## HIGHLIGHTS of RESULTS from 2018 DISTRICT SURVEY - NEEDHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS -

1,940 parents completed the District Survey - a $34 \%$ response rate. We combined the results of the Parent Survey with responses from 2,981 Students in grades 3 to 12, and 669 Staff to measure progress toward the District goals.

As promised, we are committed to sharing the results of the District Survey with parents, students, and staff. Here are highlights of the key findings:

## EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS TOWARD THE DISTRICT GOALS

shown for each Goal as the average of percent favorable responses for Parents, Students, and Staff combined
Goal 1 - Advance Learning for All Students: 85\% favorable

- Efficacy: How much students believe they can succeed ( $86 \%$ ) / Parent perception on supporting their child's learning ( $86 \%$ ) / Staff perception on supporting students' learning (96\%)
- School Engagement (student-only measure): How attentive and invested students feel about school (69\%)
- Homework furthering learning: Student perception (55\%) / Parent perception (71\%) / Staff perception (76\%)
- Involvement in decision-making about education: Student perception ( $67 \%$ )/ Parent perception ( $88 \%$ ) / Staff perception of encouraging parent involvement (93\%)
- Curriculum meeting needs: Student perception (86\%)/ Parent perception (91\%) / Staff perception (92\%)
- High Academic Standards: Student perception (96\%) / Parent perception (86\%) / Staff perception (98\%)


## Goal 2 - Develop Social, Emotional, Wellness, and Citizenship Skills: 89\% favorable

- School Belonging: Students feeling like valued member of the school community (83\%) / Parents reporting: "School matches my child's development needs" (88\%) / Staff feeling ready to address diversity in school community (95\%)
- School Climate: Perception of overall social and learning climate of school (Students 81\%; Parents 92\%; Staff 94\%)
- Social Awareness (student-only measure): How well students consider others' perspectives and empathize (92\%)
- Feeling Safe: Student perception (95\%) / Parent perception (95\%) / Staff perception (94\%)
- Feeling Stressed: 39\% of Students report feeling quite stressed or overwhelmed / 17\% of Parents perceive their child feels quite stressed or overwhelmed by school / 35\% of Staff perceive students feeling quite stressed and overwhelmed


## Goal 3 - Ensure Infrastructure Supports Learning Goals: 84\% favorable

- Adequacy of programs/services: Highest measures for Nursing (94\%) and Media Center (95\%), and lowest measures for Afterschool Programs and Food Services (85\%)
- Resources: Perception of adequacy of school's resources including instructional, human, technology, facility (81\%) with highest measure for "Ease of accessing extra support" ( $92 \%$ ) and lowest measure for "Adequate number of staff/specialists to help students" ( $61 \%$ according to parents and $45 \%$ according to staff)
- Effective Communication: Student perception (83\%) / Parent perception (89\%) / Staff Perception (87\%)
- Professional Learning: (staff-only measure) Perception of the amount and quality of professional growth and learning opportunities available to school staff ( $80 \%$ )


## REPRESENTATIVE OPEN-ENDED COMMENTS

Parents: "I think the teachers and administrators do a wonderful job of creating a positive learning environment for the students." "I truly appreciate everything the district does to ensure a top-quality education for our children." "Schools are underfunded and caseloads are way too high!" "Student-to-teacher ratios are such that we feel the teachers do not have enough time/energy to really get to know each student." "Facilities could use some attention." (701 parent comments) Students: "Teachers are always there for me." "I think this is a very strong school system and I think I am lucky to be in it." "Homework can really make kids get stressed and overwhelmed if they have a lot." "We need consistent heat and AC in every room." "Get more assistant teachers to help some kids that need more help." (1,411 student comments) Staff: "Overall, NPS provides a positive, supportive teaching environment." "I feel fortunate to work in a district that is dedicated to improving itself by soliciting feedback." "Anxiety is significantly impacting students in my school more each year." "Wish we had more support staff to help kids who struggle academically." ( 54 staff comments)

Your voices have been heard! Thank you for your feedback. The survey allows our district to celebrate strengths and respond to goal areas needing attention. We will engage our School Committee in analyzing the survey data in depth and incorporate the findings into the district's goal-setting process.

## Elementary Schools

Grades 3-5
Spring 2018

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## Summary

Topic Description Results Comparison

Goal 1: advance learning for all students

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Goal 2: develop social emotional skills
90\%
90\% Needham Public Schools

Goal 3: adequate resources
$86 \% \quad 86 \%$ Needham Public Schools

## Resources

86\%
86\% Needham Public Schools

## School Belonging

How much students feel that they are valued members of the
91\%
91\% Needham Public Schools school community

## School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the school.

85\%
85\% Needham Public Schools

School Engagement

81\%
81\% Needham Public Schools

## 90\%

90\% Needham Public Schools
How much students believe they can succeed in achieving academic outcomes.

## Social Awareness

How well students consider the perspectives of others and empathize with them.

1,214 responses

## 92\%

92\% Needham Public Schools

## Goal 1: advance learning for all students

| Your average |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1,214 responses |  |
|  |  |
| $83 \%$ |  |

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How sure are you that you can complete all the work that is assigned in your class?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.3: How sure are you that you can learn all the topics taught in your class?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.5: How sure are you that you will remember what you learned in your current class, next year?

| Extremely sure | 19\% | 226 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite sure | 40\% |  | 481 |
| Somewhat sure | 27\% |  | 321 |
| Slightly sure | 10\% | 124 |  |
| Not at all sure | 3\% | 0 |  |

Favorable: 86\%
Q.2: When complicated ideas are discussed in class, how sure are you that you can understand them?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.4: How sure are you that you can do the hardest work that is assigned in your class?


Favorable: 85\%
Q.6: How excited are you about going to your classes?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.7: How focused are you on the activities in your
classes?

| Extremely focused | $21 \%$ |  | 252 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite focused | $55 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat focused | $18 \%$ |  | 214 |
| Slightly focused | $5 \%$ | 56 |  |
| Not at all focused | $1 \%$ | 9 |  |

Favorable: 95\%
Q.9: When you are not in school, how often do you talk about ideas from your classes?


Favorable: 64\%
Q.11: How much do you work with your teachers to decide what helps you learn?

| A tremendous amount | $6 \%$ | 74 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite a bit | $22 \%$ | 257 |
| Somewhat | $27 \%$ |  |
| A little bit | $33 \%$ | 320 |
| Not at all | $12 \%$ | 147 |

Favorable: 55\%

## Q.13: How much does homework help you learn?

| A tremendous amount | $11 \%$ | 129 |
| ---: | :--- | :---: |
| Quite a bit $27 \%$ | 325 |  |
| Somewhat $26 \%$ | 318 |  |
| A little bit $22 \%$ | 262 |  |
| Not at all $14 \%$ | 173 |  |

Favorable:
64\%
Q.8: In your classes, how excited are you to participate?

| Extremely excited | $19 \%$ | 226 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite excited | $37 \%$ |  | 433 |
| Somewhat excited | $30 \%$ |  | 353 |
| Slightly excited | $10 \%$ | 123 |  |
| Not at all excited | $4 \%$ | 48 |  |

Favorable: 86\%
Q.10: How interested are you in your classes?


Favorable: 85\%
Q.12: How much do your teachers want you to do well in school?

A tremendous amount 69\% 820

| Quite a bit | $24 \%$ |  | 291 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat | $4 \%$ | 44 |  |
| A little bit | $2 \%$ | 21 |  |
| Not at all | $1 \%$ | 12 |  |

Favorable: 97\%

## Goal 2: develop social emotional skills

| Your average |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1,214 responses | District average: $90 \%$ |
| Needham Public Schools |  |

## How did people respond?

Q.1: During the past 30 days...How carefully did you listen to other people's points of view?


Favorable: 96\%
Q.3: During the past 30 days...How well did you get along with students who are different from you?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.5: During the past 30 days...How clearly were you able to describe your feelings?

| Extremely clearly | $12 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |

Favorable: 82\%
Q.2: During the past 30 days...How much did you care about other people's feelings?

| Cared a tremendous | $46 \%$ |  | 552 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| amount |  | 528 |  |
| Cared quite a bit | $44 \%$ |  |  |
| Cared somewhat | $7 \%$ | 84 |  |
| Cared a little bit | $2 \%$ | 20 |  |
| Did not care at all | $1 \%$ | 9 |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.4: During the past 30 days...How often did you compliment others' accomplishments?

| Almost all the time | $18 \%$ |  | 214 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frequently | $47 \%$ |  |  | 555 |
| Sometimes | $27 \%$ |  | 315 |  |
| Once in a while | $6 \%$ | 66 |  |  |
| Almost never | $3 \%$ | 30 |  |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.6: During the past 30 days...When others disagreed with you, how respectful were you of their views?

| Extremely respectful | $18 \%$ |  | 220 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite respectful | $56 \%$ |  |  | 674 |
| Somewhat respectful | $20 \%$ |  | 244 |  |
| Slightly respectful | $4 \%$ | 46 |  |  |
| Not at all respectful | $1 \%$ | 12 |  |  |



Favorable: 92\%

## Q.9: How much support do the adults at your school give you?



Favorable: 93\%

Q.11: How much respect do students at your school show you?

## Q.8: During the past 30 days...To what extent were you able to disagree with others without starting an argument?



Favorable: 87\%
Q.10: How well do people at your school understand you as a person?


Favorable: 88\%
Q.12: Overall, how much do you feel like you belong at your school?

| Completely belong | $46 \%$ |  | 548 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Belong quite a bit | $33 \%$ |  | 390 |
| Belong somewhat | $12 \%$ | 145 |  |
| Belong a little bit | $7 \%$ | 84 |  |
| Do not belong at all | $2 \%$ | \|| 28 |  |

Q.13: How positive or negative is the energy of the school?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.15: At your school, how much does the behavior of other students hurt or help your learning?


Favorable: 77\%


Favorable: 94\%
Q.14: How fair or unfair are the rules for the students at this school?


Favorable: 80\%
Q.16: How often do your teachers seem excited to be teaching your classes?


Favorable: 90\%
Q.18: How stressed or overwhelmed do you feel at school?


## Goal 3: adequate resources

| Your average |  |
| :--- | :--- |
|  |  |
| 1,214 responses | District average: 86\% Needham Public Schools |

$\qquad$
Q.1: At your school, how crowded does the building feel?

| Not at all crowded | $21 \%$ | 254 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly crowded | $33 \%$ | 401 |
| Somewhat crowded | $25 \%$ | 301 |
| Quite crowded | $16 \%$ | 194 |
| Extremely crowded | $5 \%$ | 54 |

Favorable: 79\%
Q.3: How often does the building need repairs?


Favorable: 87\%
Q.5: How often do you have to wait to get help from an adult at school?

| Almost never | $14 \%$ |  | 165 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $37 \%$ |  | 441 |
| Sometimes | $32 \%$ |  | 382 |
| Frequently | $13 \%$ | 159 |  |

Q.2: How much does the technology at your school need to be fixed?


Favorable: 89\%
Q.4: When you need extra help, how difficult is it to get extra help?


Favorable: 92\%


Favorable:
80\%

| Q.7: School Lunches? |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Extremely sure | 28\% |  |
| Quite sure | $35 \%$ |  |

Favorable: 82\%


Favorable: 85\%


Favorable: 93\%

Q.12: Media Center?

| Extremely sure | $42 \%$ |  | 501 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite sure | $37 \%$ |  | 439 |

## Resources

| Your average |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1,214 responses | District average: 86\% Needham Public Schools |

## How did people respond?

Q.1: At your school, how crowded does the building feel?

| Not at all crowded | $21 \%$ | 254 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly crowded | $33 \%$ | 401 |
| Somewhat crowded | $25 \%$ | 301 |
| Quite crowded | $16 \%$ | 194 |
| Extremely crowded | $5 \%$ | 54 |

Favorable: 79\%
Q.3: How often does the building need repairs?

| Almost never | $37 \%$ |  | 438 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $34 \%$ |  | 405 |
| Sometimes | $15 \%$ | 183 |  |
| Frequently | $10 \%$ | 116 |  |
| Almost all the time | $4 \%$ | 43 |  |

Favorable: 87\%
Q.2: How much does the technology at your school need to be fixed?

| Not at all $28 \%$ | 337 |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A little bit $44 \%$ | 531 |  |  |
| Somewhat | $17 \%$ | 200 |  |
| Quite a bit | $8 \%$ | 97 |  |
| A tremendous amount | $3 \%$ | 39 | Favorable: $\mathbf{8 9 \%}$ |

Q.4: When you need extra help, how difficult is it to get extra help?

| Not hard at all | $38 \%$ |  | 452 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly hard | $41 \%$ |  | 484 |
| Somewhat hard | $13 \%$ | 152 |  |
| Quite hard | $6 \%$ | 69 |  |
| Extremely hard | $2 \%$ | 26 |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.5: How often do you have to wait to get help from an adult at school?

| Almost never | $14 \%$ |  | 165 |
| ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $37 \%$ |  | 441 |
| Sometimes | $32 \%$ |  | 382 |
| Frequently | $13 \%$ | 159 |  |
| Almost all the time | $5 \%$ | 55 |  |

## School Belonging

Your average

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How much support do the adults at your school give you?

| A tremendous amount of support |  |  | 502 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite a bit of support | 38\% |  | 451 |
| Some support | 14\% | 169 |  |
| A little bit of support | 5\% | 63 |  |
| No support at all |  | 16 |  |

Favorable: 93\%

Q.3: How much respect do students at your school show you?


Favorable: 88\%
Q.4: Overall, how much do you feel like you belong at your school?

| Completely belong | $46 \%$ |  | 548 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Belong quite a bit | $33 \%$ |  | 390 |
| Belong somewhat | $12 \%$ | 145 |  |
| Belong a little bit | $7 \%$ | 84 |  |
| Do not belong at all | $2 \%$ | 28 |  |

Favorable: 91\%

## School Climate



How did people respond?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.3: At your school, how much does the behavior of other students hurt or help your learning?

Q.2: How fair or unfair are the rules for the students at this school?

Q.4: How often do your teachers seem excited to be teaching your classes?

| Almost always | $44 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Frequently | $31 \%$ |  |
| F |  |  |
| Sometimes | $16 \%$ | 192 |
| Once in a while | $7 \%$ | 86 |
| Almost never | $2 \%$ | $\\| 29$ |

## School Engagement

## Your average 81\%

1,214 responses

District average: 81\% Needham Public Schools

How did people respond?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.3: In your classes, how excited are you to participate?


Favorable: 86\%
Q.2: How focused are you on the activities in your classes?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.4: When you are not in school, how often do you talk about ideas from your classes?


Favorable: 64\%


## Self-Efficacy

## Your average 90\%

1,214 responses
Q.1: How sure are you that you can complete all the work that is assigned in your class?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.3: How sure are you that you can learn all the topics taught in your class?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.2: When complicated ideas are discussed in class, how sure are you that you can understand them?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.4: How sure are you that you can do the hardest work that is assigned in your class?


Favorable: 85\%
Q.5: How sure are you that you will remember what you learned in your current class, next year?


Favorable: 86\%

## Social Awareness

## Your average

## How did people respond?

Q.1: During the past 30 days...How carefully did you listen to other people's points of view?


Favorable: 96\%
Q.3: During the past 30 days...How well did you get along with students who are different from you?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.5: During the past 30 days...How clearly were you able to describe your feelings?

| Extremely clearly | $12 \%$ |  | 146 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite clearly | $38 \%$ |  | 449 |
| Somewhat clearly | $32 \%$ |  | 377 |
| Slightly clearly | $13 \%$ | 158 |  |
| Not at all clearly | $4 \%$ | 51 |  |

Favorable: 82\%
Q.2: During the past 30 days...How much did you care about other people's feelings?

| Cared a tremendous amount | 46\% |  | 552 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cared quite a bit | 44\% |  | 528 |
| Cared somewhat | 7\% | 84 |  |
| Cared a little bit | 2\% | 20 |  |
| Did not care at all | 1\% | 9 |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.4: During the past 30 days...How often did you compliment others' accomplishments?

| Almost all the time | $18 \%$ |  | 214 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frequently | $47 \%$ |  | 555 |  |
| Sometimes | $27 \%$ |  | 315 |  |
| Once in a while | $6 \%$ | 66 |  |  |
| Almost never | $3 \%$ | 30 |  |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.6: During the past 30 days...When others disagreed with you, how respectful were you of their views?

| Extremely respectful | $18 \%$ |  | 220 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite respectful | $56 \%$ |  |  | 674 |
| Somewhat respectful | $20 \%$ |  | 244 |  |
| Slightly respectful | $4 \%$ | 46 |  |  |
| Not at all respectful | $1 \%$ | 12 |  |  |

95\%
Q.7: During the past 30 days...To what extent were you able to stand up for yourself without putting others down?

| A tremendous amount | $21 \%$ |  | 253 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite a bit | $47 \%$ |  |  | 559 |
| Somewhat | $23 \%$ |  | 275 |  |

Q.8: During the past 30 days...To what extent were you able to disagree with others without starting an argument?

| A tremendous amount | $16 \%$ | 188 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite a bit | $47 \%$ |  | 556 |
| Somewhat | $24 \%$ | 281 |  |

## Background Questions


Q.3: How do you describe yourself?

| American Indian or Alaska Native | 2\% | 18 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Asian | 7\% | 77 |
| Black or African American | 3\% | \| 36 |
| Hispanic or Latino | 3\% | \| 37 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0\% | 5 |
| White | 64\% |  |
| Two or More Races/Ethnicities | 6\% | - 72 |
| Other | 15\% | 177 |

Q.5: Do you receive English Language Learner (ELL) services?


## Needham Public Schools

Grades 6-12
Spring 2018

## Summary

Topic Description

## Results

Goal 1: advance learning for all students

## 75\%

Goal 2: develop social emotional skills
84\%

Goal 3: adequate resources
84\%

## Resources

84\%

## School Belonging

How much students feel that they are valued members of the
80\% school community.

## School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the
80\% school.

## School Engagement

63\%

## Self-Efficacy

How much students believe they can succeed in achieving academic outcomes.

## Social Awareness

How well students consider the perspectives of others and
85\% empathize with them.

1,768 responses

## Goal 1: advance learning for all students

## Your average

75\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How confident are you that you can complete all the work that is assigned in your classes?

| Extremely confident | $22 \%$ |  | 391 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $52 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $17 \%$ |  | 299 |

Favorable: 91\%
Q.3: How confident are you that you can learn all the material presented in your classes?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.2: When complicated ideas are presented in class, how confident are you that you can understand them?


Favorable: 90\%
Q.4: How confident are you that you can do the hardest work that is assigned in your classes?


Favorable: 85\%
Q.6: How excited are you about going to your classes?

| Extremely excited | $3 \%$ | 50 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite excited | $14 \%$ | 255 |
| Somewhat excited | $38 \%$ |  |
| Slightly excited | $27 \%$ | 473 |
| Not at all excited | $18 \%$ | 314 |

Favorable: 55\%
Q.7: In your classes, how eager are you to participate?

| Extremely eager | $6 \%$ | 104 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite eager | $24 \%$ |  | 425 |
| Somewhat eager | $41 \%$ |  | 728 |
| Slightly eager | $19 \%$ | 343 |  |
| Not at all eager | $9 \%$ | 164 | Favorable: 71\% |

Q.9: When you are not in school, how often do you talk about ideas from your classes?


Favorable: 54\%
Q.11: How involved are you in decision-making about your education?


Favorable: 79\%
Q.8: How often do you get so focused on activities in your classes that you lose track of time?


Favorable: 57\%

## Q.10: Overall, how interested are you in your classes?



Favorable: 76\%
Q.12: How high are your teachers' expectations of you?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.14: To what extent does homework further your learning?

| A tremendous amount | $3 \%$ | 45 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Quite a bit | $16 \%$ | 285 |
| Somewhat | $27 \%$ | 476 |
| A little bit | $33 \%$ | 582 |
| Not at all | $21 \%$ | 372 |

## Goal 2: develop social emotional skills

## Your average

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: During the past 30 days...How carefully did you listen to other people's points of view?

| Extremely carefully | $18 \%$ |  | 316 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite carefully | $58 \%$ |  |  | 1021 |
| Somewhat carefully | $20 \%$ |  | 344 |  |
| Slightly carefully | $4 \%$ | 61 |  |  |
| Not carefully at all | $1 \%$ | 18 |  |  |

Favorable: 96\%
Q.3: During the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days....How well did you get along with students who are different from you?


Favorable: 96\%
Q.5: During the past 30 days...How clearly were you able to describe your feelings?

| Extremely clearly | 9\% |  | 151 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite clearly | $34 \%$ |  | 590 |
| Somewhat clearly | $38 \%$ |  | 663 |
| Slightly clearly | $14 \%$ | 251 |  |
| Not at all clearly | $5 \%$ | 93 |  |

Q.2: During the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days...How much did you care about other people's feelings?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.4: During the past 30 days...How often did you compliment others' accomplishments?

| Almost all the time | 16\% | 279 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | 44\% |  | 774 |
| Sometimes | 31\% |  | 551 |
| Once in a while | 6\% | 109 |  |
| Almost never | 2\% | 41 |  |

Favorable: 91\%
Q.6: During the past 30 days...When others disagreed with you, how respectful were you of their views?

| Extremely respectful | $18 \%$ |  | 309 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite respectful | $56 \%$ |  |  |  |
| Som |  |  |  |  |



Favorable: 93\%


Favorable: 71\%

## Q.11: How much do you matter to others at this school?

| Matter a tremendous amount | 146 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Matter quite a bit 38\% | 663 |
| Matter somewhat 34\% | 589 |
| Matter a little bit 14\% | 246 |
| Do not matter at all 6\% | 98 |

Favorable: 80\%

## Q.8: During the past 30 days...To what extent were you able to disagree with others without starting an argument?

| A tremendous amount | $12 \%$ | 215 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite a bit | $46 \%$ |  | 806 |
| Somewhat | $31 \%$ |  | 541 |
| A little bit | $8 \%$ | 145 |  |
| Not at all | $3 \%$ | 46 |  |

Favorable: 89\%
Q.10: How well do people at your school understand you as a person?

| Completely <br> understand | $5 \%$ | 81 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Understand quite a bit | $36 \%$ |  | 629 |
| Understand somewhat $36 \%$ |  | 627 |  |
| Understand a little | $17 \%$ |  | 305 |
| Do not understand at | $6 \%$ | 106 |  |
| all |  |  |  |

Favorable: 76\%

## Q.12: How much respect do students in your school show you?



Favorable: 88\%
Q.13: Overall, how much do you feel like you belong at your school?


Favorable: 86\%


Favorable: 80\%
Q.17: At your school, how much does the behavior of other students hurt or help your learning?


Favorable: 74\%
Q.14: How positive or negative is the energy of the school?

| Very positive | $10 \%$ | 183 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat positive | $29 \%$ |  | 509 |
| Slightly positive | $21 \%$ |  | 369 |
| Neither negative nor | $21 \%$ |  | 361 |
| positive |  |  |  |
| Slightly negative | $11 \%$ | 201 |  |
| Somewhat negative | $5 \%$ | 79 |  |
| Very negative | $3 \%$ | 49 |  |

Favorable: 81\%
Q.16: How fair or unfair are the rules for the students at this school?

| Very fair | $17 \%$ | 295 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat fair | $29 \%$ | 504 |
| Slightly fair | $18 \%$ | 308 |
| Neither unfair nor fair | $15 \%$ | 271 |
| Slightly unfair | $11 \%$ | 191 |
| Somewhat unfair | $7 \%$ | 113 |
| Very unfair | $4 \%$ | 67 |

Favorable: 79\%
Q.18: How often do your teachers seem excited to be teaching your classes?


| Q.19: How welcoming does the school feel to you? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Extremely welcoming | 14\% | 237 |
| Quite welcoming | 43\% | 747 |
| Somewhat welcoming | 29\% | 501 |
| Slightly welcoming | 11\% | 188 |
| Not at all welcoming |  |  |

Favorable: 85\%
Q.21: How stressed or overwhelmed do you feel at school?


## Goal 3: adequate resources

## Your average 84\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: At your school, how crowded do the learning
spaces feel?



Favorable: 82\%
Q.3: How often do your school's facilities need repairs?

| Almost never | $11 \%$ | 190 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $31 \%$ |  | 539 |
| Sometimes | $33 \%$ |  | 567 |
| Frequently | $18 \%$ | 312 |  |
| Almost all the time | $7 \%$ | 129 |  |

Favorable: 75\%
Q.5: When you need help from an adult at school, how often do you have to wait to get that help?

| Almost never | $15 \%$ | 266 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $31 \%$ |  | 547 |
| Sometimes | $34 \%$ |  | 598 |
| Frequently | $14 \%$ | 242 |  |
| Almost all the time | $5 \%$ | 85 |  |

Q.2: How urgently does your school's technology need to be updated?

| Not at all urgently | $26 \%$ | 447 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly urgently | $32 \%$ | 552 |
| Somewhat urgently | $24 \%$ | 424 |
| Quite urgently | $13 \%$ | 222 |
| Extremely urgently | $6 \%$ | 99 |

Favorable: 82\%
Q.4: When you need extra support, how difficult is it to get that support?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.6: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your school need to improve?



Favorable: 93\%

Favorable: 71\%


Favorable: 86\%

| Q.13: Phys Ed or Athletic Programs? |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Extremely adequate | $23 \%$ |  |
| Quite adequate | $39 \%$ |  |

Favorable: 83\%
Q.14: Library/Media Center?


Favorable: 91\%

| Q.15: School website? |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Extremely adequate 13\% | 226 |
| Quite adequate 35\% |  |
| Somewhat adequate 30\% |  |
| Slightly adequate 14\% | 242 |
| Not at all adequate 8\% | 135 |

Favorable: 78\%
Q.16: How effectively does the school communicate information to students?

| Extremely effectively | $11 \%$ | 198 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite effectively | $41 \%$ |  | 510 |
| Somewhat effectively | $31 \%$ |  | 537 |
| Slightly effectively | $13 \%$ | 224 |  |
| Not at all effectively | $4 \%$ | 69 |  |

## Resources

## Your average

## How did people respond?

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Favorable: 91\%
Q.6: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your school need to improve?

Q.7: Overall, how much does your school struggle due to a lack of resources?

tremendous amount

## School Belonging

## Your average <br> 80\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 71\%

## Q.3: How much do you matter to others at this school?


Q.5: Overall, how much do you feel like you belong at your school?

| Completely belong | $19 \%$ |  | 330 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Belong quite a bit | $42 \%$ |  | 729 |
| Belong somewhat | $25 \%$ |  | 446 |
| Belong a little bit | $10 \%$ | 177 |  |
| Do not belong at all | $4 \%$ | 71 |  |

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Favorable: 76\%

## Q.4: How much respect do students in your school show you?



## School Climate

## Your average <br> 80\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 81\%


Favorable: 80\%

## Q.4: At your school, how much does the behavior of other students hurt or help your learning?



Favorable: 74\%
Q.5: How often do your teachers seem excited to be teaching your classes?

| Almost always | 18\% | 313 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | 40\% |  | 693 |
| Sometimes | 28\% | 496 |  |
| Once in a while | 10\% | 183 |  |
| Almost never | 4\% | 62 |  |

Favorable: 86\%

## School Engagement

## Your average <br> 63\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 55\%
Q.3: How often do you get so focused on activities in your classes that you lose track of time?

| Almost always | 3\% | \| 54 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | 14\% | 243 |
| Sometimes | 41\% | 715 |
| Once in a while | 28\% | 491 |
| Almost never | 15\% | 258 |

Favorable: 57\%

## Q.5: Overall, how interested are you in your classes?




Favorable: 71\%
Q.4: When you are not in school, how often do you talk about ideas from your classes?

| Almost always | $2 \%$ | 35 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | $14 \%$ | 251 |
| Sometimes | $37 \%$ |  |
| Snce in a while | $29 \%$ | 512 |
| Olmost never | $17 \%$ | 306 |

## Self-Efficacy

## Your average <br> 85\%

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How confident are you that you can complete all the work that is assigned in your classes?

| Extremely confident | $22 \%$ |  | 391 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $52 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $17 \%$ | 299 |  |
| Slightly confident | $6 \%$ | 109 |  |
| Not at all confident | $3 \%$ | 48 |  |

Favorable: 91\%
Q.3: How confident are you that you can learn all the material presented in your classes?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.2: When complicated ideas are presented in class, how confident are you that you can understand them?


Favorable: 90\%
Q.4: How confident are you that you can do the hardest work that is assigned in your classes?


Favorable: 85\%
Q.5: How confident are you that you will remember what you learned in your current classes, next year?


## Social Awareness

## Your average

1,768 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: During the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days...How carefully did you listen to other people's points of view?

| Extremely carefully | $18 \%$ |  | 316 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite carefully | $58 \%$ |  |  | 1021 |
| Somewhat carefully | $20 \%$ |  | 344 |  |
| Slightly carefully | 4\% | 61 |  |  |
| Not carefully at all | $1 \%$ | 18 |  |  |

Favorable: 96\%
Q.3: During the past 30 days...How well did you get along with students who are different from you?


Favorable: 96\%
Q.5: During the past 30 days...How clearly were you able to describe your feelings?

| Extremely clearly | 9\% |  | 151 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite clearly | $34 \%$ |  | 590 |
| Somewhat clearly | $38 \%$ |  | 663 |
| Slightly clearly | $14 \%$ | 251 |  |
| Not at all clearly | $5 \%$ | 93 |  |

Q.2: During the past 30 days...How much did you care about other people's feelings?


Favorable: 95\%
Q.4: During the past 30 days...How often did you compliment others' accomplishments?

| Almost all the time | $16 \%$ |  | 279 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Frequently | $44 \%$ |  | 574 |
| Sometimes | $31 \%$ |  | 551 |
| Once in a while | $6 \%$ | 109 |  |
| Almost never | $2 \%$ | 41 |  |

Favorable: 91\%
Q.6: During the past 30 days...When others disagreed with you, how respectful were you of their views?

| Extremely respectful | 18\% |  | 309 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite respectful | 56\% |  |  |
| Somewhat respectful | 22\% |  | 395 |
| Slightly respectful | 3\% | 59 |  |
| Not at all respectful | 1\% | \| 19 |  |

Q.8: During the past 30 days...To what extent were you able to disagree with others without starting an argument?

## Background Questions

How did people respond?
Q.1: In which grade are you?

| 6 | $19 \%$ | 325 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | $19 \%$ | 332 |
| 8 | $22 \%$ | 375 |
| 9 | $13 \%$ | 230 |
| 10 | $11 \%$ | 184 |
| 11 | $11 \%$ | 189 |
| 12 | $6 \%$ | 107 |

Q.3: What is your race or ethnicity?

Q.2: What is your gender identity?

Q.4: Do you receive English Language Learner (ELL) services from the district now or in the past?

Q.6: Do you receive special education services?


# Needham Public Schools <br> INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF SURVEY 

Spring 2018

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## Summary

## Topic Description <br> Results

## Educating All Students

Faculty perceptions of their readiness to address issues of 95\% diversity.

Goal 1: advance learning for all students
94\%

Goal 2: develop social emotional skills
92\%

Goal 3: adequate resources
84\%

## Professional Learning

Perceptions of the amount and quality of professional growth and
82\%
learning opportunities available to faculty and staff.

## Resources

## 76\%

## School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the
94\% school.

## Teaching Efficacy

Faculty perceptions of their professional strengths and areas for
96\% growth.

506 responses

## Educating All Students

## Your average

95\%
506 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How easy do you find interacting with students at your school who are from a different cultural background than your own?

| Extremely easy | $27 \%$ |  | 135 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite easy | $55 \%$ |  |  | 275 |
| Somewhat easy | $17 \%$ |  | 87 |  |
| Slightly easy | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |  |
| Not at all easy | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |  |

Favorable: 99\%
Q.3: How knowledgeable are you regarding where to find resources for working with students who have unique learning needs?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.2: How comfortable would you be incorporating new material about people from different backgrounds into your curriculum?

| Extremely comfortable | $36 \%$ | 178 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite comfortable | $45 \%$ |  | 225 |
| Somewhat <br> comfortable | $17 \%$ |  | 83 |

Q.4: If students from different backgrounds struggled to get along in your class, how comfortable would you be intervening?

Q.5: How easy would it be for you to teach a class with groups of students from very different religions from each other?


Favorable: 97\%
Q.7: How easily do you think you could make a particularly overweight student feel like a part of class?

| Extremely easily | $28 \%$ |  | 143 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite easily | $55 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat easily | $15 \%$ |  | 76 |
| Slightly easily | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |
| Not at all easily | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.6: In response to events that might be occurring in the world, how comfortable would you be having conversations about race with your students?


Favorable: 90\%
Q.8: How comfortable would you be having a student who could not communicate well with anyone in class because his/her home language was unique?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.9: When a sensitive issue of diversity arises in class, how easily can you think of strategies to address the situation?

| Extremely easily | $9 \%$ |  | 46 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite easily | $40 \%$ |  | 200 |
| Somewhat easily | $44 \%$ |  | 222 |
| Slightly easily | $6 \%$ | 31 |  |
| Not at all easily | $1 \%$ | 6 |  |

## Goal 1: advance learning for all students

## Your average <br> 94\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?


Q.3: When one of your teaching strategies fails to work for a group of students, how easily can you think of another approach to try?

| Extremely easily | $18 \%$ |  | 91 | 302 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite easily | $60 \%$ |  |  |  |
| Somewhat easily | $20 \%$ |  | 101 |  |
| Slightly easily | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |  |
| Not at all easily | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |  |

Favorable: 99\%
Q.5: If a parent were upset about something in your class, how confident are you that you could have a productive conversation with this parent?

| Extremely confident | $26 \%$ |  | 130 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $58 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $13 \%$ |  | 65 |
| Slightly confident | $3 \%$ | 13 |  |
| Not at all confident | $1 \%$ | 5 |  |

Q.2: How confident are you that you can move through material at a pace that works well for each of your students?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.4: How confident are you that you can help your school's most challenging students to learn?

| Extremely confident | $14 \%$ |  | 69 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $44 \%$ |  | 223 |
| Somewhat confident | $35 \%$ |  | 175 |
| Slightly confident | $6 \%$ | 30 |  |
| Not at all confident | $1 \%$ | 6 |  |

Favorable:
93\%
Q.6: How effective do you think you are at managing particularly disruptive classes?

| Extremely effective | $15 \%$ |  | 73 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite effective | $49 \%$ |  | 244 |
| Somewhat effective | $32 \%$ |  | 161 |

Favorable: 95\%
Q.7: How confident are you that you can engage students who typically are not motivated?

| Extremely confident | $9 \%$ | 46 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite confident | $51 \%$ |  |
| Somewhat confident | $36 \%$ |  |
| Slightly confident | $3 \%$ | 183 |
| Not at all confident | $0 \%$ | 2 |


Q.11: How well does the curriculum meet the needs of all students?

| Extremely well | $4 \%$ | 18 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $44 \%$ |  | 224 |
| Somewhat well | $44 \%$ |  | 222 |
| Slightly well | $7 \%$ | 35 |  |
| Not well at all | $1 \%$ | 6 |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.13: How well does this school do in encouraging parent/guardian involvement?

| Extremely well | $12 \%$ |  | 61 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $48 \%$ |  | 239 |
| Somewhat well | $33 \%$ |  | 168 |
| Slightly well | $5 \%$ | 24 |  |
| Not well at all | $2 \%$ | 10 |  |

## Q.8: How clearly can you explain the most complicated content to your students?

$\left.\begin{array}{rc|l|l|}\text { Extremely clearly } & 17 \% & & 85 \\ 319 \\ \text { Quite clearly } & 64 \% & & \\ \text { Somewhat clearly } & 19 \% & & 94\end{array}\right]$

Favorable: 99\%

Q.12: To what extent does homework further student learning?


Favorable: 76\%

## Goal 2: develop social emotional skills

## Your average <br> 92\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How easy do you find interacting with students at your school who are from a different cultural background than your own?

| Extremely easy | $27 \%$ |  | 135 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite easy | $55 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat easy | $17 \%$ |  | 87 |
| Slightly easy | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |
| Not at all easy | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |

Favorable: 99\%

## Q.3: How much do the curriculum resources at your school reflect people from diverse cultures?



Favorable: 84\%
Q.2: How comfortable would you be incorporating new material about people from different backgrounds into your curriculum?

| Extremely comfortable | $36 \%$ |  | 178 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite comfortable | $45 \%$ |  | 225 |
| Somewhat <br> comfortable | $17 \%$ |  | 83 |
| Slightly comfortable | $3 \%$ | 13 |  |
| Not at all comfortable | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |

Favorable: 97\%


Favorable: 92\%
Q.5: If students from different backgrounds struggled to get along in your class, how comfortable would you be intervening?


Favorable: 93\%
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| Slightly easily | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |  |
| Not at all easily | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.10: When a sensitive issue of diversity arises in class, how easily can you think of strategies to address the situation?

| Extremely easily | 9\% | 46 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite easily | 40\% |  | 200 |
| Somewhat easily | 44\% |  | 222 |
| Slightly easily | 6\% | 31 |  |
| Not at all easily | 1\% | 6 |  |

Favorable: 93\%

## Q.11: On most days, how enthusiastic are the students about being at school?

| Extremely enthusiastic | $8 \%$ |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite enthusiastic $53 \%$ |  | 265 |  |
| Somewhat <br> enthusiastic |  |  |  |
| Slightly enthusiastic | $8 \%$ | 39 |  |
| Not at all enthusiastic | $0 \%$ | 2 | Favorable: 92\% |

Q.13: How optimistic are you that your school will improve in the future?

| Extremely optimistic | $18 \%$ |  | 92 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite optimistic | $50 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat optimistic | $24 \%$ |  | 119 |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.15: To what extent are teachers trusted to teach in the way they think is best?

| Trusted a tremendous 23\% amount | 114 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Trusted quite a bit 50\% |  |
| Trusted somewhat 20\% | 101 |
| Trusted a little bit 6\% | 31 |
| Not trusted at all 1\% | 6 |

Favorable: 93\%
Q.12: When new initiatives to improve teaching are presented at your school, how supportive are your colleagues?

| Extremely supportive | $9 \%$ | 46 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite supportive | $40 \%$ |  | 204 |
| Somewhat supportive | $39 \%$ |  | 197 |
| Slightly supportive | $10 \%$ |  | 49 |
| Not at all supportive | $2 \%$ | $\mid 8$ |  |

Favorable: 89\%
Q.14: How supportive are students in their interactions with each other?

| Extremely supportive | $7 \%$ | 33 |  | 302 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite supportive | $60 \%$ |  |  | 30 |
| Somewhat supportive | $31 \%$ |  | 158 |  |
| Slightly supportive | $3 \%$ | 13 |  |  |
| Not at all supportive | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |  |

Favorable: 97\%
Q.16: How positive are the attitudes of your colleagues?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.18: How often do you see students helping each other without being prompted?

| Almost all the time | $9 \%$ | 47 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | $60 \%$ |  | 303 |
| Sometimes | $28 \%$ |  | 144 |
| Once in a while | $2 \%$ | 10 |  |
| Almost never | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.19: How welcoming does the school feel to our staff?

| Extremely welcoming | $21 \%$ |  | 104 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite welcoming | $55 \%$ |  | 280 |
| Somewhat welcoming | $18 \%$ |  | 89 |
| Slightly welcoming | $5 \%$ | 26 |  |
| Not at all welcoming | $1 \%$ | 7 |  |

Q.21: To what extent are your students stressed or overwhelmed by school?

Q.20: How safe is the school environment for our staff?

| Extremely safe | $30 \%$ |  | 152 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite safe | $53 \%$ |  |  | 267 |
| Somewhat safe | $12 \%$ | 60 |  |  |
| Slightly safe | $4 \%$ | 22 |  |  |
| Not at all safe | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |  |

Q.22: Overall, how positive is the working environment at your school?


## Goal 3: adequate resources

## Your average

## How did people respond?

Q.1: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your school need to improve?


Favorable: 81\%

Q.2: When students need help from an adult, how often do they have to wait to get that help?


Favorable: 87\%
Q.4: How urgently does your school's technology need to be updated?

| Not at all urgently | $36 \%$ |  | 182 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Slightly urgently | $35 \%$ |  | 174 |
| Somewhat urgently | $17 \%$ | 83 |  |
| Quite urgently | $9 \%$ | 44 |  |
| Extremely urgently | $3 \%$ | 17 | Favorable: 88\% |

Q.5: How often do your school's facilities need repairs?

| Almost never | $4 \%$ | 19 |
| ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $25 \%$ | 128 |
| Sometimes | $31 \%$ | 158 |
| Frequently | $26 \%$ | 130 |
| Almost all the time | $14 \%$ | 69 |

Favorable: 61\%
Q.7: How much of your own money do you spend on your classroom?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.9: How many more resources do you need to adequately support your students' learning?


Favorable: 84\%


Favorable: 94\%

## Q.6: For students who need extra support, how difficult is it for them to get the support that they need?

| Not at all difficult | $26 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 128 |  |  |
| Slightly difficult | $38 \%$ |  |
| Somewhat difficult | $26 \%$ |  |
| Suite difficult | $7 \%$ | 131 |
| Qus |  |  |
| Extremely difficult | $3 \%$ | 15 |

Favorable: 90\%
Q.8: How important is it for your school to hire more specialists to help students?

| Not important at all | $5 \%$ | 24 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly important | $17 \%$ | 85 |
| Somewhat important | $22 \%$ |  |
| Quite important | $29 \%$ | 110 |
| Extremely important | $27 \%$ | 145 |

Favorable: 44\%
Q.10: Overall, how much does your school struggle due to a lack of resources?



| Q.13: Nursing? |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Extremely adequate | 42\% |  |
| 207 |  |  |
| Quite adequate | $46 \%$ |  |
| Somewhat adequate | $9 \%$ | 46 |
| Slightly adequate | $3 \%$ | 13 |
| Not at all adequate | $0 \%$ | 2 |

Favorable: 97\%

## Q.15: After School Programs?

| Extremely adequate | $20 \%$ |  | 99 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite adequate | $48 \%$ |  |  | 236 |
| Somewhat adequate | $24 \%$ |  | 120 |  |
| Slightly adequate | $7 \%$ | 32 |  |  |
| Not at all adequate | $1 \%$ | 5 |  |  |

Favorable: 92\%

## Q.17: Library/Media Center?

| Extremely adequate | $36 \%$ |  | 178 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite adequate | $52 \%$ |  | 259 |
| Somewhat adequate | $10 \%$ |  | 49 |
| Slightly adequate | $2 \%$ | 10 |  |
| Not at all adequate | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |

Favorable: 98\%
Q.19: How effectively do administrators communicate information to staff?


Favorable: 89\%


Favorable: 91\%
Q.16: Phys Ed or Athletic Programs?

| Extremely adequate | $38 \%$ |  | 188 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite adequate | $49 \%$ |  | 242 |
| Somewhat adequate | $10 \%$ |  | 49 |
| Slightly adequate | $3 \%$ | 14 |  |
| Not at all adequate | $1 \%$ | 4 |  |

Favorable: 96\%


Favorable: 95\%



Favorable: 96\%
Q.23: Through working at your school, how many new teaching strategies have you learned?


Favorable: 93\%


Favorable: 80\%

## Q.22: How much input do you have into individualizing your own professional development opportunities?

```
A tremendous amount 7% 36
            of input
    Quite a bit of input 27% 135
    A little bit of input 19% 95
    Almost no input 7% 33
```

Favorable: 74\%


Favorable: 76\%
Q.26: How relevant have your professional development opportunities been to the content that you teach?

| Extremely relevant | 5\% | 25 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite relevant | $28 \%$ |  | 142 |
| Somewhat relevant | $35 \%$ |  | 176 |
| Slightly relevant | $24 \%$ |  | 121 |
| Not at all relevant | $8 \%$ | 39 |  |

Favorable: 68\%
Q.27: Overall, how supportive has the school been of your growth as a teacher?


## Professional Learning

## Your average <br> 82\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 80\%
Q.3: How much input do you have into individualizing your own professional development opportunities?


Favorable: 74\%
Q.5: Overall, how much do you learn about teaching from the leaders at your school?

Q.2: How helpful are your colleagues' ideas for improving your teaching?

| Extremely helpful | $24 \%$ |  | 121 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite helpful | $53 \%$ |  |  | 266 |
| Somewhat helpful | $19 \%$ |  | 96 |  |
| Slightly helpful | $4 \%$ | 20 |  |  |
| Not at all helpful | $0 \%$ | 1 |  |  |

Favorable: 96\%
Q.4: Through working at your school, how many new teaching strategies have you learned?

| A great number of | $22 \%$ |  | 109 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| strategies |  |  |  |
| Many strategies | $46 \%$ |  |  |
| Some strategies | $25 \%$ |  | 128 |
| A few strategies | $6 \%$ | 32 |  |
| Almost no strategies | $0 \%$ | 1 |  |

Favorable: 93\%
Q.6: How often do your professional development opportunities help you explore new ideas?


Favorable: 80\%

Q.8: Overall, how supportive has the school been of your growth as a teacher?


## Resources

## Your average <br> 76\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your school need to improve?


Favorable: 81\%

Q.2: When students need help from an adult, how often do they have to wait to get that help?


Favorable: 87\%
Q.4: How urgently does your school's technology need to be updated?

| Not at all urgently | $36 \%$ |  | 182 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly urgently | $35 \%$ |  | 174 |
| Somewhat urgently | $17 \%$ | 83 |  |
| Quite urgently | $9 \%$ | 44 |  |
| Extremely urgently | $3 \%$ | 17 |  |

Q.5: How often do your school's facilities need repairs?

| Almost never | $4 \%$ | 19 |
| ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $25 \%$ |  |
| Sometimes | $31 \%$ | 128 |
| Frequently | $26 \%$ | 158 |
| Almost all the time | $14 \%$ | 69 |

Favorable: 61\%
Q.7: How much of your own money do you spend on your classroom?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.9: How many more resources do you need to adequately support your students' learning?


Favorable: 84\%
Q.6: For students who need extra support, how difficult is it for them to get the support that they need?

| Not at all difficult | $26 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 128 |  |  |
| Slightly difficult | $38 \%$ |  |
| Somewhat difficult | $26 \%$ |  |
| Sole | 189 |  |
| Quite difficult | $7 \%$ | 35 |
| Extremely difficult | $3 \%$ | 15 |

Favorable: 90\%
Q.8: How important is it for your school to hire more specialists to help students?

| Not important at all | $5 \%$ | 24 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly important | $17 \%$ | 85 |
| Somewhat important | $22 \%$ | 110 |
| Quite important | $29 \%$ | 145 |
| Extremely important | $27 \%$ | 138 |

Favorable: 44\%
Q.10: Overall, how much does your school struggle due to a lack of resources?


## School Climate

## Your average <br> 94\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: On most days, how enthusiastic are the students about being at school?

| Extremely enthusiastic | 8\% | 39 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite enthusiastic | 53\% |  |  | 265 |
| Somewhat enthusiastic | 32\% |  | 159 |  |
| Slightly enthusiastic | 8\% | 39 |  |  |
| Not at all enthusiastic | 0\% | 2 |  |  |

Q.3: How optimistic are you that your school will improve in the future?


Favorable: 92\%
Q.5: To what extent are teachers trusted to teach in the way they think is best?


Favorable: 93\%
Q.2: When new initiatives to improve teaching are presented at your school, how supportive are your colleagues?

| Extremely supportive | $9 \%$ |  | 46 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite supportive | $40 \%$ |  | 204 |
| Somewhat supportive | $39 \%$ |  | 197 |
| Slightly supportive | $10 \%$ |  | 49 |
| Not at all supportive | $2 \%$ | \|| 8 |  |

Favorable: 89\%
Q.4: How supportive are students in their interactions with each other?

| Extremely supportive | $7 \%$ | 33 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite supportive | $60 \%$ |  | 302 |
| Somewhat supportive | $31 \%$ |  | 158 |
| Slightly supportive | $3 \%$ | 13 |  |
| Not at all supportive | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |

Q.6: How positive are the attitudes of your colleagues?

Q.8: How often do you see students helping each other without being prompted?

| Almost all the time | $9 \%$ |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequently | $60 \%$ |  | 303 |
| Sometimes | $28 \%$ |  | 144 |
| Once in a while | $2 \%$ | 10 |  |
| Almost never | $0 \%$ | 2 | Favorable: $98 \%$ |

Q.9: Overall, how positive is the working environment at your school?
$\left.\begin{array}{rc|l|l|}\text { Extremely positive } & 13 \% & & 67 \\ \text { Quite positive } & 56 \% & & \\ \text { Qomewhat positive } & 22 \% & & 112\end{array}\right]$

## Teaching Efficacy

## Your average

96\%

506 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 98\%
Q.3: When one of your teaching strategies fails to work for a group of students, how easily can you think of another approach to try?

| Extremely easily | $18 \%$ |  | 91 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite easily | $60 \%$ |  |  |  |
| Somewhat easily | $20 \%$ |  | 101 |  |
| Slightly easily | $1 \%$ | $\mid 7$ |  |  |
| Not at all easily | $0 \%$ | 0 |  |  |

Favorable: 99\%
Q.5: If a parent were upset about something in your class, how confident are you that you could have a productive conversation with this parent?

| Extremely confident | $26 \%$ |  | 130 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $58 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $13 \%$ |  | 65 |
| Slightly confident | $3 \%$ | 13 |  |
| Not at all confident | $1 \%$ | 5 |  |

Q.2: How confident are you that you can move through material at a pace that works well for each of your students?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.4: How confident are you that you can help your school's most challenging students to learn?


Favorable:
93\%
Q.6: How effective do you think you are at managing particularly disruptive classes?

| Extremely effective | 15\% |  | 73 | 244 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite effective | 49\% |  |  |  |
| Somewhat effective | 32\% |  | 161 |  |
| Slightly effective | 5\% | 23 |  |  |
| Not at all effective | 0\% | 1 |  |  |

Favorable: 95\%

## Q.8: How clearly can you explain the most complicated content to your students?

| Extremely clearly | $17 \%$ |  | 85 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite clearly | $64 \%$ |  |  |  |
| Somewhat clearly | $19 \%$ |  | 94 |  |
| Slightly clearly | $0 \%$ | 2 |  |  |
| Not at all clearly | $0 \%$ | 1 |  |  |

Q.9: How confident are you that you can meet the learning needs of your most advanced students?

| Extremely confident | $19 \%$ |  | 97 |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $52 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $24 \%$ |  | 122 |

## Other questions



## Needham Public Schools PARENT SURVEY

Spring 2018

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## Summary

## Topic Description

## Results

## Family Efficacy

How confident families are with regard to key parenting skills.

## 86\%

Goal 1: advance learning for all students
85\%

Goal 2: develop social emotional skills
90\%

Goal 3: adequate resources
85\%

## Resources

83\%

## School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the school.

## School Fit

Families' perceptions of how well a school matches their child's
developmental needs.

1,940 responses

## Family Efficacy

## Your average <br> 86\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How confident are you that you can help your child develop good friendships?


Favorable: 81\%


Favorable: 89\%
Q.2: How confident are you in your ability to make choices about your child's schooling?


Favorable: 89\%


Favorable: 81\%
Q.6: How confident are you in your ability to support your child's learning at home?

| Extremely confident | $28 \%$ |  | 539 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite confident | $48 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat confident | $18 \%$ |  | 346 |
| Slightly confident | $5 \%$ | 104 |  |
| Not confident at all | $1 \%$ | 23 |  |

Q.7: How confident are you in your ability to help your child deal with his/her emotions appropriately?

| Extremely confident | $15 \%$ | 293 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $46 \%$ |  | 892 |
| Somewhat confident | $30 \%$ |  | 587 |
| Slightly confident | $7 \%$ | 125 |  |
| Not confident at all | $2 \%$ | 34 |  |

## Goal 1: advance learning for all students

## Your average <br> 85\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?



Favorable: 88\%
Q.3: How well does the curriculum meet your child's needs?

| Extremely well | $11 \%$ |  | 211 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $51 \%$ |  | 580 |  |
| Somewhat well | $30 \%$ |  | 578 |  |
| Slightly well | $6 \%$ | 124 |  |  |
| Not well at all | $2 \%$ | 42 |  |  |


Q.4: To what extent does homework further your child's learning?



Favorable: 81\%
Q.7: How confident are you that you can motivate your child to try hard in school?

| Extremely confident | $17 \%$ | 334 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite confident | $43 \%$ |  | 825 |
| Somewhat confident | $29 \%$ |  | 563 |
| Slightly confident | $8 \%$ | 152 |  |
| Not confident at all | $3 \%$ | 56 |  |

Q.9: How confident are you in your ability to make sure your child's school meets your child's learning needs?

| Extremely confident | $8 \%$ | 160 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite confident | $33 \%$ |  | 634 |
| Somewhat confident | $37 \%$ |  | 708 |
| Slightly confident | $15 \%$ | 299 |  |
| Not confident at all | $7 \%$ | 132 |  |

Favorable: 78\%
Q.11: How confident are you in your ability to help your child deal with his/her emotions appropriately?


Favorable
92\%
Q.6: How confident are you in your ability to make choices about your child's schooling?


Favorable: 89\%
Q.8: How confident are you in your ability to connect with other parents?


Favorable: 81\%
Q.10: How confident are you in your ability to support your child's learning at home?

| Extremely confident | $28 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite confident | $48 \%$ |  |

## Goal 2: develop social emotional skills

## Your average

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How much of a sense of belonging does your child feel at his/her school?


Favorable: 90\%

## Q.3: How well do the activities offered at your child's

 school match his/her interests?| Extremely well | $9 \%$ | 179 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $40 \%$ |  | 768 |
| Somewhat well | $35 \%$ |  | 685 |
| Slightly well | $12 \%$ | 227 |  |
| Not well at all | $4 \%$ | 73 |  |

Favorable: 84\%
Q.5: How comfortable is your child in asking for help from school adults?


Favorable: 80\%
Q.2: How well do you feel your child's school is preparing him/her for his/her next academic year?


Favorable: 91\%

## Q.4: At your child's school, how well does the overall approach to discipline work for your child?

| Extremely well | $14 \%$ |  | 277 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $54 \%$ |  | 1024 |
| Somewhat well | $22 \%$ |  | 414 |
| Slightly well | $7 \%$ | 127 |  |
| Not well at all | $4 \%$ | 70 |  |

Favorable: 90\%
Q.6: Given your child's cultural background, how good a fit is his/her school?

| Extremely good | $26 \%$ |  | 503 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite good | $55 \%$ |  | 1055 |
| Somewhat good | $13 \%$ | 249 |  |
| Slightly good | $5 \%$ | 87 |  |
| Not good at all | $2 \%$ | 35 |  |

## Q.7: How well do the teaching styles of your child's teachers match your child's learning style?



Favorable: 88\%

## Q.9: How motivating are the classroom lessons at your child's school?

| Extremely motivating | $8 \%$ | 162 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite motivating | $42 \%$ |  | 803 |
| Somewhat motivating | $37 \%$ |  | 720 |
| Slightly motivating | $11 \%$ | 203 |  |
| Not at all motivating | $2 \%$ | 43 |  |

Favorable: 87\%

## Q.11: How much does the school value the diversity of children's backgrounds?

| A tremendous amount | 18\% |  | 353 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite a bit | 46\% |  |  | 890 |
| Some | 26\% |  | 489 |  |
| A little bit | 7\% | 142 |  |  |
| Not at all | 2\% | 43 |  |  |

Q.8: To what extent do you think that children enjoy going to your child's school?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.10: How fair or unfair is the school's system of evaluating children?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.12: How well do administrators at your child's school create a school environment that helps children learn?

Q.13: Overall, how much respect do you think the children at your child's school have for the staff?

| A tremendous amount of respect | 27\% | 520 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite a bit of respect | 56\% |  | 1082 |
| Some respect | 14\% | 276 |  |
| A little bit of respect | 2\% | 38 |  |
| Almost no respect | 1\% | 13 |  |

## Q.15: How safe does the school feel to you?

| Extremely safe | $31 \%$ |  | 609 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Quite safe | $52 \%$ |  |  |  |
| Somewhat safe | $13 \%$ | 252 |  |  |
| Slightly safe | $3 \%$ | 57 |  |  |
| Not at all safe | $1 \%$ | 15 | 1503 |  |

Favorable: 96\%
Q.14: Overall, how much respect do you think the teachers at your child's school have for the children?
$\left.\begin{array}{rr|l|l}\text { A tremendous amount } 28 \% \\ \text { of respect }\end{array}\right)$
Q.16: How welcoming does the school feel to you?

Q.17: To what extent is your child stressed or overwhelmed by school?

| Not at all stressed | $24 \%$ |  | 455 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Slightly stressed | $28 \%$ |  | 550 |
| Somewhat stressed | $32 \%$ |  | 616 |
| Quite stressed and <br> overwhelmed | $12 \%$ | 226 |  |
| Extremely stressed <br> and overwhelmed | $5 \%$ | 89 |  |

## Goal 3: adequate resources

## Your average <br> 85\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: At your child's school, how crowded do the learning spaces feel?


Favorable: 74\%
Q.3: How often do your school's facilities need repairs?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.5: When your child needs extra support, how difficult is it to get that support?

| Not at all difficult | $55 \%$ |  | 1014 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly difficult | $25 \%$ |  | 465 |
| Somewhat difficult | $13 \%$ | 241 |  |
| Quite difficult | $5 \%$ | 84 |  |
| Extremely difficult | $2 \%$ | 43 |  |

Favorable: 93\%
Q.2: How urgently does the technology at your child's school need to be updated?

| Not at all urgently | $30 \%$ |  | 565 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly urgently | $29 \%$ |  | 542 |
| Somewhat urgently | $27 \%$ |  | 500 |
| Quite urgently | $10 \%$ | 177 |  |
| Extremely urgently | $5 \%$ | 85 |  |

Q.4: When your child needs help from a staff member at school, how often does your child have to wait to get that help?

| Almost never | $34 \%$ |  | 635 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | $30 \%$ |  | 563 |
| Sometimes | $27 \%$ |  | 509 |
| Frequently | $6 \%$ | 115 |  |
| Almost all the time | $2 \%$ | $\mid 36$ |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.6: How important is it for your school to hire more staff to help students?


Favorable: 61\%

## Q.7: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your child's school need to improve?



Favorable: 86\%


Favorable: 83\%


Favorable: 96\%


Favorable: 83\%
Q.8: Overall, how much does your school struggle due to a lack of resources?

| Does not struggle at | $29 \%$ |  | 535 |
| ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| all |  |  |  |
| Struggles a little bit | $37 \%$ |  | 674 |
| Struggles some | $26 \%$ |  | 475 |
| Struggles quite a bit | $6 \%$ | 117 |  |
| Struggles a | $2 \%$ | 32 |  |
| tremendous amount |  |  |  |

Favorable: 92\%


Favorable: 81\%


Favorable: 86\%


Favorable: 94\%
Q.16: School website?

Q.17: How effectively does the school communicate information to your family?

| Extremely effectively | $22 \%$ |  | 420 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite effectively | $48 \%$ |  | 924 |
| Somewhat effectively | $19 \%$ |  | 365 |
| Slightly effectively | $8 \%$ | 148 |  |
| Not at all effectively | $4 \%$ | 68 |  |

## Resources

## Your average 83\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: At your child's school, how crowded do the learning spaces feel?

| Not at all crowded | $17 \%$ | 317 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly crowded | $25 \%$ |  |
| Somewhat crowded | $32 \%$ |  |
| Quite crowded | $16 \%$ | 307 |
| Extremely crowded | $10 \%$ | 188 |

Favorable: 74\%
Q.3: How often do your school's facilities need repairs?


Favorable: 77\%
Q.5: When your child needs extra support, how difficult is it to get that support?

| Not at all difficult | $55 \%$ |  | 1014 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly difficult | $25 \%$ |  | 465 |
| Somewhat difficult | $13 \%$ | 241 |  |
| Quite difficult | $5 \%$ | 84 |  |
| Extremely difficult | $2 \%$ | 43 |  |

Favorable: 93\%
Q.2: How urgently does the technology at your child's school need to be updated?

| Not at all urgently | $30 \%$ |  | 565 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Slightly urgently | $29 \%$ |  | 542 |
| Somewhat urgently | $27 \%$ |  | 500 |
| Quite urgently | $10 \%$ | 177 |  |
| Extremely urgently | $5 \%$ | 85 |  |

Q.4: When your child needs help from a staff member at school, how often does your child have to wait to get that help?

| Almost never | 34\% |  | 635 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once in a while | 30\% |  | 563 |
| Sometimes | 27\% |  | 509 |
| Frequently | 6\% | 115 |  |
| Almost all the time | 2\% | 36 |  |

Favorable: 92\%
Q.6: How important is it for your school to hire more staff to help students?


Favorable: 61\%
Q.7: To what extent does the quality of the resources at your child's school need to improve?

| Does not need to improve at all | 15\% | 271 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Needs to improve a little bit | 35\% |  | 658 |
| Needs to improve some | 36\% |  | 662 |
| Needs to improve quite a bit | 11\% | 196 |  |
| Needs to improve a tremendous amount | 4\% |  |  |

Q.8: Overall, how much does your school struggle due to a lack of resources?


## School Climate

## Your average 92\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: To what extent do you think that children enjoy going to your child's school?


Favorable: 91\%
Q.3: How fair or unfair is the school's system of evaluating children?

| Very fair | 26\% | 497 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat fair | 34\% | 650 |
| Slightly fair | 11\% | 203 |
| Neither fair nor unfair | 20\% | 387 |
| Slightly unfair | 5\% | 91 |
| Somewhat unfair | 3\% | 49 |
| Very unfair | 2\% | 33 |

Favorable: 91\%


Favorable: 92\%
Q.2: How motivating are the classroom lessons at your child's school?

| Extremely motivating | $8 \%$ | 162 |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite motivating | $42 \%$ |  | 803 |
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| Not at all motivating | $2 \%$ | 43 |  |

Favorable: 87\%
Q.4: How much does the school value the diversity of children's backgrounds?

| A tremendous amount | $18 \%$ | 353 |  |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite a bit $46 \%$ |  | 890 |  |
| Some $26 \%$ |  | 489 |  |

Q.6: Overall, how much respect do you think the children at your child's school have for the staff?


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Q.7: Overall, how much respect do you think the teachers at your child's school have for the children?
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[^1]
## School Fit

## Your average 88\%

1,940 responses

## How did people respond?

Q.1: How much of a sense of belonging does your child feel at his/her school?


Favorable: 90\%

## Q.3: How well do the activities offered at your child's school match his/her interests?

| Extremely well | 9\% |  | 179 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | 40\% |  | 768 |
| Somewhat well | $35 \%$ |  | 685 |
| Slightly well | 12\% | 227 |  |
| Not well at all | $4 \%$ | 73 |  |

Favorable: 84\%
Q.5: How comfortable is your child in asking for help from school adults?


Favorable: 80\%
Q.2: How well do you feel your child's school is preparing him/her for his/her next academic year?

| Extremely well | $15 \%$ |  | 291 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $51 \%$ |  |  |
| Somewhat well | $25 \%$ |  | 489 |
| Slightly well | $7 \%$ | 131 |  |
| Sot well at all | $2 \%$ | 46 | 46 |

Favorable: 91\%

## Q.4: At your child's school, how well does the overall approach to discipline work for your child?

| Extremely well | $14 \%$ |  | 277 |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Quite well | $54 \%$ |  | 1024 |
| Somewhat well | $22 \%$ |  | 414 |
| Slightly well | $7 \%$ | 127 |  |
| Not well at all | $4 \%$ | 70 |  |

Favorable: 90\%
Q.6: Given your child's cultural background, how good a fit is his/her school?

| Extremely good | $26 \%$ |  | 503 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quite good | $55 \%$ |  | 1055 |
| Somewhat good | $13 \%$ | 249 |  |
| Slightly good | $5 \%$ | 87 |  |
| Not good at all | $2 \%$ | 35 |  |

Q.7: How well do the teaching styles of your child's teachers match your child's learning style?


## Other questions


Q.5: Is your child a Boston resident student in our METCO program?

| Yes 3\% | 51 |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| No $97 \%$ |  | 1848 |

Q.6: Does your child receive special education services?

| Yes $16 \%$ | 308 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| No 84\% |  | 1588 |


[^0]:    Favorable: 86\%

[^1]:    Favorable: 97\%

