

Education Next — Program on Education Policy and Governance 2020 Survey

Covid-19 Closures Supplement: Teacher Responses

For details on the methodology behind these survey responses, please see “What American Families Experienced When Covid-19 Closed Their Schools” by Michael B. Henderson, David M. Houston, Paul E. Peterson, and Martin R. West at <http://educationnext.org/>. Michael B. Henderson is the *Education Next*-PEPG survey director.

Only K-12 teachers who work at a school that closed during the coronavirus outbreak in spring 2020 answered these questions. Response frequencies in columns are percentages of these teachers. Due to rounding, column totals may not always sum to 100. Teachers in district schools exclude those who report teaching in private and charter schools.

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Number of teachers	490	157	178	173	176	355

Q1. Which of the following best describes how the school where you work has handled instruction during the closure?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Introduced new content	71	60	66	76	78	69
Reviewed what already learned	24	34	27	17	17	27
Did not provide instruction activities	4	6	8	7	5	4

Q2. Which of the following best describes how your students participate in the school’s instruction or activities during the closure?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Primarily on a computer, tablet or similar device	89	74	84	91	95	92
Primarily in another way	11	26	16	9	5	8

Q3. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you meet with a whole class by video, telephone, or in another way?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	20	18	26	16	12	21
Several times a week	24	25	17	24	21	24
Once a week	23	19	22	22	22	23
Less than once a week	8	7	7	4	12	9
Not at all	25	31	28	34	32	24

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Q4. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you meet with each of your students one-on-one by video, telephone, or in another way?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	12	12	18	10	11	13
Several times a week	24	23	24	28	17	23
Once a week	15	13	8	14	20	15
Less than once a week	27	21	27	20	32	27
Not at all	22	31	23	28	21	22

Q5. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you assign reading or videos on educational websites?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	32	32	39	30	21	31
Several times a week	26	20	19	23	27	30
Once a week	21	18	14	25	25	21
Less than once a week	8	5	9	5	11	7
Not at all	13	25	20	17	16	11

Q6. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you use educational software, online platforms, or apps to provide activities for your students?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	42	39	47	40	31	44
Several times a week	26	25	22	27	25	28
Once a week	13	10	7	13	19	13
Less than once a week	7	8	8	6	9	6
Not at all	11	18	15	15	15	9

Q7. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you assign work that is required?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	33	33	41	33	20	31
Several times a week	22	13	21	19	27	25
Once a week	20	16	11	20	28	18
Less than once a week	2	3	1	4	1	1
Not at all	23	36	26	25	24	25

Q8. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you assign work that is voluntary?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	15	19	18	13	7	17
Several times a week	16	21	17	11	16	16
Once a week	23	19	18	28	22	23
Less than once a week	14	9	14	15	15	12
Not at all	32	32	32	34	41	31

Q9. In a typical week during the closure, how often did you provide grades or other feedback on completed assignments?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
Daily	26	17	22	29	25	26
Several times a week	33	18	31	31	34	34
Once a week	20	23	14	16	23	20
Less than once a week	7	13	11	7	5	6
Not at all	15	29	22	17	14	15

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Q10. Do you think your students learned more, less, or about the same as they would have had their school not closed as a result of the coronavirus outbreak?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
A lot more	0	1	1	0	0	0
Somewhat more	3	5	4	3	4	3
Somewhat less	39	32	36	42	37	39
A lot less	48	49	51	47	48	51
About the same	9	14	7	8	10	7

Q11. During your school's closure, did you work more hours, fewer hours or about the same number of hours per day during the coronavirus pandemic as compared to during the time before the outbreak occurred?

	All	Grade taught				Teachers in district schools
		K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th	9th-12th	
A lot more	20	15	23	17	18	20
Somewhat more	22	19	19	21	25	22
Somewhat fewer	27	26	22	26	25	27
A lot fewer	15	21	16	20	14	14
About the same	17	18	20	16	18	18