

Bellwether Research

Hoosiers for a Quality Education

N= 800 likely Republican primary voters

Margin of error = +/- 3%

Percentages may not equal exactly 100% due to rounding

Indiana Statewide Poll Results

1. Are you currently registered to vote in Indiana?
100% Yes

2. Are you or is any member of your immediate family a member of the news media or actively involved with any political organizations or campaigns?
100% No

3. In politics do you consider yourself to be a...
73% Republican
17% Independent who votes for more Republicans than Democrats
11% Independent who votes for an equal number of Republicans and Democrats

4. Looking ahead, how likely would you say you are to vote in next May's Republican primary election for governor and other offices?
70% Absolutely certain
23% Very likely
5% Somewhat likely
2% Unsure

5. What is your gender?
50% Male
50% Female

6. What is your age?
11% 18-34
9% 35-44
18% 45-54
23% 55-64
23% 65-74
17% 75+

Here are some people involved in public life in Indiana. For each, please indicate whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of them, or if you have heard the name but have no opinion of them or if you have never heard of them.

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Heard, no opinion	Never Heard
7. Suzanne Crouch	20%	10%	37%	34%
8. Mike Braun	50%	16%	25%	9%
9. Eric Doden	11%	4%	30%	56%
10. Curtis Hill	11%	16%	30%	43%

- | | Favorable | Unfavorable | Heard, no opinion | Never Heard |
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| 11. Brad Chambers | 8% | 4% | 33% | 55% |
| 12. Eric Holcomb | 48% | 29% | 19% | 3% |
13. Which of the following do you think should be a top priority for Indiana's next governor?
- 34% Jobs and the economy
 - 26% Crime and public safety
 - 15% K-12 education
 - 8% Agricultural land preservation
 - 8% Healthcare
 - 6% Roads and transportation
 - 4% Unsure
14. If the Republican primary election for governor were held today, for whom would you vote?
- 34% Mike Braun
 - 8% Suzanne Crouch
 - 5% Eric Doden
 - 5% Curtis Hill
 - 4% Brad Chambers
 - 45% unsure
15. Former President Trump recently said, "Mike Braun has my Complete and Total Endorsement to be the next Governor of the Great State of Indiana!"
- Does Trump's endorsement make it more likely you will support Mike Braun, less likely you will support Mike Braun, or does it have no impact either way?
- 33% More likely to support Mike Braun
 - 13% Less likely to support Mike Braun
 - 54% No impact either way
16. What is your reaction to a Republican candidate for governor who says, "I'm the political outsider in this race, the only self-made businessman who can truly build an economy of the future to dramatically increase prosperity for Hoosiers."
- 21% Very positive
 - 35% Somewhat positive
 - 34% Neutral
 - 6% Somewhat negative
 - 3% Very negative
 - 1% Unsure
- 56% Positive – 34% neutral – 9% negative

Now, thinking about education in the state...

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Indiana public schools are doing educating students in grades kindergarten through twelve?
- 7% Strongly approve
 - 30% Somewhat approve
 - 29% Somewhat disapprove
 - 26% Strongly disapprove
 - 8% Unsure
- 36% Approve – 55% Disapprove

18. Do you have any children in a K through 12 public school?
 16% Yes
 84% No
19. In your opinion, in the public schools in your community, is there too much emphasis on achievement testing, not enough emphasis on achievement testing, or about the right amount of emphasis?
 36% Too much emphasis
 20% Not enough emphasis
 22% About the right amount
 22% Unsure

Thinking about public schools in your community, how would you rate the job they are doing in each of the following areas. Good, fair or poor?

- | | Good job | Fair job | Poor job | Unsure |
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| 20. Ensuring all students are reading at grade level by third grade. | 20% | 35% | 30% | 15% |
| 21. Preparing high school graduates with the skills they need for jobs and a career. | 15% | 37% | 39% | 9% |
| 22. Preparing high school graduates for college. | 22% | 42% | 25% | 11% |
| 23. Attracting and retaining teachers. | 13% | 33% | 38% | 16% |
| 24. Providing instruction in core academic subjects. | 22% | 42% | 24% | 13% |
25. You may consider all to be important, but which one of these would you rate as the most important priority right now for K-12 public schools?
 45% Preparing high school graduates with the skills they need for jobs and a career.
 18% Ensuring all students are reading at grade level by third grade.
 17% Providing instruction in core academic subjects.
 15% Attracting and retaining teachers.
 3% Preparing high school graduates for college.
 2% Unsure
26. From what you know or have heard, do you support or oppose increasing the number of public charter schools in Indiana?
 29% Strongly support
 25% Somewhat support
 12% Somewhat oppose
 13% Strongly oppose
 22% Unsure
 53% Support – 24% Oppose

Here are some words or phrases that might describe public charter schools. For each please indicate how well it describes public charter schools.

- | | Very well | Smwt Well | Not too Well | Not at all Well | Unsure |
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| 27. Help improve the entire public school system | 21% | 29% | 12% | 12% | 26% |
| 28. Are open to all | 23% | 28% | 14% | 8% | 27% |
| 29. Are public schools | 11% | 29% | 17% | 14% | 29% |

	Very well	Smwt Well	Not too Well	Not at all Well	Unsure
30.	Are tuition free				
	14%	24%	14%	12%	36%
31.	Are non-profit				
	11%	24%	14%	11%	40%
32.	Serve mostly students of color				
	8%	20%	16%	15%	40%
33.	Serve mostly low-income students				
	8%	25%	20%	13%	35%
34.	If a candidate for Indiana governor supported increasing the number of public charter schools in the state, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for them, or would it have no effect on your vote?				
	12%	Much more likely		39% More likely – 39% no effect – 21% Less likely	
	17%	Somewhat more likely			
	39%	No effect on vote			
	9%	Somewhat less likely			
	12%	Much less likely			
	12%	Unsure			
35.	Do you support or oppose school choice where tax dollars allocated to education go to the parent in the form of a voucher so that parents could choose to send their child to the school of their choice whether it is public or private?				
	50%	Strongly support		70% Support – 25% Oppose	
	20%	Somewhat support			
	9%	Somewhat oppose			
	16%	Strongly oppose			
	6%	Unsure			
36.	Indiana currently has an Education Scholarship Account Program for students with special needs whose families earn no more than 400% the federal free and reduced price lunch guidelines which is \$220,000 for a family of four. The money – which is 90% of the amount the state would pay a school for that child to attend a public school - can be used by families for private school tuition, online education, tutors, occupational therapy and other direct education needs.				
	The program is currently just for students with special needs whose families are income eligible. Do you think this program				
	41%	Should continue as it is now			
	41%	Should be expanded to include all students in Indiana			
	19%	Unsure			
37.	Some states have started to connect and align education and workforce data so that students, parents, employers, and state decision-makers can see how the skills valued by employers align with what is being taught in schools. Is this something you support or oppose doing in Indiana?				
	50%	Strongly support		85% Support - 7% Oppose	
	34%	Somewhat support			
	4%	Somewhat oppose			
	2%	Strongly oppose			
	9%	Unsure			

38. Do you agree or disagree that the disconnect between our K-12, higher education, and workforce systems have left too many young people without the skills and credentials needed to thrive in the workforce and in their communities.
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| 54% | Strongly agree | |
| 30% | Somewhat agree | 84% Agree – 10% Disagree |
| 7% | Somewhat disagree | |
| 3% | Strongly disagree | |
| 7% | Unsure | |

Now, just a few final questions for statistical purposes.

39. What was the last grade you completed in school?
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| 2% | Some high school |
| 15% | Graduated from high school |
| 9% | Vocational/technical school |
| 20% | Some college |
| 37% | Graduated from college |
| 18% | Graduate or professional school |
40. Generally speaking, on most political issue do you consider yourself to be...
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|-----|-----------------------|
| 41% | Very conservative |
| 38% | Somewhat conservative |
| 20% | Moderate |
| 1% | Somewhat liberal |
| 1% | Very liberal |