

What do parents of young people aged 13-14 (Year 9) with SEND* think of the support provided by their child's school?

(*SEND = Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)

We asked the parents of Year 9 pupils....

“Thinking about all the areas where your child needs extra help or support, how well do you think their school supports them?”

64% said well or very well. 36% said not very well or not very well at all.

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 **36%**



Positive perceptions of the support provided were more common among parents or carers of young people who...



- attended a special school



- had an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) especially among those in mainstream education



- had their SEND identified early on



- had profound, multiple or severe learning difficulties.

What are the key factors influencing parents' perceptions about school support?

How well parents felt the school understood their child's SEND was the most important factor driving their overall views on the support provided by the school.



This was particularly the case among parents whose child attended mainstream education.