

1. With what stakeholder group do you consider yourself affiliated? (Check all that apply.)

		Response Percent	Response Count
Parent		28.3%	169
Student		2.2%	13
Teacher		34.3%	205
Administrator		40.0%	239
Local school board		3.8%	23
Area Education Agency		9.9%	59
Legislative/elected official		2.2%	13
Iowa Department of Education		3.5%	21
Other		9.0%	54
	Other (please specify)		113
		answered question	598
		skipped question	0

2. Over the past 10 years, have the student achievement results in Iowa public schools gotten better, worse, or stayed the same?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Better		16.1%	96
Worse		30.4%	182
Same (no change)		50.0%	299
Not applicable		3.5%	21
answered question			598
skipped question			0

3. Iowa should be an international leader in education.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		63.7%	381
Somewhat agree		30.8%	184
Somewhat disagree		3.3%	20
Strongly disagree		0.8%	5
No opinion		1.3%	8
answered question			598
skipped question			0

4. I believe that teachers can raise student achievement for all students.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		61.9%	370
Somewhat agree		30.1%	180
Somewhat disagree		6.0%	36
Strongly disagree		2.0%	12
No opinion		0.0%	0
answered question			598
skipped question			0

5. I believe that principals can raise student achievement for all students.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		51.2%	306
Somewhat agree		37.6%	225
Somewhat disagree		7.7%	46
Strongly disagree		3.0%	18
No opinion		0.5%	3
answered question			598
skipped question			0

6. In order to attract better candidates into education, the average starting pay in Iowa should increase from \$28,000 a year to:

		Response Percent	Response Count
\$35,000		27.1%	162
\$40,000		34.6%	207
\$45,000		11.7%	70
More than \$45,000		11.0%	66
I disagree that starting teacher pay should be raised		7.9%	47
No opinion		7.7%	46
		answered question	598
		skipped question	0

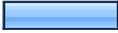
7. According to the blueprint, teacher candidates would have to meet a higher content standard on an initial screening assessment into teacher preparation programs. Programs should accept:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Less than the top 50 percent of teacher candidates		18.2%	109
The top 50 percent of teacher candidates		29.3%	175
The top 60 percent of teacher candidates		13.7%	82
The top 75 percent of teacher candidates		11.9%	71
More than the top 75 percent of teacher candidates		2.5%	15
I disagree that Iowa should raise the bar on an initial screening assessment		14.5%	87
No opinion		9.9%	59
answered question			598
skipped question			0

8. Iowa's teacher preparation programs should become more selective about who can be admitted.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		36.5%	218
Somewhat agree		48.2%	288
Somewhat disagree		10.0%	60
Strongly disagree		3.2%	19
No opinion		2.2%	13
answered question			598
skipped question			0

9. Requiring all prospective teachers to demonstrate content mastery via an assessment designed for that purpose would ensure that they have a good grasp of the subjects they aspire to teach.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		30.3%	181
Somewhat agree		44.8%	268
Somewhat disagree		16.9%	101
Strongly disagree		6.9%	41
No opinion		1.2%	7
answered question			598
skipped question			0

10. Screening all teacher applicants for the right characteristics needed to be a great teacher can be done fairly and accurately.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		16.9%	101
Somewhat agree		39.1%	234
Somewhat disagree		27.9%	167
Strongly disagree		13.9%	83
No opinion		2.2%	13
answered question			598
skipped question			0

11. The blueprint advocates more clinical experiences for new teachers. In exchange, the state should reduce pedagogical requirements. (note: pedagogy can be defined as effective use of strategies of instruction or instructional theory).

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		15.1%	90
Somewhat agree		28.3%	169
Somewhat disagree		25.8%	154
Strongly disagree		26.4%	158
No opinion		4.5%	27
answered question			598
skipped question			0

12. Teacher and principal hiring would shift to a multi-step system based on recommendations from teachers, parents and others serving on school-level hiring teams under the blueprint. I believe this proposed hiring system:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Gives teachers and parents a greater voice in hiring decisions		20.2%	121
Strips autonomy from principals who are qualified to make the best decisions		19.6%	117
Both of the above		26.3%	157
None of the above		14.0%	84
Undecided		17.4%	104
No opinion		2.5%	15
answered question			598
skipped question			0

13. The four tiers of educator leadership roles proposed in the blueprint (apprentice, career, mentor, and master) create incentives to draw talented teachers into the classroom because of higher pay.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		11.2%	67
Somewhat agree		44.0%	263
Somewhat disagree		19.7%	118
Strongly disagree		22.1%	132
No opinion		3.0%	18
answered question			598
skipped question			0

14. The four tiers of educator leadership roles proposed in the blueprint (apprentice, career, mentor, and master) create incentives to draw talented teachers into the classroom because of a greater sense of professionalism.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		19.3%	115
Somewhat agree		43.6%	260
Somewhat disagree		15.7%	94
Strongly disagree		18.9%	113
No opinion		2.5%	15
answered question			597
skipped question			1

15. Student academic growth should account for the following share of an educator's evaluation:

		Response Percent	Response Count
0 percent		19.6%	117
25 percent		30.1%	180
35 percent		12.7%	76
50 percent		18.4%	110
More than 50 percent		11.9%	71
No opinion		7.4%	44
answered question			598
skipped question			0

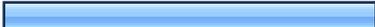
16. Of the following options outlined in the education blueprint’s proposed teacher salary structure, current teachers are most likely to:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Stay in the traditional “step-and-lane” salary system		33.1%	198
Transition to the four-tier teacher compensation system		11.9%	71
I need more information to decide		51.3%	307
No opinion		3.7%	22
answered question			598
skipped question			0

17. When it comes to decisions about layoffs, teacher seniority should be considered:

		Response Percent	Response Count
First		24.2%	145
Last		36.1%	216
Not at all		30.1%	180
No opinion		9.5%	57
answered question			598
skipped question			0

18. Ending social promotion for third-graders who can't read:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Carries devastating social and emotional consequences for retained students		24.6%	147
Is the right thing to do for students		13.9%	83
Should be decided on a case-by-case basis		55.9%	334
Undecided		5.5%	33
No opinion		0.2%	1
		answered question	598
		skipped question	0

19. All Iowa 11th graders should take a state-funded college entrance exam to measure college readiness.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		25.1%	150
Somewhat agree		32.6%	195
Somewhat disagree		21.7%	130
Strongly disagree		18.7%	112
No opinion		1.8%	11
		answered question	598
		skipped question	0

20. Value-added analysis uses test scores to measure the growth of individual students to estimate the contributions that teachers made to that growth. This analysis should weigh heavily into a new accountability system in Iowa.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		12.2%	73
Somewhat agree		37.8%	226
Somewhat disagree		18.4%	110
Strongly disagree		24.9%	149
No opinion		6.7%	40
answered question			598
skipped question			0

21. Should increases to teacher pay be based on student achievement in the classroom and on state standardized tests, or should teacher pay increases be based solely on years of service or level of training, or a combination of all of these factors?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Increase teacher pay based on the level of student improvement		10.0%	60
Increase teacher pay based on years of service or level of training		16.2%	97
Increase teacher pay based on a combination of all of these factors		66.9%	400
Don't know		4.2%	25
No opinion		2.7%	16
answered question			598
skipped question			0

22. A purpose of charter schools is to allow public schools freedom and flexibility in exchange for exceptional levels of accountability. How would you rate your familiarity with charter schools?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Very familiar		27.1%	162
Somewhat familiar		44.0%	263
Not very familiar		19.9%	119
Not at all familiar		8.7%	52
No opinion		0.3%	2
answered question			598
skipped question			0

23. Less than 1 percent of all public schools operating in Iowa this school year are charter schools. Charter schools could be a great option for some students in Iowa as long as the state holds them accountable for high standards and student progress.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		19.4%	116
Somewhat agree		35.5%	212
Somewhat disagree		17.1%	102
Strongly disagree		19.2%	115
No opinion		8.9%	53
answered question			598
skipped question			0

24. Iowa law should allow which of the following entities to operate charter schools with the approval of a state panel, such as the State Board of Education (check all that apply):

		Response Percent	Response Count
Universities		35.8%	214
Teacher groups		18.9%	113
Parent groups		3.7%	22
School districts		49.7%	297
All of the above		21.1%	126
None of the above		12.9%	77
No opinion		12.2%	73
		answered question	598
		skipped question	0

25. How important are each of the following issues to you? Please rate the importance on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 signifying not at all important and 10 signifying very important:

	1 - Not at all important	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Very important
Improving student achievement	0.2% (1)	0.2% (1)	0.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	1.3% (8)	1.0% (6)	3.0% (18)	7.9% (47)	8.0% (48)	77.8% (465)
Raising the bar for teacher candidates	0.8% (5)	1.8% (11)	2.9% (17)	2.2% (13)	8.7% (52)	7.0% (42)	16.1% (96)	22.5% (134)	10.9% (65)	26.2% (156)
Transformational teacher salary structure	7.1% (42)	3.4% (20)	6.2% (37)	3.5% (21)	12.4% (74)	7.7% (46)	16.3% (97)	18.2% (108)	10.1% (60)	13.3% (79)
Teacher job protections based on effectiveness	4.2% (25)	2.3% (14)	3.7% (22)	3.4% (20)	10.6% (63)	7.9% (47)	13.6% (81)	20.3% (121)	15.4% (92)	17.1% (102)
New accountability system for Iowa educators	5.5% (33)	3.7% (22)	4.5% (27)	4.7% (28)	11.1% (66)	6.5% (39)	12.7% (76)	17.9% (107)	13.4% (80)	17.8% (106)
Increasing school innovation	0.8% (5)	1.0% (6)	1.7% (10)	1.5% (9)	6.1% (36)	4.2% (25)	10.1% (60)	12.8% (76)	16.7% (99)	43.3% (257)
answered question										
skipped question										

26. The education blueprint is a good starting point for Iowa's education transformation.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		24.1%	144
Somewhat agree		45.5%	272
Somewhat disagree		15.7%	94
Strongly disagree		12.4%	74
No opinion		2.3%	14
answered question			598
skipped question			0

27. Please rate efforts to gather public input leading up to and following the release of the education blueprint.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Minimal effort		19.2%	115
Some effort		37.5%	224
Good effort		31.8%	190
Exceptional effort		8.4%	50
No opinion		3.2%	19
answered question			598
skipped question			0