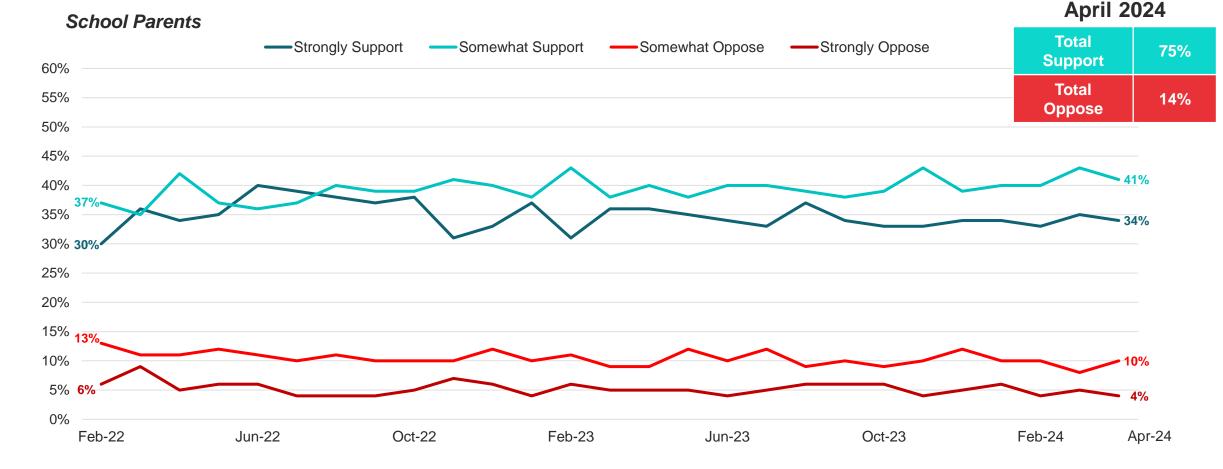
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Among school parents, overall support of inter-district open enrollment fell in April. Parent support is five times as large as opposition.

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SURVEY PROFILE AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Survey Profile, 1

Dates	April 4-8, 2024
Survey Data Collection & Quality Control	Morning Consult
Survey Sponsor	EdChoice
Population	General Population (Adults, Age 18+)
Sampling Frame	National sample of adults (age 18+) living in the United States, including the District of Columbia, with an oversample of school parents
Sampling Method	Non-Probability, Stratified (based on Age, Gender)
Mode	Online Survey
Language	English

Survey Profile, 2

Survey Time	Gen Pop Median = 9.40 minutes Oversample Median = 13.01 minutes
Sample Size	N = 2,257 General Population N= 1,302 Total School Parents
Oversampling	N = 850 School Parents
Quotas	Age, Gender
Weighting	Age, Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Education, Census Region
Measure of Precision (adjusted for weighting)	± 2.41 percentage points (Gen Pop), ± 3.23 percentage points (Oversample)
Participation Rate	32.74% (Gen Pop), 19.17% (Oversample)
Methods Page	https://edchoice.morningconsultintelligence.com/methodology
Project Contact	Paul DiPerna, paul@edchoice.org

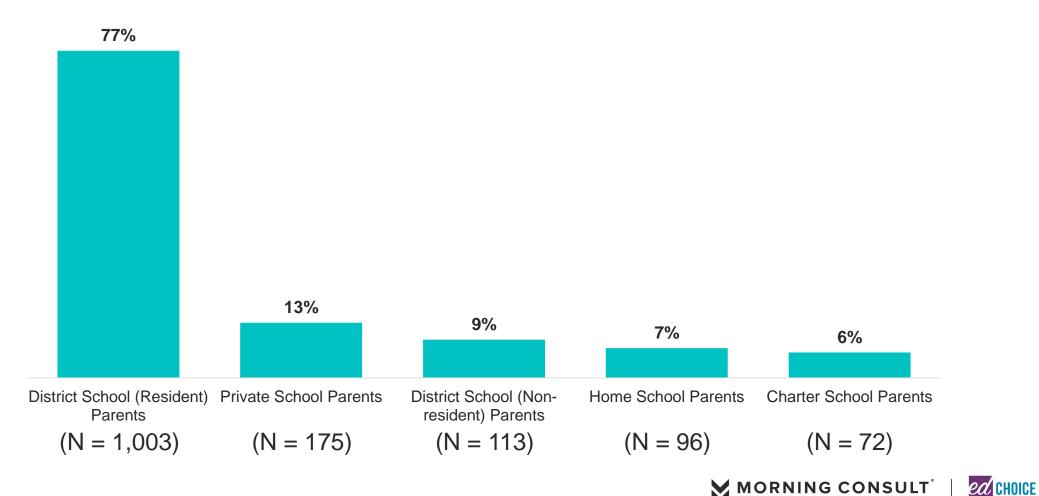
Total Sample Demographics

Demographics	Unweighted (N =)
Hispanic	350
Non-Hispanic White	1,525
Black	306
Other	104
Generation Z	285
Millennial	652
Generation X	530
Boomers	734
Male	1,100
Female	1,157
< College	1,484
College +	773
Northeast	434
Midwest	491
South	859
West	473

Demographics	Unweighted (N =)
Total School Parents*	1,302
K-4 Parents*	690
5-8 Parents*	579
9-12 Parents*	495
Non-Parents	905
Liberal	666
Moderate	717
Conservative	726
Democrat	846
Independent	570
Republican	679
Urban	619
Suburban	1,044
Small Town	201
Rural	393
Low Income <\$50K	1,100
Middle Income \$50K to <\$100K	725
High Income \$100K+	432

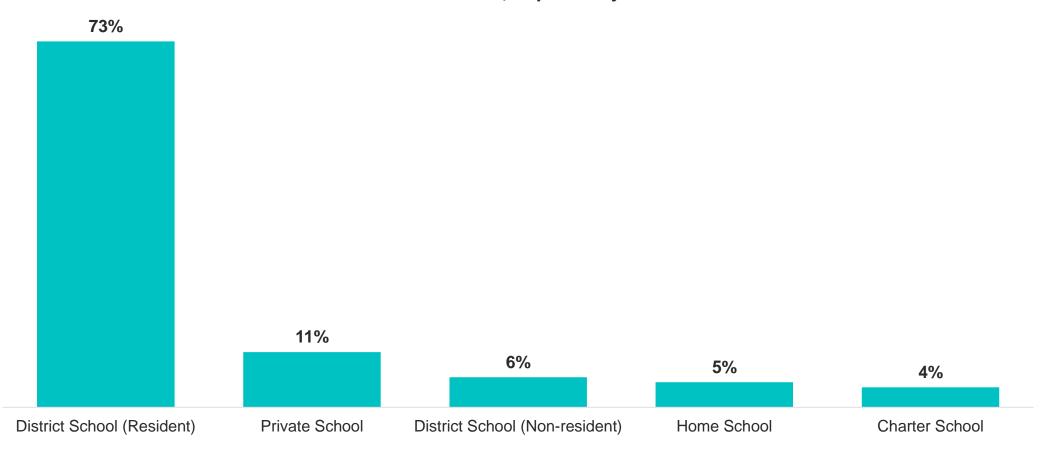
Demographics	Unweighted	Weighted	Target (%)
Hispanic	16%	17%	16%
White	68%	61%	78%
Non-Hispanic White	68%	n/a	n/a
Black	14%	13%	12%
Other	5%	8%	9%
Age: 18-34	28%	29%	30%
Age: 35-54	29%	30%	31%
Age: 55+	43%	41%	40%
Age: 65+	24%	23%	20%
Male	49%	49%	48%
Female	51%	51%	52%
< College	66%	65%	69%
College +	34%	35%	31%
Northeast	19%	17%	18%
Midwest	22%	21%	21%
South	38%	38%	37%
West	21%	24%	24%

Parent groups based on estimated school type attendance for the 2023-2024 school year



Note: Parent groups are not necessarily exclusive, there are cases where a parent could have children enrolled in different school types.

Estimated school type attendance for the 2023-2024 school year



% of Students, Reported by Parents

Methodology Update

In addition to the monthly general population polling, Morning Consult oversamples K-12 school parents, among a national sample of parents living in the United States (including the District of Columbia). The sample is collected via stratified sampling based on race and ethnicity quota targets derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2021 American Community Survey. Approximately 800 additional K-12 school parents are interviewed in English each month comprising the oversample. The completed K-12 school parent interviews are weighted to population totals obtained from the 2021 American Community Survey on the following demographic variables: age, gender, region, race/ethnicity, and educational attainment.

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Total School Parents	Have at least one child enrolled in grades K-12 for the 2023-2024 school year
Charter School Parents	Have at least one child enrolled in a charter school for the 2023-2024 school year
District/Public School Parents	Have at least one child enrolled in a district/public school for the 2023-2024 school year
Private School Parents	Have at least one child enrolled in a private school for the 2023-2024 school year
Home School Parents	Have at least one child enrolled in home school for the 2023-2024 school year

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