

**2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL**  
**Wave 191: Religion & Public Life**  
**April 6–12, 2026**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.**

**PN = Programming note**

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**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**  
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**BAT: SCHOOLPRAY**

**ASK ALL:**

**[ PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4/4-1, HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]**

**[ PN: IF WEB: ]** Thinking about public schools, do you favor or oppose...

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM: ]** Thinking about public schools, do you favor or oppose **(INSERT ITEM)**? Do you **(READ LIST)**?

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS: ]** Next, what about **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ AS NECESSARY: Thinking about public schools, do you favor or oppose **(INSERT ITEM)**?)** Do you **(READ LIST)**?)

**BATTERY ITEMS:**

- a Allowing public school teachers to lead their classes in prayer
- b Allowing public school coaches to lead their teams in prayer
- c Allowing public school students to voluntarily pray in student-led groups
- d Displaying the 10 Commandments in public school classrooms

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Strongly favor
  - 2 Somewhat favor
  - 3 Somewhat oppose
  - 4 Strongly oppose
  - 98 **[ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
  - 99 **[ PN: IF WEB: ]** Web blank / **[ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ)** Refused
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**QUE: SCHPRAYYES****ASK IF FAVORS TEACHER-LED PRAYER (SCHOOLPRAY\_a=1,2):**

Which of the following statements comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Public school teachers should be allowed to lead their classes in prayer, and students should be required to participate
- 2 Public school teachers should be allowed to lead their classes in prayer, but only if students are not required to participate
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

**QUE: SCHPRAYNO****ASK IF OPPOSES TEACHER-LED PRAYER (SCHOOLPRAY\_a=3,4):**

Which of the following statements comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Public school teachers should not be allowed to lead their classes in prayer at all
- 2 Public school teachers should be allowed to lead their classes in prayer, but only if students are not required to participate
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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