

BLACK IN SCHOOL COALITION

CALIFORNIA BLACK VOTERS EDUCATION SURVEY RESULTS

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CONTEXT

The Black in School Coalition, an organization bringing together education stakeholders with a mission to improve academic and social outcomes for Black students, conducted a statewide survey of 1,199 California Black voters on education funding, school performance and the biggest challenges facing Black students today – with an emphasis on finding a solution to close the academic achievement gap for Black students.

Currently, 70% of Black students in California are not meeting English Language Arts standards and 84% are not meeting math standards and state assessments.

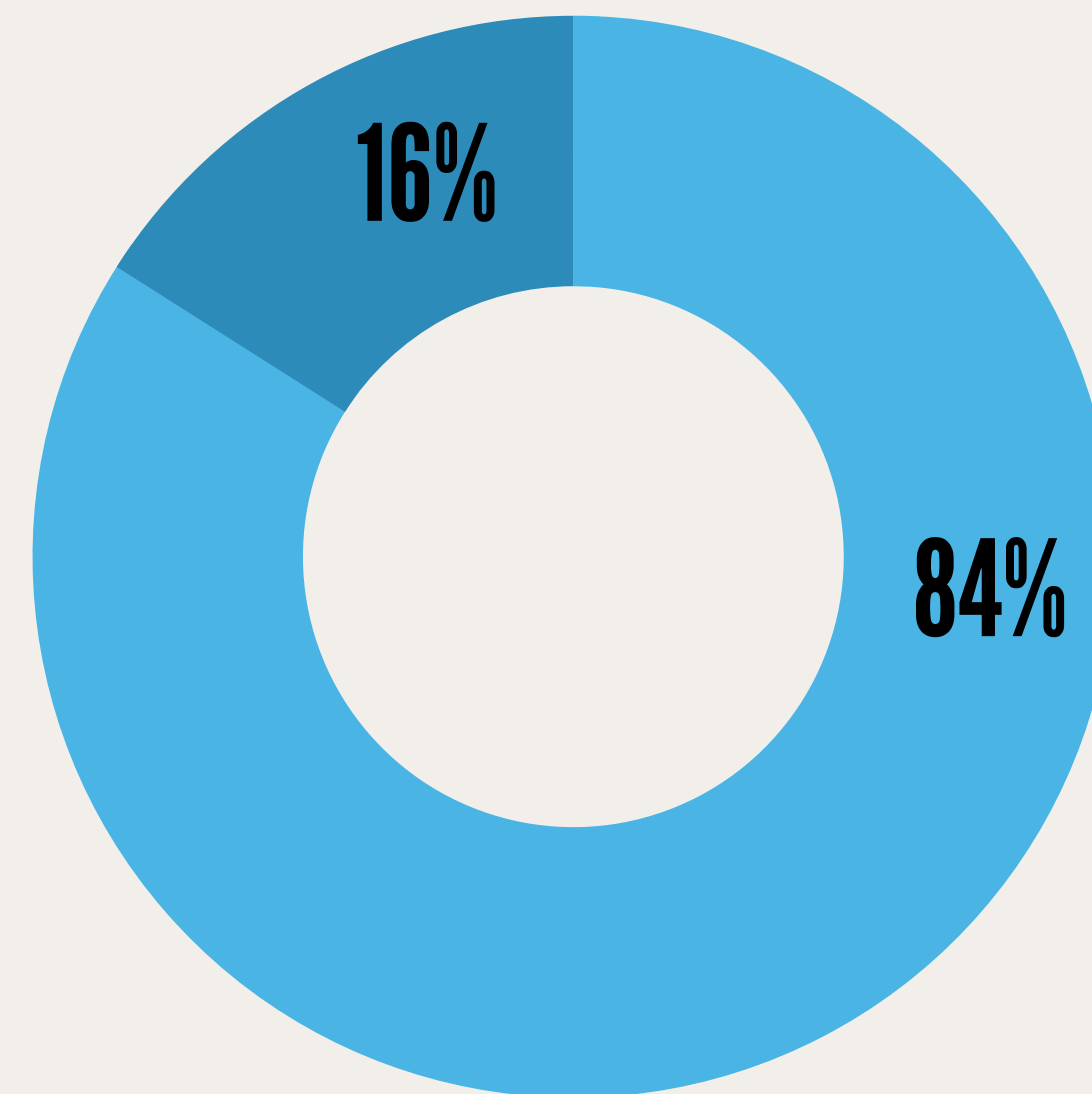
METHODOLOGY

Interviews with 1,199 African American registered voters in California were conducted over live calls via landlines and cell phones, SMS-to-online surveys, and an online panel survey.

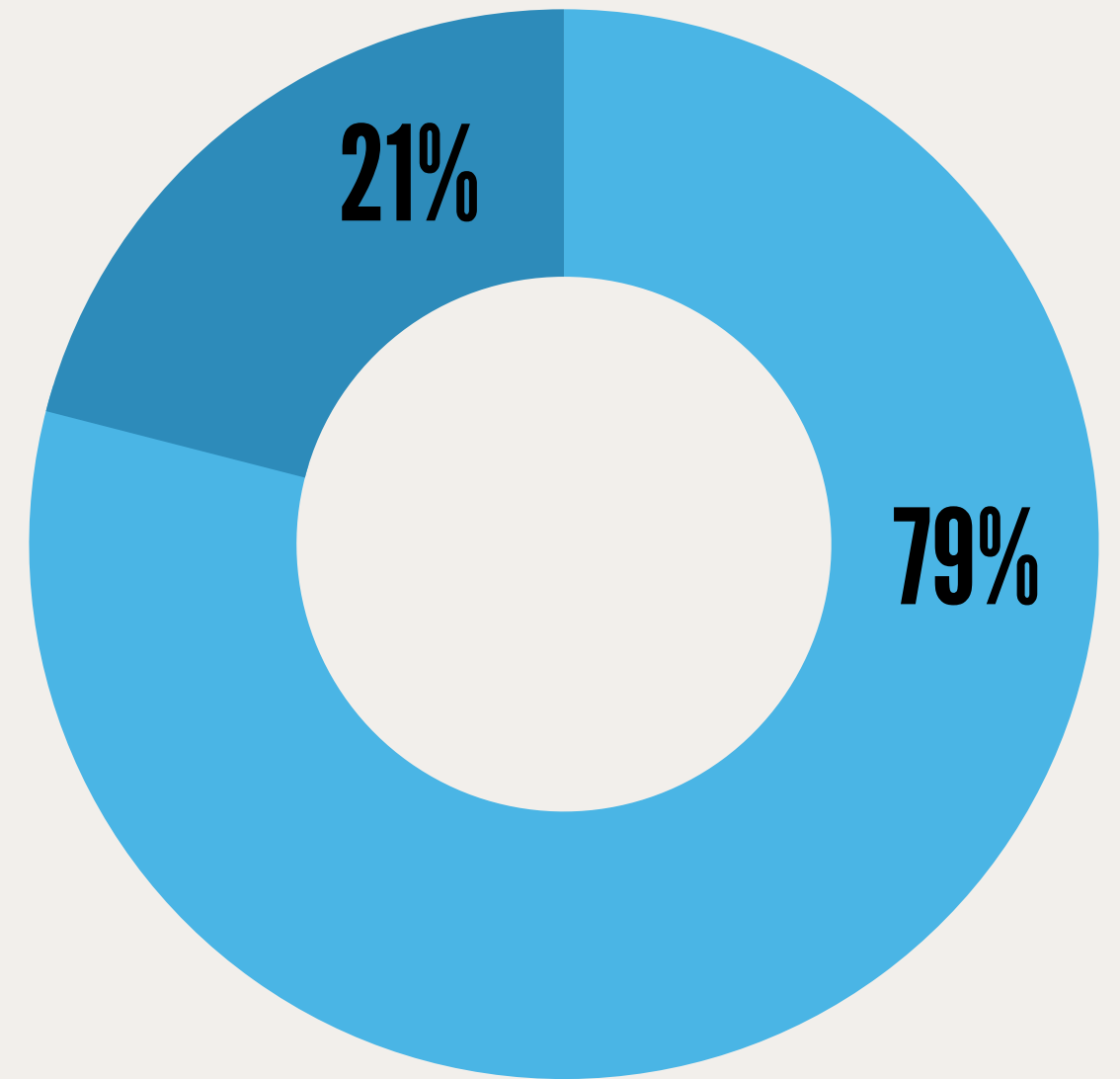
Specific quotas were determined to ensure a representative sample of African American California voters. Calls were only made to registered voters identified in California's voter file and panel respondents were screened for voter registration as well.

The sample was stratified and weighted to be representative of Black voters within California.

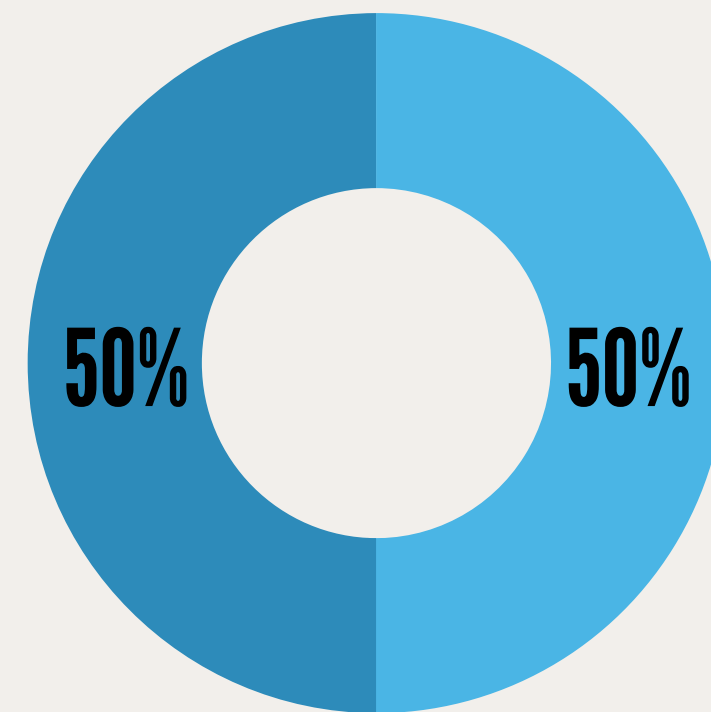
84% OF RESPONDENTS WANT
EDUCATION FUNDING TO
TARGET THE LOWEST-
PERFORMING STUDENTS.



79% OF RESPONDENTS SUPPORT A CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE WAY SCHOOLS ARE FUNDED BY CREATING A NEW GRANT FOR CALIFORNIA'S LOWEST-PERFORMING SUBGROUP OF STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING FUNDING.



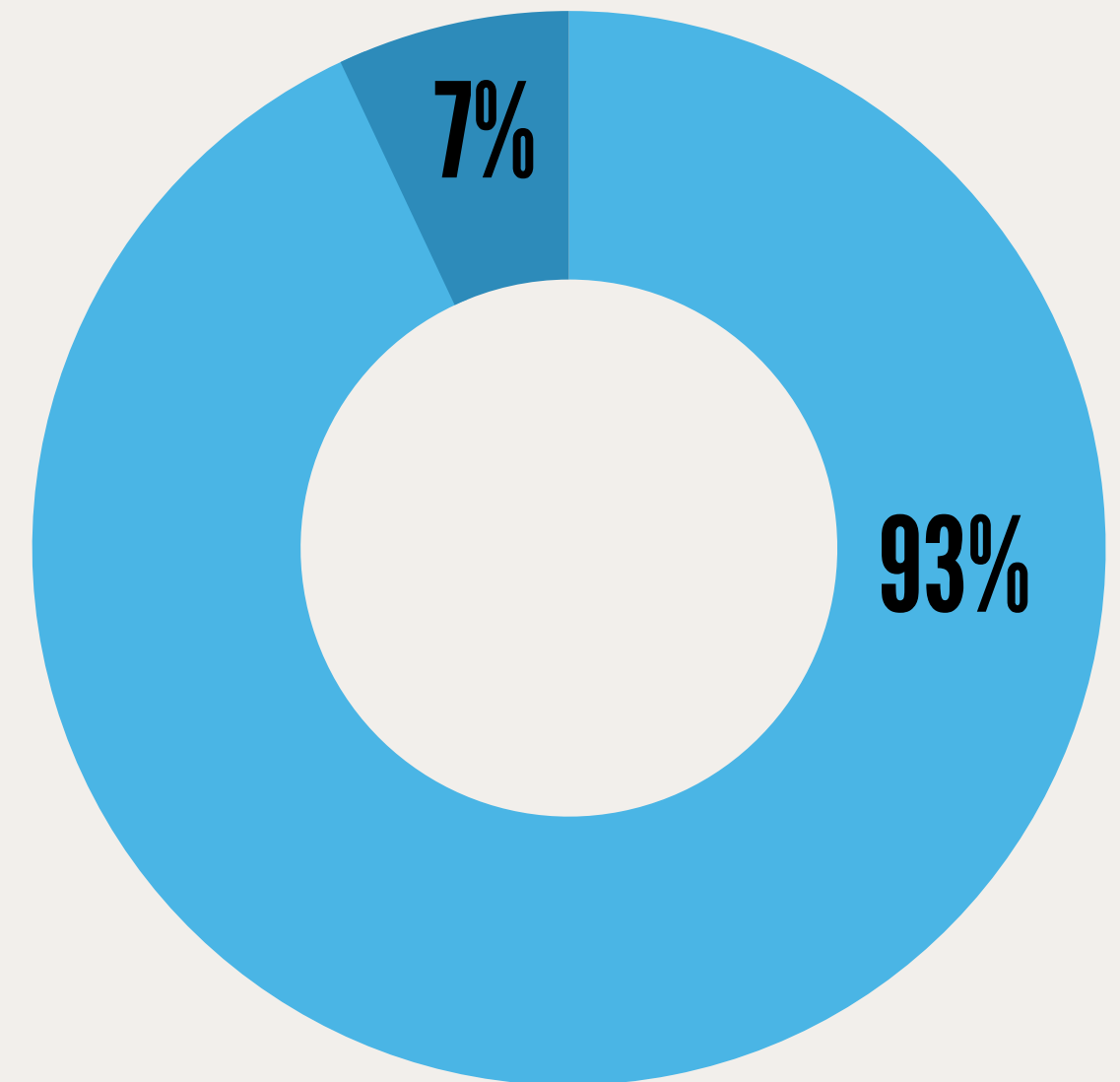
**50% OF RESPONDENTS DO NOT
THINK SCHOOLS IN THEIR AREA
ARE PROVIDING A QUALITY
EDUCATION FOR BLACK
STUDENTS.**



"MORE ATTENTION AND FOCUS SHOULD BE PLACED ON AFRICAN AMERICAN KIDS TO HELP AND ENSURE THEY GRADUATE."

- A FEMALE DEMOCRAT, 35-44 YEARS OLD FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY

93% OF RESPONDENTS THINK
**CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM IN
CALIFORNIA IS AN URGENT
PROBLEM.**

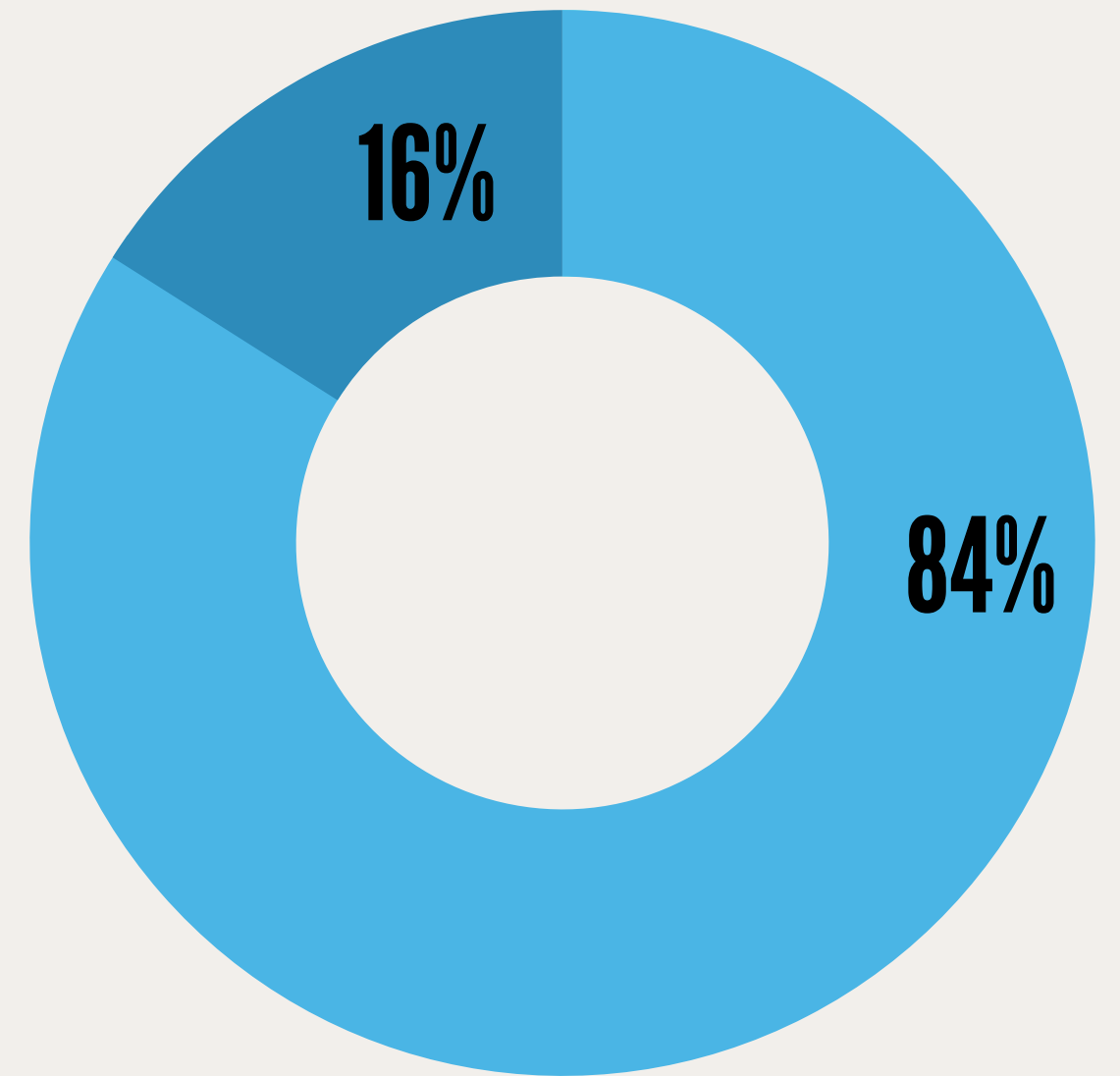


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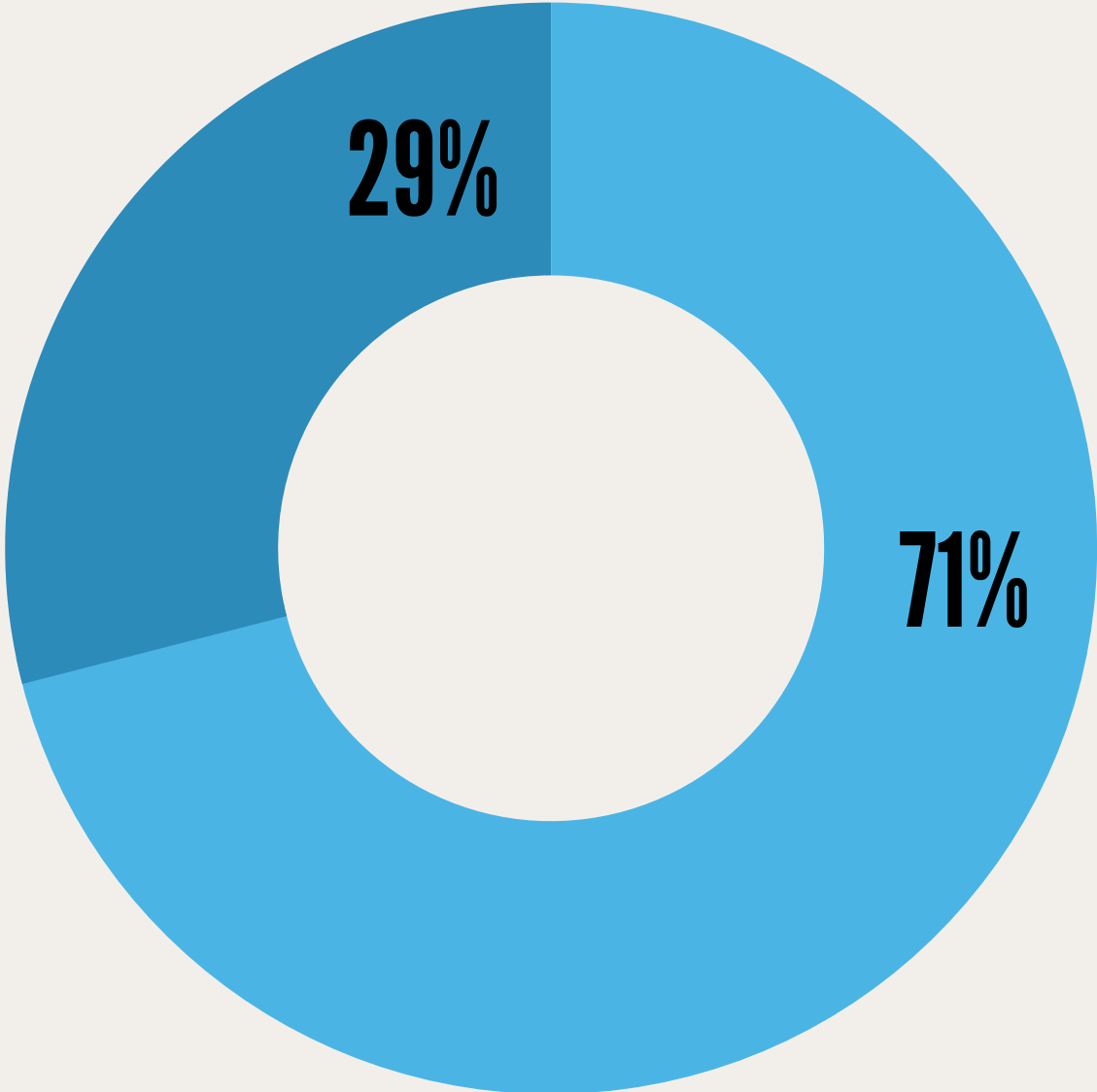
FUNDING FOR LOW- PERFORMING STUDENTS



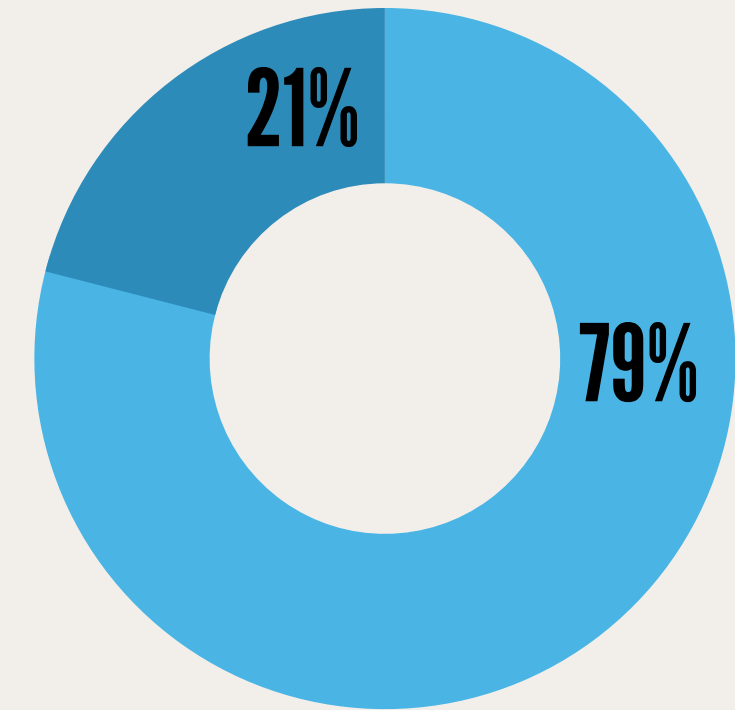
84% OF RESPONDENTS
**SUPPORTED ALLOCATING
FUNDING BASED ON STUDENT
PERFORMANCE RATHER THAN
INCOME.**



71% OF RESPONDENTS THINK A PROPOSAL THAT ALLOCATES ADDITIONAL FUNDING BASED ON STUDENT PERFORMANCE WOULD IMPROVE EDUCATION FOR BLACK STUDENTS.



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"[WE NEED] BETTER FUNDING AND MORE RESOURCES TO HELP BLACK STUDENTS TO BE SUCCESSFUL."

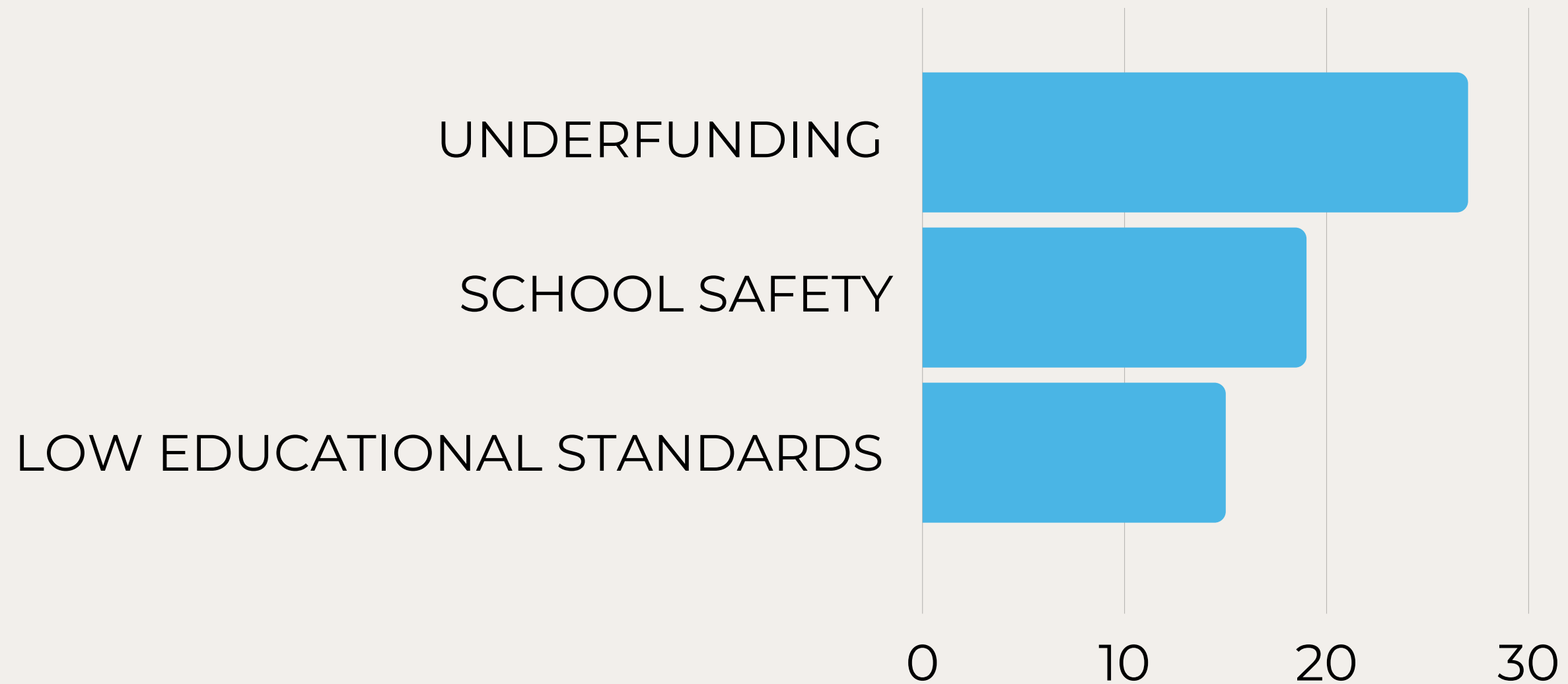
- A FEMALE DEMOCRAT, 18-34 YEARS OLD FROM FAR NORTH CALIFORNIA

HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL?

62% OF RESPONDENTS AGREE THE SCHOOLS IN THEIR AREA ARE PROVIDING **HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION** TO THEIR STUDENTS.

HOWEVER, **50%** OF BLACK VOTERS DO NOT BELIEVE SCHOOLS IN THEIR AREA ARE *PROVIDING THAT FOR BLACK STUDENTS.*

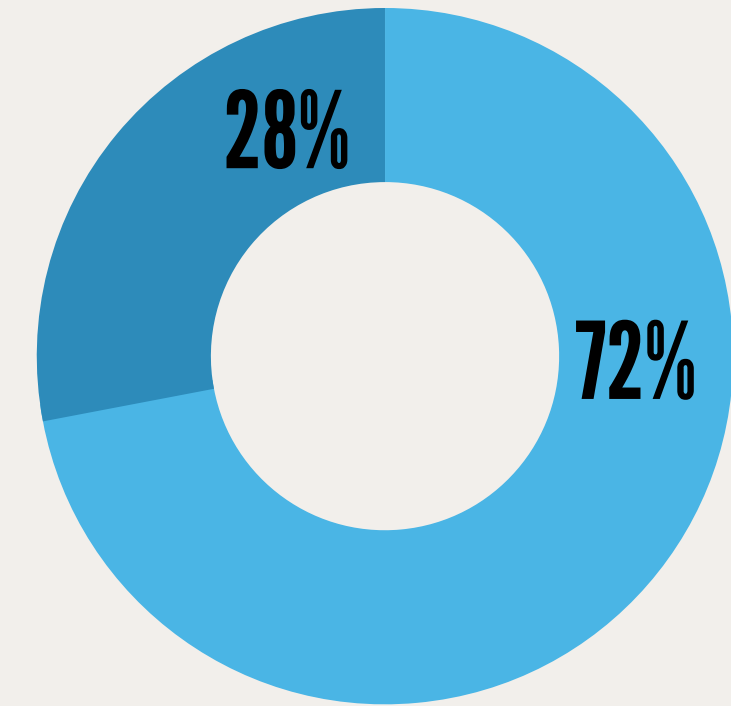
WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES FACING SCHOOLS?



32% of respondents identified **ALL OF** the following as being the **biggest challenges** **FACING BLACK STUDENTS**:

- Black students are receiving a **lower quality education** than non-Black students.
- Schools with mostly Black students are **not properly funded**.
- Black students are **not graduating ready for college or a career**.
- Student **discipline is too severe**.
- There is a **lack of focused attention on the educational needs** of Black students.
- Black students face **racial discrimination**.

72% OF RESPONDENTS SUPPORT THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.



"MY DAUGHTER GOES TO A CHARTER SCHOOL IN INGLEWOOD, CA, JUST FINISHED THE 10TH GRADE, AND HAS A 4.1 GPA. SHE IS REGULARLY ON THE PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL AND JUST PASSED HER FIRST AP COURSE. IN MY OPINION MY DAUGHTER, WHO IS A BLACK CHILD, IS BEING SERVED PROPERLY."

- A FEMALE DEMOCRAT, 35-44 YEARS OLD FROM LA COUNTY

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NEWSOM:

48% OF RESPONDENTS
DISAGREE THAT THE CALIFORNIA
LEGISLATURE IS WORKING HARD
TO IMPROVE EDUCATION FOR
BLACK STUDENTS.

27% OF RESPONDENTS AGREE
THAT GOVERNOR NEWSOM IS
DOING ENOUGH TO IMPROVE
EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES FOR
BLACK STUDENTS.



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