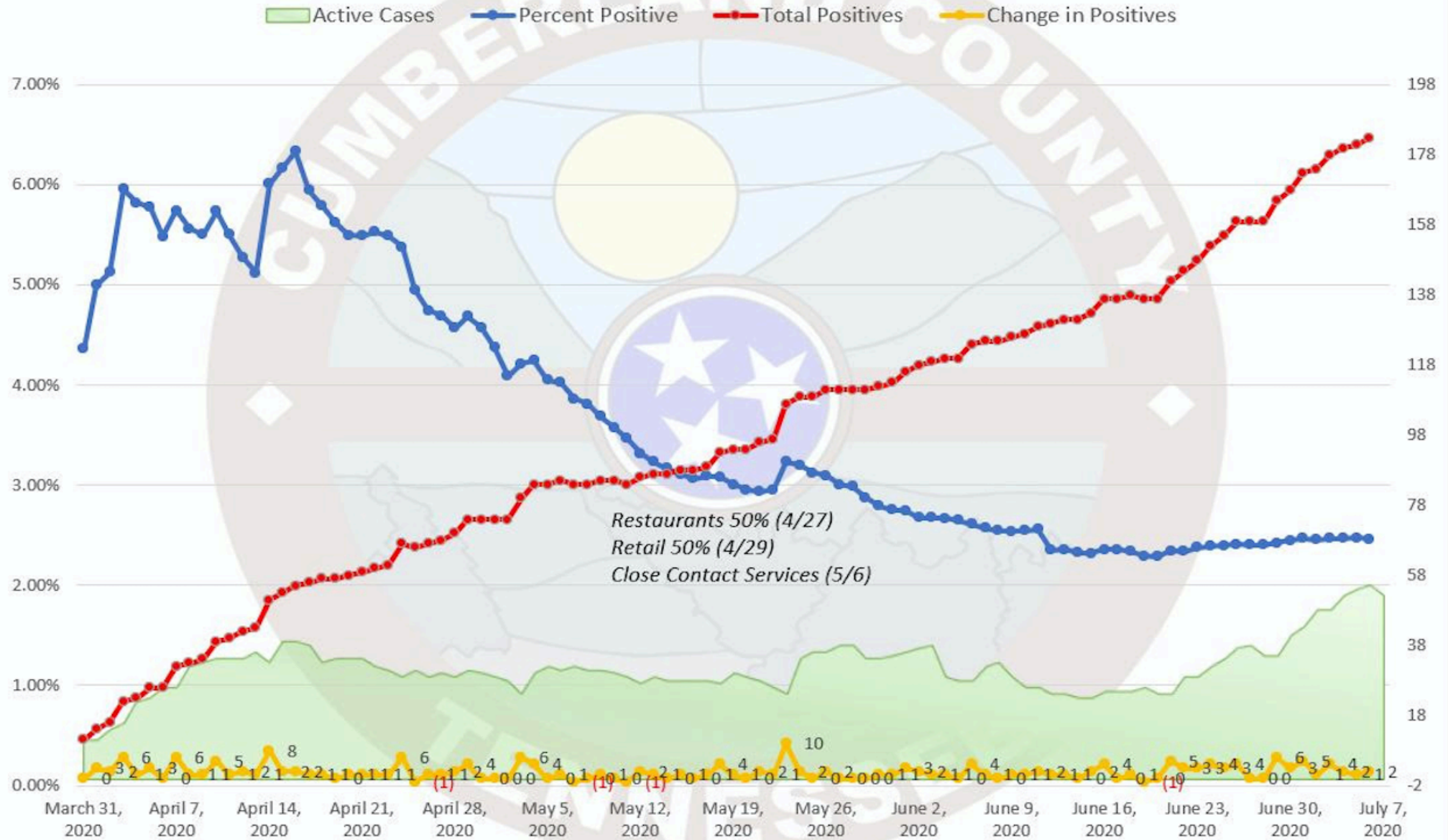




**2020-2021 Reopening of Schools**

**County Mayor Allen Foster's Notes**  
**July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Cumberland County  
 COVID-19 Data Trends**



- Traditional start to the school year, following the BOE approved calendar for 2020-2021
- Traditional instructional framework, with the possibility of going online should the need arise
- Bus transportation will resume as normal
- Safety precautions will be in place, masks will be optional
- Publicity campaign will kick-off the opening of the 2020-2021 school year

# SCHOOLS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



The purpose of this tool is to assist administrators in making (re)opening decisions regarding K-12 schools during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important to check with state and local health officials and other partners to determine the most appropriate actions while adjusting to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the local community.

## Should you consider opening?

- ✓ Will reopening be consistent with applicable state and local orders?
- ✓ Is the school ready to protect children and employees at higher risk for severe illness?
- ✓ Are you able to screen students and employees upon arrival for symptoms and history of exposure?

ANY  
NO



## Are recommended health and safety actions in place?

- ✓ Promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing and employees wearing a cloth face covering, as feasible
- ✓ Intensify cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation
- ✓ Encourage social distancing through increased spacing, small groups and limited mixing between groups, if feasible
- ✓ Train all employees on health and safety protocols

ALL  
YES

ANY  
NO



## Is ongoing monitoring in place?

- ✓ Develop and implement procedures to check for signs and symptoms of students and employees daily upon arrival, as feasible
- ✓ Encourage anyone who is sick to stay home
- ✓ Plan for if students or employees get sick
- ✓ Regularly communicate and monitor developments with local authorities, employees, and families regarding cases, exposures, and updates to policies and procedures
- ✓ Monitor student and employee absences and have flexible leave policies and practices
- ✓ Be ready to consult with the local health authorities if there are cases in the facility or an increase in cases in the local area

ALL  
YES

ANY  
NO



ALL  
YES





# **Update on Governor's Executive Order No. 50**

***Audience: Directors of Schools***

***Contact: [K12.health@tn.gov](mailto:K12.health@tn.gov)***

The Governor's recent Executive Order No. 50 extends the State of Emergency related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic to August 29, 2020. The department has clarified that this executive order does not apply to schools. Districts should continue to make the best local decisions for school reopening specific to their local contexts.

From The Commissioner's Update for Directors, July 2, 2020

# Consultation/Surveys with Stakeholders

- Parent Surveys
- Employee Surveys
- Principal Surveys
- Cumberland County Health Department Director
- Conversations with local teacher organization leaders
- District COVID-19 Committee
- Reviewed by Department the Reopening Toolkits published by TDOE
- Conversations

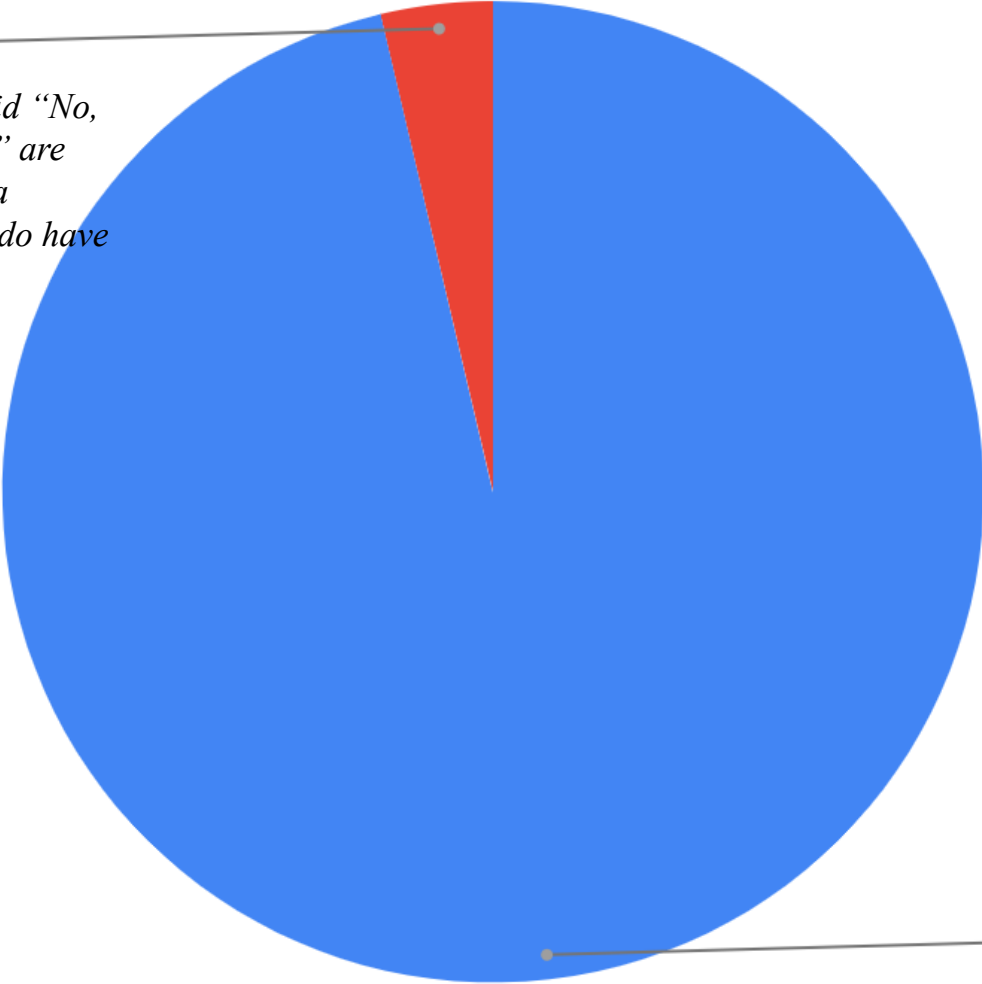
# Cumberland County Schools Fall 2020 Reopening Parent Survey Data Results

This parent survey was open from June 19, 2020 through June 28, 2020.

# 1. Are you a parent or guardian of a 2020-2021 student in Cumberland County Schools?

No  
3.7%

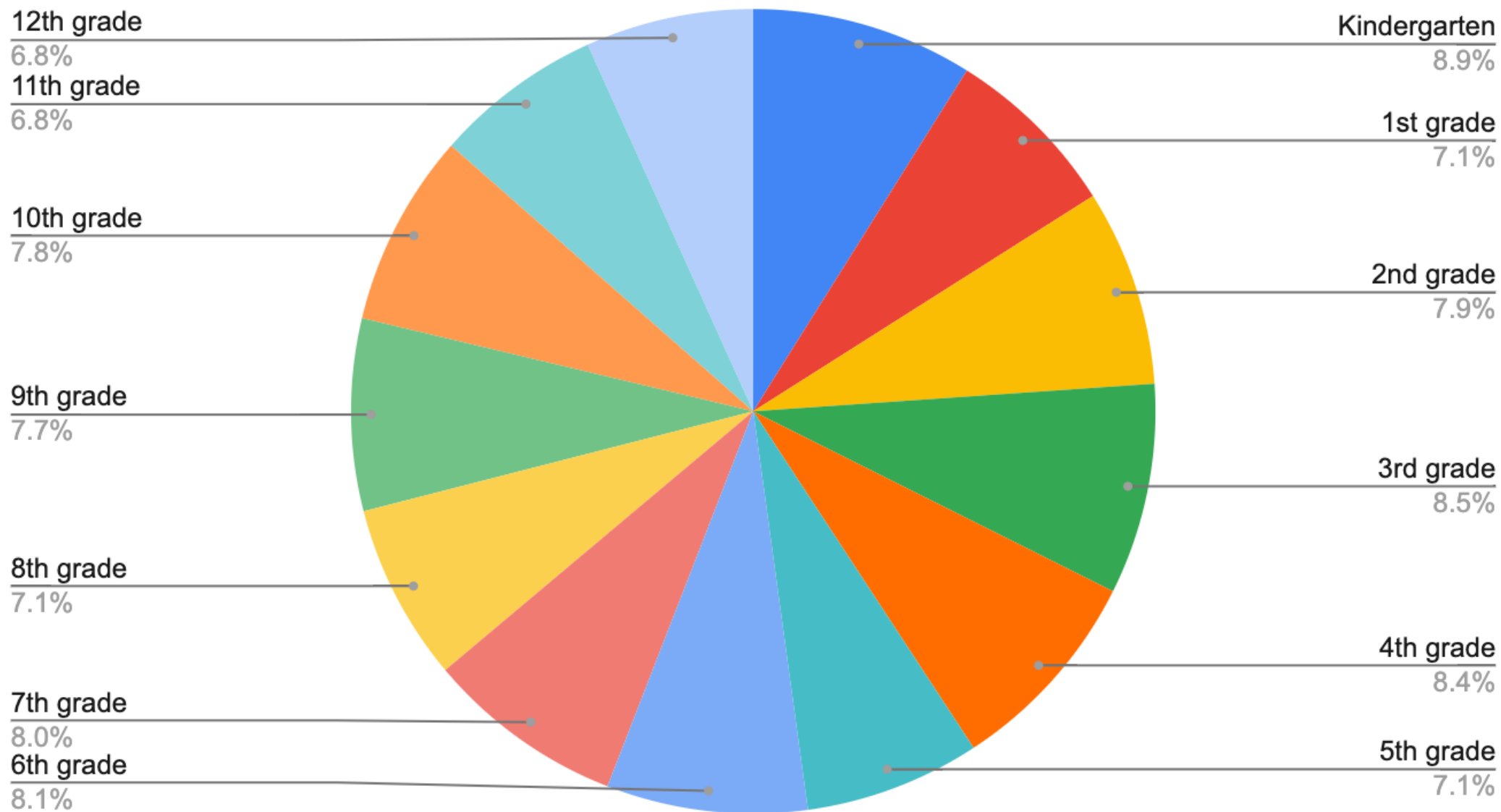
*\*Data from those that said “No, not a parent or guardian” are NOT included in this data collection. However, we do have that data on file.*



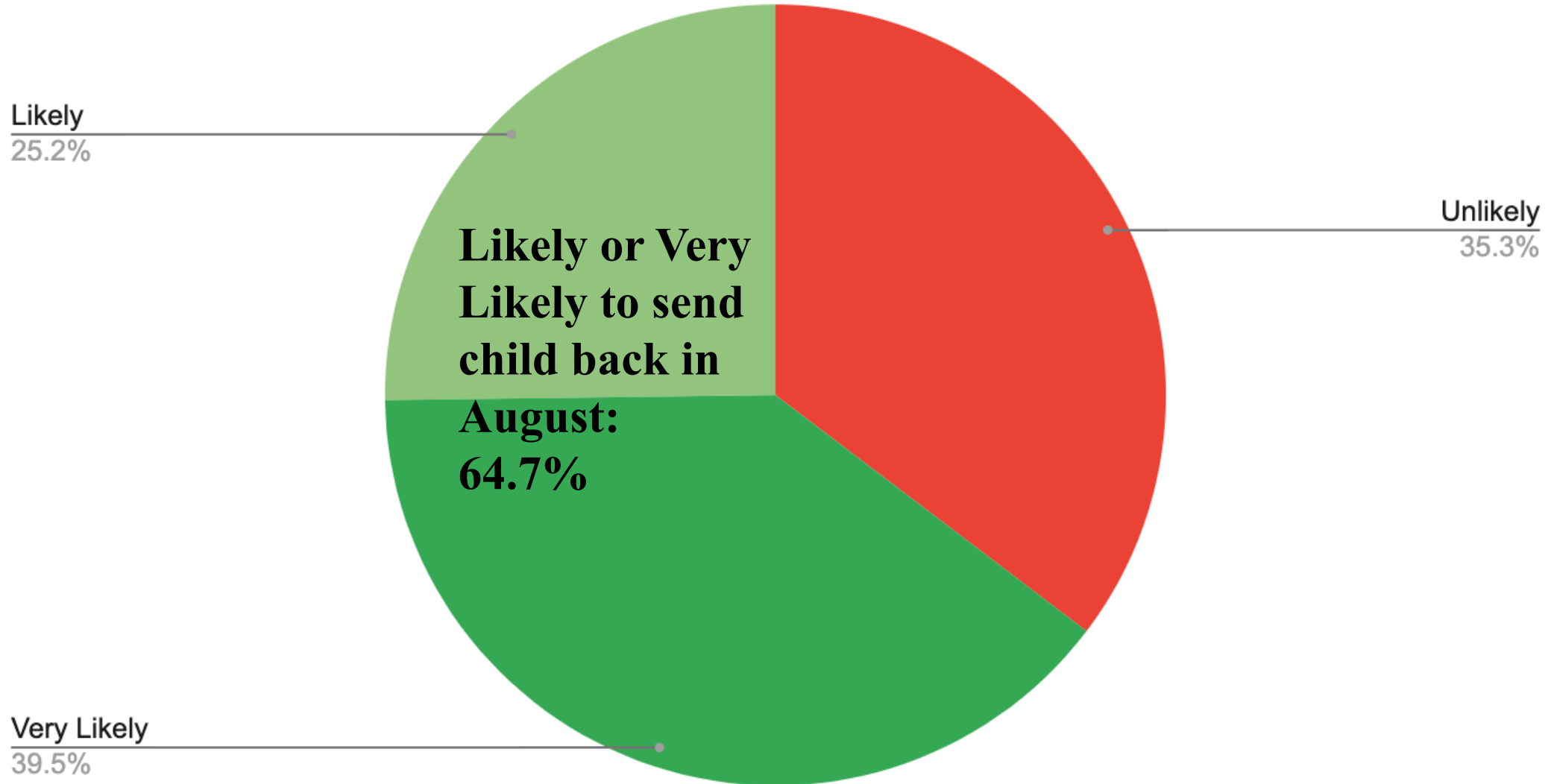
Yes  
96.3%



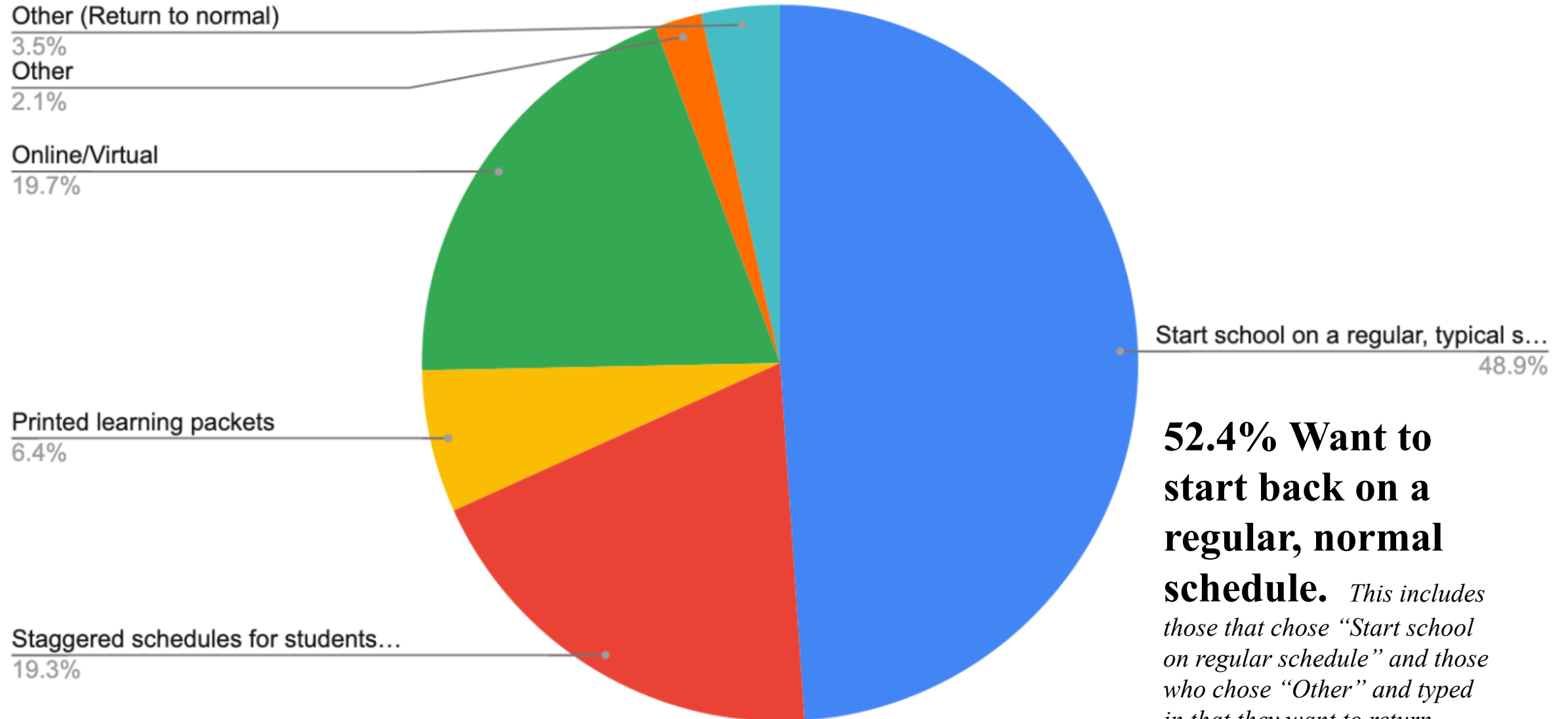
## 2. Grade level(s) of your student(s): (Select all that apply.)



3. If conditions on August 5th are similar to today, how likely are you to send your child to school?



#### 4. What is your preference for returning to school in the fall? (Select one.)



**52.4% Want to start back on a regular, normal schedule.**

*This includes those that chose "Start school on regular schedule" and those who chose "Other" and typed in that they want to return normally.*

## 5. My child has home internet access through: (Select all that apply.)

My student does not have internet...

7.8%

Mobile hotspot

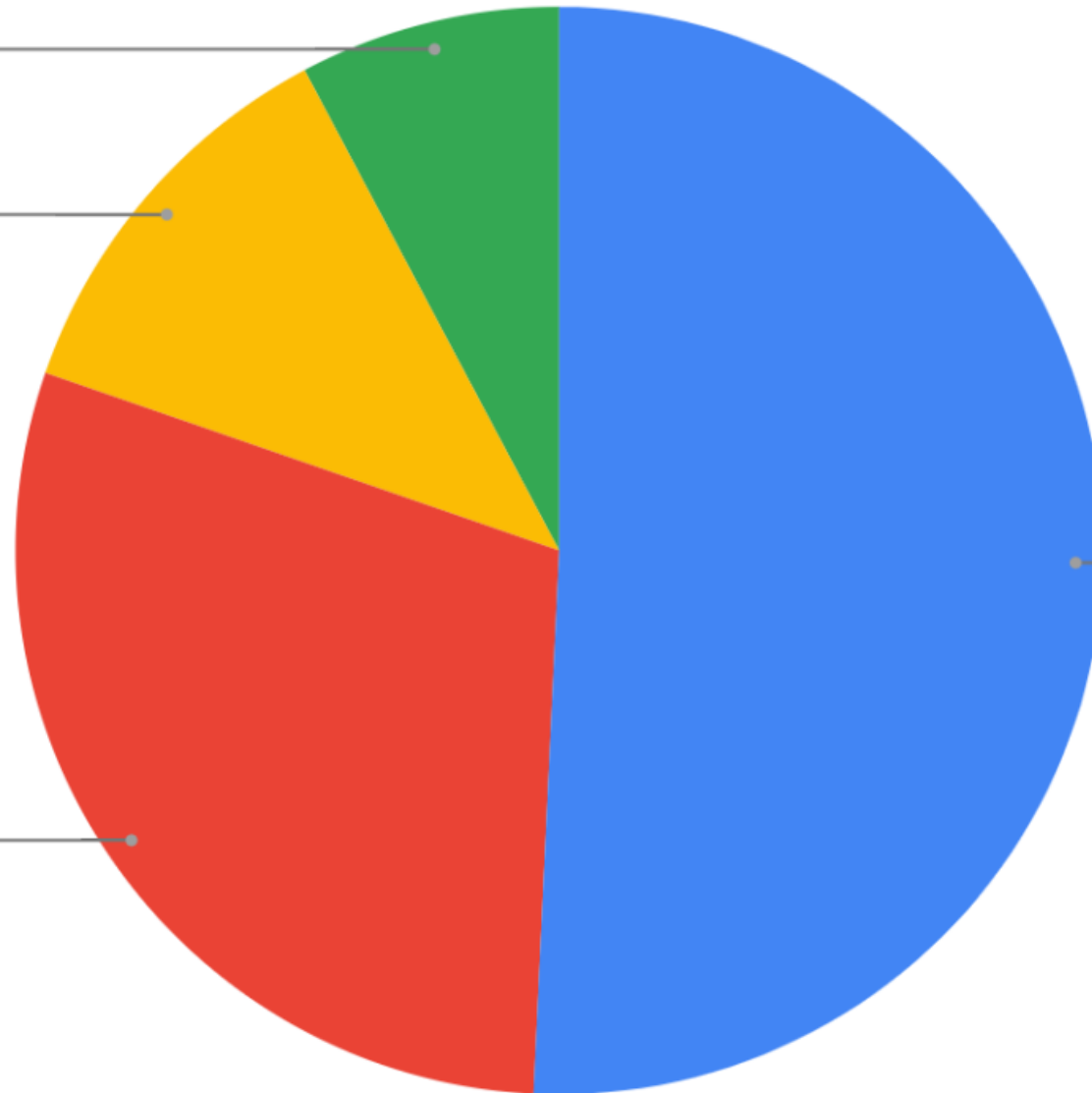
11.9%

Cell phone internet service

29.5%

Home internet service

50.8%



## 6. Transportation to/from school: (Select one.)

My child will use a combination of bus a...  
23.2%

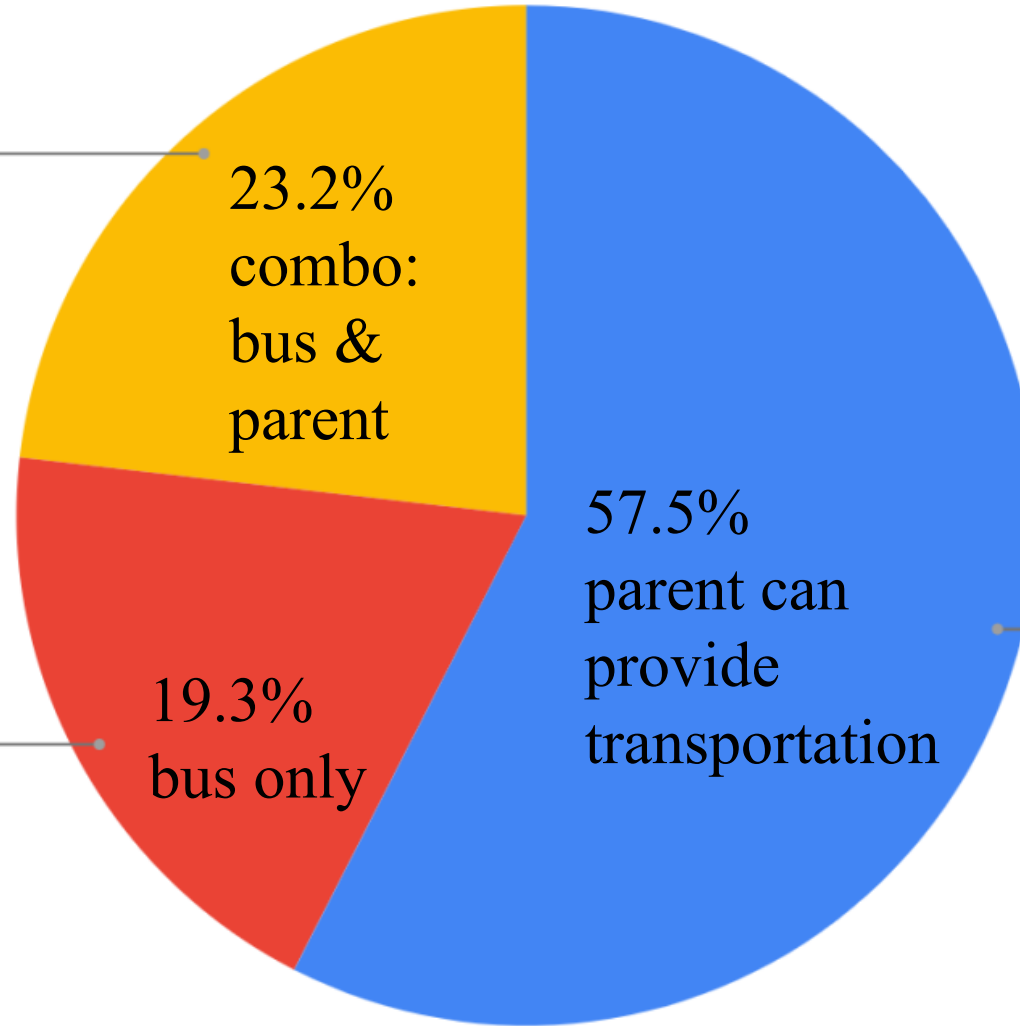
23.2%  
combo:  
bus &  
parent

I depend on the bus for transportation fo...  
19.3%

19.3%  
bus only

57.5%  
parent can  
provide  
transportation

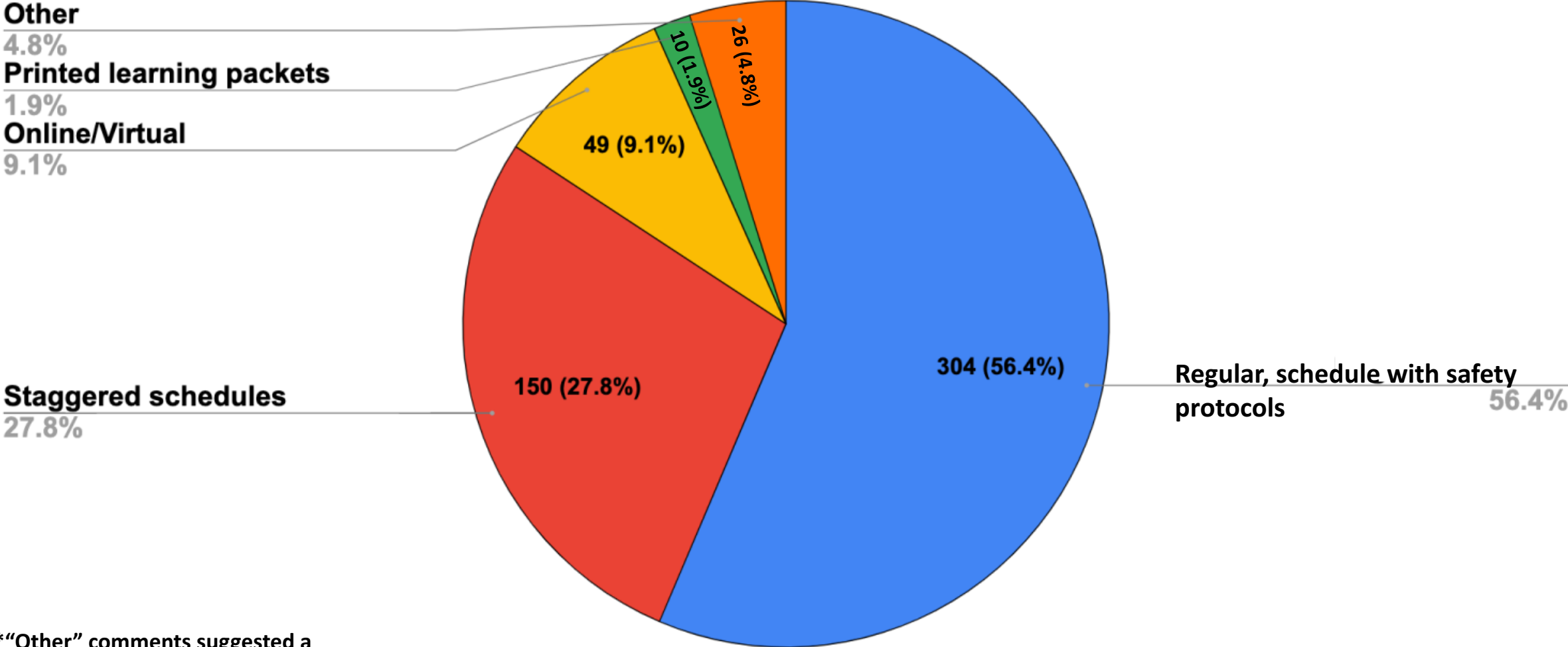
I am able to provide transportation for m...  
57.5%



# Cumberland County Schools Fall 2020 Reopening Employee Survey Data Results

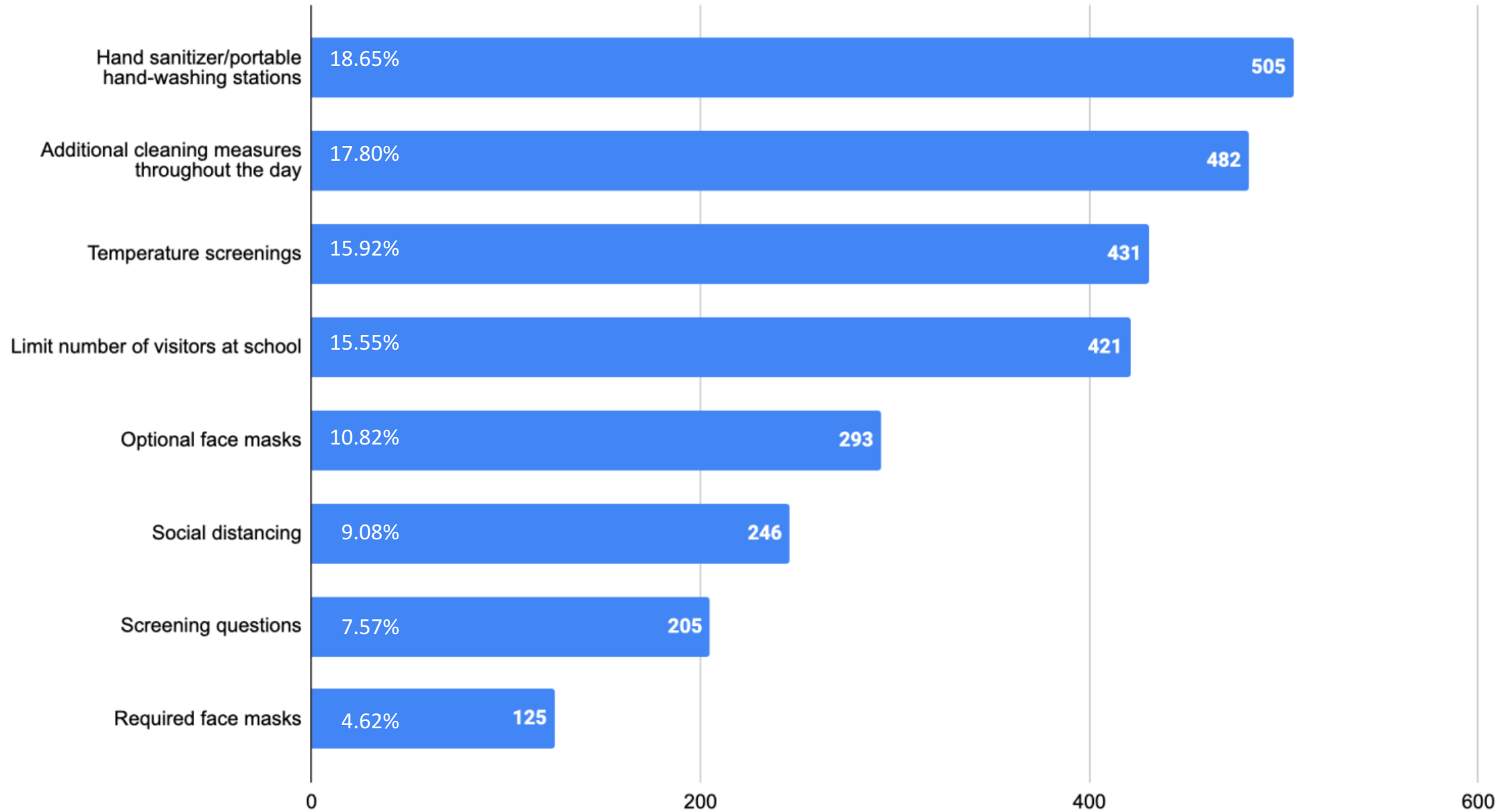
542 Employee Responses

# What is your preference for returning to school in the fall? (Select one)



\*\*“Other” comments suggested a blend of online and in-person, delay until Labor Day, start normal without protocols, etc.

## What safety protocols would you like to see in place? (Check all that apply)





# Cumberland County Schools Fall 2020 Reopening Principal Survey Data Results

11 Principal Responses—Anonymous Survey

# What is your preference for returning to school in the fall? (Select one)

**Other**  
27.3%

**\*\*Other comments:**

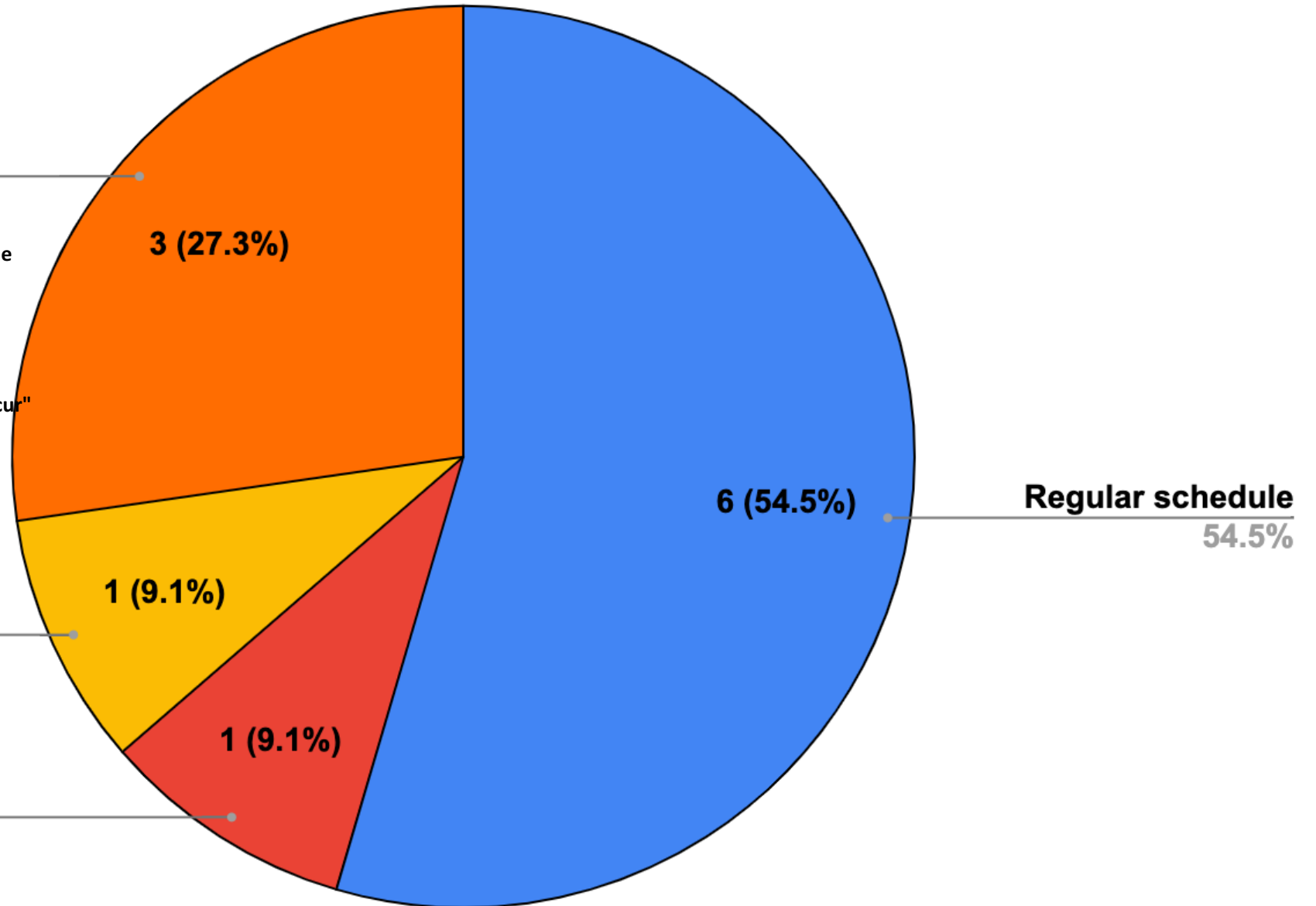
I prefer a staggered schedule, and I think we need an online option for students who will be homeschooled.

K-6 start regular typical; 7-12 staggered

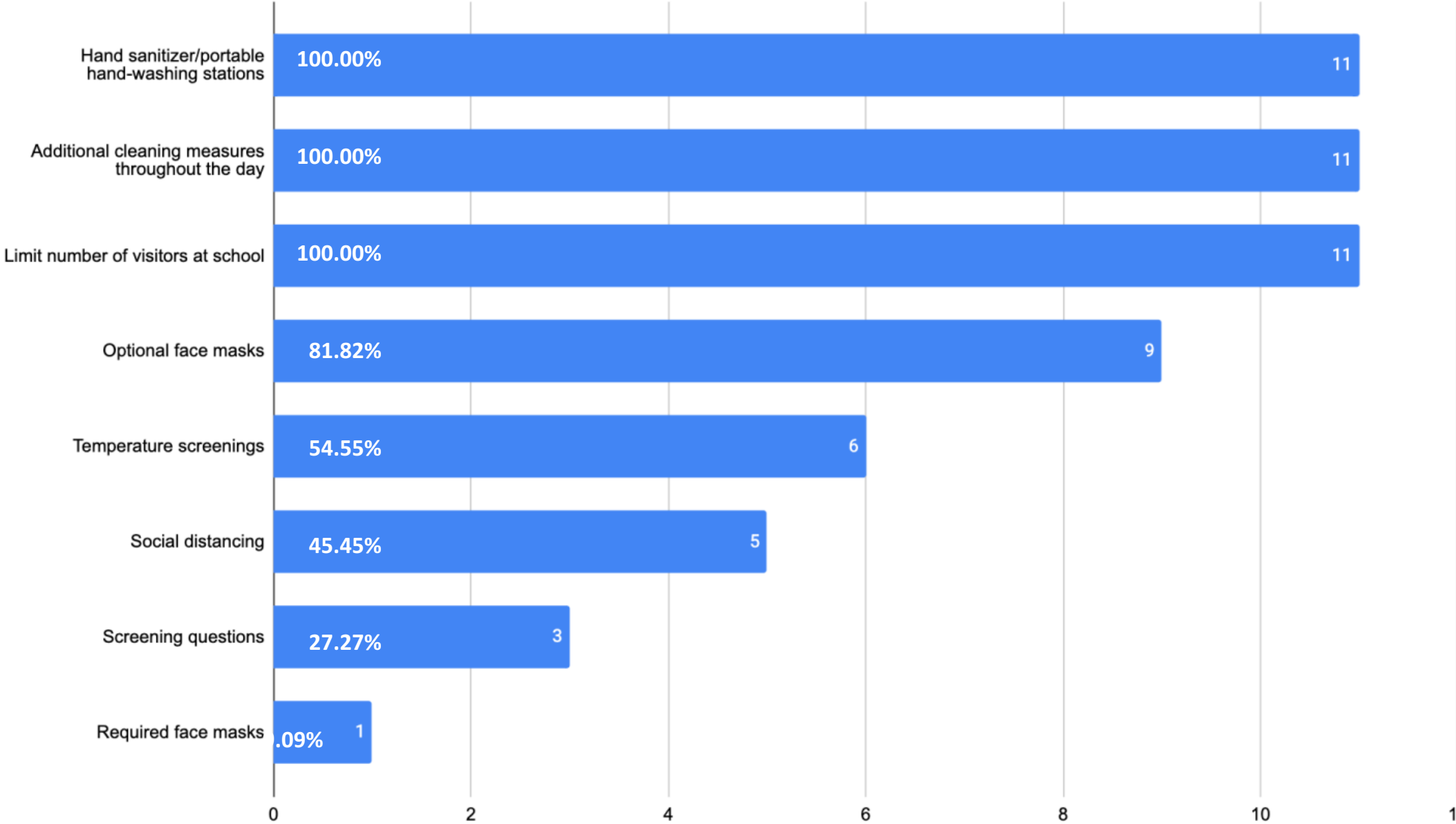
Maybe wait until September to see if the virus does "reoccur" in August like predicted??

**Online/Virtual**  
9.1%

**Staggered schedules**  
9.1%



# What safety protocols would you like to see in place? (Check all that apply)



# Next Steps:

- Formalize release of reopening information
- Continue to monitor Cumberland County Covid-19 cases and guidance from County Mayor, Commissioner of Education and Governor
- Meet with Principals
- Publicize reopening information through various media
- Press releases regarding the safety precautions that will be in place to protect our students and employees
- Submit the Continuous Learning Plan to TDOE for approval should the need arise