

**1. Most important subjects**

What do you think are the most important subjects to learn in high school? (Select up to 5)

	Total	Gender		Age				Party ID		
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Reading & writing	81%	83%	80%	76%	81%	85%	82%	80%	79%	88%
Math	88%	92%	84%	88%	85%	92%	83%	89%	87%	88%
History	66%	70%	62%	69%	60%	67%	70%	64%	63%	75%
Literature	28%	26%	30%	31%	24%	26%	34%	26%	29%	29%
Science	71%	80%	63%	76%	70%	71%	66%	70%	69%	77%
Foreign language	23%	20%	26%	32%	23%	19%	21%	21%	24%	25%
Computers	52%	54%	50%	41%	54%	56%	53%	53%	50%	54%
Art	9%	7%	11%	11%	10%	8%	6%	13%	8%	5%
Music	12%	11%	14%	10%	12%	12%	18%	14%	11%	13%
PE	17%	18%	17%	16%	14%	22%	15%	15%	19%	15%
Totals	(1,000)	(463)	(537)	(189)	(253)	(391)	(167)	(330)	(432)	(238)

	Total	Race			Family Income				Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Reading & writing	81%	82%	82%	75%	80%	81%	82%	87%	78%	84%	80%	83%
Math	88%	89%	91%	77%	86%	90%	89%	90%	84%	87%	91%	87%
History	66%	69%	65%	50%	62%	67%	60%	71%	63%	60%	69%	69%
Literature	28%	28%	16%	38%	29%	27%	22%	31%	30%	25%	31%	24%
Science	71%	74%	63%	62%	64%	76%	80%	80%	71%	72%	70%	72%
Foreign language	23%	24%	26%	19%	24%	27%	19%	24%	25%	23%	25%	18%
Computers	52%	52%	63%	43%	53%	52%	64%	47%	51%	54%	49%	54%
Art	9%	9%	10%	7%	10%	10%	6%	8%	9%	9%	10%	6%
Music	12%	12%	10%	17%	11%	12%	22%	13%	13%	20%	9%	12%
PE	17%	16%	26%	15%	18%	16%	14%	14%	12%	19%	17%	19%
Totals	(1,000)	(772)	(119)	(109)	(372)	(311)	(74)	(102)	(168)	(221)	(342)	(269)

	Total	Closely following - Common Core			
		Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
Reading & writing	81%	87%	76%	85%	83%
Math	88%	91%	90%	87%	88%
History	66%	78%	70%	66%	60%
Literature	28%	27%	25%	31%	28%
Science	71%	83%	75%	69%	68%
Foreign language	23%	22%	20%	23%	28%
Computers	52%	40%	50%	55%	54%
Art	9%	6%	12%	6%	10%
Music	12%	16%	13%	12%	11%
PE	17%	13%	18%	16%	19%
Totals	(1,000)	(106)	(319)	(314)	(251)

## 2. Closely following - Common Core

How closely are you following the debate over setting up a common set of standards for childhood education in the United States, also known as the Common Core State Standards (or simply, Common Core)?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Very closely	9%	10%	8%	10%	13%	9%	4%	8%	8%	13%
Somewhat closely	29%	31%	27%	22%	28%	33%	32%	27%	30%	30%
Not very closely	34%	34%	33%	33%	30%	36%	35%	32%	35%	33%
Not closely at all	28%	24%	32%	34%	29%	22%	30%	33%	26%	24%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (990)	100% (462)	100% (528)	100% (181)	100% (252)	100% (391)	100% (166)	100% (327)	100% (425)	100% (238)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very closely	9%	11%	2%	6%	6%	10%	10%	16%	12%	5%	10%	8%
Somewhat closely	29%	32%	24%	16%	28%	32%	40%	29%	24%	33%	31%	27%
Not very closely	34%	33%	30%	44%	33%	34%	37%	33%	40%	36%	30%	34%
Not closely at all	28%	24%	44%	33%	33%	25%	13%	22%	23%	26%	29%	31%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (990)	100% (764)	100% (119)	100% (107)	100% (367)	100% (310)	100% (74)	100% (102)	100% (163)	100% (218)	100% (340)	100% (269)

Closely following - Common Core					
	Total	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
Very closely	9%	100%	—	—	—
Somewhat closely	29%	—	100%	—	—
Not very closely	34%	—	—	100%	—
Not closely at all	28%	—	—	—	100%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (990)	100% (106)	100% (319)	100% (314)	100% (251)

### 3. Favorability - Common Core

Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion about Common Core?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Very favorable	5%	6%	3%	7%	5%	5%	2%	6%	4%	4%
Somewhat favorable	18%	19%	17%	22%	15%	16%	21%	20%	20%	11%
Somewhat unfavorable	16%	18%	14%	16%	12%	18%	16%	16%	14%	20%
Very unfavorable	17%	15%	19%	15%	18%	20%	14%	4%	20%	29%
Don't know	44%	42%	47%	40%	51%	41%	47%	53%	42%	37%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (987)	100% (462)	100% (525)	100% (180)	100% (252)	100% (388)	100% (167)	100% (325)	100% (424)	100% (238)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very favorable	5%	4%	7%	7%	6%	5%	2%	4%	7%	3%	5%	4%
Somewhat favorable	18%	18%	21%	17%	20%	16%	17%	25%	19%	24%	19%	10%
Somewhat unfavorable	16%	17%	7%	16%	14%	16%	20%	16%	19%	14%	13%	19%
Very unfavorable	17%	21%	5%	8%	10%	22%	22%	23%	13%	18%	19%	16%
Don't know	44%	40%	60%	53%	50%	40%	39%	31%	41%	40%	44%	51%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (987)	100% (763)	100% (119)	100% (105)	100% (366)	100% (310)	100% (74)	100% (101)	100% (163)	100% (217)	100% (340)	100% (267)

	Closely following - Common Core				
	Total	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
Very favorable	5%	20%	6%	2%	2%
Somewhat favorable	18%	15%	27%	22%	5%
Somewhat unfavorable	16%	18%	21%	22%	3%
Very unfavorable	17%	46%	28%	10%	5%
Don't know	44%	1%	18%	44%	86%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (987)	100% (105)	100% (318)	100% (313)	100% (250)

**4. State standards - Common Core**

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total	Gender		Age				Party ID		
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
There should be nationwide standards established to ensure that all students graduating from high school are prepared to enter the workforce or start college. Each state should independently establish its own curriculum and the standards it believes to be the best for its residents.	64%	59%	68%	69%	62%	62%	64%	78%	65%	42%
	36%	41%	32%	31%	38%	38%	36%	22%	35%	58%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (984)	100% (458)	100% (526)	100% (181)	100% (248)	100% (388)	100% (167)	100% (327)	100% (422)	100% (235)

	Total	Race			Family Income				Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
There should be nationwide standards established to ensure that all students graduating from high school are prepared to enter the workforce or start college. Each state should independently establish its own curriculum and the standards it believes to be the best for its residents.	64%	60%	78%	72%	69%	55%	58%	69%	64%	63%	65%	63%
	36%	40%	22%	28%	31%	45%	42%	31%	36%	37%	35%	37%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (984)	100% (758)	100% (119)	100% (107)	100% (366)	100% (307)	100% (73)	100% (101)	100% (163)	100% (215)	100% (337)	100% (269)

	Total	Closely following - Common Core			
		Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
There should be nationwide standards established to ensure that all students graduating from high school are prepared to enter the workforce or start college.	64%	34%	53%	69%	79%
Each state should independently establish its own curriculum and the standards it believes to be the best for its residents.	36%	66%	47%	31%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(984)	(105)	(316)	(312)	(250)

**5. Federal involvement**

How involved should the federal government be in childhood education?

	Total	Gender		Age				Party ID		
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Should not be involved at all	17%	20%	14%	6%	15%	24%	20%	5%	19%	28%
Should provide resources for state governments, but otherwise keep out	20%	22%	19%	19%	19%	18%	29%	17%	18%	29%
Should help states to coordinate with each other to establish standards	22%	20%	23%	22%	22%	19%	26%	26%	23%	14%
Should direct states to establish standards, but not set those standards	9%	8%	10%	15%	7%	9%	5%	11%	9%	8%
Should require states to adhere to common core standards	21%	20%	21%	28%	21%	18%	15%	31%	17%	14%
Not sure	11%	10%	12%	10%	15%	11%	5%	11%	13%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(991)	(462)	(529)	(181)	(253)	(390)	(167)	(328)	(425)	(238)

	Total	Race			Family Income				Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Should not be involved at all	17%	20%	10%	7%	13%	21%	16%	15%	11%	17%	16%	23%
Should provide resources for state governments, but otherwise keep out	20%	21%	14%	25%	19%	23%	34%	14%	18%	19%	22%	22%
Should help states to coordinate with each other to establish standards	22%	21%	24%	23%	24%	19%	17%	27%	22%	22%	24%	19%
Should direct states to establish standards, but not set those standards	9%	10%	10%	7%	8%	9%	5%	13%	14%	8%	8%	9%
Should require states to adhere to common core standards	21%	20%	24%	20%	20%	22%	23%	26%	21%	25%	19%	19%
Not sure	11%	9%	18%	17%	15%	6%	4%	5%	15%	10%	12%	8%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (991)	100% (766)	100% (119)	100% (106)	100% (369)	100% (310)	100% (74)	100% (101)	100% (163)	100% (219)	100% (341)	100% (268)

	Total	Closely following - Common Core			
		Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
Should not be involved at all	17%	27%	26%	13%	9%
Should provide resources for state governments, but otherwise keep out	20%	24%	24%	21%	15%
Should help states to coordinate with each other to establish standards	22%	18%	20%	24%	23%
Should direct states to establish standards, but not set those standards	9%	8%	10%	10%	8%
Should require states to adhere to common core standards	21%	15%	16%	19%	29%
Not sure	11%	8%	5%	12%	17%

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	Total	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not closely at all
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (991)	100% (106)	100% (319)	100% (313)	100% (251)

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