

## University of Phoenix: Virtual Teaching Academy Research

Research Findings - April 2020



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### **RESEARCH OBJECTIVES**

- ✓ Provide data and insights on the successes, pain points, and current needs of K-12 teachers across the U.S. as they have shifted from classroom to virtual teaching
- Explore how teachers have fared with the transition to virtual teaching including where they are in the process, their confidence in applying their skills online in this new format, and what impact the transition will have on their students' futures
- ✓ Understand the emotional responses behind this transition (i.e., connectedness, stress) and how teachers are addressing their own mental health / wellness
- ✓ Learn which resources and tools are currently at their disposal, what they wish they had available, and what content would help them succeed in virtual teaching

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### **METHODOLOGY**



### Method

15-minute online survey

### Timing

Survey fielded from April 10 – April 13, 2020

### **Target Audience**

K-12 teachers in the United States; n=1,000

The margin of error for teachers, at the 95% Confidence Level:
K-12 Teachers +/- 3.1%

### **Subgroups**

- Under 30 yrs old; n=143, +/- 8.2%
- 30-49 yrs old; n=546, +/- 4.2%
- 50+ yrs old; n=312, +/- 5.5%
- Primary School; n=505, +/- 4.4%
- Middle School; n=303, +/- 5.6%
- High School; n=320, +/- 5.5%
- More than 2/3 low-income students; n=217, +/- 6.7%
- Between 1/3 and 2/3 low-income;
   n=113, +/- 9.2%
- Less than 1/3 low-income; n=187,
   +/- 7.2%



### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **CURRENT STATUS:**

By now, most teachers have transitioned to virtual teaching in one way or another – yet many have felt unprepared and overwhelmed by the task. As they adjust, their primary concern is the well-being and development of their students', from both a social and intellectual standpoint, and they're highly motivated to do right by them.

### **WHAT IS GOING WELL:**

Peers and principals have been critical in providing both emotional support and functional connections for teachers. Colleagues are helping teachers manage their own mental health / wellness and are cited as the most helpful resource in navigating this transition.

### **RESOURCES:**

There is a wealth of information and resources available to teachers to help them with virtual instruction – but teachers are deluged with information right now.

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### **HOW CAN WE SUPPORT K-12 TEACHERS?**

### **ONBOARDING:**

Teachers have not received adequate training or tech support in switching over to virtual teaching. The short period of time they were given to prepare for the transition shows in the fact that it takes almost as long to prepare for coursework each day as it does to teach.

Teachers miss their students and the positive effects classroom learning can bring. They are making themselves available in a myriad of ways to maintain connection and are interested in creative ways to teach virtually.

### "READING" STUDENTS:

Teachers are worried about their ability to gauge if students are learning or struggling in a virtual environment. Additionally, the effectiveness of their teaching is greatly impacted by the home life and available resources of their students.

Teachers do not think this / next school year will go as planned – they know that flexibility is key right now and for the future.

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## Status on Virtual Teaching

### **KEY FINDING #1**

At the time of fielding, nearly all schools had physically closed (99%) due to COVID-19 and most teachers had already transitioned to virtual / online teaching (94%) in some way.

However, teachers spend almost as much time prepping for virtual teaching (3hrs) as they do actively teaching lessons (4hrs).

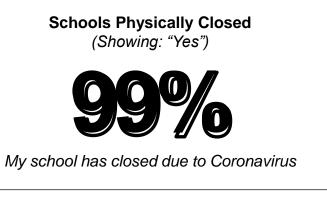
Among the few teachers that believe they will not transition at all – access to technology and support at home are cited as barriers.

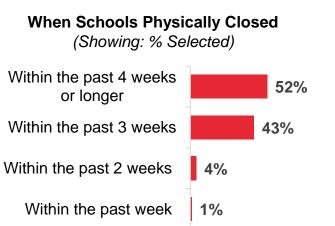
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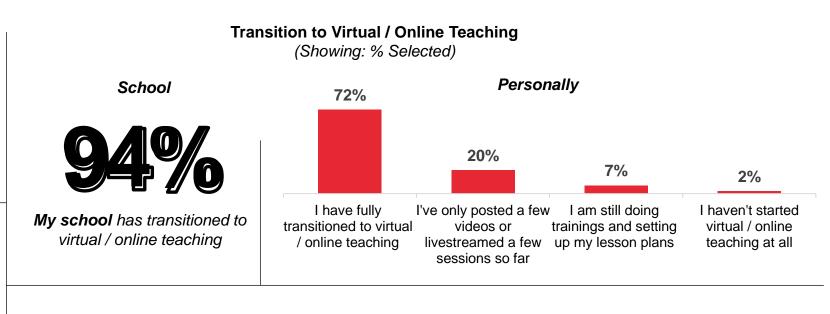


## ALMOST ALL TEACHERS HAD EXPERIENCED SCHOOL CLOSURE AND MOST FULLY TRANSITIONED TO VIRTUAL TEACHING

Teachers spend almost as much time prepping for virtual teaching each day (3hrs), as they do actively teaching lessons (4hrs).







Average hours spent virtual / online teaching

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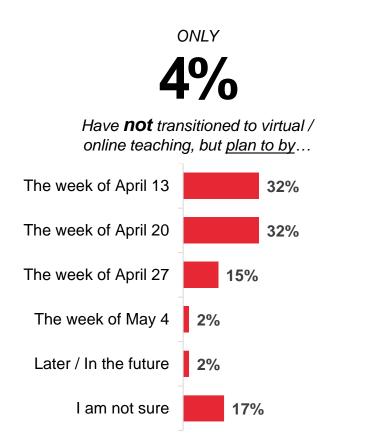
Average hours spent virtual / online lesson planning

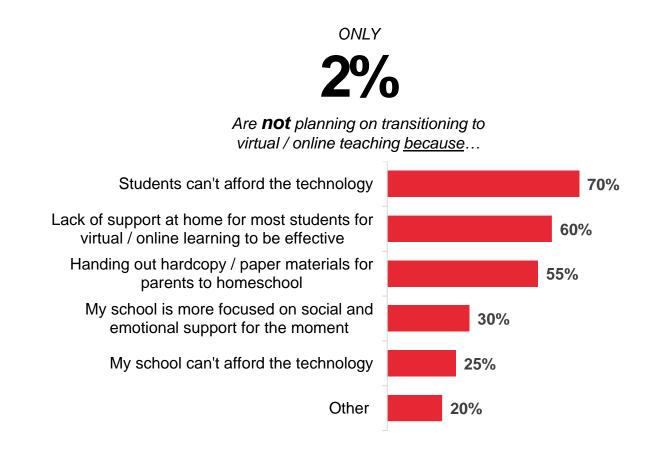
Q1: Since the outbreak of COVID-19, has your school physically closed and sent students home? (Shown among: Total Teachers n=1,001) // Q2: When did your school physically close due to COVID-19? (Shown among: Closed schools n=991) // Q4: Since the physical closure, has your school transitioned to virtual / online teaching? (Shown among: Closed schools n=991) // Q5: How far along are you **personally** in the transition to virtual / online teaching? (Shown among: Transitioned schools n=930) // Q8: How many hours a day are you **teaching** online coursework / lessons? (Shown among: Total Teachers n=916) // Q9: How many hours a day are you **preparing** for online coursework / lessons? (Shown among: Total Teachers n=916)



## THE FEW TEACHERS WHO HAD NOT TRANSITIONED TO VIRTUAL TEACHING WILL EITHER DO SO SOON OR NOT AT ALL

Those who had not transitioned (approx. 20 teachers) have students who can't afford the necessary technology (70%), or lack of support at home for effective teaching (60%).





CAUTION: SMALL SAMPLE SIZE DIRECTIONAL FINDINGS ONLY





## Challenges + Supports

### **KEY FINDING #2**

K-12 teachers are feeling overwhelmed and anxious, and they are not very confident in their students' ability to learn virtually.

They do feel at least somewhat **confident in their own abilities and supported by their colleagues** in taking on the challenge of virtual teaching.

Their driving force is doing right by their students, but the lack of in-person connection is making this transition more difficult, and they're concerned about the impact it will have on student development and mental health.

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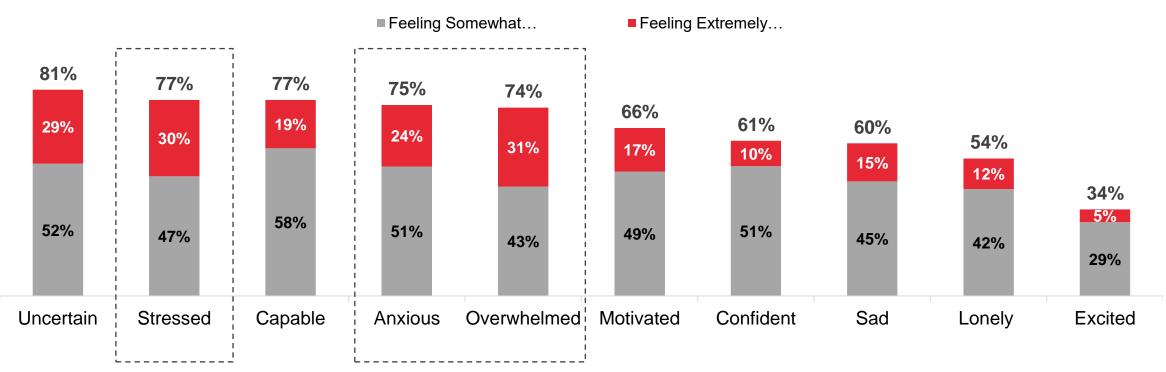


## TEACHERS ARE FEELING OVERWHELMED, STRESSED AND ANXIOUS IN THIS TIME OF CHANGE

However, a majority also feel that they are at least *somewhat* capable (77%), motivated (66%), and confident (61%) in taking on the challenge of virtual / online teaching. It is important to note that positive associations have much lower "extremely" ratings than negative emotions.

### **How They Feel About the Transition**

(Showing: Top 2 Box "Feeling")





## TEACHERS ARE MORE CONFIDENT IN THEIR OWN SKILLS THAN THEY ARE ABOUT STUDENTS' ABILITY TO KEEP UP VIRTUALLY

Teachers are not overly confident – over half (58%) say they are only "somewhat" confident in their own abilities – but appear to be ready to take on virtual teaching.

### **Confidence in Ability to Adjust to Virtual Teaching**

(Showing: Top 2 Box "Confident")



Your skills as a virtual / online teacher

Your students' ability to learn in this new format







# IN THEIR OWN WORDS: THE TRANSITION HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE WITH LIMITED SUPPORT, BUT TEACHERS ARE EAGER TO LEARN NEW SKILLS

How has the transition to virtual / online teaching made you feel?

(Showing: Open-End Responses)

- It has been challenging. It takes a lot more preparation than I thought it would."

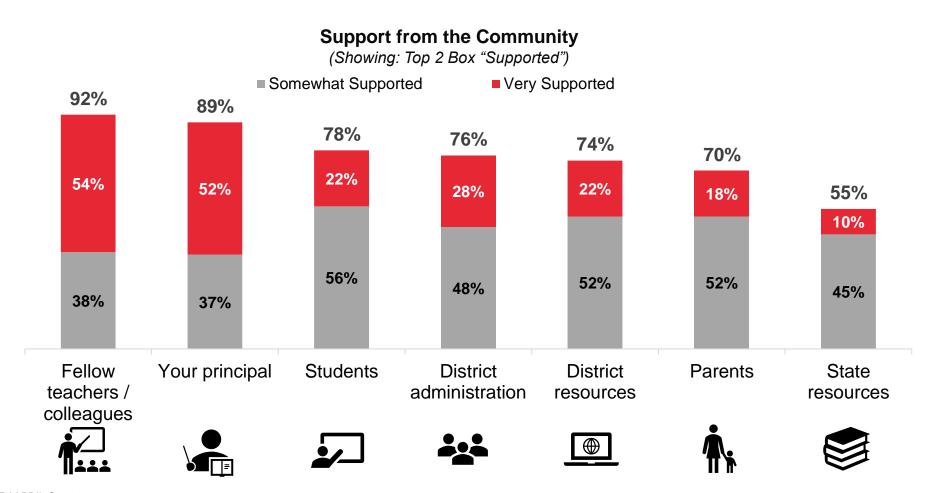
   Primary School Teacher
- It has been a challenge, but it has made me feel accomplished and as though I can take on obstacles." Primary School Teacher
- I feel as though I'm not where I need to be in terms of technology. I'm trying to teach myself new things, but then most of my students don't have access/support at home to technology so it seems like I'm learning all of this new technology and can't really use it."
  - Primary School Teacher

- Slightly anxious to be out of my comfort zone. Thankful to still be able to work. Glad to learn new skills/software. Glad to still communicate with students. Worried for safety and health of students." High School Teacher
- Overwhelmed. We have been given so much information in a short period of time that it takes a while to process." Middle School Teacher
- Frustrated and exhausted. We did not have transitional time, nor did we have a grace period to test out methods. Our school district wanted us to have it perfect within hours. So I felt unsupported and definitely unappreciated."

   High School Teacher



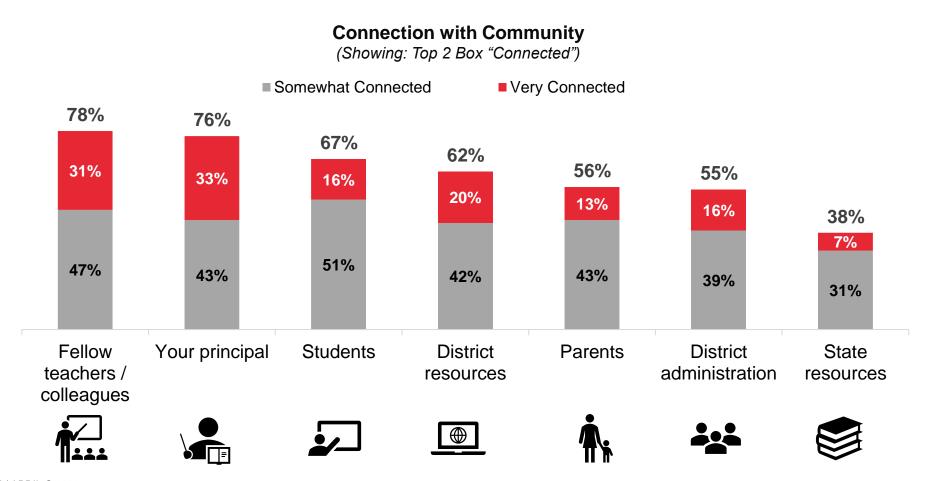
## K-12 TEACHERS FEEL MOST SUPPORTED BY THEIR PEERS AND PRINCIPALS AT THIS TIME





## THE SUPPORT BREEDS A FEELING OF CONNECTION WITH PEERS AND PRINCIPALS

Fewer teachers say they feel connected with students (67%) and parents (56%) at this time.

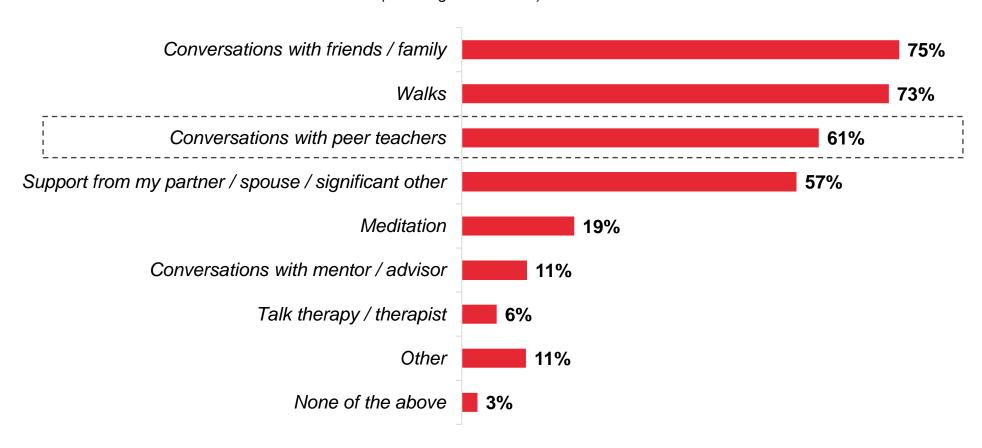




## IN FACT, CONVERSATIONS WITH PEERS IS AMONG THE TOP THREE WAYS TEACHERS ARE MANAGING THEIR MENTAL WELLNESS

### **Actions Taken to Address Mental Health / Wellness**

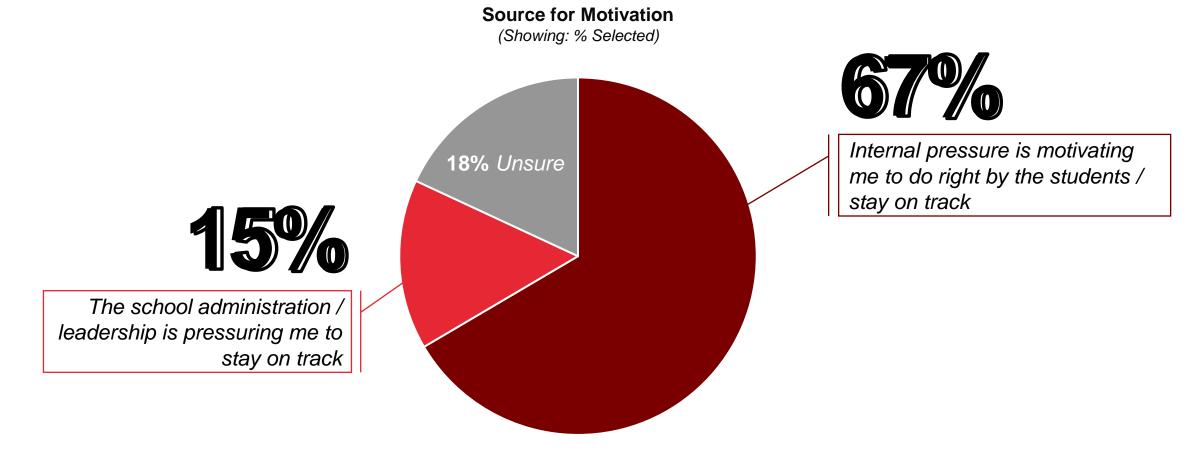
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## TEACHERS ARE PERSONALLY MOTIVATED TO STAY ON TRACK AND DO RIGHT BY THE STUDENTS

Younger teachers under 30 are feeling even more motivated by internal pressure (72%).





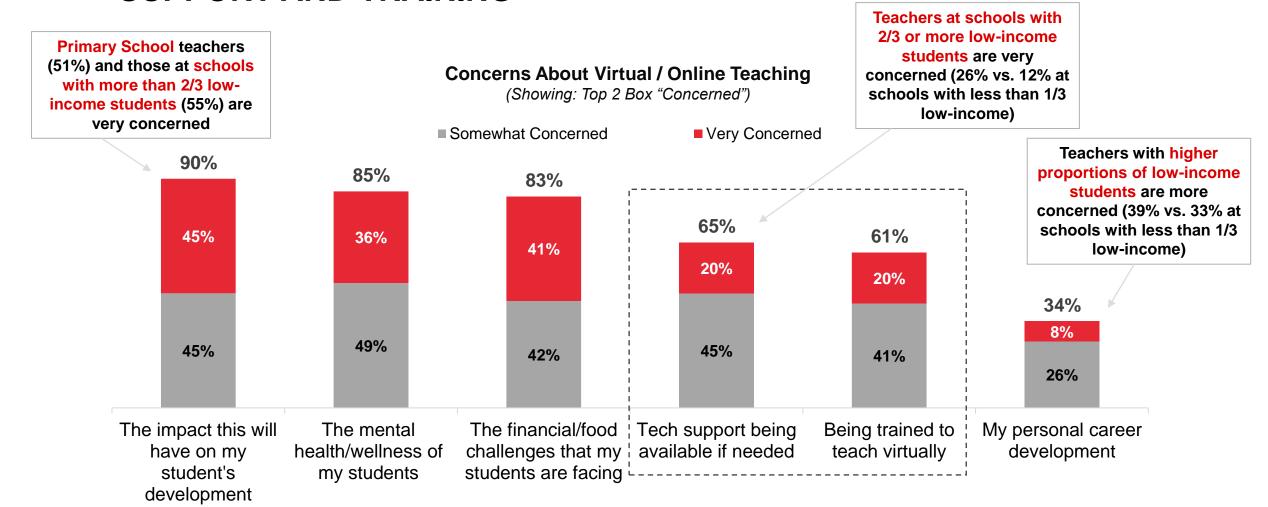
# UNSURPRISINGLY, TEACHERS ARE THINKING ABOUT THEIR STUDENTS' OVERALL WELL-BEING; PARTICULARLY THE LACK OF PERSONAL INTERACTION AND ABILITY TO PROPERLY SUPPORT STRUGGLING STUDENTS

### **Perceptions of the Transition to Virtual Teaching**

Statement	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree	Agree
Lack of in-person connection with students is making this transition more difficult	33%	57%	90%
The lack of student socialization is hurting students' development and personal growth	43%	43%	86%
Virtual teaching hinders my ability to identify if students are struggling	38%	46%	84%
The mental health/wellness of the students is suffering	49%	33%	82%
Virtual / online teaching forces me outside of my comfort zone	39%	38%	77%
Virtual / online teaching offers greater flexibility with my schedule	43%	34%	77%
Students with special needs are not receiving the support they need	33%	43%	77%
ESL students are not receiving the support they need	33%	35%	68%
Students do not have access to the technology we need to use to be successful in this transition	37%	30%	67%
Teaching from home has allowed me to stay more connected with my friends and family	36%	26%	62%
Students do not know how to use the technology we need to use to be successful in this transition	39%	21%	60%
Teaching from home gives me more time for my professional development	37%	16%	54%
Students with attention/behavior challenges are more focused during virtual teaching	26%	12%	38%
I am receiving pressure from parents to stay on track with the curriculum	15%	8%	23%



# TOP CONCERNS ARE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH, BUT TEACHERS ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT TECH SUPPORT AND TRAINING





# TEACHERS' INTERESTS IN ONLINE COURSES ALIGN ALMOST EXACTLY WITH THEIR TOP CONCERNS AT THIS TIME – ENGAGING AND SUPPORTING THEIR (STRUGGLING) STUDENTS

### **Interest in Online Courses**

(Showing: Top 2 Box "Interested")

■ Somewhat Interested Very Interested Creative activities that are successful remotely 90% 40% 50% How to identify if students are struggling 86% 43% 43% How to foster interaction and connection between the students 47% 38% 85% How to emotionally connect with students while teaching online 46% 38% 84% Managing my students' mental health/wellness 46% 84% 38% How to create compelling instructional content 84% 46% 38% How to best leverage online technology for teaching 48% 36% 84% Successful teaching tips and tricks from seasoned experts 50% 33% 83% Supporting unique learners 82% 41% Future planning and pivoting from online to offline teaching 71% 44% Managing my own mental health/wellness 65% 36%

Teachers at schools with 2/3 or more low income students are very interested in learning about creative activities (58%)

Teachers under age 30 and Primary School teachers are more interested in all courses

Younger teachers are especially eager to know how they can support unique learners (60% "very interested" under the age of 30)





## Relationship with Parents

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### **KEY FINDING #3**

Teachers' relationships with parents are promising – more than half feel that parents are being collaborative in this time, but teachers would welcome more involvement from them.

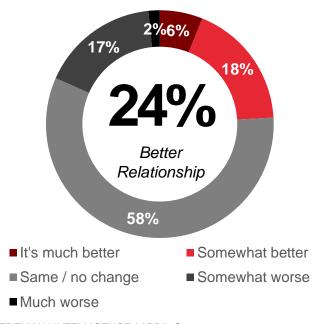


## THE RELATIONSHIP WITH PARENTS IS IMPROVING IN THIS ENVIRONMENT – CURRENT LEVEL OF COLLABORATION IS PROMISING

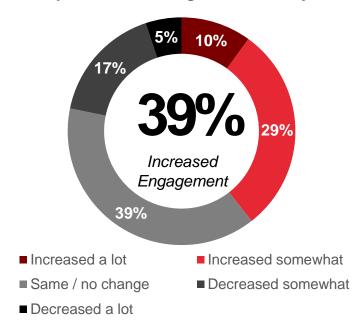
More younger teachers (under age 30) report parents being "very collaborative." However, older teachers and those teaching high school say their relationships with parents are largely unchanged (59% teacher 50+, 66% HS)

### Relationship with Parents Compared to Regular School Year

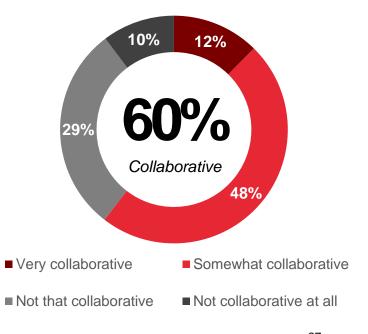
### Current relationship with parents compared to the regular school year



### Current parent engagement compared to the regular school year



### Collaboration with parents now



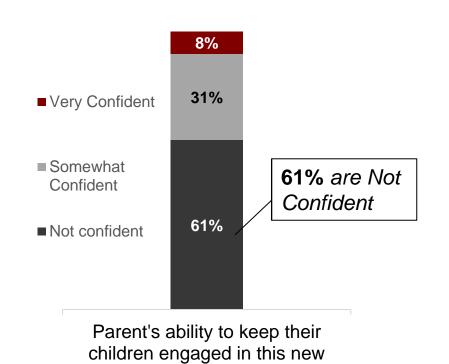


# HOWEVER, TEACHERS DO NOT FEEL THEY CAN FULLY RELY ON PARENTS TO KEEP STUDENTS ENGAGED IN THIS NEW LEARNING PROCESS

61% of teachers say they are not confident in parents' ability to keep their child/ren engaged virtually.

### **Confidence in Ability to Adjust to Virtual Teaching**

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Younger teachers under age 30 are more confident in parents:

16% "very confident"
36% "somewhat confident"

Teachers age 50+ have slightly less confidence in parents: 66% "NOT confident"

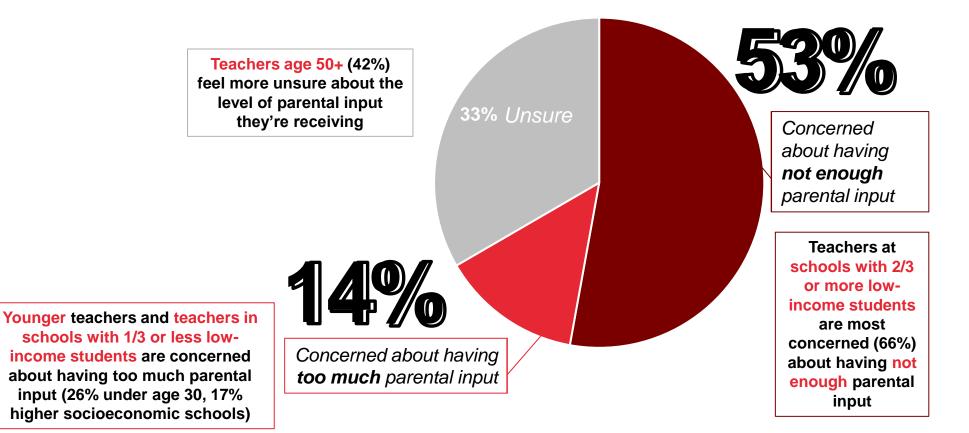
Teachers at schools with 2/3 or more low-income students have less confidence than any other subgroup: 70% "NOT confident"



### AND THEY WOULD WELCOME MORE PARENTAL INPUT

### **Concern about the Amount of Parental Input**

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## **Resources + Tools**

### **KEY FINDING #4**

Teachers don't believe they're expected to duplicate the classroom experience and are doing their best to keep students engaged.

They've had a number of tools offered to them – enough to **feel overwhelmed with information** – but these resources aren't addressing critical areas of teaching (i.e., assessing retention, creating connection).

Additionally, the training and tech support offered has been largely inadequate – teachers need more time and development for themselves – and want to get parents onboarded as well.



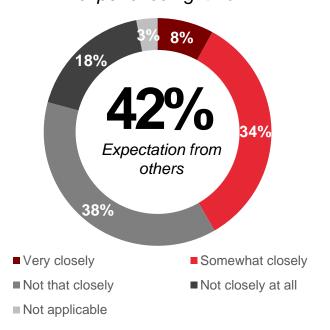
# TEACHERS ARE UNDER NO ILLUSION THAT THEY WILL DUPLICATE THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE AND DO NOT BELIEVE THEY ARE EXPECTED TO

Additionally, they estimate only getting to a little more than half (58%) of the curriculum they expected to cover this school year.

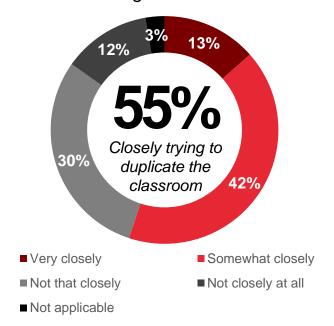
### **Duplicating the Classroom Experience**

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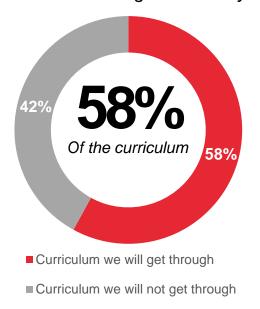
How closely do you think you are **expected to duplicate** the classroom experience right now?



How closely are you **are trying to duplicate** the classroom experience
right now?



What percentage of your curriculum do you realistically think you'll teach by the end of the original school year?





## TEACHERS ARE RECEIVING A LOT OF INFORMATION ABOUT TOOLS TO HELP WITH VIRTUAL TEACHING

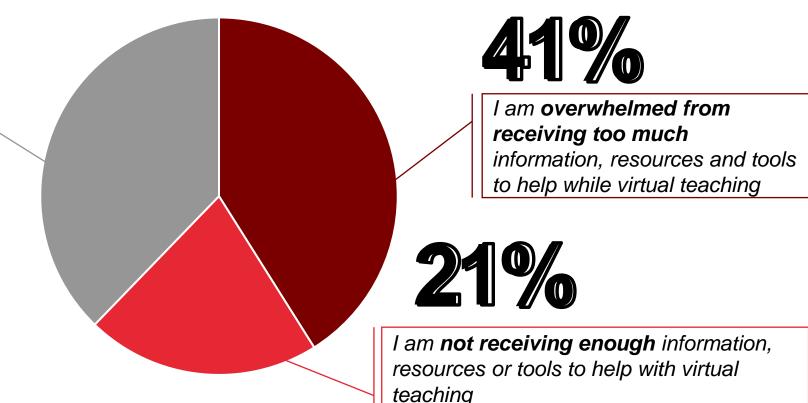
1 in 5 Teachers (21%) feel they are not receiving enough resources to help with virtual teaching.



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I am receiving just the right amount of information, resources and tools to help with virtual teaching



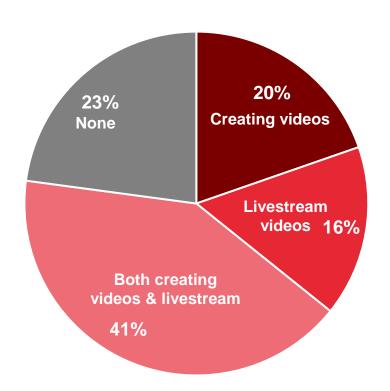


## TEACHERS ARE USING A WIDE RANGE OF VIRTUAL TOOLS – FROM LIVESTREAMS TO CUSTOM VIDEOS TO SHARED DOCUMENTS

Email is also used by a majority (52%) as a resource for teaching.

### **Content Creation**

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### **Top Tools and Resources Used**

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Top 10 Tools and		
Zoom	58%	
Google Classroom	56%	
Google Docs	55%	
Email	52%	Other resources cited:
YouTube	35%	Canvas
Google Hangouts	34%	<ul><li>Remind</li><li>Google Meet</li></ul>
Class Dojo	14%	• EdPuzzle
Microsoft Teams	12%	<ul><li>Khan Academy</li><li>BrainPOP</li></ul>
Flipgrid	11%	1
Other	14%	



## TEACHERS ARE HAVING SOME EARLY WINS AND ARE GETTING CREATIVE WITH HOW THEY KEEP STUDENTS ENGAGED

### **Best / Most Successful Activity to Date**

(Showing: Open-End Responses)

- Doing interactive read alouds that mimic our classroom read alouds in regard to expecting students to participate, make predictions, etc. even though we aren't in the classroom."
  - Primary School Teacher
- Sending EdPuzzle videos to my students. The videos stop and ask the students questions to keep them engaged and ensure they're learning the material."
  - Primary School Teacher

- I use Google Meet to check in with my students every day so they can ask questions or get extra help."
  - Middle School Teacher
- I have been giving my students challenges like reaching out to a family member they don't live with or playing a game with their family or doing a chore without being asked. I am encouraging my students to grow in ways that school normally doesn't encourage them. The students and their families seem to like this." Middle School Teacher
- Having my creative writing class watch the news and pretend that they are helping historians write a history book...Also, I had them take virtual tours of museums and describe art." High School Teacher
- I had a class discussion through
  Zoom and one class made
  collages to represent the theme of
  the book we are reading using
  Canva. I have been checking in on
  my students' mental health
  through the use of journals."

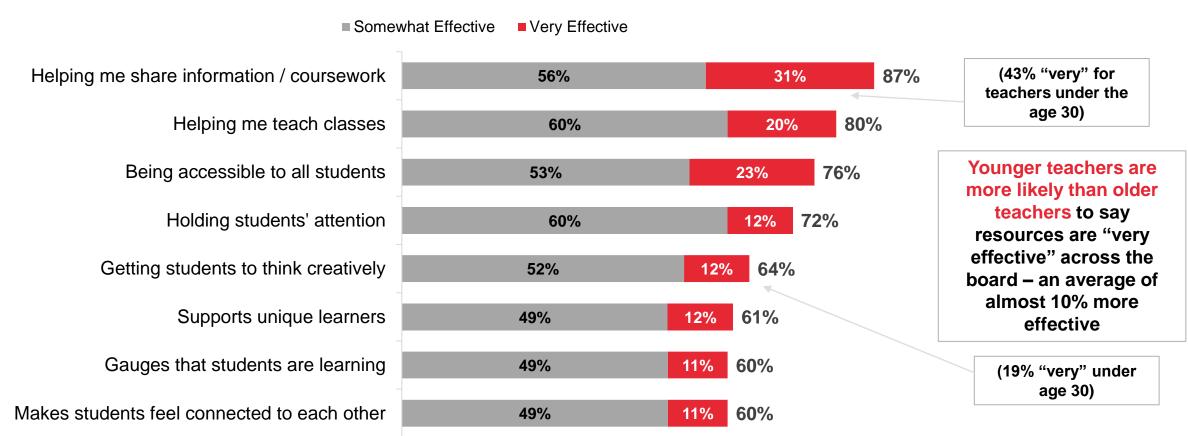
   High School Teacher



## HOWEVER, THERE ARE STILL GAPS IN CRITICAL TEACHING AREAS, LIKE ASSESSING RETENTION AND FOSTERING CONNECTION

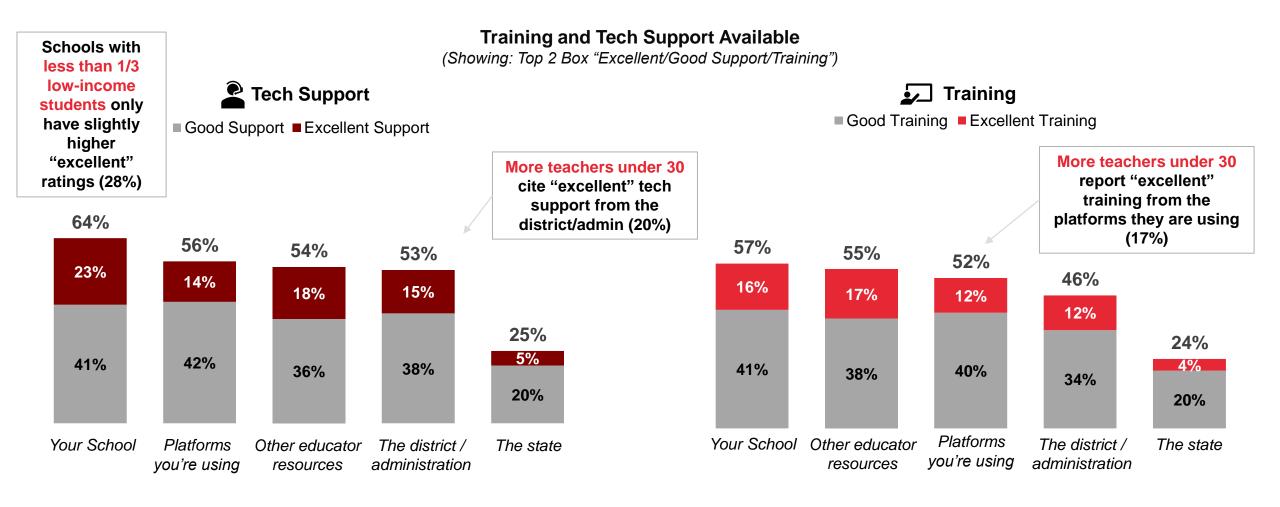
### **Resource Effectiveness**

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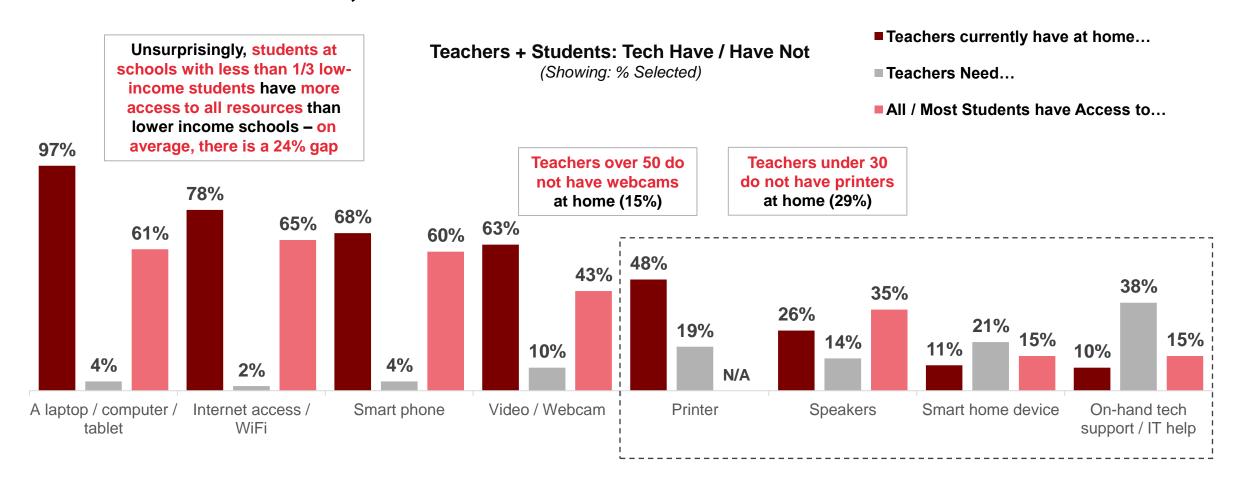


# LOOKING BEYOND THE TOOLS, TRAINING <u>AND</u> TECH SUPPORT ARE LARGELY INADEQUATE – LITTLE VARIATION ACROSS DEMOS





# FROM A TECH PERSPECTIVE, BOTH TEACHERS AND STUDENTS COULD BENEFIT FROM GREATER ACCESS TO PRINTERS, SMART HOME DEVICES, AND IT SUPPORT





# AND FROM A TRAINING PERSPECTIVE, TEACHERS WANT MORE TIME AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEMSELVES – AND TO GET PARENTS ONBOARDED AS WELL

What would help improve your confidence in teaching virtually / online?

(Showing: Open-End Responses)

- I need more time to get used to virtual learning."

   Primary School Teacher
- If my school bought the rights to some programs so I can use them fully and not just the free version." Primary School Teacher
- Access to more technical support and training."

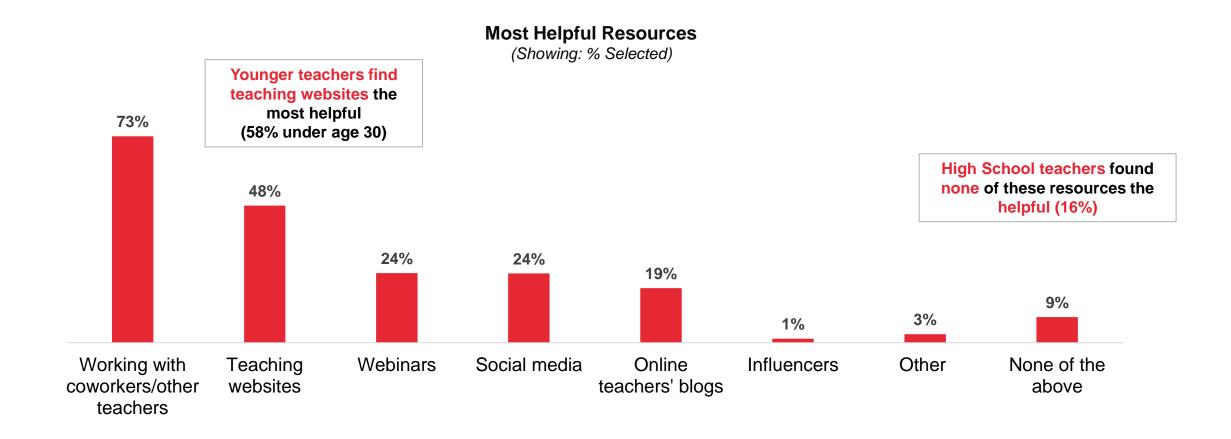
   Middle School Teacher
- [Improving] parents' ability to access and [understand] online formats being used, and ability to be online during instruction."

   Primary School Teacher

- If I knew there was a more solid supervision system and accountability method, I would definitely feel more confident, although I know that is a lot to ask when kids come from all different family situations."
  - High School Teacher
- Having professional development catered towards improving online instruction. This includes real-time feedback and actionable next-steps." High School Teacher
- Having the actual tools and training and having been equipped with these in advance, not getting a few hours notice: SURPRISE!"
  - Middle School Teacher



# IN THE ABSENCE OF MORE FORMAL TRAINING, TEACHERS ARE TURNING TO THEIR PEERS AND TEACHING WEBSITES FOR HELP





## THOSE LOOKING AT TEACHING WEBSITES ARE CHECKING OUT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

#### **Additional Education Resources**

(Showing: Spontaneous Open-End Responses)

- Khan Academy
- Google Classroom
- Edmodo
- Teachers Pay Teachers
- ABC Mouse
- Canvas
- IXL
- Seesaw
- BrainPOP
- Schoology
- EdPuzzle
- CK-12
- Scholastic
- Education.com
- Edgenuity
- Smartmusic

- Prodigy
- College Board
- Pearson
- Kahoot
- I-Ready
- Reflex Math
- USA Test Prep
- Quizlet
- Code.org
- PBS
- Readworks
- MathGames.com
- Edmentum
- National Geographic
- Quizzizz
- Edutopia

I am mainly using Flipgrid as a way to communicate with my students without parental interference. I am posting only non-academic things to this website. The academic resources I am posting for my students are going out through Google Docs." – Middle School Teacher

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I am currently relying on Edmodo for distributing assignments, collecting and grading assignments and posting reminders and announcements to all students. I am also using Teacher Pay Teacher for activities and curriculum material. I am also using TedED and YouTube for educational videos."

- Middle School Teacher





# **Looking Ahead**

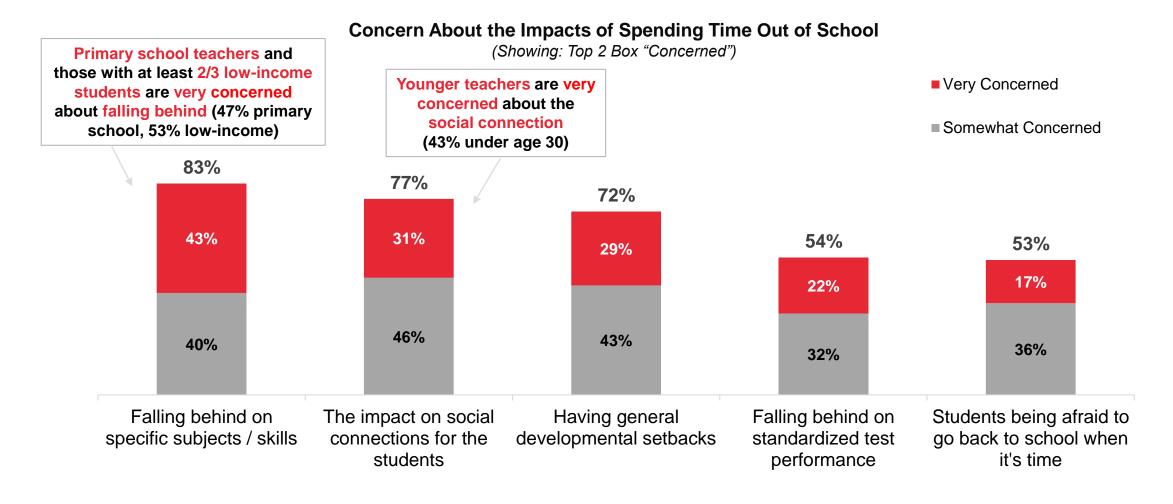
### **KEY FINDING #6**

Teachers are most concerned about COVID-19's impact on their students' development and believe the situation will take a toll on them in more ways than one.

Flexibility for teachers is critical in order to best virtually support their students' learning and well-being. K-12 teachers anticipate prepping more for next year, including seeking additional resources and hearing about best practices from peers.



# THNKING ABOUT THE FUTURE EFFECTS OF THIS SITUATION, TEACHERS ARE FIRST AND FOREMOST CONCERNED WITH STUDENT DEVELOPMENT





## THE BELIEF THAT THIS SITUATION WILL TAKE A TOLL ON STUDENTS IS PERVASIVE

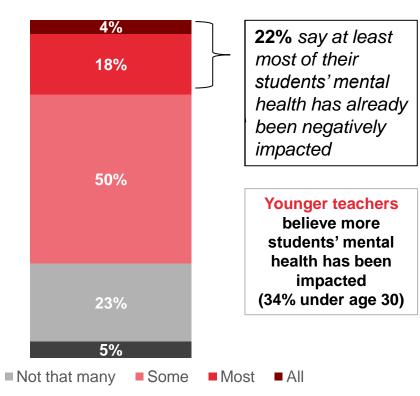
### Portion of Students who *will* be Negatively Impacted Overall

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#### 9% 39% say at least most of their students will be 30% negatively impacted **Teachers with at** least 2/3 lowerincome students 47% say it will impact their students (44% all/most students) 12% ■ Not that many Some ■ Most ■ All None

### Students' Mental Health/Wellness has been Negatively Impacted

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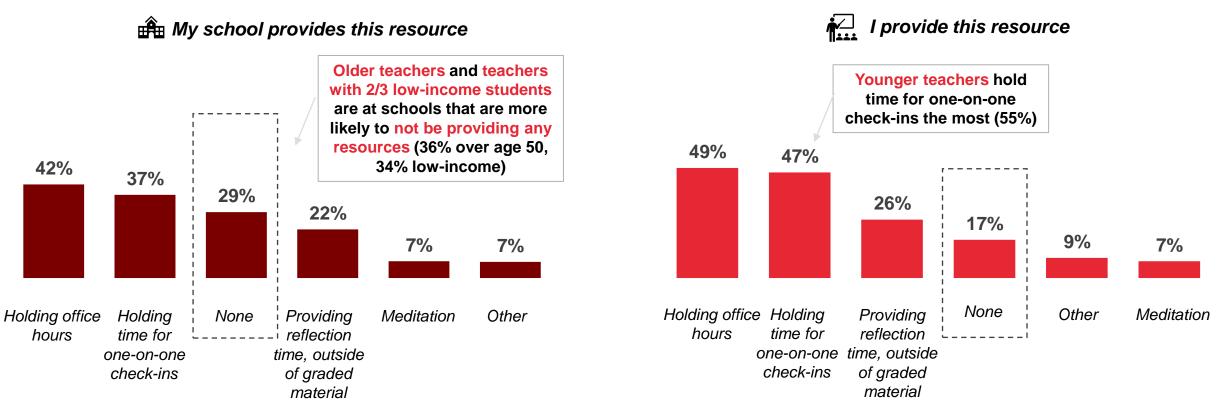




# THIS POINTS TO A STRONG NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS – TEACHERS ARE TRYING, BUT LIKELY DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO DEDICATE

#### **Resources for Mental Health / Wellness**

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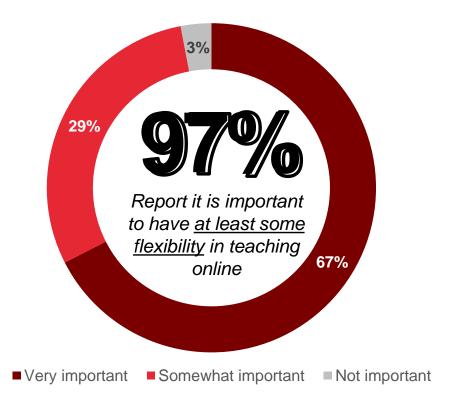




## FLEXIBILITY IS CRITICAL NOW, AND IN LOOKING AHEAD TO THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

### Importance of Flexibility in Covering Coursework

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### **What Teachers Need to Minimize Negative Impact on Students**

(Showing: Open-end Responses)

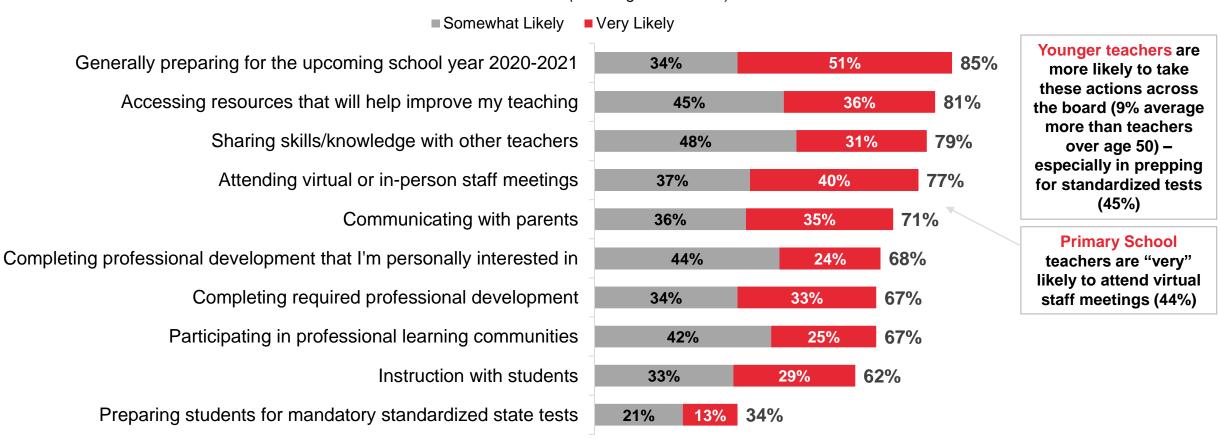
- For the school and administration to be as understanding and as welcoming as possible. The students need to feel that their school cares for them and wants them to be successful during this time." Primary School Teacher
- Re-teaching, not having expectations that students master concepts while out. Training for general ed teachers, who may not understand how this has affected all students, but in particular the special ed students who are in their classes."
  - High School Teacher
- School/tech platforms providing avenues for students to connect with each other outside of scheduled classes and student hours."
  - Middle School Teacher



# LOOKING AHEAD TO THE END OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR, TEACHERS ANTICIPATE PREPARING FOR 2020-2021, SEEKING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO IMPROVE INSTRUCTION AND SKILLS SHARING

#### **Actions After the End of the Regular School Year**

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## **DEMOGRAPHICS**



### TEACHER PROFILE

GRADE LEVEL	
Pre-Kindergarten	3%
Kindergarten	17%
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	17%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	17%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	17%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	18%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	17%
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	18%
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	17%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	18%
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	20%
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	23%
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	23%
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade EDELMAN INTELLIGENCE / APRIL © 2020	22%

TYPE OF SCHOOL	
District school (public, but not magnet or charter)	80%
Magnet school	1%
Public charter school, non-profit	7%
Public charter school, for-profit	2%
Private, non-religious schools	3%
Religious / parochial school	5%
SUBJECT	
English and / or Reading	30%
Mathematics	29%
All subjects / General Education	26%
Social Studies or Social Sciences	21%
Science	20%
Special Education	17%
Art, Music, or Fine Arts	10%
Bilingual / ESL	7%
Physical Education or Health	7%
Gifted and Talented	5%
Foreign Language	3%
Computer Science	3%
Other	4%

EDUCATION LE	VEL
Associate's degree	2%
Bachelor's degree	36%
Master's degree	57%
Doctoral/Professional degree	4%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS	
Employed full-time	96%
Employed part-time	4%
AREA WHERE THEY TEACH	
Urban	25%
Suburban	55%
Rural	20%



### SCHOOL PROFILE

ENROLLMENT	
Less than 100	3%
101-200	5%
201-300	9%
301-400	14%
401-500	12%
500-699	15%
700-999	16%
1000+	25%
Not sure	2%

MINORITY FAMILIES	
Less than 33%	40%
34-66%	29%
67% or more	28%
Not sure	2%
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	LEARNERS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE Less than 33%	LEARNERS 66%
Less than 33%	66%

STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR FREE LUNCH	
Less than 33%	29%
34-66%	28%
67% or more	39%
Not sure	4%
LOW INCOME FAMILIES	
Less than 33%	29%
34-66%	33%
67% or more	36%



### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

GENDER	
Male	22%
Female	77%
REGION	
Northeast	17%
Midwest	23%
South	37%
West	23%
CHILDREN	
Yes, age 12 or under	28%
Yes, between the ages of 13 and 17	19%
Yes, 18 years of age or older	14%
No children in the household	49%

AGE	
18-24	4%
25-34	24%
34-44	28%
45-54	26%
55-64	16%
65+	2%
RACE	
White	86%
African or African	6%
Asian-American/ Asian	4%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1%
Middle Eastern	0%
Other	2%
HISPANIC	
Yes	12%
No	87%

RELATIONSHIP STA	TUS
Married	61%
Engaged	2%
Domestic partnership	3%
In a relationship	7%
Single	16%
Divorced or Separated, not living with partner	9%
Widowed, not living with partner	2%
INCOME	
Under \$25,000	1%
\$25,000 - \$49,999	12%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	24%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	21%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	26%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	8%
\$200,000 or more	4%

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## ADDITIONAL PROFILING DATA



### **TEACHERS BY AGE**

### **Under 30 years old**

- 29% are very connected with their students;
   22% with parents
- 27% are very confident in their skills as a virtual teacher; 17% in their students; 16% in parents
- 45% strongly agree that virtual / online teaching offers greater flexibility with their schedule
- 50% strongly agree that students with special needs are not receiving the support they need
- 50% are very concerned about the financial / food challenges that my students are facing;
   16% about their personal career development
- 26% are concerned about having too much parental input while virtual teaching
- 20% report students' parents are being very collaborative
- 30% are not receiving enough resources, information and tools to help while virtual teaching
- 20% report excellent tech support from the district admin and 20% from the platform they're using
- 50% are livestreaming and creating videos to virtually teach
- 58% find teaching websites the most helpful resource

### 30 - 49 years old

- 25% are very confident in their skills as a virtual teacher
- 17% are not at all confident in parents' ability to keep their children engaged in this new format
- 28% strongly agree teaching from home has allowed them to stay more connected with their friend and family
- 36% strongly agree virtual / online teaching offers greater flexibility with their schedule
- 20% are not at all concerned about their personal career development
- 43% are livestreaming and creating videos to virtually teach
- 81% have access to Internet / Wi-Fi and 67% have access to a video / webcam at home
- 52% are holding office hours as a resource for their students

### 50 years or older

- 16% feel not at all connected with parents
- 22% are not that confident in their skills as a virtual teacher
- 12% are not at all confident in their students' ability to learn in this new format
- 19% are not at all confident in parents' ability to keep their children engaged
- 64% strongly agree that lack of in-person connection with students is making this transition more difficult
- 27% are not at all concerned about their personal career development
- 42% are unsure about having too much or not enough parental input virtual teaching
- 59% report no change in their relationship with their students' parents compared to the regular school year
- 45% are overwhelmed from receiving too much information, resources and tools
- 30% are not creating videos or livestreaming
- 36% report their school is not providing any resources for students' mental health / wellness

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### TYPE OF SCHOOL

### **Elementary School Teachers (K-5th)**

- 18% feel very connected with parents, 32% with peers, 36% with their principal
- 22% feel very supported by parents
- 21% feel not that confident in their skills / abilities as a virtual teacher
- 36% are feeling extremely overwhelmed, 34% extremely stressed, 28% extremely anxious
- 46% strongly agree that students with special needs are not receiving the support they need
- 51% are very concerned about the impact this will have on their students' development
- 14% report parent engagement has increased a lot compared to a normal school year and 69% report parents are more collaborative
- 44% are overwhelmed from receiving too much information
- 27% report good training from the state and 53% from the platforms they are using
- Resources: 60% Zoom, 24% Class Dojo
- 44% creating videos and livestream teaching
- 42% need on-hand IT support at home
- Used teaching websites (52%), webinars (30%) and social media (29%) to help with the transition to online teaching
- 86% concerned about students falling behind

### Middle School Teachers (6th-8th)

- 20% feel very connected with district administration; 32% with peers
- 75% feel supported by district resources
- 41% report no change in parent engagement compared to a normal school year
- Report poor tech support, 12% non-existent tech support from the district
- Resources: 60% Google Docs, 61% Google Classroom
- 42% Creating videos as well as livestream teaching
- 40% need on-hand IT support at home
- 63% most students have access to a laptop / computer / tablet at home
- Used teaching websites (52%) and webinars (24%) to help with the transition to online teaching
- Interested in learning more successful tips and tricks (85%) and how to support unique learners (83%)

### High School Teachers (9th-12th)

- 23% feel not at all connected with parents;
   19% with district administration
- 29% feel very confident in their skills / abilities as a virtual teacher
- 20% are not confident at all in parents' abilities to keep their children engaged in this new format
- 25% are feeling extremely capable
- 49% strongly disagree that they are receiving pressure from parents to stay on track
- 66% report no change in their relationship with students' parents compared to a normal school year
- 43% report they are receiving just the right amount of information and resources
- Resources: 61% Google Docs, 54% Zoom
- Resources are not effective at getting students to think critically (42%) and making students feel connected to each other (47%)
- Most students have access to a laptop / computer / tablet at home (69%)



### SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS

#### More than 2/3 Low-Income Students

- 41% feel very connected with peers
- 20% are not confident at all in the parents' ability to keep their children engaged
- 29% are feeling extremely anxious
- 88% agree the mental health/wellness of the students is suffering
- 22% strongly agree teaching from home gives them more time for professional development
- 43% strongly agree students do not have access to the technology we need to use to be successful in this transition
- 53% are very concerned about the financial / food challenges that their students are facing
- 55% are very concerned about the impact this will have on their students' development
- 26% are very concerned about tech support being available if needed
- 66% are concerned about not having enough parental input while virtual teaching
- 16% report poor training from their district/administration
- 31% are not creating videos or livestreaming
- 43% report none of their students have onhand tech support / IT help

### Between 1/3 and 2/3 Low-Income Students

- 71% feel connected with district resources;
   65% with district admin
- 52% are very concerned about the financial / food challenges their students are facing
- 26% are very concerned about tech support being available if needed
- 18% are concerned about having too much parental input during virtual teaching
- 25% feel very supported by parents
- 50% are creating videos and livestream teaching
- 27% report all their students have access to a laptop / computer / tablet
- 43% are very concerned about their students falling behind on specific subjects

#### Less than 1/3 Low-Income Students

- 22% feel not that connected with peers
- 10% are very confident in parents' ability to keep their children engaged
- 17% are concerned about having too much parental input while virtual teaching
- 26% feel very supported by students
- 68% feel that their students' parents are being collaborative at this time
- 28% report excellent tech support from their school
- 30% report the tech support from the state is nonexistent
- 24% are creating videos only
- 41% report all their students have access to a laptop / computer / tablet
- 33% report all their students have access to Internet / Wi-Fi

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 Think they will get through 63% of the curriculum

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