

**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?**

		Region							Gender		Age			Party			Political View			Union HH		Area			Children in HH			Religion			Income		
	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%	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%	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%	12%	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%	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%	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%	36%	49%	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%	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%	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%	7%	5%	6%	7%	4%	8%	7%	2%		
Somewhat agree	37%	40%	44%	33%	32%	39%	30%	38%	36%	43%	32%	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%	2%	0%	5%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	2%	0%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%	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%	5%	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%	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%	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%	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%	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	
Upstate New York Registered Voters	
<b>Party</b>	
Democrat	35%
Republican	31%
Independent/Other	29%
<b>Region</b>	
Syracuse Area	19%
Capital Region	20%
Rochester Area	18%
Binghamton Area	11%
Buffalo Area	19%
Hudson Valley	13%
<b>Political View</b>	
Liberal	21%
Moderate	40%
Conservative	33%
<b>Union Household</b>	
Yes	28%
No	71%
<b>Religion</b>	
Catholic	35%
Protestant	34%
Other	28%
<b>Age</b>	
18 to 34	21%
35 to 54	37%
55 and older	38%
<b>Children in Household</b>	
Yes	33%
No	65%
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	47%
Female	53%
<b>Area</b>	
Urban	12%
Suburban	43%
Rural	43%
<b>Income</b>	
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, Tioga, Tompkins

Buffalo Area: Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Niagara

Hudson Valley: Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Ulster