**TEACHERS BRING PASSION AND COMMITMENT TO THEIR CHALLENGING WORK**

88% of teachers agree rewards of teaching outweigh the challenges they face.

85% of teachers chose their profession to make a difference in the lives of children.

**MOST SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES TEACHERS FACE:**

- 82% Constantly changing demands
- 51% Not enough time to collaborate with other teachers

**TEACHERS BELIEVE OPINIONS OF TEACHERS ARE HEARD AND VALUED BY THEIR SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS:**

- 69% School
- 32% District

**TEACHERS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS, EVEN AS THEY ACKNOWLEDGE CHALLENGES AHEAD**

73% of teachers are enthusiastic about implementing the Common Core and 73% believe it will be challenging.

More than half of teachers believe the Common Core will be positive for most students.

**TEACHERS FEEL MORE PREPARED TO TEACH TO THE COMMON CORE:**

- 59% 2011
- 75% 2013

**TEACHERS WANT MORE RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THE NEW STANDARDS, INCLUDING:**

- 76% More planning time
- 71% Quality professional development
- 67% Help with inquiry-based teaching questioning

**TEACHERS FIND EVALUATIONS MOST HELPFUL WHEN THEY INCLUDE ACTIONABLE FEEDBACK AND MULTIPLE MEASURES**

77% of teachers believe they should receive a formal evaluation at least once a year.

- 69% Feedback on teaching practice
- 57% Ranking or effectiveness score
- 17% Supports and resources recommended
- 13% Professional learning opportunities customized

**EVALUATIONS RESULT IN VARIOUS OUTCOMES FOR TEACHERS:**

- 98% Making sure their child misses very little school
- 97% Collaborating with teachers
- 97% Setting high expectations

**TEACHERS SEEK TO COLLABORATE IN AND OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL TO BEST SERVE STUDENTS**

- Sharing resources and lesson plans: 76%
- Learning from each other’s successes and challenges: 68%
- Discussing how to best meet the needs of individual students: 68%

- 57% of teachers use websites to collaborate with each other.
- 91% of teachers report using websites to find or share lesson plans.

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