Louisiana Federation of Teachers & School Employees

Reopening Schools 2020

A SURVEY OF LOUISIANA RESIDENTS

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Background:

Louisiana Federation of Teachers and School Employees conducted a survey assessing teachers, school employees, parents, students and concerned community members across Louisiana. The survey was conducted electronically between June 30-July 10, 2020 and distributed widely through various online platforms.

The survey was open to any Louisiana resident.

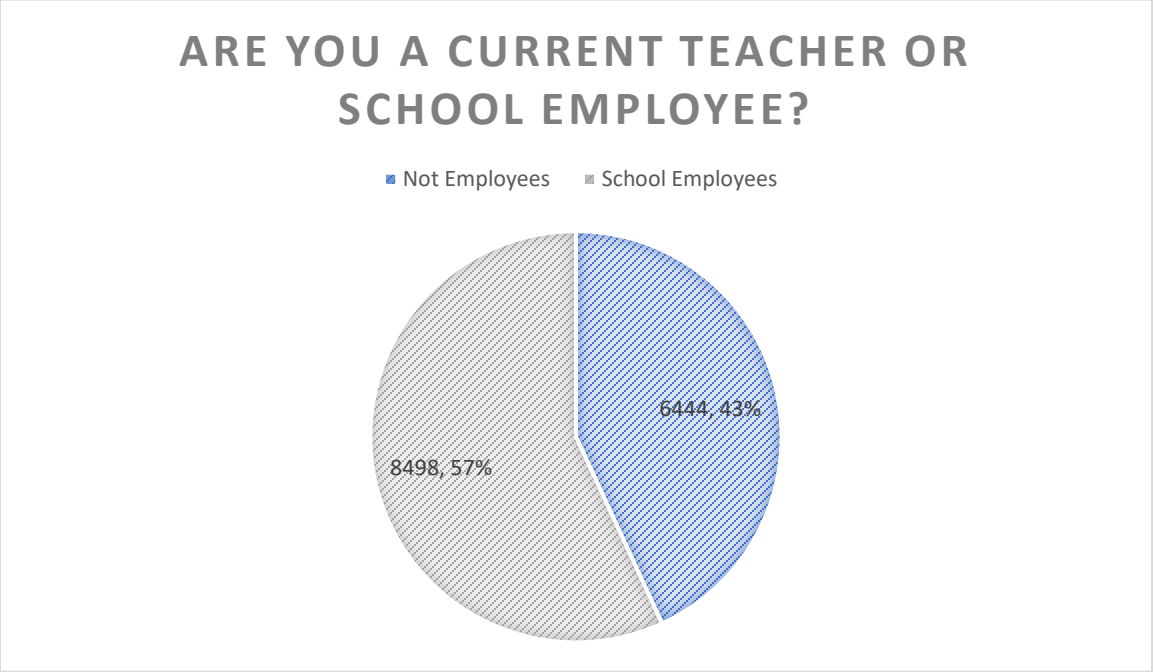
Duplicate responses were deleted upon analysis of the results.

Please note that percentages shown throughout the report pertain to the portion of respondents who answered that particular question. Some questions included a "check all that apply" option, in which case percentages will not add to 100.

Who Was Surveyed:

14,940 Survey Participants

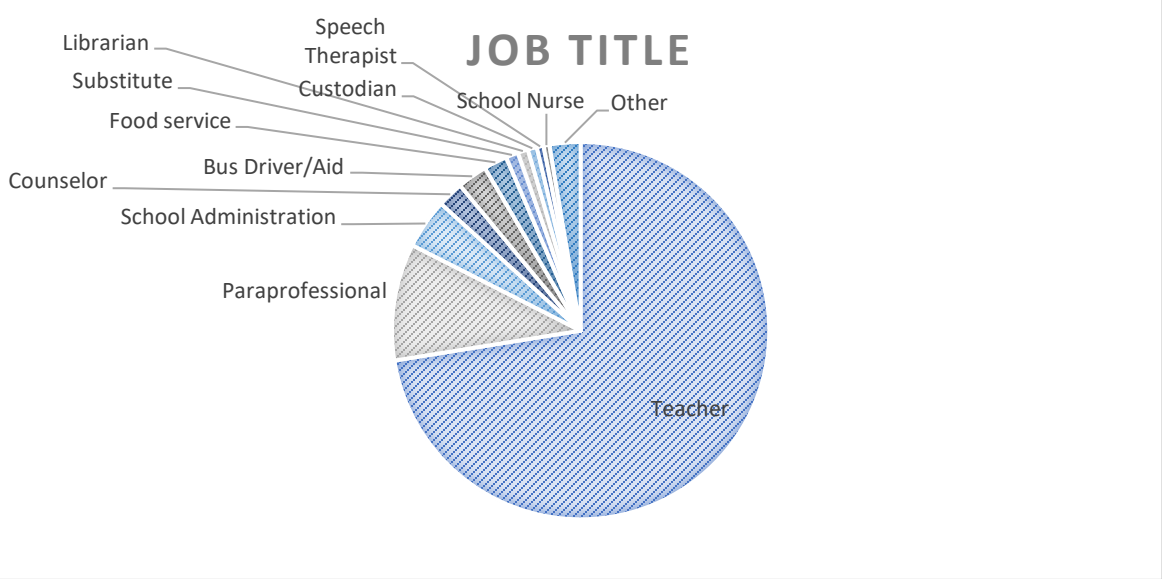
57% of participants are current employees of a Louisiana school system.
43% of participants are not a current employee of a Louisiana school system.



Breakdown of School System Employees

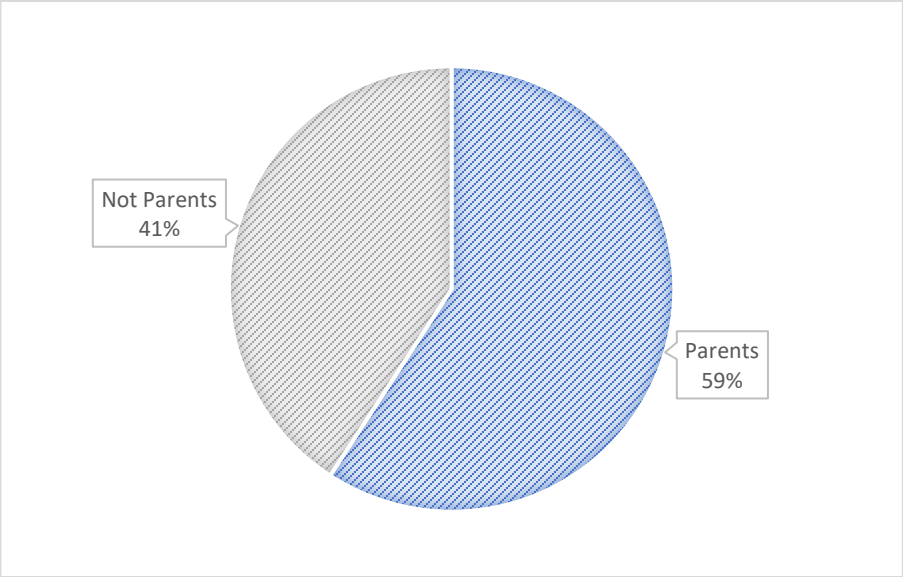
Teacher	6158	72%
Paraprofessional Educator	851	10%
School Administration (School secreta…	363	4%
Counselor/Social Worker	189	2%
Bus Driver/Aid	218	3%
Food service worker (cafeteria)	170	2%
Substitute	91	1%

Librarian	75	1%
Custodian	66	1%
Speech Therapist/Pathologist	49	1%
School Nurse	43	1%
Principal/Assistant Principal	14	0%
Occupational Therapist	11	0%
Interpreter	8	0%
Other	192	2%



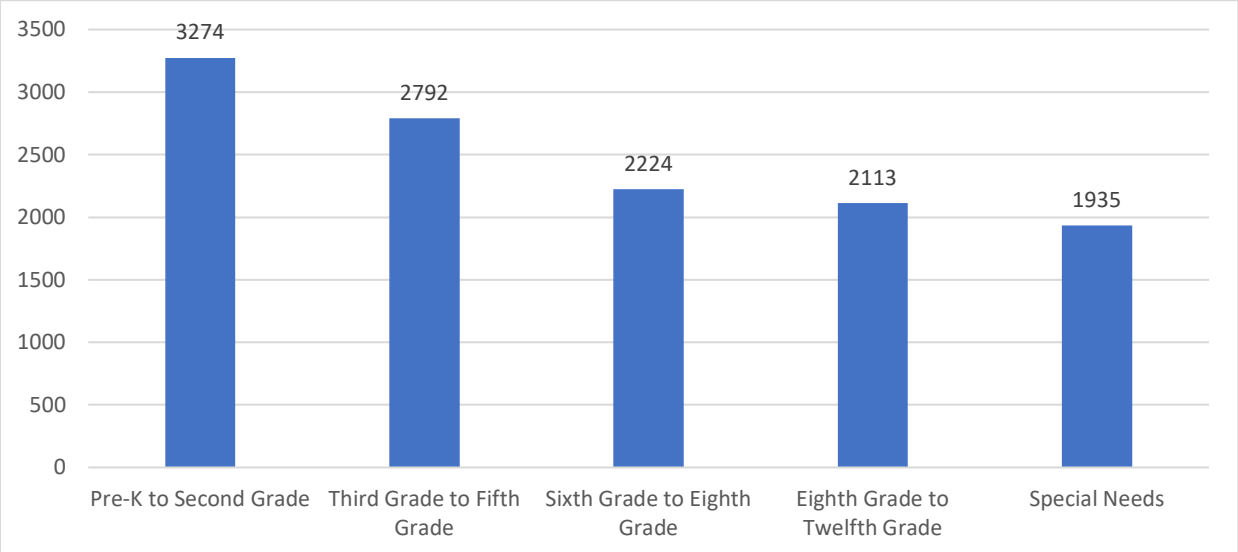
In addition, to your role as an educator, 59% are also a parent/guardian of school age children:

Parent/Guardian: 59%
Not Parent/Guardian: 41%



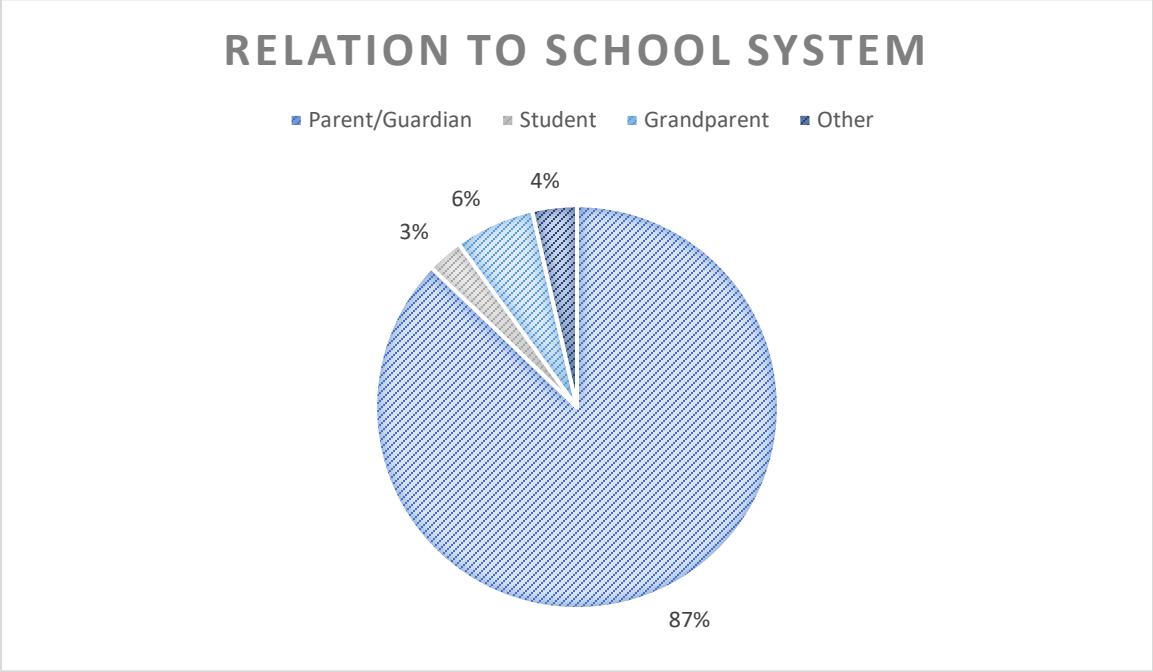
They work with children who are...
(check all that apply)

Pre-K to Second Grade	3274	39%
Third Grade to Fifth Grade	2792	33%
Sixth Grade to Eighth Grade	2224	27%
Eighth Grade to Twelfth Grade	2113	25%
Special Needs	1935	23%



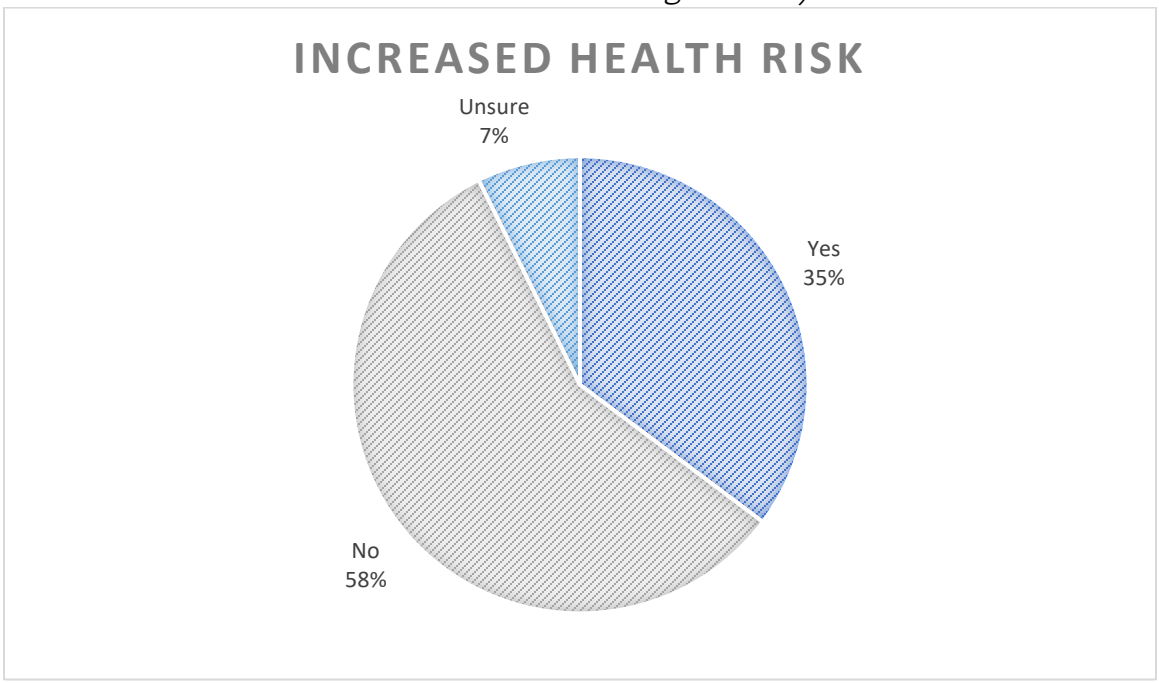
Breakdown of Non-School System Employees

Parent/Guardian of School-Age Child(ren)	5612	87%
Current Student	183	3%
Grandparent of School-Age Child(ren)	417	6%
Other	232	4%



Health Risk of School Employees

Are you at an increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19?
(A person is at increased risk if they are over 65 years old or have an underlying health condition. *Included link to CDC website for further guidance.)*



Is anyone in your household at an increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19?
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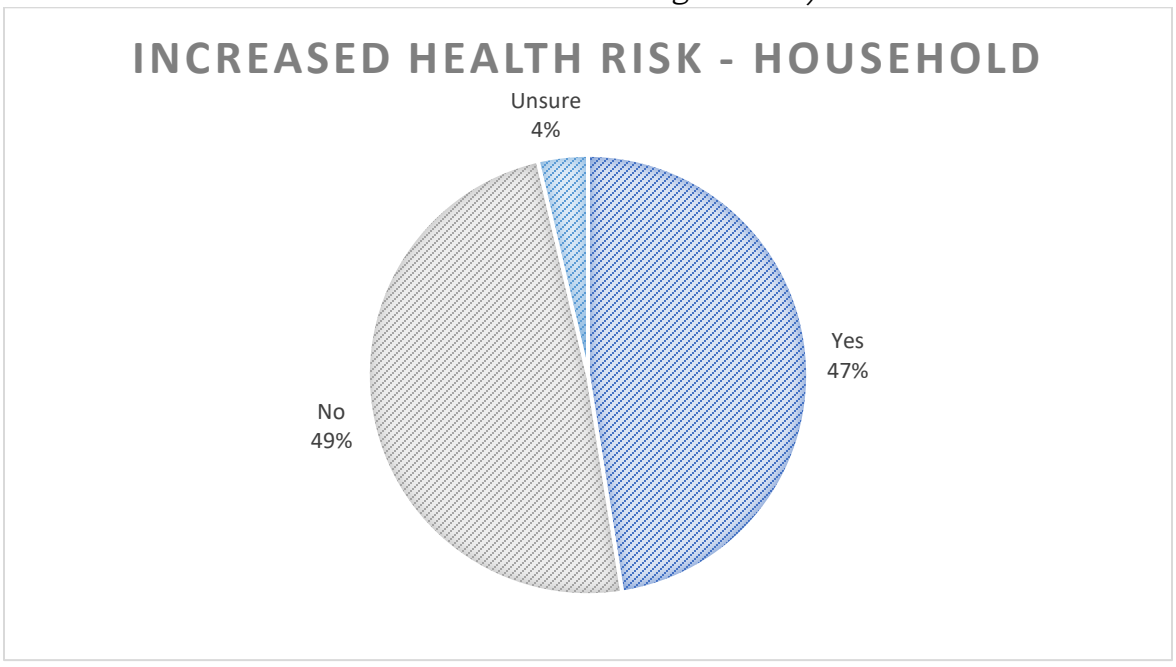

Important Precautions

How important do you think it is for your school system to: *Ranked on a scale:*

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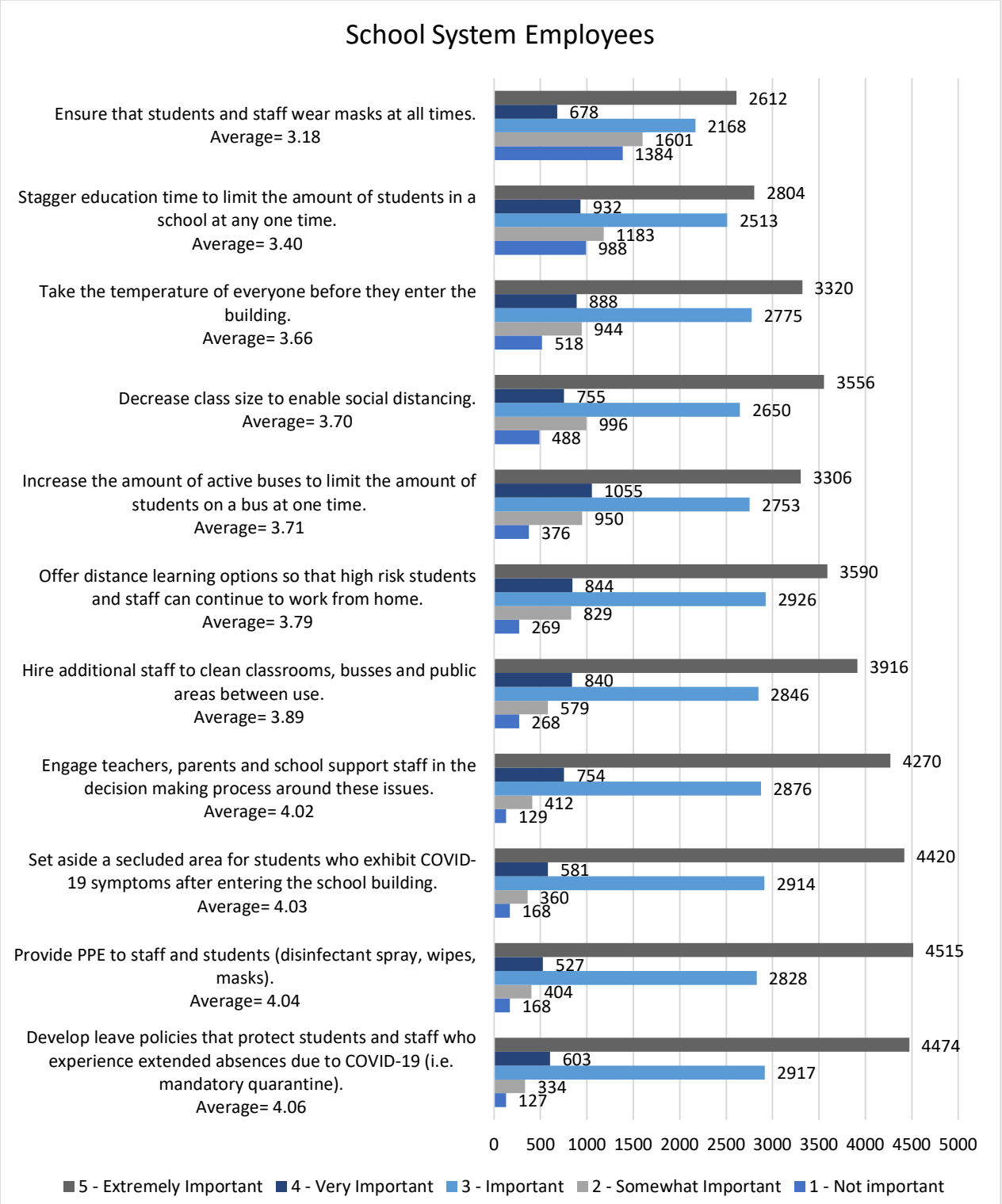
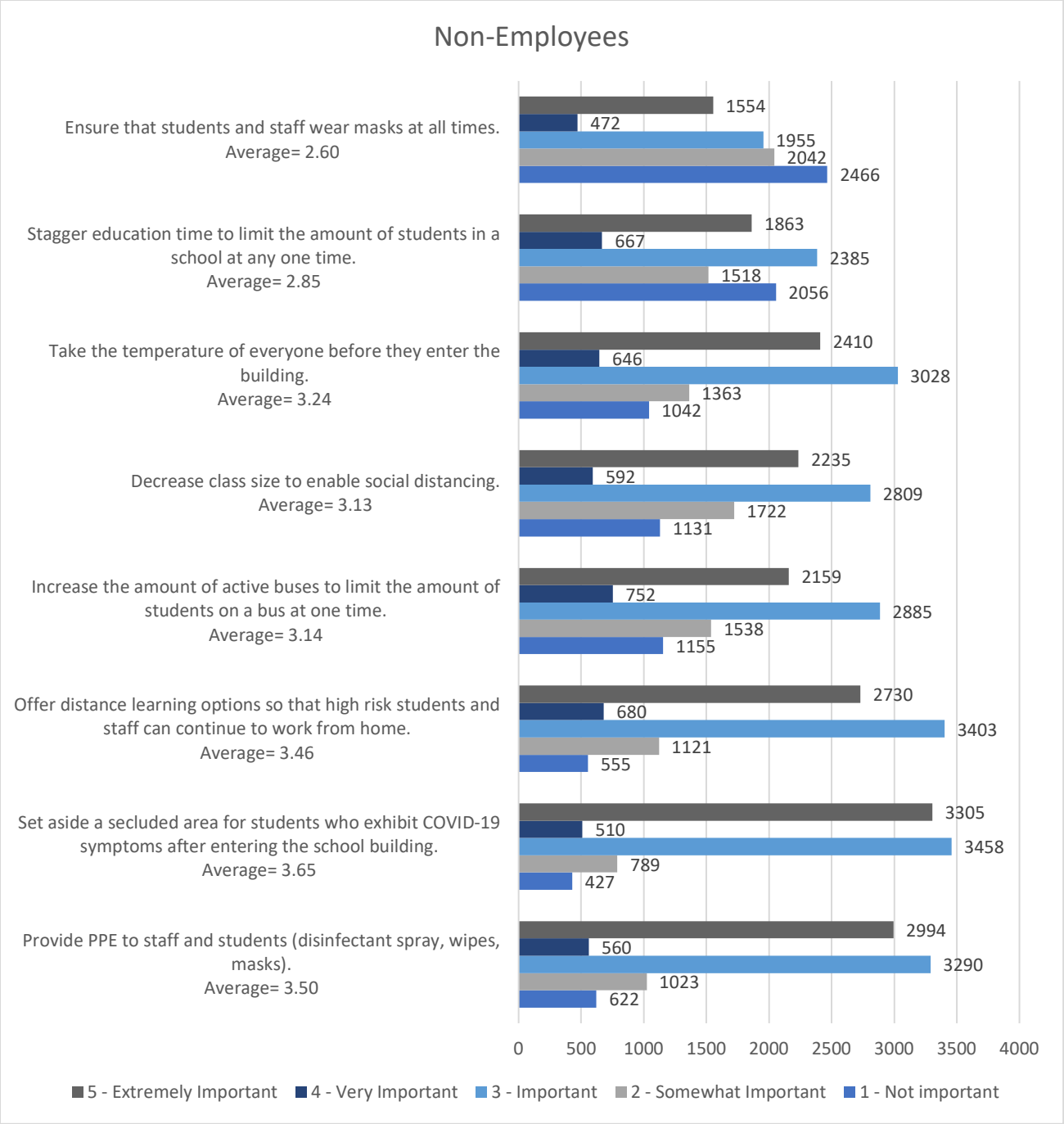



Non-Employees
Ensure that students and staff wear masks at all times.
Average= 2.60
1554
472
1955
2042
2466
Stagger education time to limit the amount of students in a school at any one time.
Average= 2.85
1863
667
2385
1518
2056
Take the temperature of everyone before they enter the building.
Average= 3.24
2410
646
3028
1363
1042
Decrease class size to enable social distancing.
Average= 3.13
2235
592
2809
1722
1131
Increase the amount of active buses to limit the amount of students on a bus at one time.
Average= 3.14
2159
752
2885
1538
1155
Offer distance learning options so that high risk students and staff can continue to work from home.
Average= 3.46
2730
680
3403
1121
555
Set aside a secluded area for students who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms after entering the school building.
Average= 3.65
3305
510
3458
789
427
Provide PPE to staff and students (disinfectant spray, wipes, masks).
Average= 3.50
2994
560
3290
1023
622
0
500
1000
1500
2000
2500
3000
3500
4000
5 - Extremely Important
4 - Very Important
3 - Important
2 - Somewhat Important
1 - Not important

Average Score *(Combined Employees & Non-Employees)*

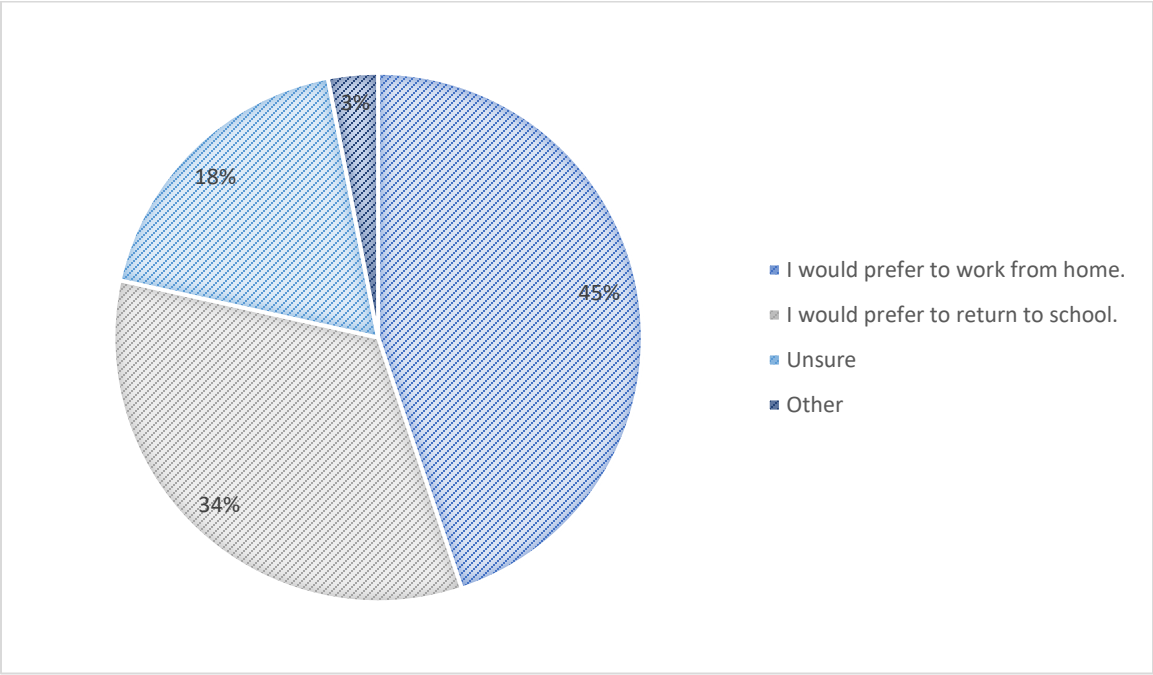
Provide PPE to staff and students (disinfectant spray, wipes, masks).	3.77
Set aside a secluded area for students who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms after entering the school building.	3.84
Offer distance learning options so that high risk students and staff can continue to work from home.	3.62
Increase the amount of active buses to limit the amount of students on a bus at one time.	3.42
Decrease class size to enable social distancing.	3.41
Take the temperature of everyone before they enter the building.	3.45
Stagger education time to limit the amount of students in a school at any one time.	3.13
Ensure that students and staff wear masks at all times.	2.89

Work from Home

School Employees:

If given a choice, which would you personally prefer (given the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic)?

I would prefer to work from home.	3778	45%
I would prefer to return to school.	2828	34%
Unsure	1556	18%
Other	256	3%



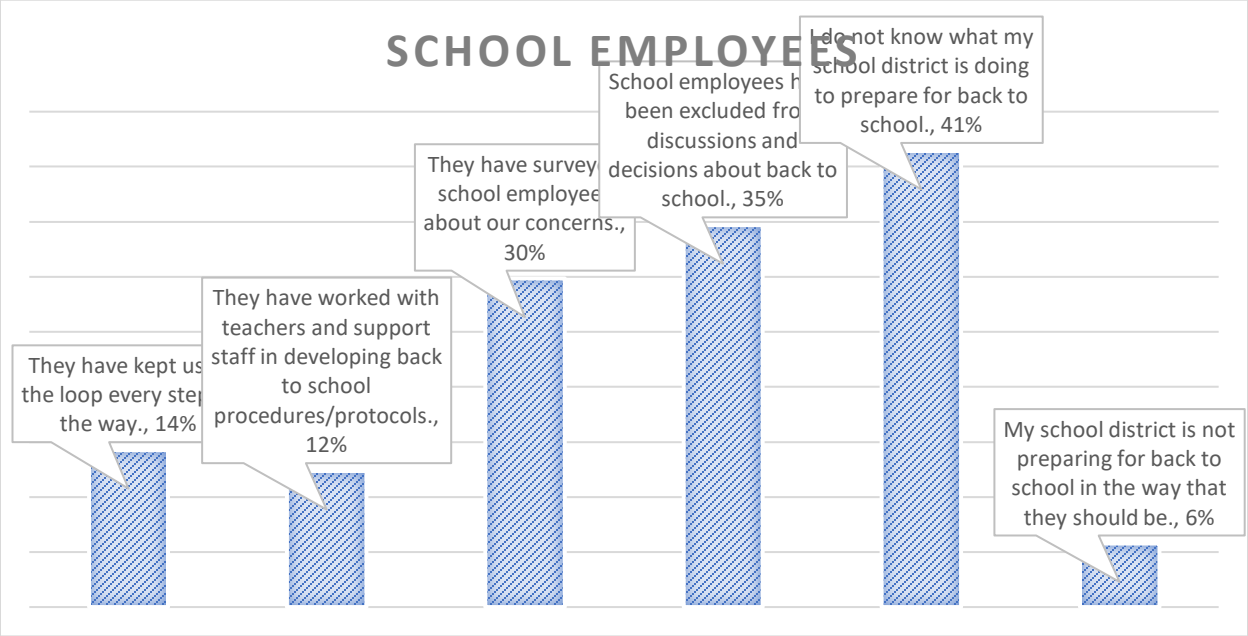
District Communication

School Employees:

How has your school district communicated with school employees?

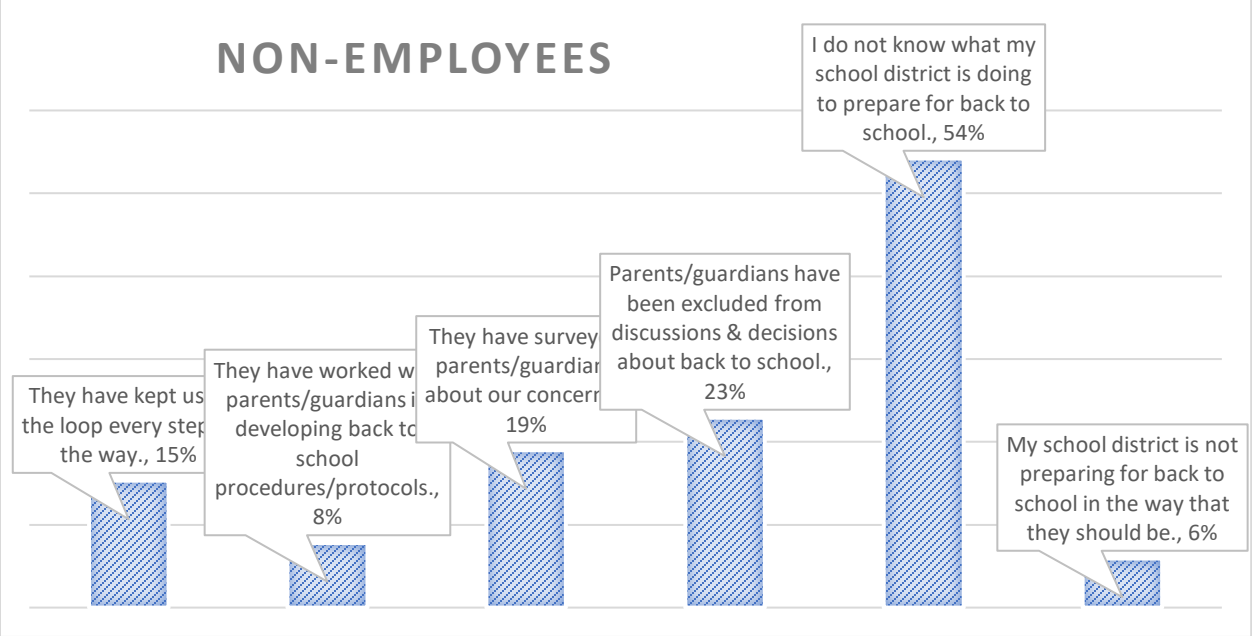
(check all that apply)

They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	1128	14%
They have worked with teachers and support staff in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	977	12%
They have surveyed school employees about our concerns.	2361	30%
School employees have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	2744	35%
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	3279	41%
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	457	6%



Non-Employees:

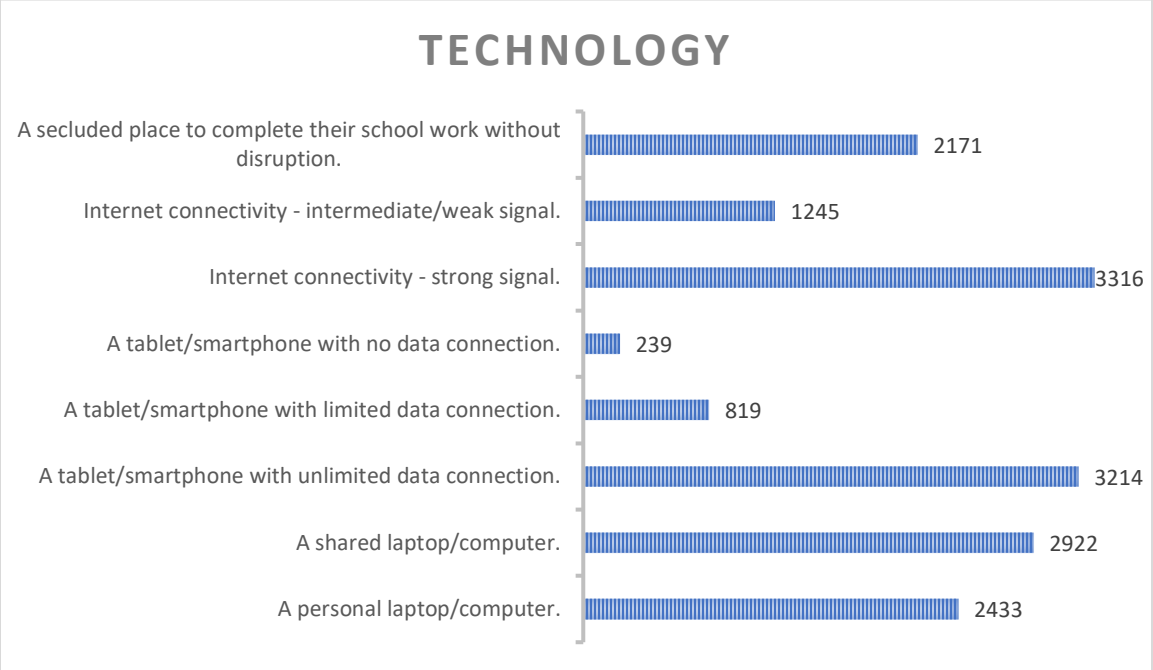
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	955	15%
They have worked with parents/guardians in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	485	8%
They have surveyed parents/guardians about our concerns.	1184	19%
Parents/guardians have been excluded from discussions & decisions about back to school.	1431	23%
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	3383	54%
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	368	6%



Technology

What technology does your child have access to at home?
(check all that apply)

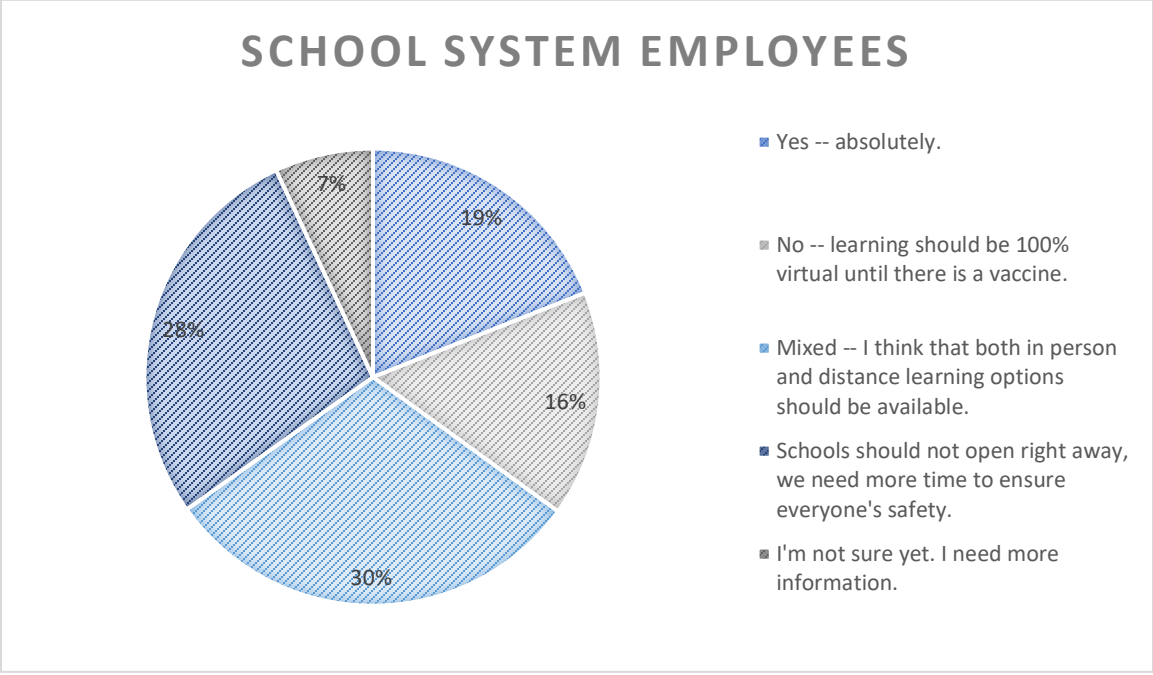
A personal laptop/computer.	2433	39%
A shared laptop/computer.	2922	47%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	3214	51%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	819	13%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	239	4%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	3316	53%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	1245	20%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	2171	35%



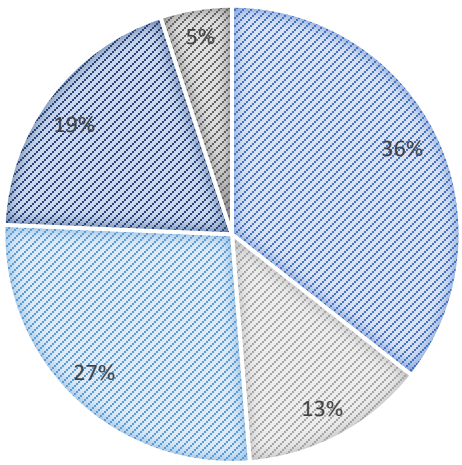
Schools Reopening

Do you think that school buildings should reopen this year?

	Total		School Employees		Community Members	
Yes – absolutely.	**4523**	**28%**	1502	19%	3021	36%
No – learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	**2385**	**15%**	1267	16%	1118	13%
Mixed – I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	**4672**	**28%**	2388	30%	2284	27%
Schools should not open right away; we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	**3842**	**23%**	2205	28%	1637	19%
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	**980**	**6%**	551	7%	429	5%



NON-EMPLOYEES



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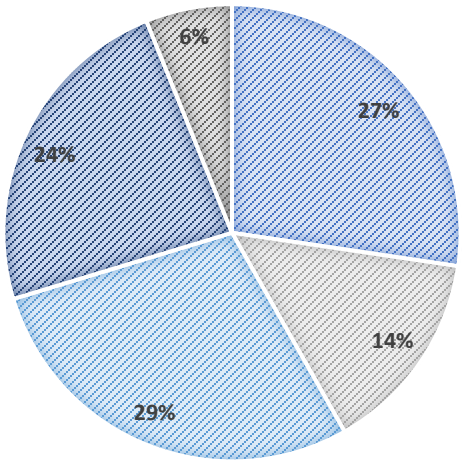
COMBINED



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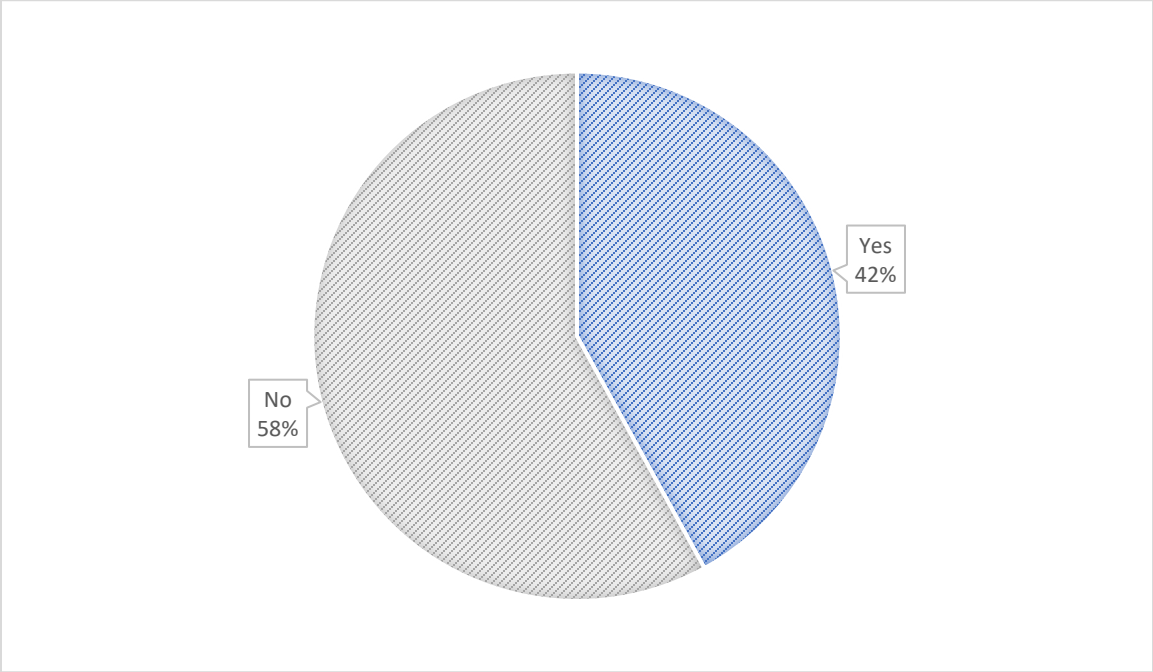
Comfort Sending Kids to School

Given what you know now, are you comfortable with your children/students returning to school?

	Yes		No	
Combined	**42%**		**58%**	
Employees	2878	35%	5464	65%
Non-Employees	3275	51%	3096	49%

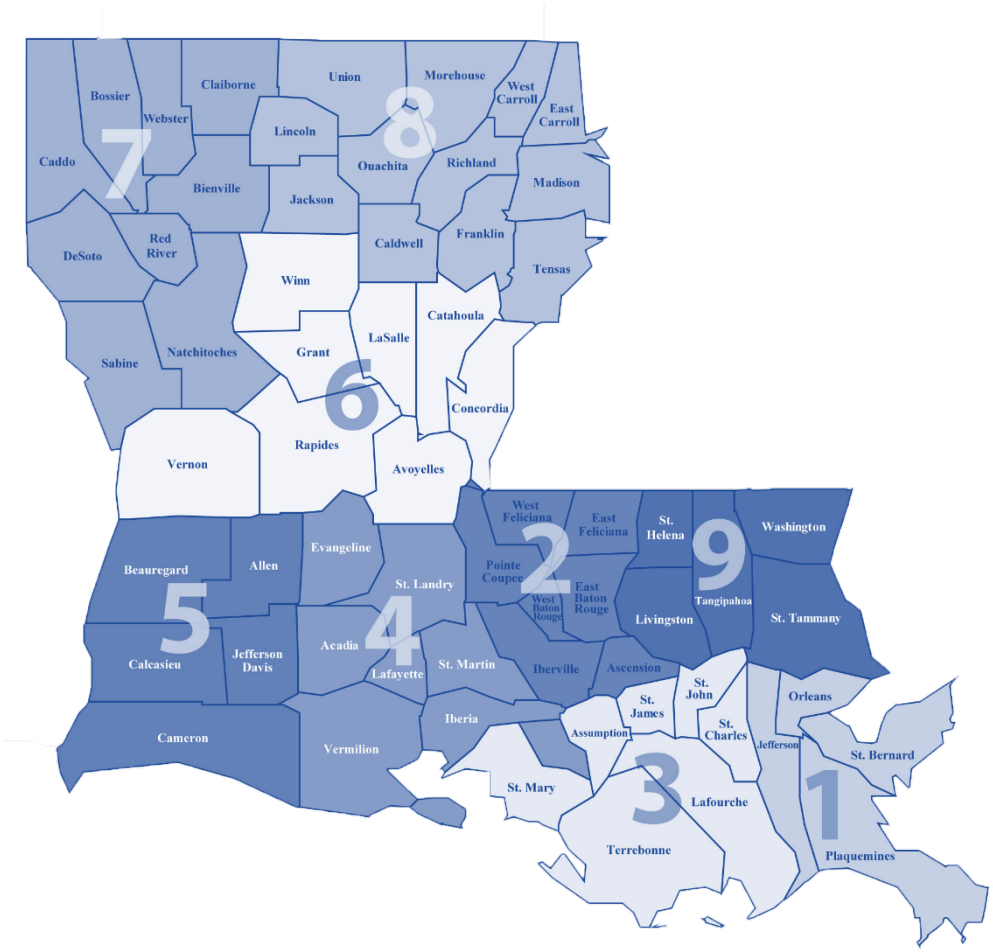


Total Responses by School System

	Responses	Employees	Non-Employees
Acadia Parish	139	92	47
Allen Parish	30	19	11
Ascension Parish	343	246	97
Assumption Parish	16	11	5
Avoyelles Parish	35	19	16
Beauregard Parish	57	39	18
Bienville Parish	23	11	12
Bogalusa City	12	10	2
Bossier Parish	498	458	40
Caddo Parish	572	454	118
Calcasieu Parish	260	224	36
Caldwell Parish	5	4	1
Cameron Parish	21	21	0
Catahoula Parish	15	4	11
Claiborne Parish	22	16	6
Concordia Parish	7	5	2
DeSoto Parish	157	67	90
East Baton Rouge Parish	683	521	162
East Carroll Parish	3	1	2
East Feliciana Parish	27	19	8
Evangeline Parish	43	17	26
Franklin Parish	5	3	2
Grant Parish	20	11	9
Iberia Parish	225	139	86
Iberville Parish	14	14	0
Jackson Parish	81	51	30
Jefferson Davis Parish	117	43	74
Jefferson Parish	1369	1084	285
Lafayette Parish	798	469	329
Lafourche Parish	83	27	56
LaSalle Parish	10	9	1
Lincoln Parish	57	44	13
Livingston Parish	1423	452	971
Madison Parish	3	3	0
Monroe City	89	61	28
Morehouse Parish	21	20	1
Natchitoches Parish	36	26	10
Orleans Parish	239	176	63
Ouachita Parish	194	153	41

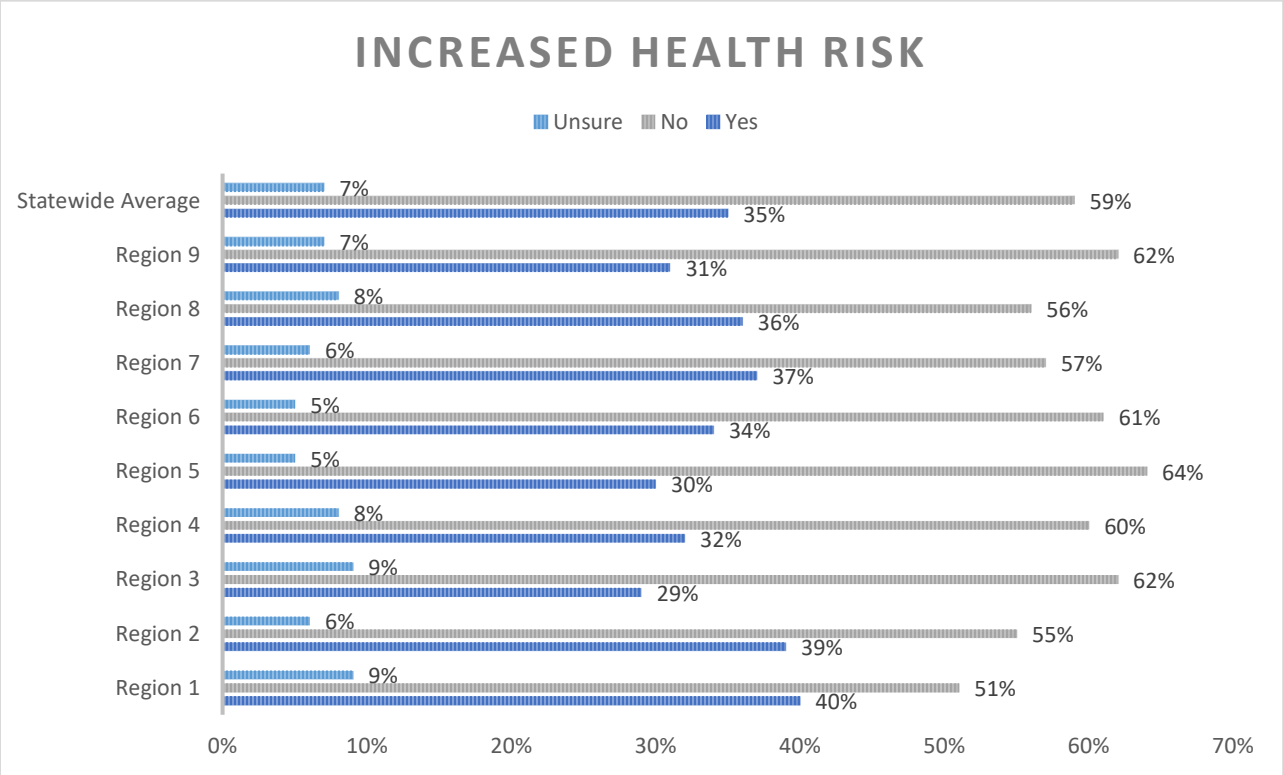
Plaquemines Parish	24	22	2
Pointe Coupee Parish	41	31	10
Rapides Parish	516	302	214
Red River Parish	14	13	1
Richland Parish	11	6	5
Sabine Parish	16	9	7
St. Bernard Parish	90	57	33
St. Charles Parish	140	93	47
St. Helena Parish	11	9	2
St. James Parish	17	11	6
St. John the Baptist Parish	74	40	34
St. Landry Parish	203	107	96
St. Martin Parish	149	106	43
St. Mary Parish	212	90	122
St. Tammany Parish	4109	1760	2349
Tangipahoa Parish	673	332	341
Tensas Parish	0	0	0
Terrebonne Parish	340	131	209
Union Parish	19	14	5
Vermilion Parish	69	30	39
Vernon Parish	69	32	37
Washington Parish	69	30	39
Webster Parish	146	122	24
West Baton Rouge Parish	45	37	8
West Carroll Parish	54	22	32
West Feliciana Parish	18	13	5
Winn Parish	20	13	7
Zachary Parish	34	25	9

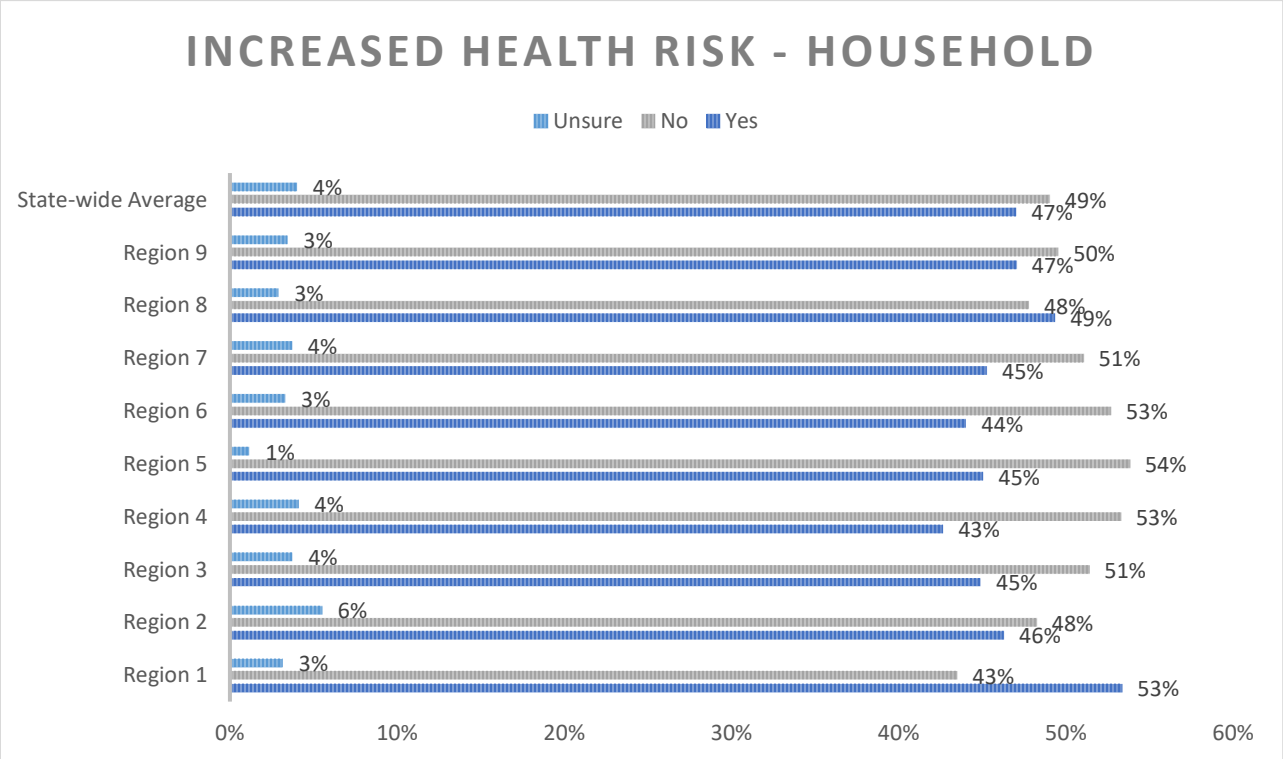
Breakdown by State-Wide COVID-19 Regions



Region	Participants
Region 1: New Orleans area	1722
Region 2: Baton Rouge Area	1171
Region 3: River Parishes and Houma-Thibodaux area	882
Region 4: Lafayette Area	1626
Region 5: Southwest Louisiana	485
Region 6: Central Louisiana	692
Region 7: Northwest Louisiana	1484
Region 8: Northeast Louisiana	542
Region 9: North Shore	6297

Health Risk by Region





Important Precautions by Region

How important do you think it is for your school system to: *(average score)*

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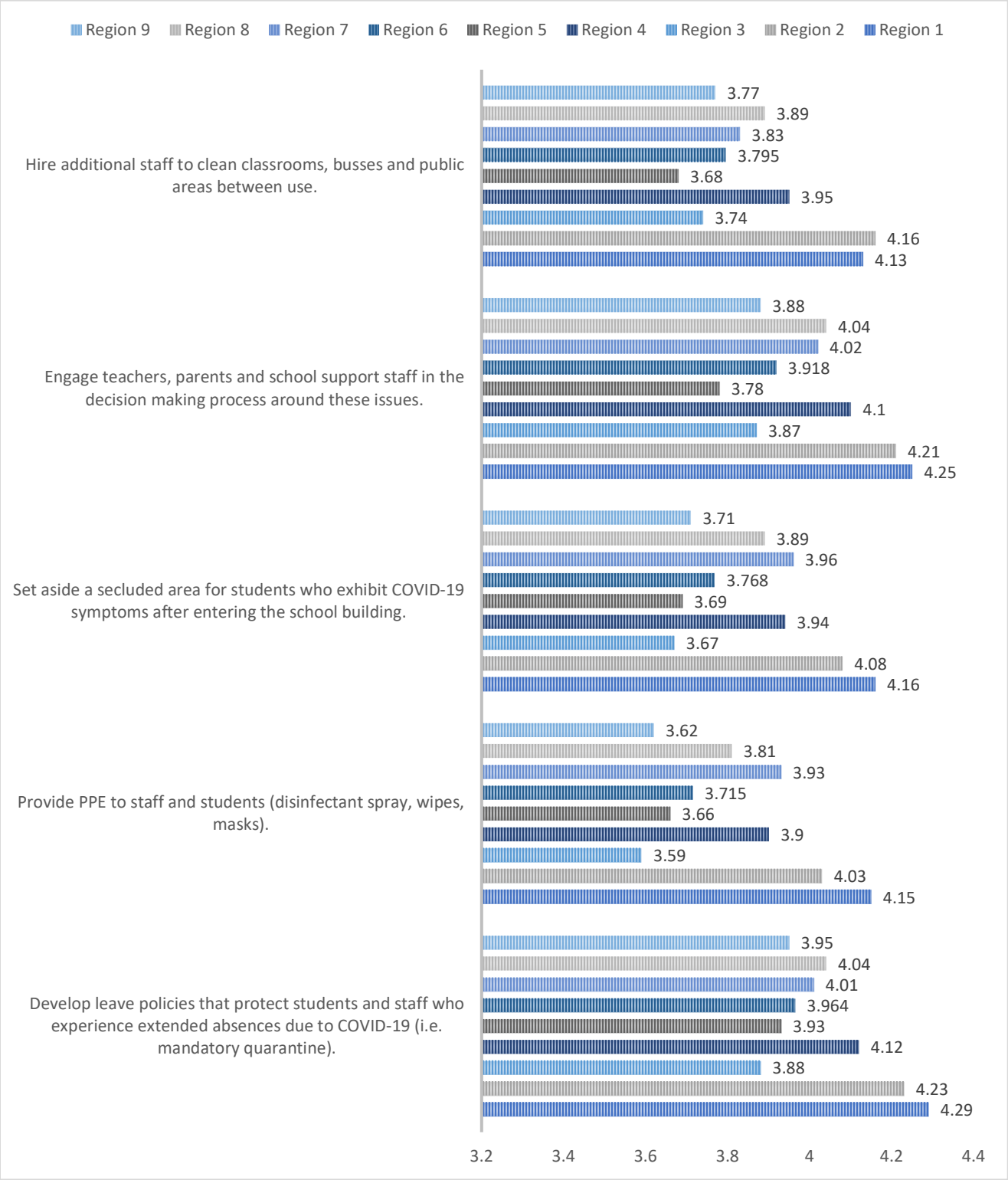

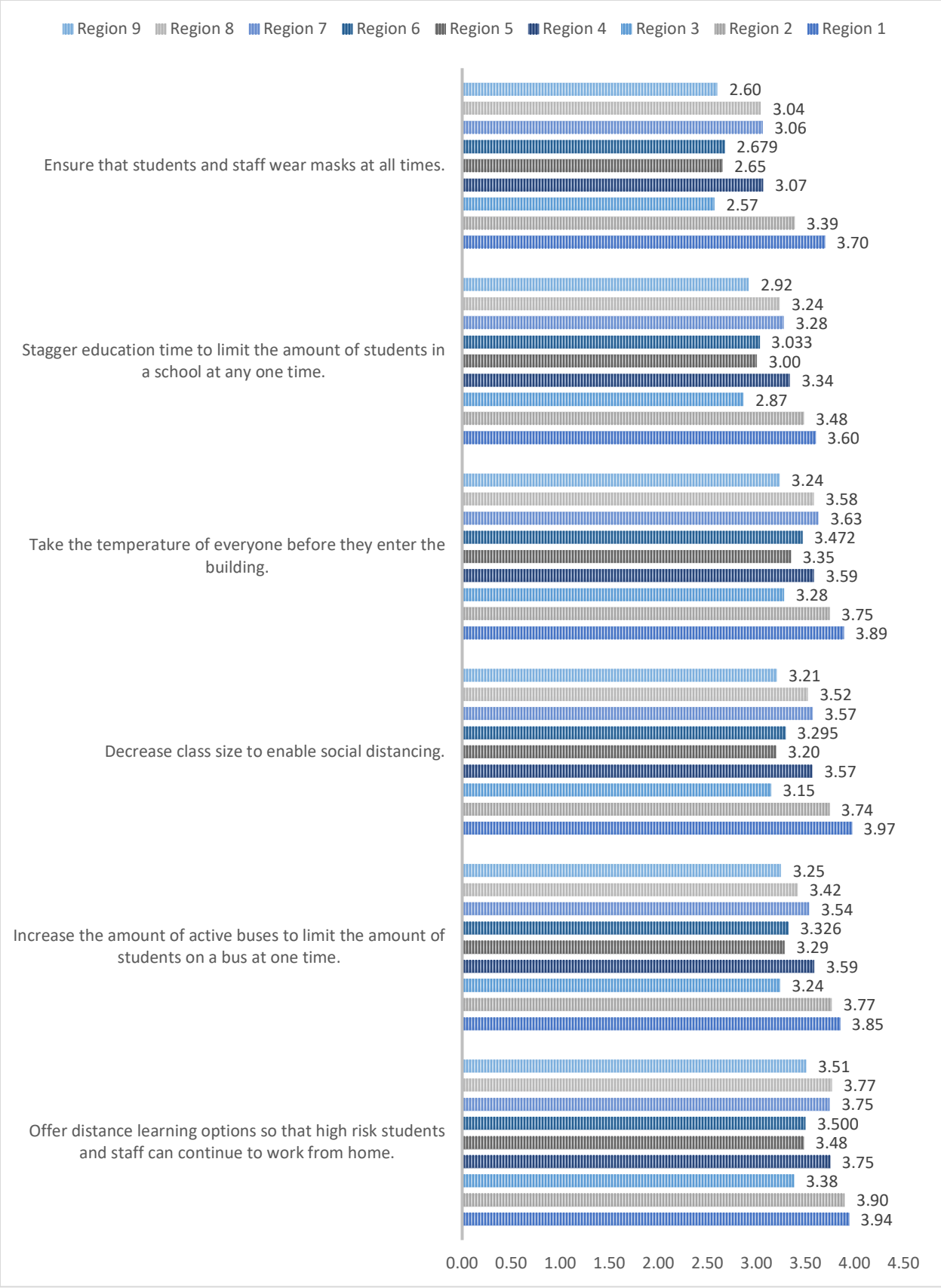
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Region 1
Ensure that students and staff wear masks at all times.
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Stagger education time to limit the amount of students in a school at any one time.
2.92
3.24
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2.87
3.48
3.60
Take the temperature of everyone before they enter the building.
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Decrease class size to enable social distancing.
3.21
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Increase the amount of active buses to limit the amount of students on a bus at one time.
3.25
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Offer distance learning options so that high risk students and staff can continue to work from home.
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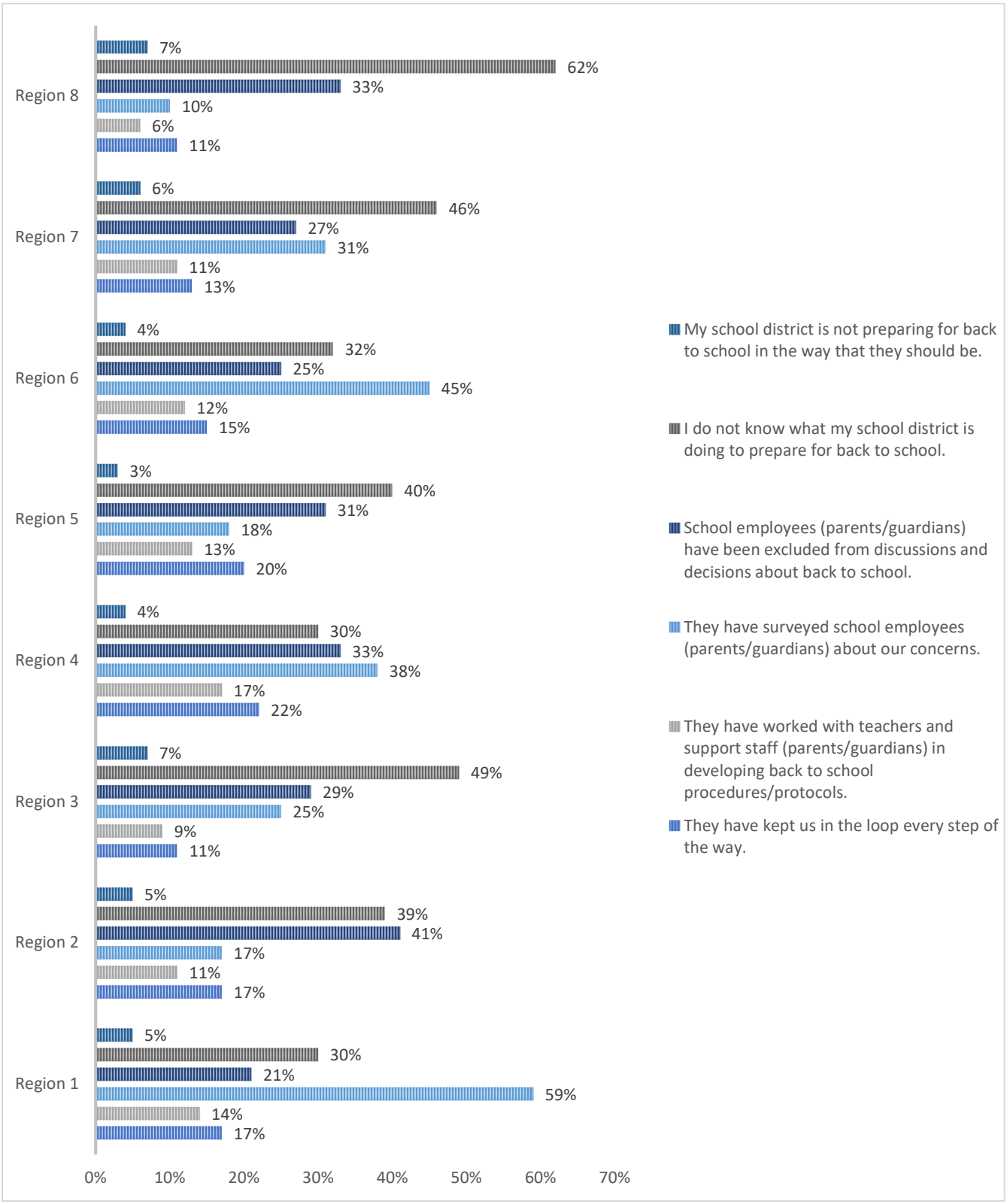
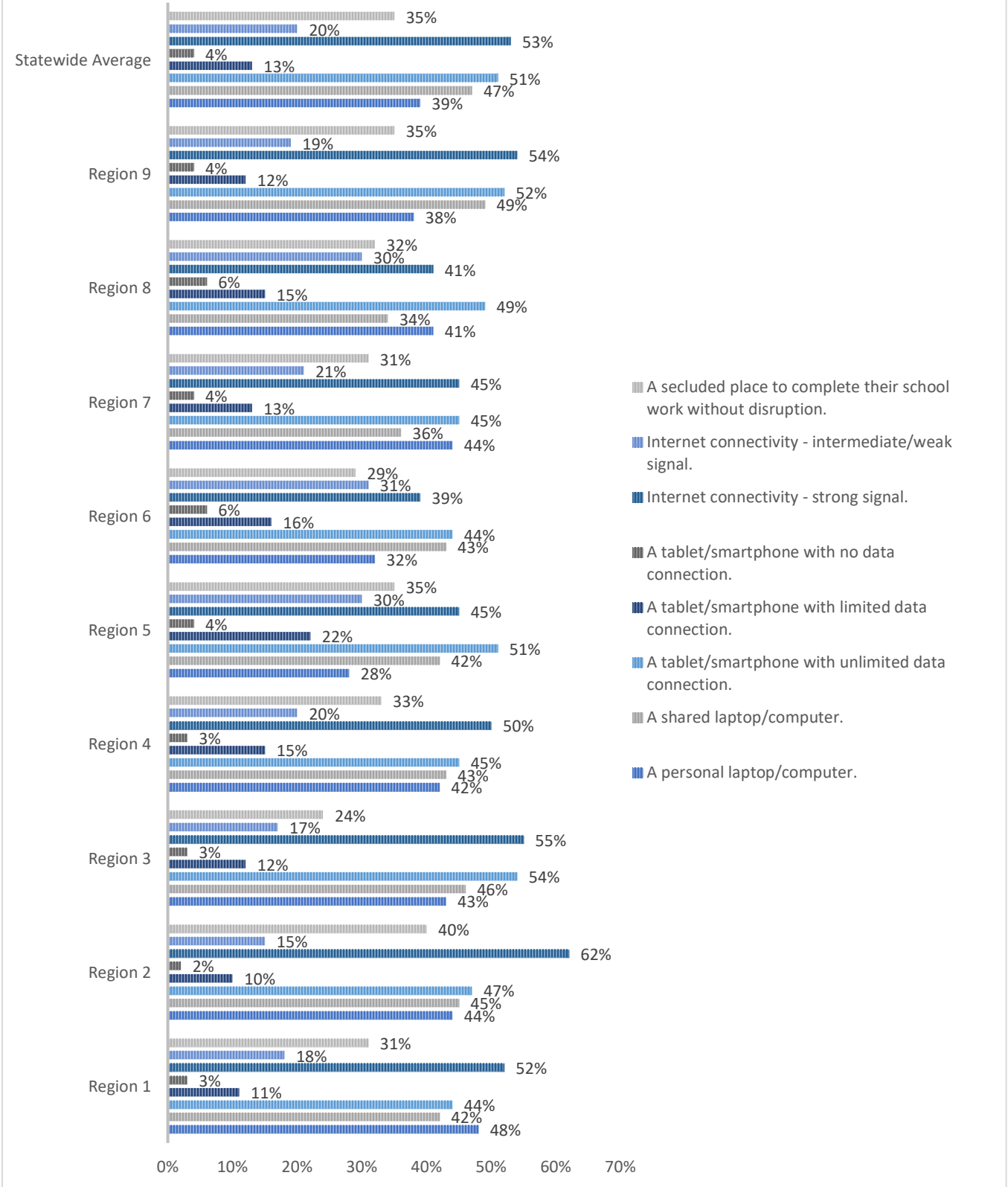
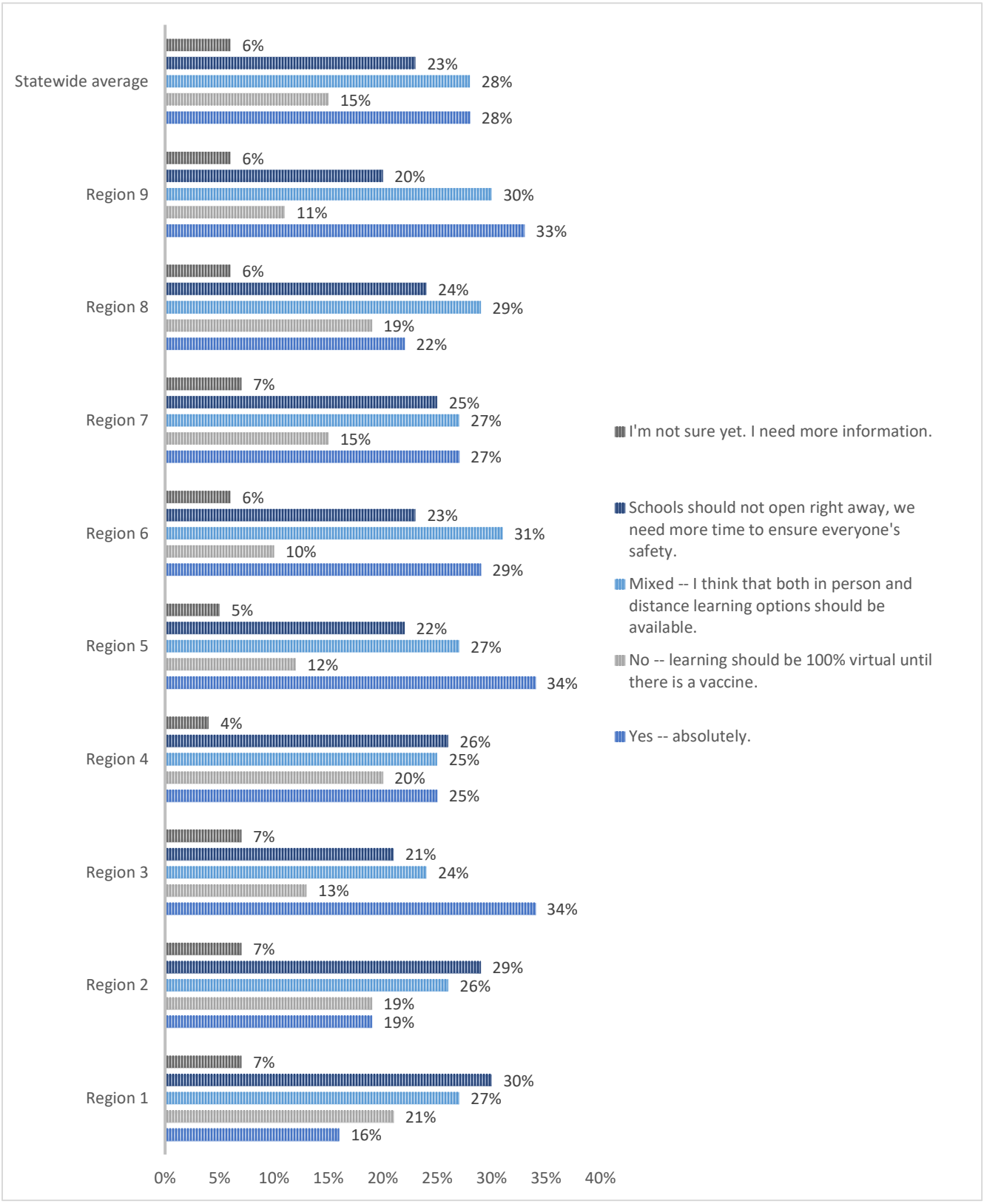
School District Communication by Region



Technology by Region



Schools Reopening by Region



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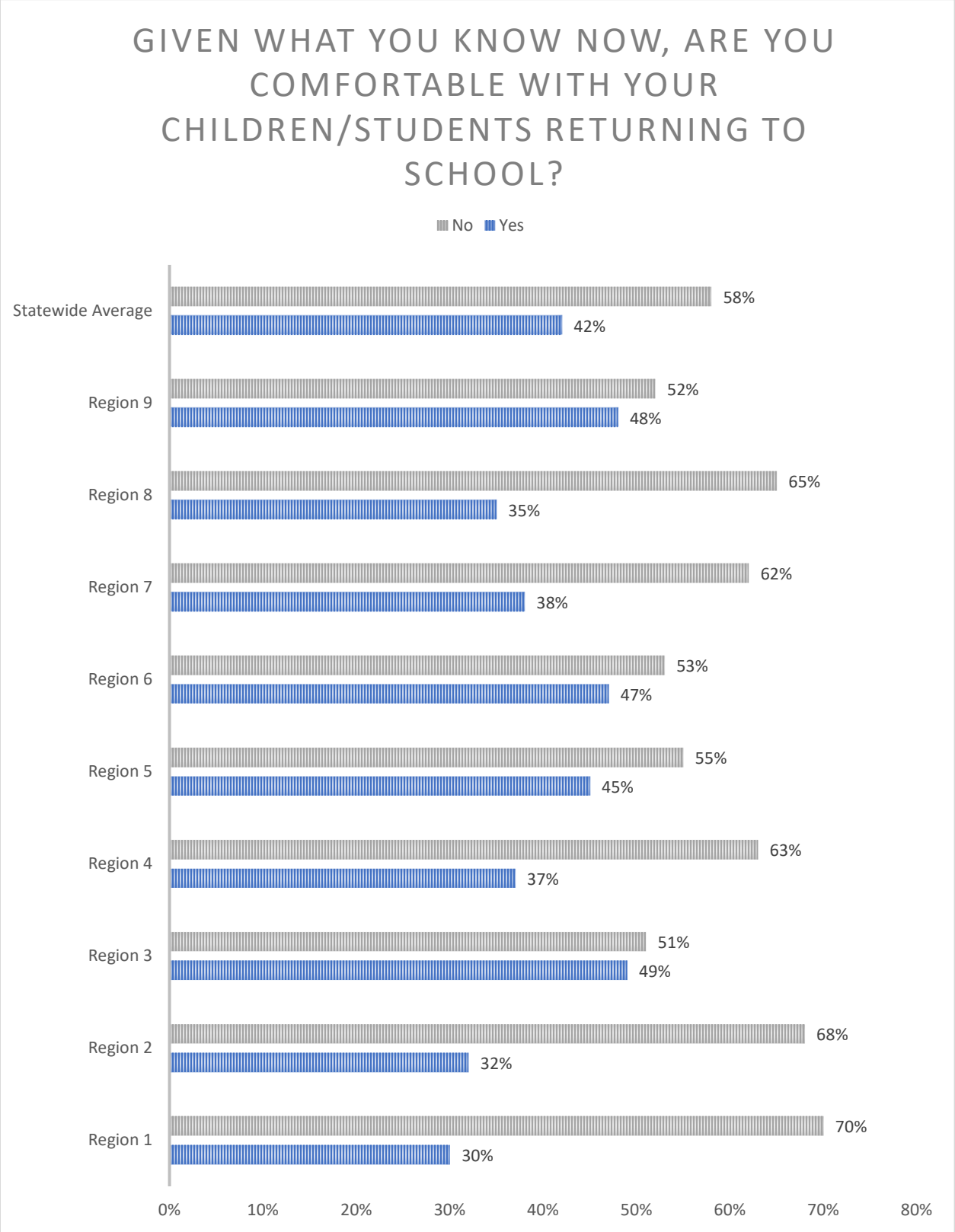

Region 1: New Orleans Area

Includes: Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	**40%**	**51%**	**9%**
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	**53%**	**43%**	**4%**

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	261	30%	96	25%	357	**28%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	179	20%	44	11%	223	**18%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	790	90%	211	55%	1001	**79%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	301	34%	96	25%	397	**31%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	327	37%	147	38%	474	**37%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	72	8%	33	9%	105	**8%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	233	48%
A shared laptop/computer.	204	42%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	211	44%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	52	11%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	13	3%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	252	52%

Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	86	18%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	150	31%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	157	12%	110	29%	267	**16%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	290	22%	69	18%	359	**21%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	371	28%	92	24%	463	**27%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	429	32%	88	23%	517	**30%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	92	7%	24	6%	116	**7%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	318	24%	158	42%	476	**28%**
No	985	76%	217	58%	1202	**72%**

Region 2 – Baton Rouge Area

Includes: Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Each Feliciana, Iberville, Pointe Coupe, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	**39%**	**55%**	**6%**
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	**46%**	**46%**	**6%**

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	144	16%	76	20%	220	**17%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	129	15%	55	14%	184	**14%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	535	61%	218	56%	753	**59%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	218	25%	50	13%	268	**21%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	245	28%	133	34%	378	**30%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	45	5%	24	6%	69	**5%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	166	44%
A shared laptop/computer.	171	45%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	177	47%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	38	10%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	8	2%

Internet connectivity - strong signal.	234	62%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	57	15%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	152	40%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	157	12%	110	29%	267	**16%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	290	22%	69	18%	359	**21%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	371	28%	92	24%	463	**27%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	429	32%	88	23%	517	**30%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	92	7%	24	6%	116	**7%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	318	24%	158	52%	476	**30%**
No	985	76%	144	48%	1129	**70%**

Region 3 – River Parishes and Houma-Thibodaux Area

Includes: Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John, St. Mary, Terrebonne

Health Risks

	yes	no	unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	29%	62%	9%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	45%	51%	4%

School District Communication

School District Communication	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	59	15%	108	19%	167	**17%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	57	14%	49	9%	106	**11%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	82	20%	82	14%	164	**17%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	204	51%	197	35%	401	**41%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	136	34%	247	43%	383	**39%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	21	5%	31	5%	52	**5%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	239	43%
A shared laptop/computer.	256	46%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	306	54%

A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	65	12%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	15	3%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	309	55%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	94	17%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	192	34%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	99	25%	202	42%	301	**34%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	64	16%	55	11%	119	**13%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	101	25%	110	23%	211	**24%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	102	25%	85	18%	187	**21%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	37	9%	27	6%	64	**7%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	159	40%	264	56%	423	**49%**
No	239	60%	209	44%	448	**51%**

Region 4 – Lafayette Area

Includes: Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, Vermilion

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	32%	60%	8%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	43%	53%	4%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	104	11%	118	12%	222	**11%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	128	13%	59	6%	187	**9%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	219	23%	273	27%	492	**25%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	333	35%	246	24%	579	**29%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	453	47%	514	51%	967	**49%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	59	6%	79	8%	138	**7%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	423	42%
A shared laptop/computer.	427	43%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	455	45%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	146	15%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	34	3%

Internet connectivity - strong signal.	501	50%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	200	20%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	332	33%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Total	
Yes -- absolutely.	169	18%	230	35%	399	**25%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	188	20%	135	20%	323	**20%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	277	29%	133	20%	410	**25%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	282	29%	145	22%	427	**26%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	44	5%	23	3%	67	**4%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	299	32%	287	43%	586	**37%**
No	642	68%	374	57%	1016	**63%**

Region 5 – Southwest Louisiana

Includes: Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	30%	64%	5%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	45%	54%	1%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	84	24%	35	19%	119	**22%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	71	21%	20	11%	91	**17%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	134	39%	67	36%	201	**38%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	121	35%	52	28%	173	**33%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	102	29%	57	31%	159	**30%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	13	4%	9	5%	22	**4%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	53	28%
A shared laptop/computer.	79	42%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	96	51%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	42	22%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	8	4%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	85	45%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	56	30%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	66	35%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	104	30%	60	43%	164	**34%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	38	11%	18	13%	56	**12%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	107	31%	24	17%	131	**27%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	77	22%	31	22%	108	**22%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	20	6%	6	4%	26	**5%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	148	44%	64	46%	212	**45%**
No	189	56%	74	54%	263	**55%**

Region 6 – Central Louisiana

Includes: Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Vernon, Winn

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	34%	61%	5%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	44%	53%	3%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	77	19%	72	20%	149	**20%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	63	16%	33	9%	96	**13%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	50	13%	87	25%	137	**18%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	159	40%	76	21%	235	**31%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	149	38%	151	43%	300	**40%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	15	4%	7	2%	22	**3%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	114	32%
A shared laptop/computer.	154	43%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	157	44%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	58	16%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	21	6%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	138	39%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	111	31%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	105	29%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	81	21%	120	40%	201	**29%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	41	10%	31	10%	72	**10%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	143	36%	74	25%	217	**31%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	103	26%	57	19%	160	**23%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	27	7%	15	5%	42	**6%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	157	41%	162	55%	319	**47%**
No	229	59%	133	45%	362	**53%**

Region 7 – Northwest Louisiana

Includes: Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Webster

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	37%	57%	6%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	45%	51%	4%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	203	17%	128	13%	331	**15%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	173	15%	78	8%	251	**12%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	460	39%	507	51%	967	**45%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	379	32%	168	17%	547	**25%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	367	31%	331	33%	698	**32%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	55	5%	38	4%	93	**4%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	395	44%
A shared laptop/computer.	322	36%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	403	45%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	116	13%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	34	4%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	405	45%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	190	21%

A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	274	31%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	259	22%	135	44%	394	**27%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	168	14%	49	16%	217	**15%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	346	29%	49	16%	395	**27%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	312	27%	61	20%	373	**25%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	91	8%	14	5%	105	**7%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	398	35%	157	51%	555	**38%**
No	746	65%	148	49%	894	**62%**

Region 8 – Northeast Louisiana

Includes: Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita (Monroe), Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	36%	56%	8%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	49%	48%	3%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	46	12%	28	14%	74	**13%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	55	14%	10	5%	65	**11%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	104	27%	77	37%	181	**31%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	122	32%	36	17%	158	**27%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	172	45%	99	48%	271	**46%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	25	7%	9	4%	34	**6%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	83	41%
A shared laptop/computer.	70	34%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	99	49%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	30	15%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	12	6%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	83	41%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	60	30%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	65	32%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	63	16%	58	36%	121	**22%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	70	18%	32	20%	102	**19%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	120	31%	35	22%	155	**29%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	99	26%	30	19%	129	**24%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	30	8%	5	3%	35	**6%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	119	32%	68	43%	187	**35%**
No	258	68%	89	57%	347	**65%**

Region 9 – North shore

Includes: Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Washington (Bogalusa)

Health Risks

	Yes	No	Unsure
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19	31%	62%	7%
Increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 in household	47%	50%	3%

School District Communication

	Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
They have kept us in the loop every step of the way.	243	9%	516	11%	759	**11%**
They have worked with teachers and support staff (parents/guardians) in developing back to school procedures/protocols.	193	7%	243	5%	436	**6%**
They have surveyed school employees (parents/guardians) about our concerns.	201	8%	517	11%	718	**10%**
School employees (parents/guardians) have been excluded from discussions and decisions about back to school.	1106	43%	1257	27%	2363	**33%**
I do not know what my school district is doing to prepare for back to school.	1529	59%	2883	63%	4412	**62%**
My school district is not preparing for back to school in the way that they should be.	181	7%	299	7%	480	**7%**

Technology

A personal laptop/computer.	1732	38%
A shared laptop/computer.	2235	49%
A tablet/smartphone with unlimited data connection.	2355	52%
A tablet/smartphone with limited data connection.	564	12%
A tablet/smartphone with no data connection.	167	4%
Internet connectivity - strong signal.	2472	54%
Internet connectivity - intermediate/weak signal.	853	19%
A secluded place to complete their school work without disruption.	1613	35%

Schools Reopening

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes -- absolutely.	576	22%	1520	41%	2096	**33%**
No -- learning should be 100% virtual until there is a vaccine.	290	11%	397	11%	687	**11%**
Mixed -- I think that both in person and distance learning options should be available.	854	33%	1024	28%	1878	**30%**
Schools should not open right away, we need more time to ensure everyone's safety.	676	26%	559	15%	1235	**20%**
I'm not sure yet. I need more information.	197	8%	204	6%	401	**6%**

Comfortability Sending Kids to School

	School Employees		Non-Employees		Combined	
Yes	1032	40%	1962	54%	2994	**48%**
No	1517	60%	1703	46%	3220	**52%**