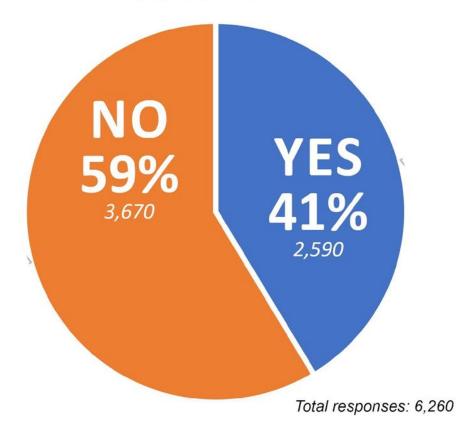
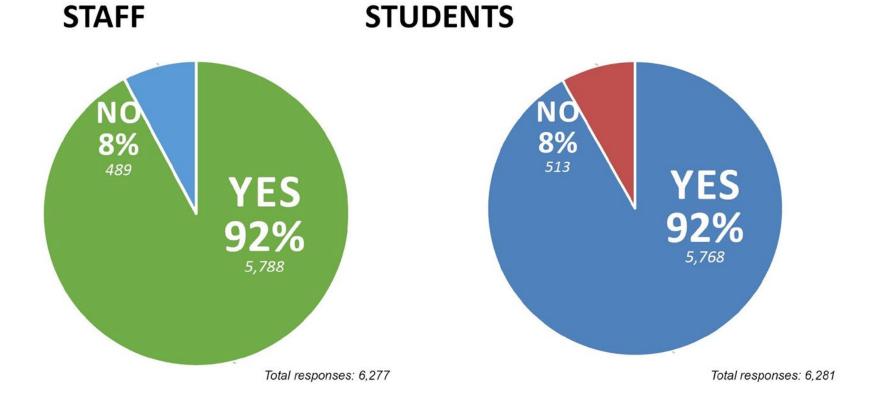


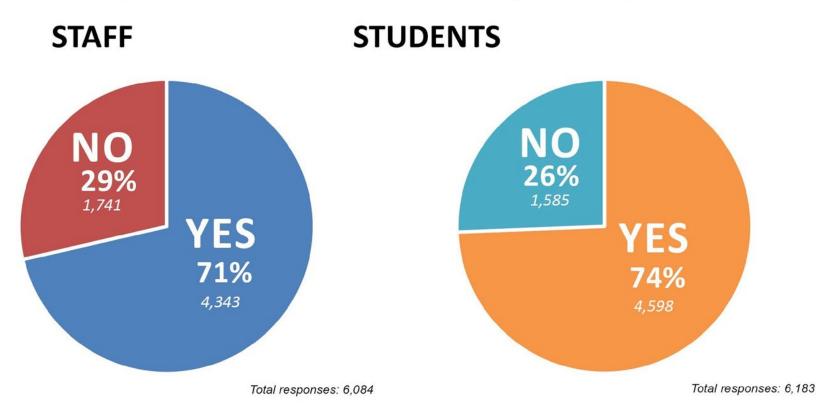
- On October 23, 2020, NSEA sent a survey to 18,693 members.
- We received
 6,519 responses –
 a 35% response
 rate.

Do you believe your current learning model is equitably meeting the needs of all students?

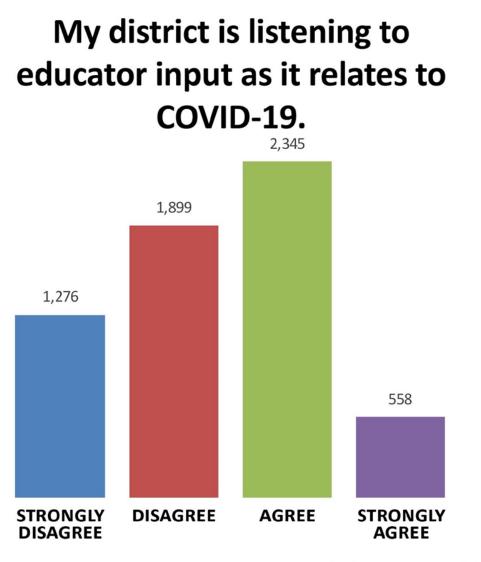


Based on the current prevalence of COVID in your community and public health guidelines, do you think masks should be mandated for:



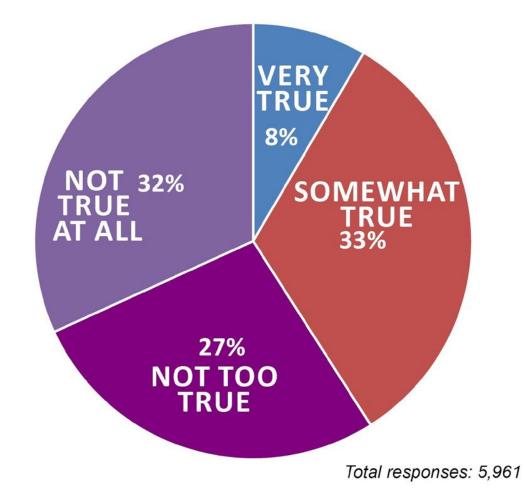


Do you feel your district provided enough PPE to protect



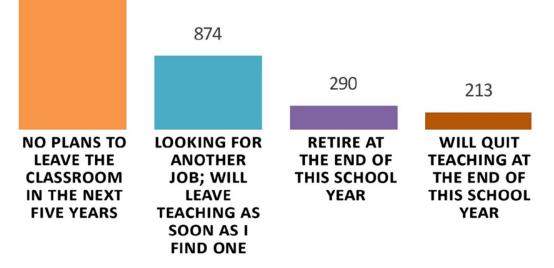
Total responses: 6,078

I have enough plan time to prepare for my teaching workload:



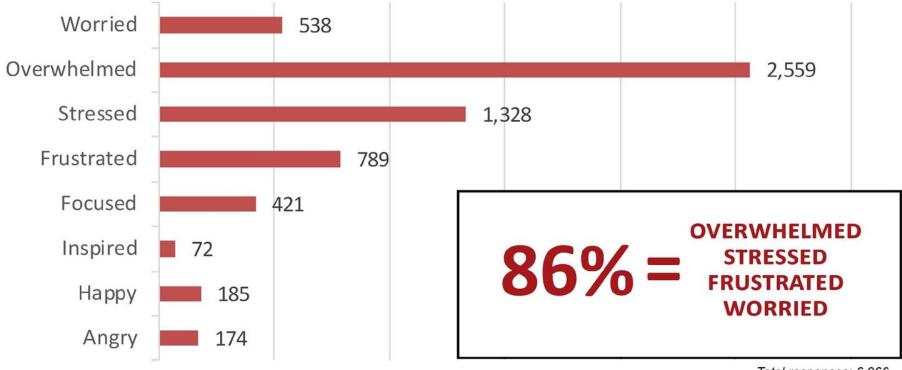
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How has the COVID pandemic affected your long-term professional planning?



Total responses: 5,850

What is ONE word you would use to describe your predominant feeling about teaching right now?



Total responses: 6,066

2,269 respondents also added comments. Many were heartbreaking.

Our members are used to going the extra mile for their students – they do this because they truly care about every one of their students.

Their frustration and fear with teaching during COVID is real and it is legitimate.

The current teacher reality:

- Teachers are being asked to give up all plan time to cover for colleagues;
- They are planning for students in front of them and those online – two extremely different kinds of teaching when done well;
- Classes being doubled up further densifying classrooms at a time when we should be limiting the numbers of students;
- Teachers themselves are becoming ill, as are their children.

There are actions that state and school officials can take to address the issues raised and to make our schools safer for children and school staff.

Our hospitals and schools are breaking under the burdens we are placing on them.

We have a choice: take action NOW or schools will close.





NSEA is joining with medical experts from UNMC and around Nebraska asking that Governor Ricketts immediately issue Directed Health Measures that will call for:







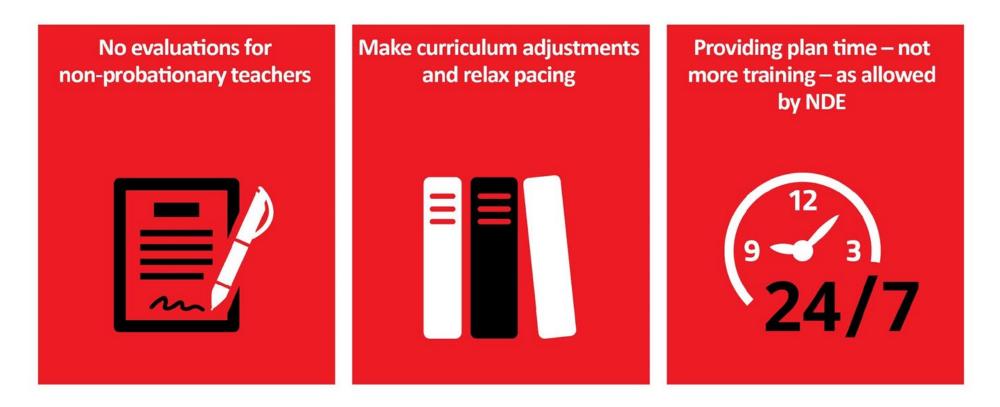
In addition, the NSEA is calling for a moratorium on all in-person youth and high school sports and extracurricular activities until January.







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More administrators and certificated staff without full time teaching responsibilities cover classes instead of taking away teacher plan time and increasing the numbers of students in class Districts must provide factual COVID numbers to the public and school staff



Listen to educator input, show empathy and leadership.







NSEA President Jenni Benson will file with the State Board a Petition for a Declaratory Order under NDE Rule 62 requesting that:

- 1. The State Board state and declare that the interventions and protocols recommended by the CDC and UNMC be adopted as the specific safety criteria under which schools will operate and remain open until the risk of transmission is abated.
- 2. The Board direct that studies, investigations and reports be prepared regarding the transmission of the virus in the school systems under its authority and take such remedial action as is necessary to enforce safety accreditation standards.