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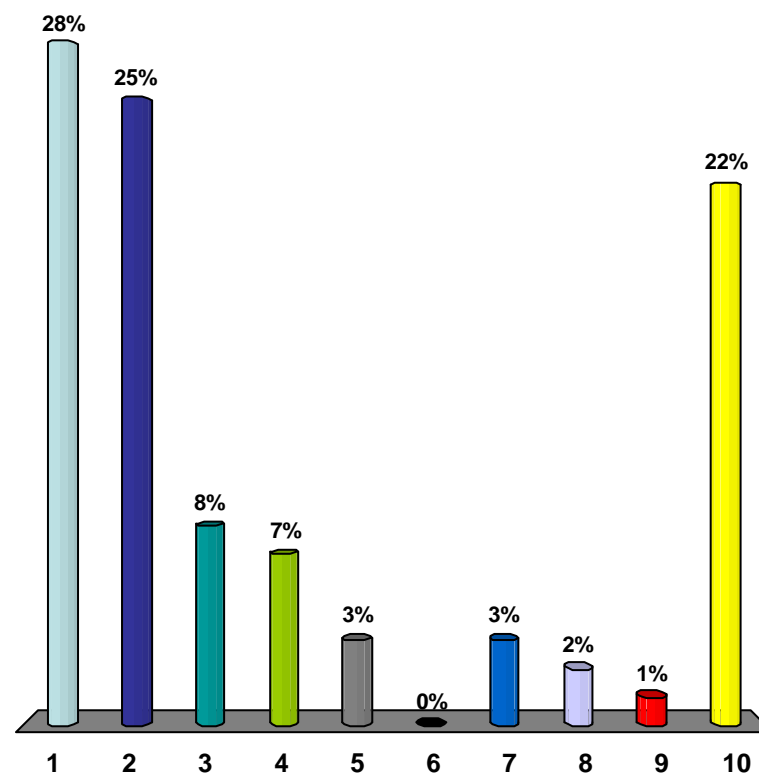
Five Achievable K-12 Breakthroughs in the Next 10 years

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A. Which of these has been the most important K-12 education breakthrough of the past decade?

1. Human capital revolution led by Teach For America
2. Scaling high-performing charter schools
3. Reform-oriented superintendents and political leaders
4. Recognition of the need for political advocacy
5. More sophisticated data systems
6. New Schools for New Orleans-style infrastructure-building organizations
7. Development of new learning and efficiency technologies
8. Early childhood expansion
9. Use of private funds
10. Recognition that all kids can learn and can achieve college completion

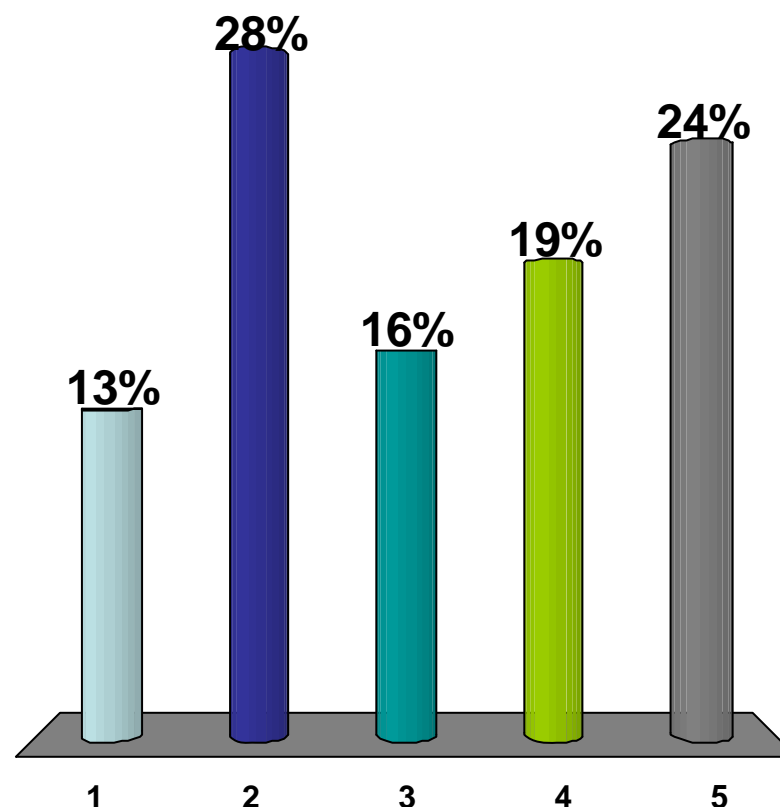


Five Achievable Breakthroughs in the next 10 Years

1. Ensure every urban zip code in America has a “no excuses” school, so each community has a shining example of excellence.
2. Eliminate teacher tenure and step and lane compensation in at least 20 states.
3. Develop leadership pipeline in each state that will produce 5,000 exceptionally talented school leaders every year
4. Measurably increase how much voters know and care about what goes on in public education when it comes to spending, practices and outcomes
5. Pilot hybrid school options that, at scale, deliver increased student learning, while reducing costs by at least 25 percent.

B. Which of these should philanthropists pursue most vigorously in the next 5-10 years?

1. A “no excuses” school in every urban zip code in America
2. Eliminate teacher tenure and step and lane compensation
3. Leadership pipeline programs in every state
4. Voter knowledge about public education
5. Hybrid solutions that deliver increased student learning at decreased cost



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