

LORAIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OHIO

Adult Residents 18 Years of Age and Older

2/20/2026 – 2/24/2026

N=433, +/- 4.7%

(due to rounding, not all results may add up to 100%)



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Q. 1. Generally speaking, at this time would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the quality of life in Lorain County?

33.9% Satisfied
46.3 Dissatisfied
8.8 Mixed/both (volunteered)
11 Unsure/no answer

Q. 2. How often do you use social media, such as Facebook, Twitter X, TikTok or Instagram? Would you say frequently, occasionally or not at all?

52.7% Frequently
29.6 Occasionally
17.1 Not at all
.6 Unsure/no answer

Q. 3. Generally speaking, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the Lorain City School District that serves your community?

25.9% Satisfied
45.7 Dissatisfied
5.1 Mixed/both (volunteered)
23.3 Unsure/no answer

Q. 4. Looking more closely at the school system, overall, how would you rate the quality of education being provided by the Lorain City School District? Would you say it is excellent, good, fair, poor or very poor?

26.3% TOTAL POSITIVE RATING

6.1 Excellent
20.1 Good

27.9% Fair

36.% TOTAL NEGATIVE RATING

19.4 Poor
16.8 Very poor

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9.6% Unsure/no answer

Q. 5. Turning to finances, how would you rate the job the Lorain City School District does spending its money and managing its finances? Would you say excellent, good, fair, poor or very poor?

12.4% TOTAL POSITIVE RATING

2.7 Excellent

9.8 Good

23% Fair

42.9% TOTAL NEGATIVE RATING

17.9 Poor

25 Very poor

21.6% Unsure/no answer

Q. 6. Were you aware that over the last year, the Lorain City School District has cut \$6 and one-half million dollars from its budget?

34.4% Yes, aware

61.4 No, not aware

4.3 Unsure/no answer

Q. 7. So far, do you think that the amount that the Lorain City School District has cut from its budget is too much, about the right amount or too little?

41.3% Too much

8.5 About the right amount

16.5 Too little

33.8 Unsure/no answer

Q. 8. Were you aware that because of lower state & federal funding and new policies that reduced the amount that can be collected, the school district has to additionally cut its budget by about \$16.6 million dollars?

35.5% Yes, aware

58.1 No, not aware

6.4 Unsure/no answer

Q. 9. Generally speaking, do you agree that the Lorain City School District has done a good job trying to inform parents and the public about its financial situation and budget challenges?

28% Agree
45.2 Disagree
26.8 Unsure/no answer

Looking at other possible cuts in order to reduce expenses by \$16.6 million dollars...

(RANDOMLY ROTATED NEXT 5 QUESTIONS)

Q. 10. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to cut costs by...Eliminating neighborhood schools?

9.4% Good idea
75 Bad idea
15.6 Unsure/no answer

Q. 11. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to cut costs by...Reducing pre-school to only half-day sessions?

31.1% Good idea
53.8 Bad idea
15.2 Unsure/no answer

Q. 12. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to cut costs by...Eliminating after-school programs and services?

12.4% Good idea
77.6 Bad idea
10.1 Unsure/no answer

Q. 13. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to cut costs by...Creating a School for Autism, so the district can offer services that are required, by law, instead of paying other school systems high tuition to provide them?

52.8% Good idea
29.9 Bad idea
17.2 Unsure/no answer

Q. 14. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to cut costs by...Eliminating support services that are provided by social workers and mental health specialists?

12.2% Good idea

- 77.3 Bad idea
- 10.5 Unsure/no answer

Q. 15. Among the options discussed, which do you think is the most important to keep in order to provide the best educational experience for students? Is it...

(randomly rotated)

- 17% Neighborhood schools
- 6.8 Full-day preschool
- 17 Afterschool programs & services
- 10.8 A local School for Autism...or...
- 18.2 Support services from social workers & mental health specialists
- 16 All/combination (volunteered)
- .8 None (volunteered)
- 13.4 Unsure/no answer

Q. 16. Which do you think is the least important to keep and can be eliminated to stay under budget? Is it...

(excluded responses chosen in previous question)

(randomly rotated)

- 7.1% Neighborhood schools
- 30.5 Full-day preschool
- 9.4 Afterschool programs & services
- 15.3 A local School for Autism...or...
- 8.4 Support services from social workers & mental health specialists
- 1.9 All/combination (volunteered)
- 9.3 None (volunteered)
- 18 Unsure/no answer

Q. 17. If the school district is not able to make about \$16.6 million dollars in additional budget cuts, the State of Ohio may take control of all the Lorain City School District's finances and spending decisions. Do you think that having the State take control of finances and spending decisions would be good or bad for the Lorain City School District, or would it have no effect?

- 23.6% Good for the Lorain City School District
- 43.3 Bad for the Lorain City School District
- 11.6 Have no effect
- 21.4 Unsure/no answer

Q. 18. Over the last year, have you seen or noticed any news, information or posts about the Lorain City School District on the social media accounts of your friends, parents or others in the community?

48.9% Yes
41.9 No – skipped next question
9.2 Unsure/no answer – skipped next question

Q. 19. Generally speaking, was most of the information you saw on social media favorable or unfavorable towards the Lorain City School District?

n=212
19% Favorable
59.8 Unfavorable
8.6 Mixed/some of both (volunteered)
12.7 Unsure/no answer

Q. 20. Now a few short questions for statistical purposes, which of the following do you consider to be your main race or ethnic background? Is it...

15.2% African-American
1 Asian, Pacific Islander or Indian
19.1 Hispanic or Latino – skipped next question
52.3 White...or...
2.5 Something else
1 Two or more races (volunteered)
9 Unsure/no answer

Q. 21. Are you of Hispanic origin or descent?

n=348
3.2% Yes
83.5 No
13.3 Unsure/no answer

Q. 22. Do you have a 4-year or Bachelor's Degree from a college or university?

13.2% Yes
78.8 No
8 Unsure/no answer

Q. 23. Do you have any children currently enrolled in a Lorain City School District public school?

34% Yes
60.8 No
5.1 Unsure/no answer

Q. 24. Do you own or rent the home in which you currently live?

63.3% Own
26.4 Rent
4.1 Other (volunteered)
6.2 Unsure/no answer

Gender:

48% Male
50.4 Female
1.5 Other