

Meridian School Reintroduction

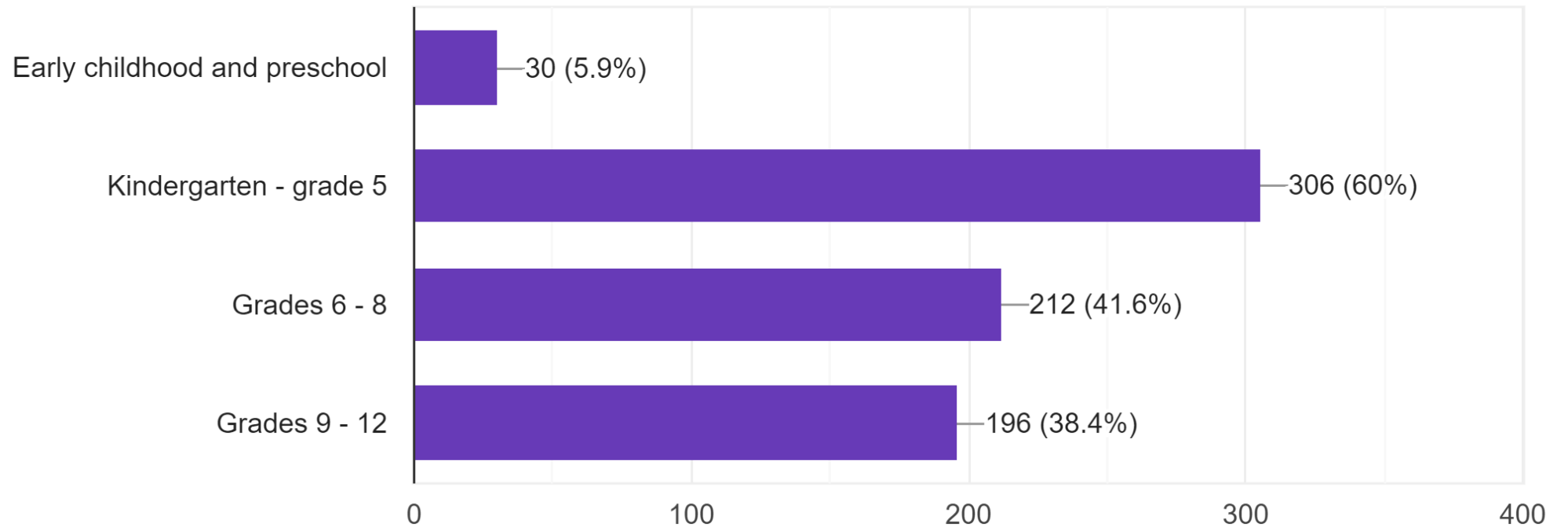
Family Feedback

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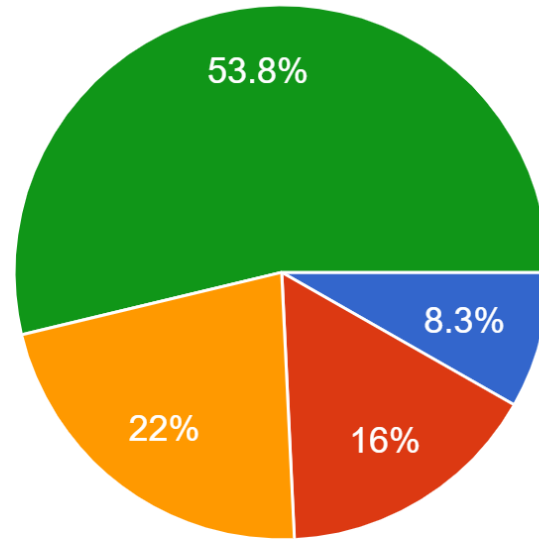
Please list your student's grade level. Check all that apply.

510 responses



If public health officials believe it is safe to allow in-person instruction, would you be comfortable having your ELEMENTARY student return to school this fall ?

400 responses

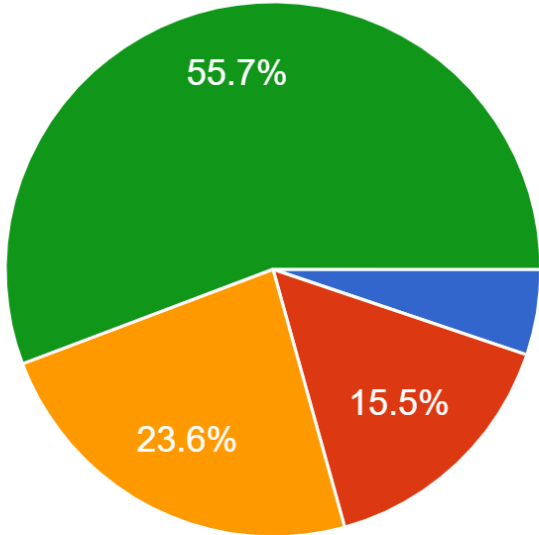


- Not at all comfortable
- Somewhat comfortable
- Comfortable with concerns
- Comfortable with minimal or no concerns



If public health officials believe it is safe to allow in-person instruction, would you be comfortable having your MIDDLE SCHOOL student return to school this fall?

348 responses

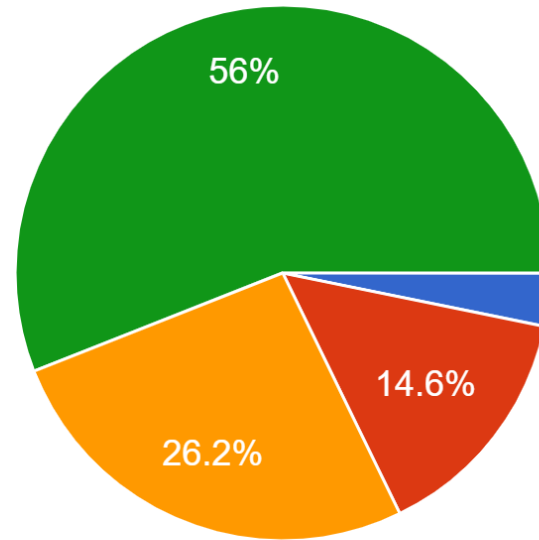


- Not at all comfortable
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If public health officials believe it is safe to allow in-person instruction, would you be comfortable having your HIGH SCHOOL student return to school this fall?

343 responses



- Not at all comfortable
- Somewhat comfortable
- Comfortable with concerns
- Comfortable with minimal or no concerns



What factors would help you feel more comfortable? Please check all that apply.
488 responses

239 (48.1%) Washington Department of Health and CDC regulations being followed

232 (46.7%) Symptom checks of employees required before entering school/workplace

210 (42.3%) Mandatory symptom checks required for every student before entering school

387 (77.9%) Classrooms and other gathering spaces cleaned and sanitized daily

396 (79.7%) Sanitizing supplies, including hand sanitizers readily available

163 (32.8%) Maintaining social distancing protocols

185 (37.2%) A hybrid model that allows students to participate in both in-person & remote online learning.

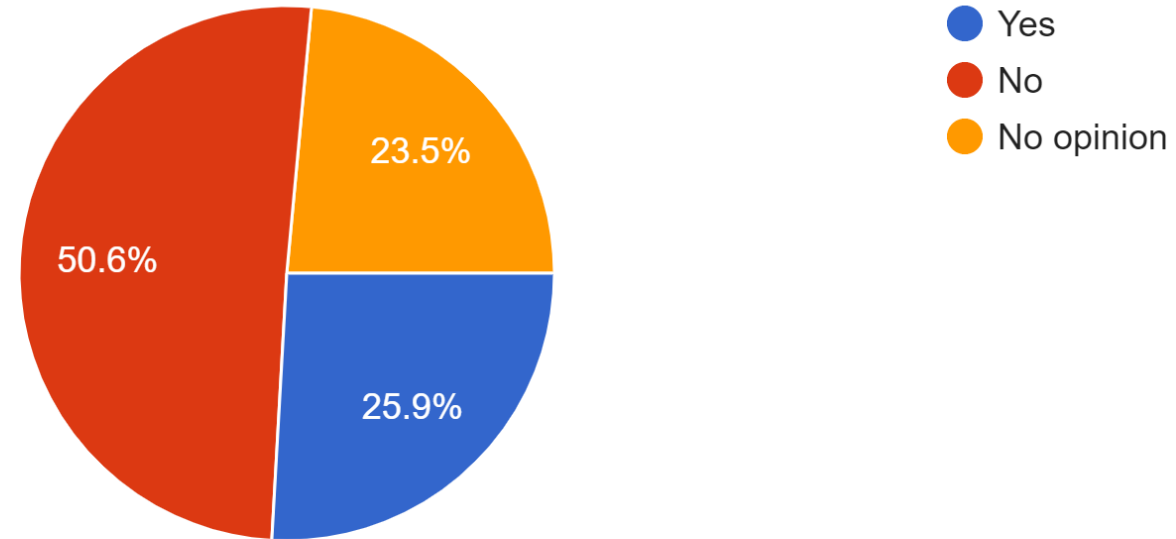
21 (4.2%) There is nothing that will make me feel comfortable.

59 (12%) Other (single comments: “It’s fine, open up,” “Kids need to go to school,” “Have sick kids stay home,” “wash hands and have sanitizer available” and similar comments repeated.)



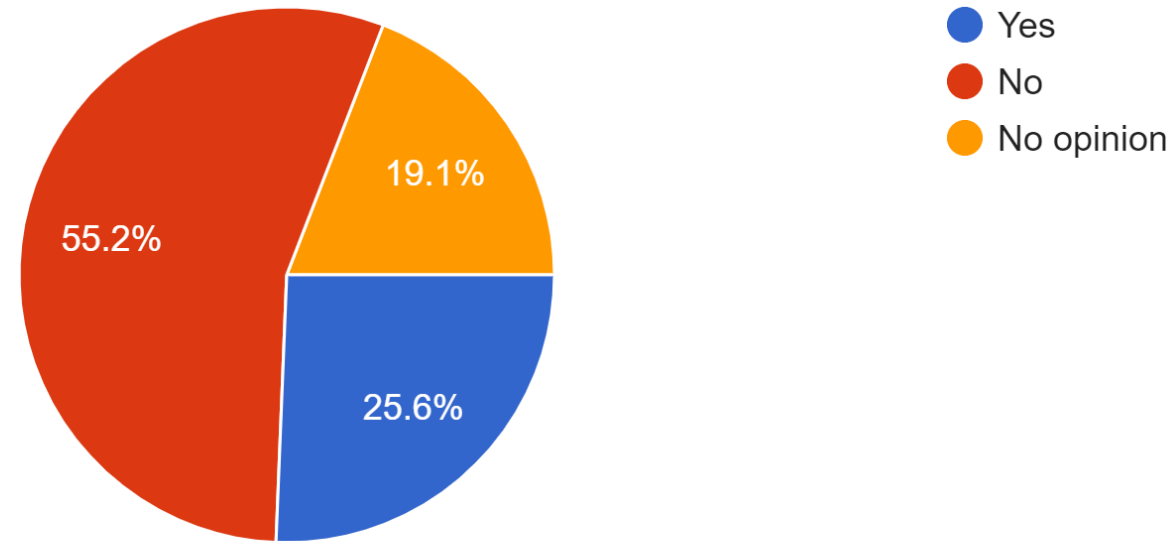
Would it increase your comfort level if staff were required to wear masks?

506 responses



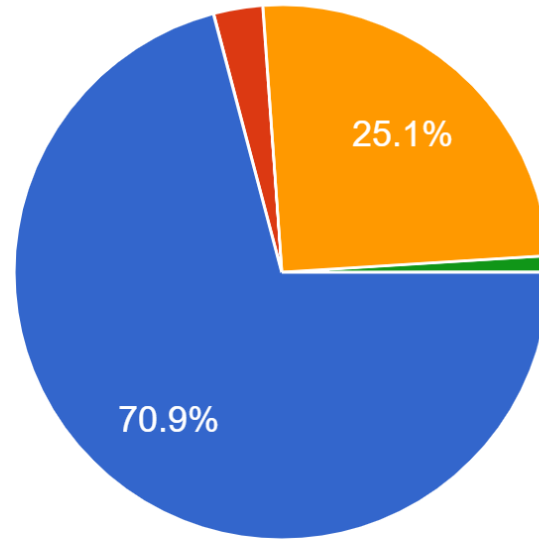
Would it increase your comfort level if students were required to wear masks?

507 responses



Do you intend to send your child(ren) to school this fall?

505 responses

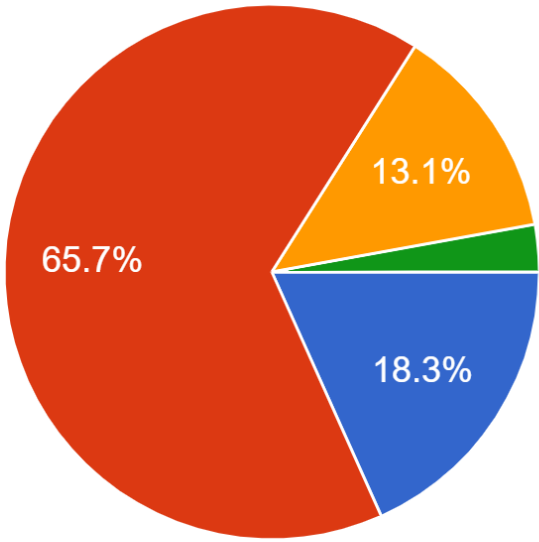


- Yes
- No
- Uncertain
- I will likely request other accommodations for health reasons



If you answered "No" or "Uncertain" to the previous question, please indicate which educational delivery option you most support for your child(ren).

175 responses



- All learning is conducted remotely via online learning
- A hybrid model that allows students to participate in both in-person and remote online learning.
- I plan to homeschool my child(ren).
- I plan to enroll my child(ren) in a charter or private school.



What are your primary concerns about coming back to school? Please check all that apply.
425 responses

- 181 (41.6%) Public health regulations not being followed
- 215 (49.4%) Classrooms and other student gathering places not properly disinfected
- 157 (36.1%) Availability of disinfecting materials or PPE (personal protective equipment)
- 57 (13.1%) Childcare/care for family members
- 145 (33.3%) Readjustment to classroom/office life
- 85 (19.5%) My child's transportation (e.g. school bus, etc.)
- 129 (29.7%) Having in-person interactions with others
- 121 (24.1%) Other (Single comments: Many reflect "Please return to school," "Returning is important for mental health," "Distance learning has not worked," and similar comments repeated.)



Prominent themes expressed throughout the entire survey:

Comforting for Parents

- Sanitizing spaces.
- Following health department and CDC guidelines.
- Daily temperature and symptom checks.
- Over 70% of parents at all levels are ready to send their children back to school.

Concerning for Parents

- Masks, masks, masks. Whether for students or teachers, masks are not popular.

Overall

- Parents are tired.
- Distance, remote learning is challenging.
- Materials are difficult to navigate and not sufficient for some.
- Some teachers have been inconsistent; streamlining/coordination is in order.
- There is a strong desire to know the plan as early as possible.
- Childcare may be a challenge, especially in a hybrid rotating model.
- If not fully in person, a hybrid rotating model may be helpful.
- Many concerns about lack of contact, socialization, depression, and trauma.
- Masks may be a health hazard (continuous touching) and difficult for expression and interacting.
- There is an overwhelming desire to return students to schools in the Fall.

To view individual comments offered in the survey, click this link:

<https://www.meridian.wednet.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Family-Survey-Results-Individual-Comments.pdf>

