

Q19. Switching gears, looking at public education in New York, how would you rate the job your local public school district does in preparing students to be college or career ready? Would you say your local public schools do an excellent job of preparing students, a good job, a fair job or a poor job?

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| | Total | Syracuse Area | Capital Region | Rochester Area | Binghamton Area | Buffalo Area | Hudson Valley | M | F | 18-34 | 35-54 | 55+ | Dem | Rep | Ind/Other | Lib | Mod | Conserv | Yes | No | Urban | Suburban | Rural | Yes | No | Cath | Prot | Other | <\$50K | \$50K-\$100K | \$100K+ | |
| | Excellent | 20% | 20% | 22% | 14% | 28% | 25% | 13% | 17% | 24% | 9% | 26% | 22% | 20% | 20% | 22% | 22% | 19% | 21% | 20% | 9% | 27% | 18% | 21% | 21% | 25% | 20% | 17% | 13% | 22% | 28% | |
| Good | 39% | 38% | 48% | 42% | 28% | 36% | 32% | 40% | 37% | 40% | 38% | 39% | 40% | 40% | 36% | 42% | 41% | 34% | 35% | 39% | 35% | 34% | 44% | 38% | 39% | 36% | 38% | 42% | 35% | 43% | 39% | |
| Fair | 24% | 21% | 23% | 23% | 30% | 21% | 27% | 24% | 23% | 33% | 20% | 23% | 25% | 24% | 20% | 21% | 28% | 32% | 20% | 32% | 20% | 25% | 24% | 24% | 21% | 30% | 20% | 29% | 21% | 23% | | |
| Poor | 15% | 15% | 6% | 18% | 12% | 15% | 23% | 15% | 14% | 16% | 13% | 14% | 15% | 12% | 15% | 12% | 14% | 16% | 10% | 16% | 23% | 16% | 11% | 15% | 14% | 17% | 14% | 22% | 12% | 8% | | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 3% | 5% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 5% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 3% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 1% | 7% | 2% | 2% | 2% | | |

Q20. And how would you rate the overall job that public schools across New York State do in preparing students to be college or career ready? Would you say that New York State public schools generally do an excellent job of preparing students, a good job, a fair job or a poor job?

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| | Excellent | 5% | 3% | 8% | 2% | 9% | 3% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 5% | 4% | 5% | 6% | 3% | 5% | 4% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 3% | 4% | 6% | |
| Good | 34% | 41% | 44% | 25% | 40% | 32% | 20% | 33% | 36% | 38% | 36% | 32% | 38% | 31% | 34% | 33% | 40% | 30% | 35% | 34% | 32% | 34% | 36% | 32% | 35% | 35% | 33% | 35% | 33% | 37% | 33% | |
| Fair | 39% | 40% | 33% | 44% | 36% | 49% | 42% | 42% | 37% | 37% | 40% | 41% | 34% | 41% | 46% | 39% | 36% | 44% | 45% | 38% | 44% | 37% | 41% | 42% | 39% | 38% | 43% | 40% | 38% | 41% | 43% | |
| Poor | 17% | 13% | 13% | 23% | 12% | 22% | 19% | 16% | 18% | 17% | 16% | 17% | 20% | 12% | 13% | 14% | 22% | 14% | 19% | 15% | 20% | 15% | 19% | 16% | 20% | 13% | 19% | 21% | 14% | 17% | | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 5% | 3% | 2% | 5% | 4% | 7% | 8% | 5% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 7% | 6% | 3% | 4% | 9% | 3% | 2% | 5% | 4% | 3% | 5% | 3% | 5% | 3% | 5% | 4% | 5% | 3% | 2% | | |

Q21. The Governor says that the approved budget will transform New York's school system in comprehensive ways and that the included reforms will move New York to an education system that rewards results, addresses challenges and demands accountability. Do you completely agree with the Governor's statement, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat or completely disagree?

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| | Completely agree | 6% | 5% | 2% | 5% | 8% | 9% | 9% | 6% | 6% | 11% | 4% | 5% | 8% | 4% | 6% | 9% | 4% | 8% | 5% | 6% | 11% | 3% | 7% | 5% | 7% | 6% | 7% | 4% | 8% | 7% | 2% |
| Somewhat agree | 37% | 40% | 44% | 33% | 32% | 39% | 30% | 38% | 36% | 43% | 42% | 41% | 44% | 30% | 37% | 35% | 46% | 25% | 36% | 37% | 45% | 35% | 36% | 32% | 39% | 36% | 36% | 39% | 39% | 37% | 33% | |
| Somewhat disagree | 24% | 23% | 20% | 27% | 21% | 26% | 31% | 26% | 23% | 18% | 24% | 27% | 23% | 26% | 23% | 27% | 23% | 27% | 19% | 27% | 19% | 24% | 27% | 21% | 27% | 24% | 23% | 28% | 20% | 27% | 28% | |
| Completely disagree | 30% | 30% | 30% | 32% | 38% | 25% | 27% | 26% | 33% | 24% | 39% | 25% | 25% | 34% | 33% | 28% | 26% | 37% | 36% | 28% | 25% | 36% | 27% | 37% | 26% | 30% | 31% | 28% | 30% | 26% | 36% | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 3% | 3% | 5% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 3% | 4% | 2% | 4% | 2% | 0% | 5% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 0% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 2% | 1% | |

Q22. The budget includes a six percent increase in state aid to education, raising state funding of schools to \$23.5 billion. Do you think we spend:

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| | Too much on education | 17% | 9% | 23% | 24% | 12% | 19% | 9% | 23% | 11% | 8% | 15% | 23% | 10% | 24% | 17% | 5% | 14% | 28% | 18% | 16% | 15% | 18% | 16% | 15% | 17% | 22% | 14% | 13% | 12% | 18% | 20% |
| The right amount on education | 22% | 29% | 20% | 18% | 16% | 24% | 22% | 25% | 20% | 21% | 18% | 25% | 21% | 28% | 17% | 19% | 23% | 24% | 19% | 23% | 20% | 23% | 21% | 16% | 25% | 23% | 24% | 17% | 21% | 22% | 24% | |
| Not enough on education | 57% | 57% | 53% | 54% | 67% | 53% | 61% | 48% | 65% | 65% | 62% | 47% | 65% | 42% | 62% | 69% | 62% | 44% | 58% | 57% | 62% | 54% | 58% | 63% | 54% | 50% | 58% | 65% | 62% | 57% | 50% | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 9% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 5% | 6% | 4% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 6% | | |

Q23. This year, Governor Cuomo tied an increase in education funding in the budget to the passage of reform measures including changes to the teacher evaluations and the ability to put low-performing schools in receivership. Do you think it was a good idea to address changes to education policy in the budget as was done or would you have preferred to address education policy separately?

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| | In the budget | 19% | 18% | 16% | 19% | 19% | 22% | 19% | 23% | 15% | 19% | 18% | 20% | 15% | 18% | 25% | 20% | 16% | 22% | 12% | 21% | 20% | 16% | 20% | 18% | 19% | 24% | 15% | 17% | 24% | 15% | 18% |
| Separately | 78% | 81% | 83% | 81% | 78% | 73% | 71% | 75% | 81% | 77% | 81% | 76% | 83% | 80% | 70% | 76% | 83% | 75% | 84% | 76% | 74% | 81% | 78% | 78% | 79% | 74% | 81% | 80% | 72% | 81% | 81% | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 3% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 3% | 5% | 10% | 3% | 4% | 4% | 1% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 5% | 4% | 1% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 3% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 4% | 3% | 4% | 1% | |

Q24a. Two of the changes included in this year's budget are that teachers rated 'ineffective' for two years in a row can be dismissed, and if a teacher is rated 'ineffective' for three years in a row the district MUST begin the dismissal process. Do you support or oppose allowing districts to dismiss teachers that have been rated as ineffective for two years in a row?

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| | Support | 57% | 57% | 53% | 62% | 59% | 53% | 58% | 59% | 54% | 56% | 54% | 62% | 56% | 61% | 55% | 53% | 58% | 62% | 50% | 60% | 58% | 53% | 61% | 56% | 58% | 58% | 58% | 55% | 64% | 55% | 53% |
| Oppose | 38% | 41% | 41% | 34% | 33% | 41% | 36% | 35% | 41% | 39% | 44% | 31% | 39% | 33% | 41% | 44% | 36% | 34% | 44% | 36% | 36% | 43% | 34% | 42% | 36% | 40% | 36% | 40% | 32% | 40% | 45% | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 5% | 2% | 5% | 5% | 7% | 6% | 6% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 2% | 7% | 5% | 6% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 6% | 4% | 5% | 2% | 6% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 4% | 6% | 2% | |

| Q24b. Do you support or oppose requiring districts to initiate the dismissal of any teacher found to be ineffective for three consecutive years? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Support | 66% | 67% | 67% | 69% | 65% | 62% | 66% | 68% | 65% | 60% | 64% | 72% | 66% | 65% | 67% | 51% | 70% | 74% | 60% | 69% | 61% | 63% | 71% | 62% | 69% | 72% | 68% | 59% | 69% | 67% | 63% |
| Oppose | 30% | 30% | 31% | 27% | 29% | 35% | 28% | 27% | 33% | 38% | 34% | 23% | 30% | 32% | 29% | 46% | 26% | 23% | 35% | 28% | 34% | 34% | 25% | 36% | 27% | 26% | 28% | 38% | 29% | 27% | 36% |
| Don't know/No opinion | 4% | 3% | 1% | 4% | 6% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 5% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 4% | 3% | 5% | 3% | 5% | 3% | 4% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 4% | 2% | 5% | 1% | |

| Q25. One of the disputes over changes in the teacher evaluation system that ultimately results in a teacher being deemed to be ineffective or effective is how much standardized testing given to students should count towards a teacher's score. Do you think a teacher's students' score on standardized tests should... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Not count at all towards a teacher's score | 31% | 36% | 34% | 23% | 28% | 33% | 26% | 26% | 35% | 36% | 37% | 22% | 27% | 36% | 29% | 30% | 29% | 31% | 37% | 28% | 27% | 33% | 30% | 37% | 28% | 31% | 29% | 33% | 28% | 30% | 36% |
| Should count about 25% of a teacher's score | 43% | 37% | 43% | 43% | 46% | 48% | 44% | 43% | 44% | 49% | 38% | 46% | 49% | 38% | 44% | 48% | 47% | 37% | 43% | 43% | 45% | 42% | 45% | 40% | 44% | 41% | 47% | 42% | 42% | 45% | 43% |
| Should count 50% of a teacher's score | 16% | 14% | 18% | 19% | 14% | 12% | 17% | 19% | 13% | 9% | 15% | 20% | 15% | 16% | 18% | 13% | 16% | 19% | 15% | 16% | 11% | 18% | 15% | 13% | 17% | 16% | 15% | 17% | 18% | 15% | 13% |
| Should count more than 50% | 8% | 11% | 5% | 12% | 7% | 5% | 11% | 10% | 7% | 7% | 10% | 8% | 8% | 8% | 8% | 6% | 12% | 5% | 10% | 17% | 5% | 9% | 9% | 8% | 10% | 7% | 6% | 10% | 8% | 6% | |
| Don't know/No opinion | 2% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 5% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 1% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 3% | 2% | 1% | |

| Q26. Schools that have been identified as a failing school will, as part of the new budget, be required to show demonstrable improvement in one year or go into receivership. Either the Superintendent or the Chancellor will, as the receiver, have the power to hire and fire staff and to restructure the school. Do you support this approach to failing schools or do you prefer that failing schools are addressed by the local school district? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Support this approach | 26% | 16% | 27% | 23% | 29% | 33% | 28% | 27% | 25% | 23% | 24% | 28% | 22% | 25% | 29% | 26% | 25% | 28% | 18% | 29% | 32% | 27% | 22% | 27% | 26% | 32% | 19% | 27% | 28% | 25% | 25% |
| Prefer that failing schools are addressed by the local school district | 69% | 79% | 70% | 71% | 65% | 63% | 63% | 67% | 71% | 73% | 73% | 65% | 72% | 71% | 65% | 68% | 70% | 69% | 79% | 66% | 63% | 70% | 72% | 71% | 69% | 63% | 76% | 69% | 66% | 71% | 73% |
| Don't know/No opinion | 5% | 5% | 3% | 6% | 6% | 5% | 9% | 6% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 4% | 6% | 6% | 5% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 3% | 6% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 6% | 4% | 2% |

Time Warner Cable/Siena College Poll
 April 6-9, 2015
 737 Upstate New York* Registered Voters
 MOE +/- 4.4%

| Nature of the Sample | |
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| Upstate New York Registered Voters | |
| Party | |
| Democrat | 35% |
| Republican | 31% |
| Independent/Other | 29% |
| Region | |
| Syracuse Area | 19% |
| Capital Region | 20% |
| Rochester Area | 18% |
| Binghamton Area | 11% |
| Buffalo Area | 19% |
| Hudson Valley | 13% |
| Political View | |
| Liberal | 21% |
| Moderate | 40% |
| Conservative | 33% |
| Union Household | |
| Yes | 28% |
| No | 71% |
| Religion | |
| Catholic | 35% |
| Protestant | 34% |
| Other | 28% |
| Age | |
| 18 to 34 | 21% |
| 35 to 54 | 37% |
| 55 and older | 38% |
| Children in Household | |
| Yes | 33% |
| No | 65% |
| Gender | |
| Male | 47% |
| Female | 53% |
| Area | |
| Urban | 12% |
| Suburban | 43% |
| Rural | 43% |
| Income | |
| Less than \$50,000 | 33% |
| \$50,000 to \$100,000 | 34% |
| \$100,000 or more | 24% |

* Counties include: Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Dutchess, Erie, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Rensselaer, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schoenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates

Syracuse Area: Cayuga, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, St. Lawrence, Seneca

Capital Region: Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schoenectady, Schoharie, Warren, Washington

Rochester Area: Allegany, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates

Binghamton Area: Broome, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Schuyler, Steuben, Tompkins

Buffalo Area: Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Niagara

Hudson Valley: Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Ulster