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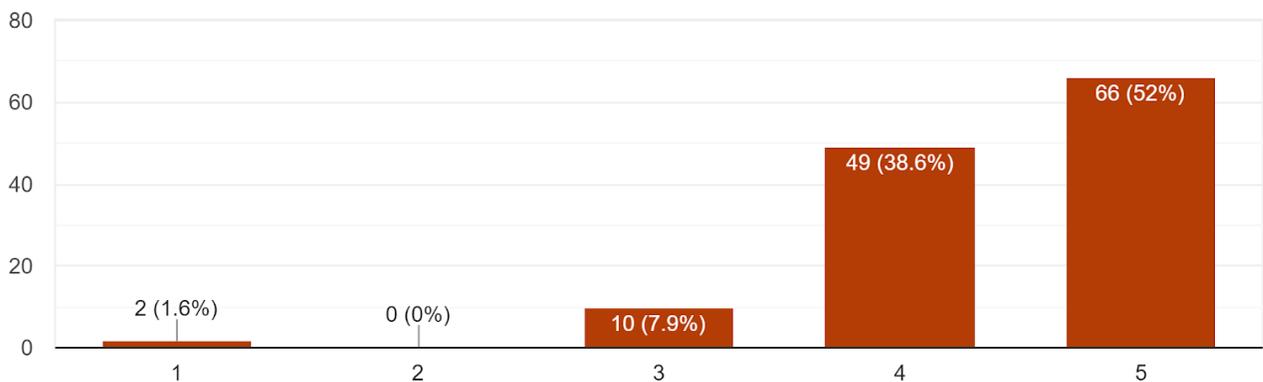
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Dear Beatitudes Parents,

A glorious Happy New Year to all of you! I hope you had a restful and spiritual Christmas break. It was definitely a time to reflect and appreciate all the good that God has brought upon us. While we are ready to move on to the year 2021, there are certainly positives worth mentioning. In the year 2020, the beautification of our school continued with the completion of our gates, the addition of our walking garden, and a newly renovated classroom. We are proud to mention that with your support and trust, our school's enrollment did not suffer. In fact, we increased it even when limiting the per class enrollment. The best accomplishment of all, even in the midst of a pandemic, Beatitudes remains committed to the excellence in the quality of education you entrusted us to provide for your children. Our teachers and staff have worked diligently to find new and innovative ways to educate and foster the growth and learning of each student. Due to this, we are humbled and proud to share the 90.6% satisfied/very satisfied rate (choice 4 and 5 combined) that we received from last November's parent survey. All of these accomplishments would not have been possible without your patience and support. The notion of "it takes a village" is evident by our school families. We are all in this together and we are truly thankful to have the best Catholic school parents at Beatitudes of Our Lord School!

How satisfied are you with Beatitudes' implementation of distance learning?

127 responses



*not satisfied: 1.6% (choice 1), neutral: 7.9% (choice 3)

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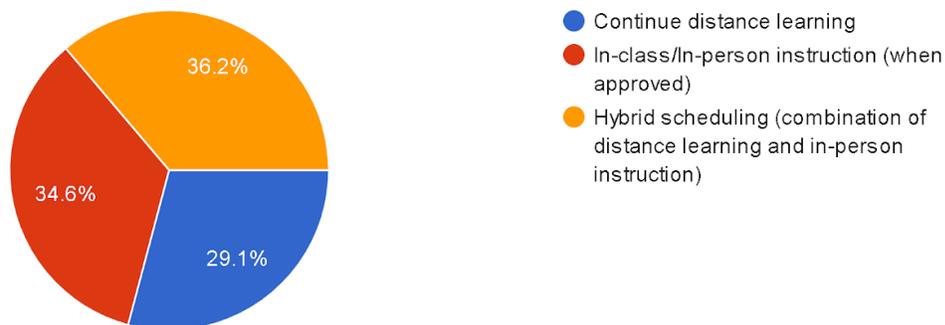
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Entering a new year means new hopes and possibilities for the Beatitudes community. Please view the following chart from our latest parent survey regarding the learning program preference:

For the current school year, please check your preference.

127 responses



As one can see, the survey shows a very close percentage for each preference. This information will be taken into consideration when deciding the best course of action for in-person/hybrid/distance learning programs. In November, a Los Angeles Department of Public Health (LADPH) representative visited our campus and was very impressed with the steps our school has taken in prioritizing the health and safety of our students and staff. It came as no surprise that we were deemed compliant with all health guidelines and regulations. A major success in the hurdle to complete our waiver. As of today, Beatitudes is approved for in-person learning for students who receive targeted and/or specialized services, ONLY. We have been successfully running this cohort since November. In terms of the TK-2 waiver for in-person learning, our application is in the queue and awaiting further word from LADPH. Per county regulations, the TK-2 waiver is the only waiver currently open to LA County schools. Please bear in mind there has been an influx of COVID cases and as a result, hospital ICU beds are currently at capacity. The decision to open for in-person learning once approved will be taken with extreme caution, as our goal every year is the health and safety of our children. All of the above information including COVID guidelines and regulations are readily available in the LADPH website or on our school website under the *Distance Learning* tab.

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As we embark on the new year, we hold steadfast to our faith that God has a plan for each and everyone of us. Although at times it might not seem clear, God is not in front or in back of us, but walking beside us throughout this journey. It is our hope and prayer that we as a community of believers, may rediscover and renew our relationships with Christ, the Church and with one another. You are all in my prayers and just like I always say to our kids, "Let's make this the best day ever, or better yet, the best year ever!"

God Bless,
Andre Villegas

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