# Teacher Survey on Common Core Standards

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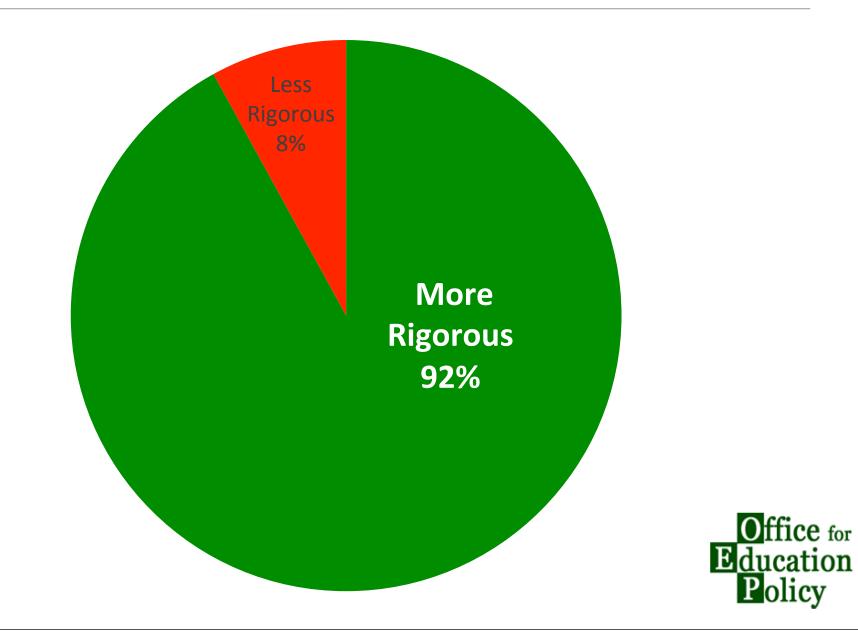
# About the Teacher Survey on CCS

Survey to gather information on Arkansas teachers' perceptions of the Common Core Standards.

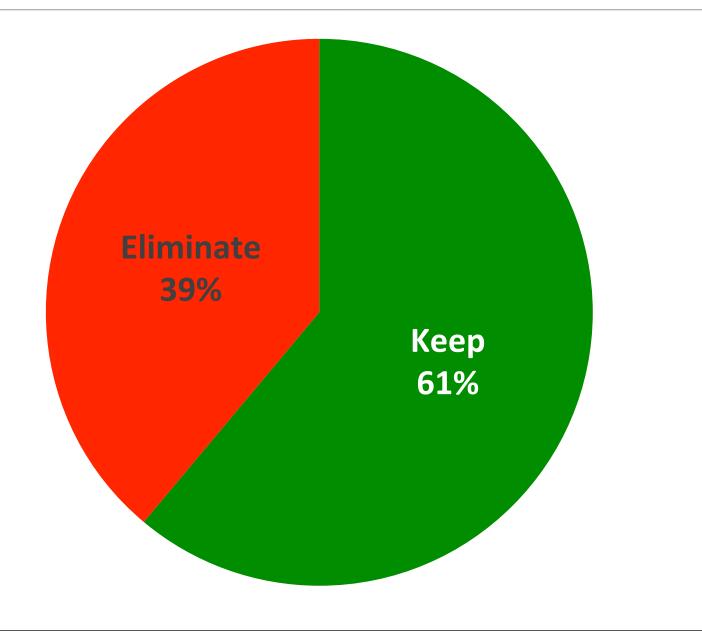
- Stratified, random sample of 60 Arkansas districts (small/medium/large and higher/lower performing)
- Opened February 26, 2015
- Invitations sent to 2,795 math and literacy teachers (grades 3-high school)
- 967 teachers responded (34.6% response rate) as of April 21, 2015



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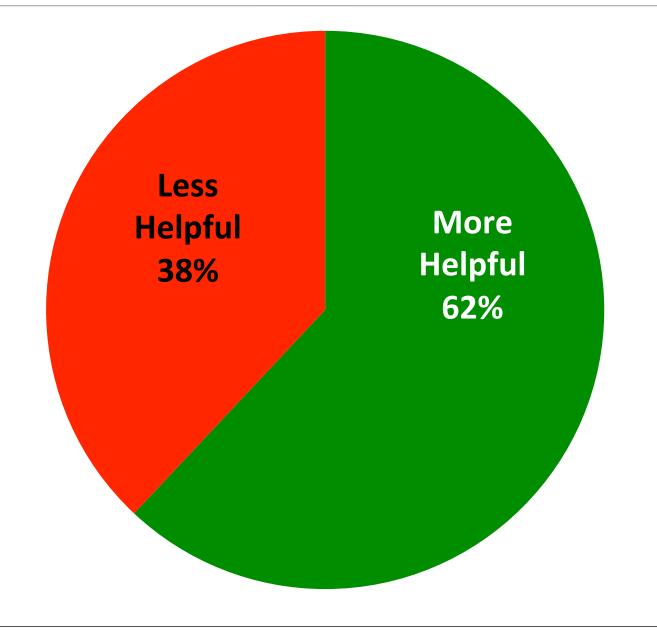


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## "Overall, the Common Core Standards are than the previous standards in preparing students academically."





About the survey...

- Online
- Anonymous
- Link sent directly to teachers
- 40 questions / 5 minutes
- Could enter to win a \$100 gift card
- IRB approved



## Results: Teacher Survey on CCS

#### Part 1: CCS Impact on Student Learning

Part 2: CCS Impact on Teacher's Attitudes

Part 3: CCS Implementation





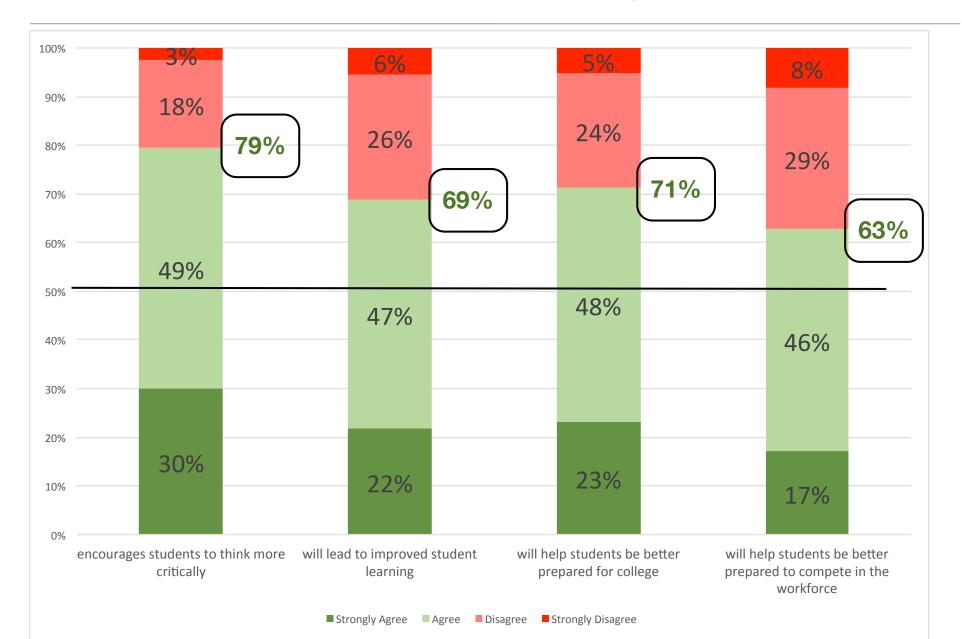
Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements

I believe that the Common Core Standards will lead to improved student learning for the majority of students I teach.

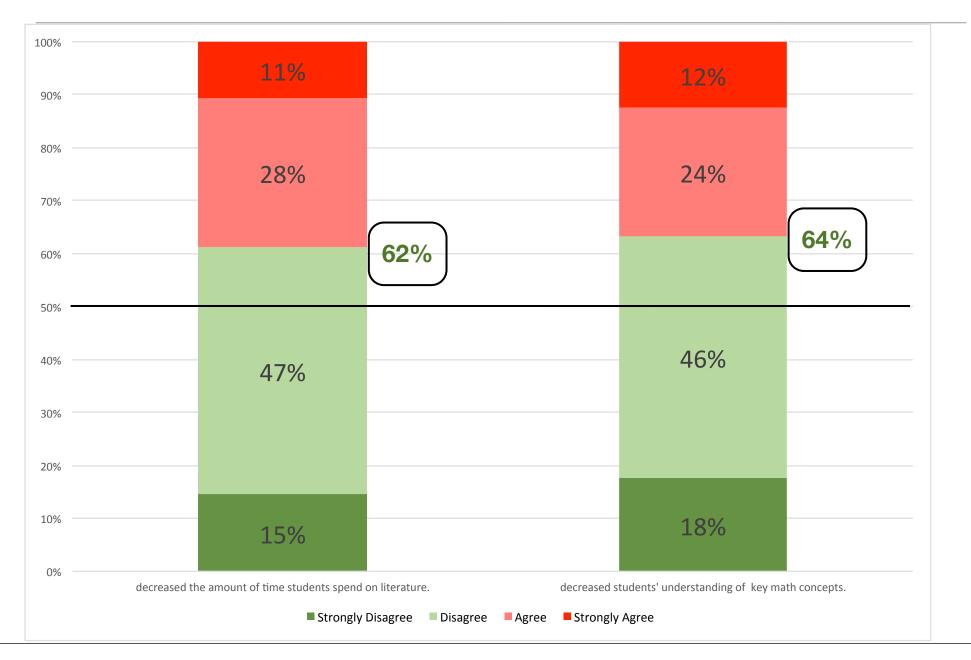
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The Common Core Standards will help students be better prepared for college.						
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The Common Core Standards will help students be better prepared to compete in the workforce.						
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The previous Arkansas state standards were better than the Common Core Standards.						
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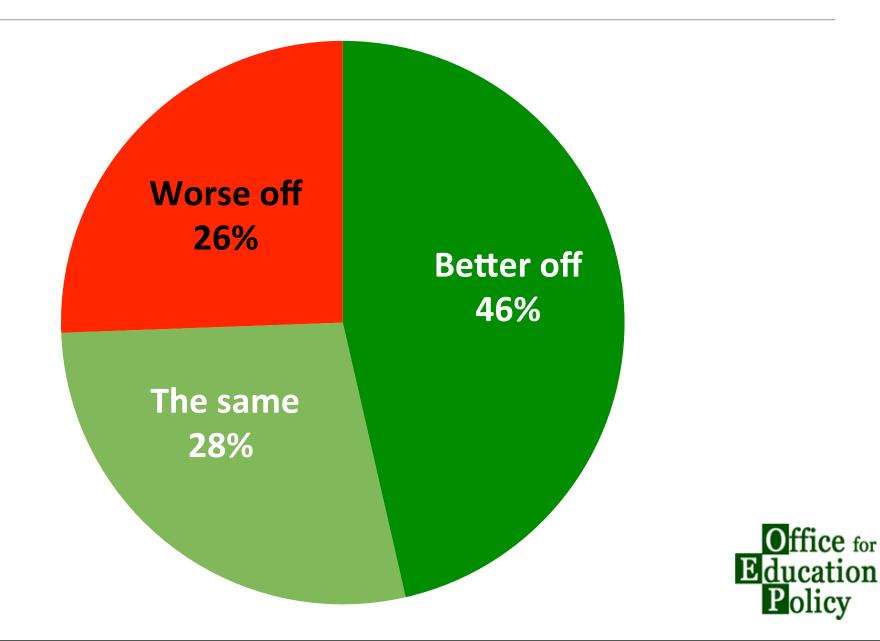
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## "Overall, my students will be \_\_\_\_\_\_ after the introduction of the Common Core Standards than before."



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# CCS: Impact on Student Learning

- More critical thinking
- Improved student learning
- Better prepared academically
- Better prepared for College and for Workforce
- Not decreasing time on Literature or key math concepts



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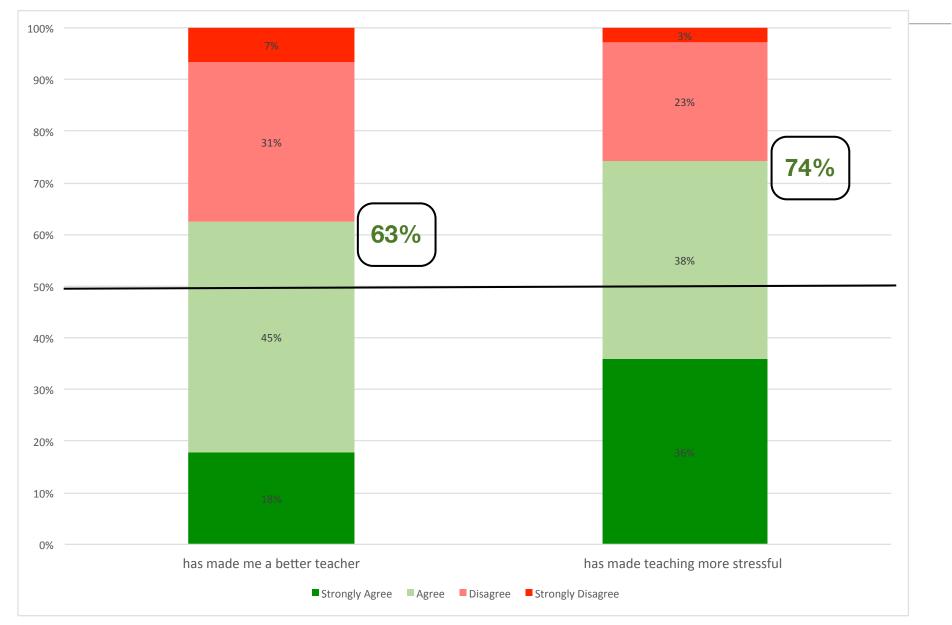




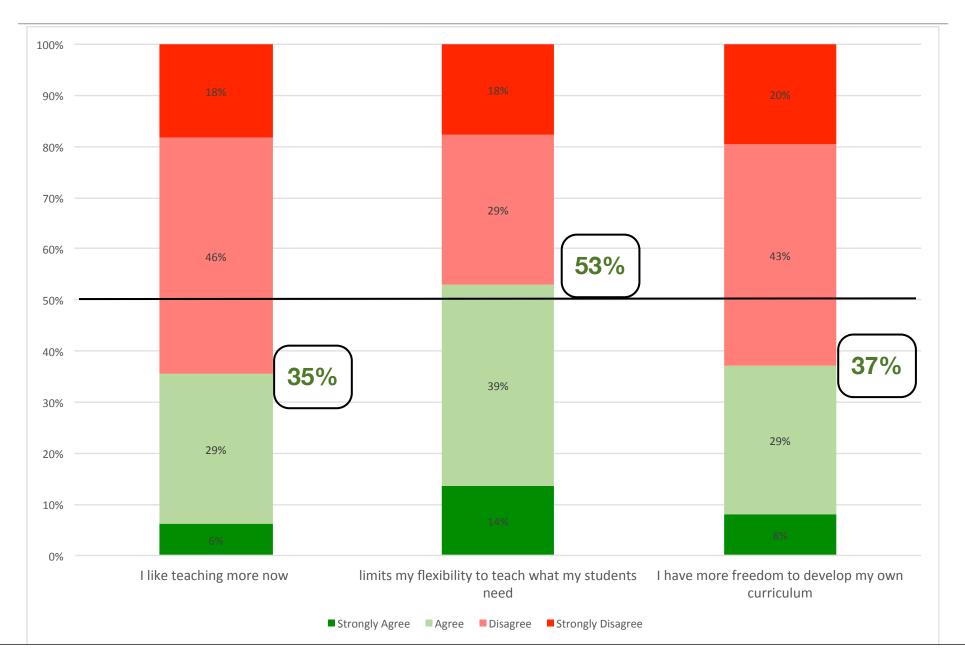
Implementing the Common Core Standards in the classroom has made teaching more stressful than earlier years.

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I like teaching more now than before the Common Core Standards were introduced.					
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The Common Core Standards limit my flexibility to teach what my students need.					
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The work I've done to implement the Common Core Standards has made me a better teacher.					
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Under the Common Core Standards, I feel that I have more freedom to develop my own curriculum than					
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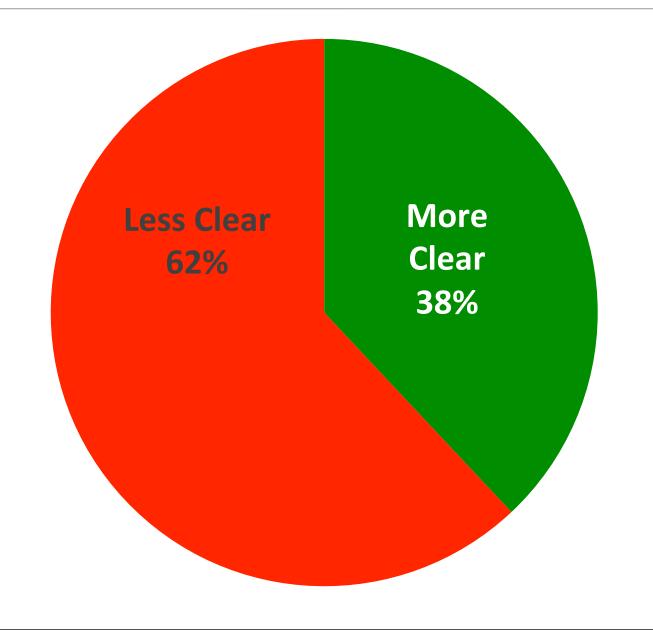
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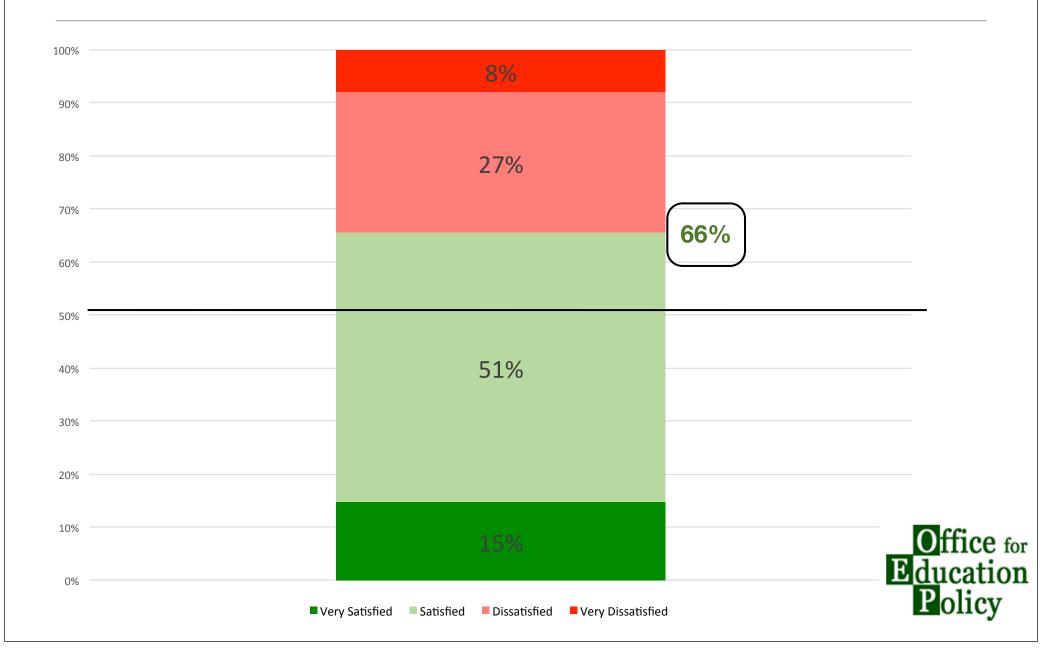


## "Overall, the Common Core Standards are \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the previous standards in describing what needs to be taught in my subject area."

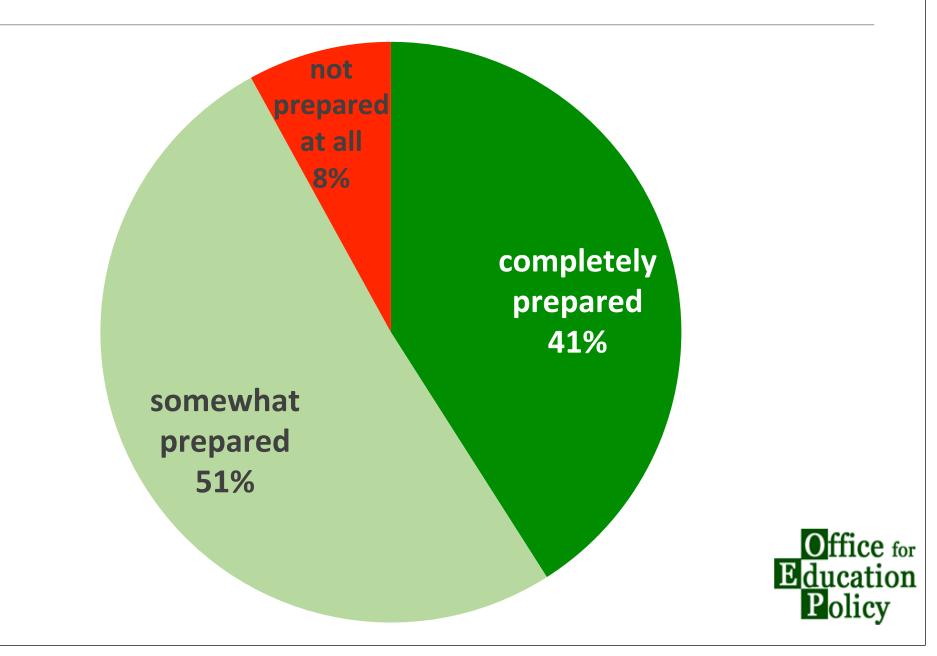




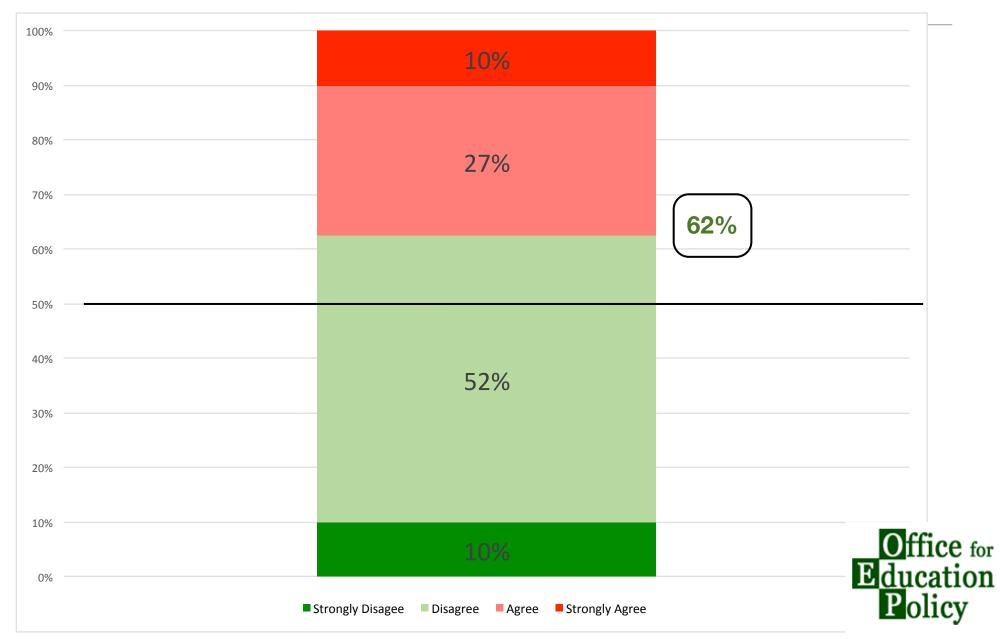
## "Overall, I am \_\_\_\_\_\_with the Common Core Standards."



How prepared do you feel to teach your subject according to the Common Core Standards?



#### "The previous Arkansas state standards were better than the Common Core Standards."



# CCS: Impact on Teacher's Attitudes

- -More stressed
- Limits flexibility
- -Less clear
- ★Feel they are better teachers because of the work
- ★Feel prepared to teach CCS
- $\bigstar$  Are satisfied with CCS



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# CCS: Implementation

- All teachers had read CCS for their grade level/ content area (99%)
- Almost all teachers had participated in Professional Development for CCS (95%)
- Most teachers had additional support for CCS implementation beyond Professional Development (64%)



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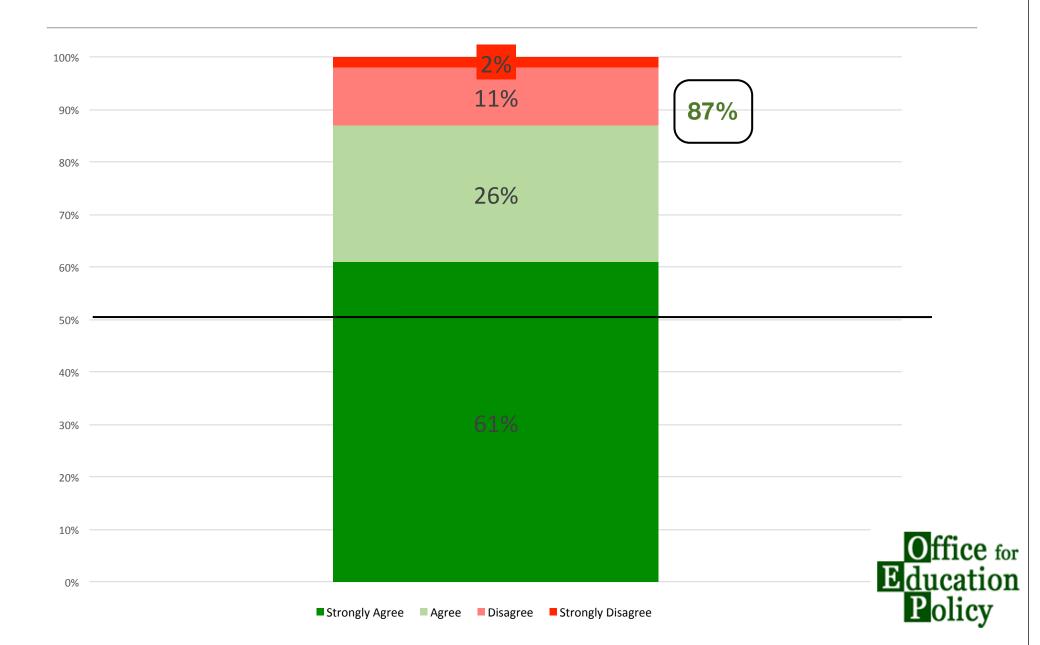
- Almost all teachers felt that teacher collaboration was beneficial to students (96%)
- Almost reported that teacher collaboration had stayed the same (46%)or increased (48%) because of CCS
- 73% of teachers are concerned about CCS not benefitting certain students: students working below grade level, special education students, and limited English proficient students



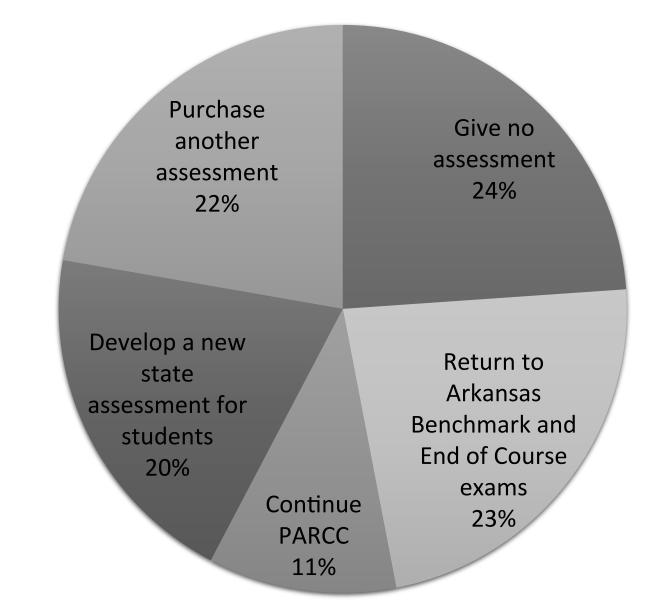
#### "The CCS were implemented well at my school."



### "I don't like the testing involved with implementing CCS."



## Added new question: "If I were in charge of assessment I would\_\_\_\_\_



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# Summary

- Teachers feel CCS are good for students
- Teachers have mixed feelings about how CCS have impacted their work
- Most teachers would keep the CCS given the choice
- Teachers do not like the assessment associated with CCS
- Teachers are mixed on alternate assessment ideas

