

National Parents Union - Coronavirus Impact Survey Survey of N=500 parents of public school students in grades kindergarten through 12th grade Sampled from online web panel

Week #7 - Field Dates: June 8-11, 2020

SCHOOL CLOSURES AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. [QSchoolClosures] Are any of the schools your children attend currently closed for inperson classes due to the coronavirus situation, and if so, please indicate the type of closure they are experiencing:

1.	Closure through end of school year	67%
	My child's schools are still open but running on a new	
2.	schedule	8%
3.	My child's schools are still open and running normally	1%
4.	My child's schools have already finished the school year and	
	started summer vacation	23%

IF SCHOOLS CURRENTLY CLOSED [QSchoolClosures=1], SKIP TO QChildrenNumber.

IF SCHOOLS OPEN OR ON SUMMER VACATION, ASK:

2. [QPastClosures] During the spring semester, did any of your children's schools close for in-person classes due to the coronavirus situation for any length of time?

		(n=154)
1.	Yes, they did close for in-person classes	93%
2.	No, they remained open	7%

ASK ALL:

3. [QChildrenNumber] How many children do you have in public school in grades kindergarten through 12th grade?

1.	1	49%
2.	2	34%
3.	3	13%
4.	4	3%
5.	5	1%
6.	6 or more	*%

4. [QKidsGradeLevels] In which grade levels do you have a child or children in public school (2019–2020 school year)? Select all that apply. [ALLOW MULTIPLE – LIMIT MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SELECTIONS BASED ON NUMBER OF CHILDREN]

17%
8%
9%
14%
11%
11%
19%
14%
13%
12%
13%
13%
8%
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ECONOMIC AND HEALTH CONCERNS

5. [QCoronaConcern{A-J}] With regard to the current coronavirus situation, how much do you worry about each of the following as a parent or guardian? [RANDOMIZE A-J] [DISPLAY AS GRID OVER 3 PAGES]

		1. Worry a lot	2. Worry some	3. Worry a little bit	4. Do worry	not much	5. Do no worry at		Unsure		
				A LOT/ SOME	NOT MUCH/ AT ALL	1. Worry lot	a 2. Worry some	3. Worry a little bit	4. Do not worry much	5. Do not worry at all	6. Unsure
A.		kids missing actions at sch	important so	cial							
	friend		oor or with	59%	19%	27%	32%	22%	12%	7%	*%
B.		or someone ir ng the corona	-	57%	25%	33%	24%	18%	14%	10%	1%
C.			child or childr								
		on track in sc / for the next	hool so they a grade	are 56%	22%	30%	26%	22%	14%	8%	1%
D.	Scho	ol closures w	ill have a								
	negat educa		n your child's	55%	21%	31%	24%	24%	11%	9%	1%
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		on screens (w	•								
		•	es, or using a or smart phon		23%	27%	26%	24%	15%	8%	1%
	Being	g able to make	e ends meet	50%	27%	23%	27%	22%	14%	13%	1%
G.		the situation i al health and	is affecting yo	our							
	wellb			45%	28%	23%	22%	27%	16%	12%	1%
Н.		the situation i ren's mental l	is affecting yo	our							
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J.		during the day children bein	y g exposed to	42%	38%	14%	28%	20%	21%	17%	*%
	more	of the negati	ve aspects or								
		of online soc as cyberbully	ial interaction	ı, 42%	31%	22%	19%	26%	16%	15%	1%
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6. [QChildSocial] Thinking about the next couple of months, which of the following would you say concerns you more? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

That my children missing important social interactions with friends could negatively affect their emotional wellbeing 48%
 That allowing my children to hang out with friends could put them at risk of being exposed to the coronavirus 40%
 Unsure 12%

7. [QCoronaSick] Do you personally know anyone who has been sick with the coronavirus? 1. Yes 2. No 3. Unsure 3%

8. [QCoronaHelpful] To cope with the coronavirus crisis, which of the following would be the most helpful for you to have as a parent right now? Please choose NO MORE THAN THREE. [RANDOMIZE 1-9]

1.	Help keeping my children engaged in good activities	51%
2.	More money to spend on necessities	46%
3.	More information about how to support my child's	
	learning	28%
4.	High speed internet access	26%
5.	Paid time off work from my job	25%
6.	More hours in the day	17%
7.	More tablets or computers in the house	12%
8.	Childcare	9%
9.	Someone to run errands for me to pick up essentials	7%
10.	Something else	3%

9. [QEmployment] What is your current employment status?

1.	Employed full-time	53%
2.	Employed part-time	10%
3.	Freelance, contract, or temporary work	2%
4.	Furloughed or placed on temporary leave by my employer	2%
5.	Unemployed and looking for work	5%
6.	Unemployed and not currently looking for work	2%
7.	Stay-at-home parent or caregiver	18%
8.	Full time student	*%
9.	Retired	3%
10.	Something else (Please specify)	4%
11.	Prefer not to say	1%

IF STILL WORKING [QEmployment = 1-3], ASK:

10. [QCoronaWFH] Which of these statements best describes where you are working from currently, and before the coronavirus outbreak? [RANDOMIZE 1-3, 3-1]

		(n=337)
1.	I worked from an office or job site before the	
	coronavirus but I'm currently working from home	42%
2.	I worked from an office or job site before the	
	coronavirus and I'm still working there	31%
3.	I worked from home before the coronavirus and I'm still	
	working there	17%
4.	Something else (Please specify)	7%
5.	Prefer not to say	3%

ASK ALL:

11. [QCoronaPersonalHardship] Which <u>one or two</u> of the following are the greatest hardships you personally have faced due to the spread of the coronavirus? [SELECT UP TO TWO] [RANDOMIZE 1-13]

1.	I haven't been able to see friends and family members	24%
2.	I feel down or anxious about the overall situation in the	
	country right now	21%
3.	I've had difficulty getting food and other essentials	16%
4.	I've had difficulty helping my children with their schoolwork	
	and learning	15%
5.	I've lost my job, had my hours cut, or lost income	14%
6.	I haven't been able to move freely or go about my daily	
	routine	14%
7.	I haven't been able to attend religious services	12%
8.	I've had difficulty with working from home, or other work-	
	related difficulty	11%
9.	I've had difficulty getting work done with my children around	11%
10.	I've had difficulty with travel	6%
11.	I've had health-related difficulties (seeing doctors, getting	
	medications, etc.)	5%
12.	I've had difficulty arranging childcare	4%
13.	I've had difficulty getting along with people I live with	3%
14.	Other	2%
15.	None of these	10%

12. [QCoronaPayment] Have you received a coronavirus relief payment from the government, and if so, how have you used that funding? Please select all that apply. [RANDOMIZE 1-7]

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Used to buy groceries or basic household supplies	43%
Used to pay for utilities, phone bills, or internet service	34%
Put it into a savings account	30%
Used to pay mortgage or rent	23%
Used to buy educational supplies or technology for	
your children	12%
Used to pay for medical expenses	9%
Used to pay for childcare	8%
Something else	3%
I am eligible for a coronavirus relief payment but have	
not received it yet	4%
. I am not eligible for a coronavirus relief payment	10%
	Used to buy groceries or basic household supplies Used to pay for utilities, phone bills, or internet service Put it into a savings account Used to pay mortgage or rent Used to buy educational supplies or technology for your children Used to pay for medical expenses Used to pay for childcare Something else I am eligible for a coronavirus relief payment but have not received it yet

EDUCATION QUALITY

IF HAS TWO OR MORE CHILDREN IN GRADES K-12, INSERT:

[ParentIntroText] For the following questions, please respond regarding your [INSERT FIRST/SECOND/ETC] child in birth order (from oldest to youngest) of your children who are in grades kindergarten through high school. [RANDOMIZE WHICH CHILD IS ASKED ABOUT, SPLITTING EVENLY BASED ON NUMBER OF CHILDREN. FOR EXAMPLE, FOR PARENTS OF TWO CHILDREN, ASK 50% ABOUT FIRST CHILD (IN BIRTH ORDER FROM OLDEST TO YOUNGEST) WHO ATTENDS K-12 SCHOOL, 50% ABOUT SECOND CHILD WHO ATTENDS K-12 SCHOOL. PROGRAM FOR UP TO SIX CHILDREN.]

13. [QKidGrade] What grade level is your child currently in (2019–2020 school year)? [DROP DOWN: Kindergarten–12th grade]

1.	Kindergarten	13%
2.	1st grade	5%
3.	2nd grade	4%
4.	3rd grade	9%
5.	4th grade	6%
6.	5th grade	7%
7.	6th grade	11%
8.	7th grade	7%
9.	8th grade	9%
10.	9th grade (Freshman)	7%
11.	10th grade (Sophomore)	9%
12.	11th grade (Junior)	9%
13.	12th grade (Senior)	4%

14. [QGradeResponse] Overall, how would you rate the job your child's school is doing in providing resources and support to help your child continue learning?

EXC	CELLENT/GOOD	69%
ON	LY FAIR/POOR	8%
1.	Excellent	36%
2.	Good	33%
3.	Average	22%
4.	Only fair	5%
5.	Poor	3%
6.	Unsure	1%

15. [QGradeParent] Overall, thinking honestly, how confident do you feel about being able to help your child continue learning?

VEF	RY/SOMEWHAT CONFIDENT	83%
NO	T THAT/NOT AT ALL CONFIDENT	16%
1.	Very confident	34%
2.	Somewhat confident	48%
3.	Not that confident	11%
4.	Not at all confident	5%
5.	Unsure	1%

16. [QDisability] Does your child have a disability for which they usually receive specialized instruction or therapy? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

1.	Yes		16%
2.	No	SKIP TO REOPEN. SECTION	83%
3.	Unsure	SKIP TO REOPEN. SECTION	1%

IF SAYS CHILD DOES NOT HAVE A DISABILITY OR UNSURE [QDisability=2-3], SKIP TO REOPENING AND REIMAGINING SECTION.

IF SAYS CHILD USUALLY RECEIVES SPECIAL INSTRUCTION OR THERAPY [QDisability=1], ASK:

17. [QSatisfiedHandlingDis] How satisfied are you with what your child's school is doing to address your child's needs for specialized instruction or therapy at this time?

		(n=99)
VEF	RY/SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	66%
VEF	RY/SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED	19%
1.	Very satisfied	48%
2.	Somewhat satisfied	18%
3.	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	15%
4.	Somewhat dissatisfied	12%
5.	Very dissatisfied	7%
6.	Unsure	*%

18. [QConcernSpecial] Thinking about when your child's school reopens . . . How much do you worry that your child's specialized instruction or therapy might be unavailable or reduced because of budget cuts?

	(n=99)
WORRY A LOT/SOME	56%
DO NOT WORRY MUCH/AT ALL	19%
1. Worry a lot	37%
2. Worry some	19%
3. Worry a little	20%
4. Do not worry much	11%
5. Do not worry at all	7%
6. Unsure	5%

REOPENING AND REIMAGINING

ASK ALL:

- 19. [QReopenTradeoff] Even if neither one perfectly describes your views, which of the following statements do you agree with more? [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-2]
 - Schools should reopen as soon as possible so students don't fall too far behind and can receive the educational support they need
 Schools should remain closed until they are certain there is no health risk, even if it means students fall farther behind
 Unsure
- 20. [QFocusTradeoff] Even if neither one perfectly describes your views, which of the following statements do you agree with more? [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-2]
 - Schools should be focused on trying to get back to the way things were before the COVID-19 crisis as soon as it is safe to do so 37%
 Schools should be focused on rethinking how we educate students, coming up with new ways to teach children moving forward as a result of the COVID-19 crisis 57%
 Unsure 6%

21. [QChange Battery] Would you support or oppose public schools making each of the following changes? [DISPLAY AS GRID OVER 3 PAGES] [RANDOMIZE A-H]

1. Strongly 2. Somewhat 3. Somewhat 4. Strongly 5. Unsure support oppose oppose

		STRONGLY/ SOMEWHAT SUPPORT		1. Strongly support	2. Some. support	3. Some. oppose	4. Strongly oppose	5. Unsure
A.	Offering more opportunities for high school students to participate in work-based learning programs or apprenticeships in various career							
	fields	86%	10%	50%	36%	6%	4%	4%
В.	Offering more trade and vocational classes in high schools	84%	11%	47%	37%	8%	4%	5%
C.	Providing all students with laptops or tablets and high-speed internet	84%	13%	49%	35%	9%	4%	3%
D.	Providing counseling and mental health support for students and							
	staff	83%	11%	46%	38%	9%	2%	5%
E.	Having education funding follow the student to whichever school they or							
	their parents choose	75%	16%	38%	36%	13%	3%	9%
F.	Offering more online classes as an alternative to in-person classes	73%	21%	41%	32%	13%	8%	5%
G.	Changing the school calendar to provide more time for academic							
	instruction	71%	20%	30%	40%	13%	7%	9%
H.	Staggering school schedules so that there are fewer students in							
	classrooms	71%	22%	32%	39%	17%	5%	7%

- 22. [QRaceEdu Battery] Recently, there have been events including protests across the country raising issues of systemic racism and discrimination. Some schools may be considering taking steps to try to address these issues. For each, please indicate how effective, if at all, you think each of these would be at improving racial equality in public schools? [DISPLAY AS GRID, 4 PER PAGE] [RANDOMIZE A-H]
 - 1. Very 2. Somewhat 3. Not too 4. Not at all 5. Unsure effective effective effective

		VERY/ SOMEWHAT EFFECTIVE		1. Very effective	2. Some. effective	3. Not too effective	4. Not at all effective	5. Unsure
A.	Requiring training for school administrators, teachers, and staff on cultural awareness and implicit							
B	racial bias Providing trauma-informed school	73%	20%	37%	35%	14%	6%	7%
	guidance and counselors	72%	19%	33%	39%	14%	5%	9%
C.	curriculum in all public schools	70%	19%	33%	37%	12%	8%	10%
D.	Increasing racial and ethnic diversity of school boards,							
E.	administrators, teachers, and staff Replacing suspensions and	65%	24%	31%	34%	13%	11%	11%
	expulsions for behavioral issues with alternative disciplinary programs that keep students in school	65%	26%	27%	38%	13%	13%	9%
F.	Encouraging more low-income students and students of color to take advanced classes (AP, IB) or							
G.	dual-credit classes Providing additional investment in	65%	26%	31%	34%	17%	9%	9%
Н.		63%	26%	29%	33%	17%	8%	12%
	officers for disciplinary matters in public schools	49%	38%	21%	28%	17%	22%	13%

23. [QRacismWorries Battery] How worried are you about the potential for any of these situations to happen to your children? [DISPLAY AS GRID] [RANDOMIZE A-E]

		1. Worry a lot	2. Worry some	3. Worry a little bit		Do not rry much	5. Do worry	not at all	6. Unsu	re	
				A LOT/ SOME	NOT MUCH/ AT ALL	1. Worry a lot	2. Worry some	3. Worry a	4. Do not worry much	5. Do not worry at all	6. Unsure
A . B .	or actio	ons by other so	o go to at	42%	35%	22%	20%	19%	18%	17%	4%
C.	with rac	(e.g., a trusted cism or discri mpacted by di		42%	35%	20%	21%	18%	19%	16%	5%
D.	Being i	st police action mpacted by dispersion actions action actions action actions.	iscriminatory	41%	40%	21%	20%	14%	18%	22%	5%
E.	commu	•	acist comment	39%	40%	21%	18%	17%	22%	17%	5%
	_	ons by staff at		37%	45%	21%	17%	14%	22%	22%	4%

24. [QPoliceTradeoff] Even if neither one perfectly describes your views, which of the following statements do you agree with more? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

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1.	In disciplinary situations, schools should rely less on school		
	police officers and move toward providing social emotional		
	supports to address student needs with staff like counselors,		
	psychologists, and social workers		54%
2.	In disciplinary situations, schools should continue to rely on		
	school police officers in the way they do now		35%
3.	Unsure		12%

DEMOGRAPHICS

Finally, we have a few questions for demographic purposes.

25.		Gender] What is your gender? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]	
	1.	Male	44%
	2.	Female	56%
26.	[QF	Race] What is your race? [SELECT MULTIPLE] [RANDOMIZE 1-7]	
	1.	Black	12%
	2.	White	59%
	3.	Hispanic/Latino	24%
	4.	Asian	7%
	5.	Native American	*%
	6.	Something else	*%
	7.	Prefer not to say	*%
27.	[QE	Education] What is the highest level of education you have compl	eted?
	1.	High school or less	36%
	2.	Some college	22%
	3.	Associate's degree	10%
	4.	Bachelor's degree	20%
	5.	Graduate degree	12%
	6.	Prefer not to say	*%
28.	[Q <i>I</i>	Age] What is your age?	
	1.	18–29	11%
	2.	30–39	40%
	3.	40–49	28%
	4.	50–64	20%
	5.	65+	1%
29.	[QN	/larital] What is your current marital status?	
	1.	Single, never married	15%
	2.	Married	65%
	3.	Living with a partner	9%
	4.	Separated	2%
	5.	Divorced	8%
	6.	Widowed	1%
	7.	Prefer not to say	*%

30. [QParty] Regardless of how you typically vote, would you say you consider yourself a ... ? [RANDOMIZE SCALE R>D, D>R]

REF	PUBLICAN (TOTAL)		32%
DEN	MOCRAT (TOTAL)		35%
1.	Strong Republican	SKIP TO QIDEOLOGY	20%
2.	Not very strong Republican	SKIP TO QIDEOLOGY	13%
3.	Independent	CONTINUE TO QPARTYLEAN	25%
4.	Not very strong Democrat	SKIP TO QIDEOLOGY	13%
5.	Strong Democrat	SKIP TO QIDEOLOGY	22%
4.	A member of another party	SKIP TO QIDEOLOGY	*%
5.	Unsure	CONTINUE TO QPARTYLEAN	7%

IF INDEPENDENT OR UNSURE [QParty=3 OR 5], ASK:

31. [QPartyLean] Which of the following statements would you say best describes you? [RANDOMIZE SCALE]

•	•	(n=168)
1.	I almost always vote for Republican candidates	5%
2.	I vote for Republicans more often than I vote for Democrats	8%
3.	I vote for Democrats more often than I vote for Republicans	11%
4.	I almost always vote for Democratic candidates	8%
5.	I vote equally for Democrats and Republicans	30%
6.	Unsure	39%
[QF	PartyConsolidated: QParty + QPartyLean]	
GO	P + GOP-leaning independents	37%
DE	M + DEM-leaning independents	41%
Tot	al independent	10%
Tot	al member of another party	*%
Uns	sure	12%

ASK ALL:

32. [Qldeology] Regardless of how you typically vote, would you say you consider yourself to be...? [RANDOMIZE SCALE CONSERVATIVE>LIBERAL, LIBERAL>CONSERVATIVE]

CONSERVATIVE (TOTAL)		30%
LIBERAL (TOTAL)		23%
1.	Very conservative	13%
2.	Somewhat conservative	18%
3.	Moderate	38%
4.	Somewhat liberal	14%
5.	Very liberal	9%
6.	Unsure	8%

33. [QSocial] Which social media platforms or apps do you use? [SELECT MULTIPLE]			
	-	NDOMIZE 1-9]	700/
	1.	Facebook	70%
	2.	Instagram	46%
	3.	YouTube	65%
	4.	Snapchat	29%
	5.	Reddit	11%
	6. -	Pinterest	33%
	7.	LinkedIn	15%
		WhatsApp	19%
	9.	Twitter	36%
		Something else (Please specify)	1%
	11.	None of these	7%
34.	[Qlr	ncome] Which range includes your annual household income?	
	1.	Less than \$30,000 per year	18%
	2.	\$30,000 to \$49,999 per year	20%
	3.	\$50,000 to \$74,999 per year	25%
	4.	\$75,000 to \$125,000 per year	21%
	5.	More than \$125,000 per year	13%
	6.	Prefer not to say	3%
35.	[QS	tate] In what state do you live?	
	1.		17%
	2.	States in the Midwest	21%
	3.	States in the South	38%
	4.	States in the West	25%
36.	_	rbanRural] How would you describe the area in which you live?	000/
	1.	City	38%
	2.		37%
	3.	•	10%
	4.	Rural or country area	14%
37.	[QR	eligion] How would you describe your religion?	
	1.	Evangelical Protestant/Born-Again Christian	26%
	2.	Mainline Protestant	6%
	3.	Roman Catholic	21%
	4.	Mormon	3%
	5.	Jewish	3%
	6.	Muslim	1%
	7.	Agnostic	2%
	8.	Atheist	6%
	9.	Something else	22%
	10.	Prefer not to say	9%

38. [QChurch] How often do you attend a religious service?

1.	At least once a week	23%
2.	Once or twice a month	10%
3.	A few times a year	23%
4.	Usually just for religious holidays	12%
5.	Never	28%
6.	Prefer not to say	5%

IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER [QMarital=2 OR 3], ASK:

39. [QSpousePartnerEducation] What is the highest level of education your spouse or partner has completed?

		(n=371)
1.	High school or less	29%
2.	Some college	22%
3.	Associate's degree	10%
4.	Bachelor's degree	22%
5.	Graduate degree	17%
6.	Prefer not to say	*%

SCREENERS AND INITIAL DEMOGRAPHICS ASKED AT BEGINNING OF SURVEY

40. [QIndustry] Do you or does anyone in your household work in any of the following industries? [SELECT MULTIPLE] [RANDOMIZE 1-8]

1.	Technology	_	6%
2.	Sales		6%
3.	Healthcare		8%
4.	Education or early childhood development		6%
5.	Journalism or the media	TERMINATE	-
6.	Food service or the restaurant industry		6%
7.	Market research	TERMINATE	-
8.	Public relations	TERMINATE	-
9.	None of these		73%

41. [QPublicSchoolParent] Are you the parent or guardian of a public school student who is currently in grades kindergarten through 12th grade? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

1.	Yes	100%
2.	No	TERMINATE -
3.	Prefer not to sav	TERMINATE -

42. [QLivingAtHome] Where do your children who are in grades kindergarten through 12th grade live?

1.	Full-time with me in my home		92%
2.	Split between my home and the home of another	er	
	parent or family member		8%
3.	Not with me	TERMINATE	_