

Florida Statewide Polling Memo



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TO: Interested Parties
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RE: Florida Voters Reject Proposal to Drop Four School Vaccine Requirements

Executive Summary

Florida likely general election voters oppose the Department of Health's proposal to drop hepatitis B, chickenpox, Hib, and pneumococcal vaccines from school requirements by a more than two to one margin (58% to 28%), and opposition grows to 63% once voters hear the arguments from both sides of the issue against only 23% of likely voters who would support the proposal. Likely voters continue to find common ground on access: 81% say insurance should still be required to cover vaccines that people want, even those the federal government pulled from the recommended list.

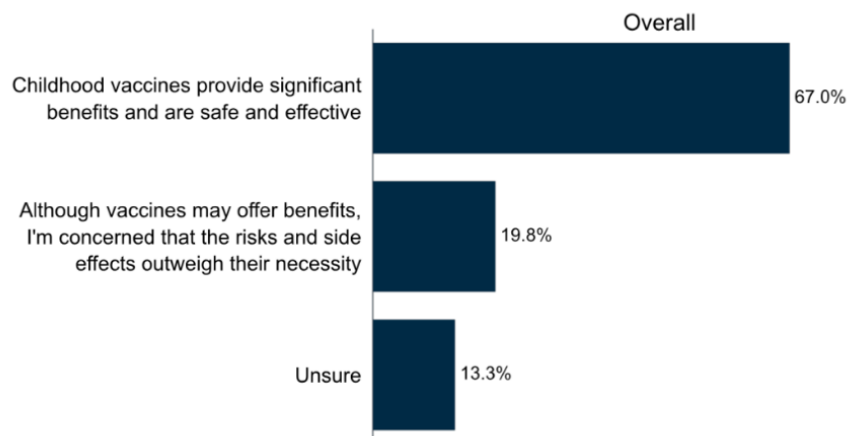
	Overall	Swing Voters
Support	28%	22%
Oppose	58%	61%

Backing the Rule is a Political Loser

57% of voters would be less likely to support a state legislator who backs the Florida Department of Health's proposal, including 47% who are *much less likely*. Only 22% are more likely to support. Independents split 68% to 9%, a ratio of better than seven to one, and swing voters 61% to 17%.

Floridians Overwhelmingly Trust Traditional Childhood Vaccines

67% of Florida voters say childhood vaccines like polio and measles provide significant benefits and are safe and effective, against 20% who believe the risks and side effects outweigh their necessity. Independents land at 71% to 17% and swing voters at 64% to 21%.



Access Is the Widest Common Ground

81% say insurance should still be required to cover the six vaccines the federal government pulled from the recommended list, including 73% of Republicans. 81% say state recordkeeping on children's vaccinations is important, and 78% support policies ensuring people who want vaccines can get them.

Methodology: This probabilistic survey of 607 likely general election voters in Florida was conducted September 1-3, 2026, via live phone calls and SMS to known registered voters, with a margin of error of $\pm 3.98\%$, and was weighted to that audience.