Across the nation, American lives have been upended by COVID-19. Since March, hundreds of thousands have lost their jobs or seen their wages and hours cut, and many who are fortunate to work from home juggle childcare and home schooling with their jobs.

In mid-May, FCAN commissioned Sachs Media Group to conduct a survey of 1,500 Florida voters with a 2.2% margin of error and a 95% confidence level. As Florida continues with its reopening plan, FCAN hopes this survey will equip stakeholders with information about the impacts of the pandemic on residents’ employment status and postsecondary plans.

Floridians with a high school degree or less report the highest rates of job loss, pay cuts, or reduced work hours.

- **High school or less**: 64%
- **Workforce certificate or license**: 59%
- **Associate’s degree**: 56%
- **Bachelor’s degree**: 50%
- **Master’s degree or higher**: 40%

Floridians with an **Associate’s degree or less** are most likely to believe they would **need additional education or training**.

- **High school degree or less**: 41%
- **Workforce certificate or license**: 36%
- **Associate’s degree**: 44%
- **Bachelor’s degree**: 28%
- **Master’s degree or higher**: 14%

Just under half of currently enrolled Floridians said their **postsecondary plans have changed**, including taking a semester or year off, starting sooner than planned, or transferring to another school.

**42%**

- Changed plans

**1 in 4**

parents of juniors and seniors in high school say their children’s plans for life after high school graduation have changed:

- **31%** Postponed their plans.
- **27%** Switched to an option closer to home.
- **22%** Switched to a less expensive option.

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