

Parent Survey

We would like to know how we can best help families, and how they can work together with parents to help all children succeed in school. If you are a grandparent, foster parent or guardian, we consider you a parent and value your ideas along with mothers and fathers.

*Please answer the following questions by filling in the circle for **one** choice for each question. Your answers need to be your personal view of the school and community - all of your responses are completely anonymous. Thank you for your honest opinions – they will provide your school with valuable information.*

For your children in this school, are you:

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| Mother | Legal Guardian (not parent) |
| Father | Foster Parent |
| Grandmother | Other (please specify) |
| Grandfather | _____ |

<i>For each of the following statements please darken the ONE circle that best represents your answer.</i>	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly agree
1. There is affordable childcare available to families in our community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. The school asks parents for our ideas about issues important to us and to our children.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
1. This school cares about the thoughts and feelings of parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. The school helps families get the services we need in the community like childcare, housing, and health care.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. I have enough time and energy to help with my child's homework.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. I have enough time and energy to supervise my child's homework.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. The school gives me ideas about how to help my child learn at home.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. In this school, you can count on adults to try to make sure students are safe.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Teachers go out of their way to help students who need extra help.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. The school communicates often with parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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10. The school helps families get to know other families in the school community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. The school helps me know about my child's progress in school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. The school has many different ways for me to be involved.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. All parents (grandparents, fathers, guardians, foster-parents, and mothers) are welcome in our school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14. The school offers programs, conferences and other activities that fit with our family.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15. Parents are included in groups or committees that help lead the school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16. There are opportunities in our community for parents to improve our education.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17. In our school and community, there are opportunities for all parents to work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18. There is job training available for parents in our school or community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19. Parents can volunteer many ways in the school and community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20. I know about special events at the school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21. I have enough time and energy to help out at the school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22. I have enough time and energy to communicate effectively with my child's teacher.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
23. I have enough time and energy to attend special events at the school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24. School staff and teachers have easy ways for parents to contact them with questions or concerns.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In this section, we ask that you rate your school. For each pair of words, place an X in the space where you think your school is on the line. For example, if you think your school tends towards being big you would respond:

Big Small

My school:

Welcomes parents									Keeps parents out
Is safe									Is dangerous
Cares about families									Doesn't care about families
Is improving									Is getting worse
Is friendly									Is unkind
Helps all students succeed									Only helps a small group
Is easy to understand									Is confusing
Values parents' ideas									Ignores parent's ideas

Thank you for your time and honesty.