PUBLIC SCHOOLS of
BROOKLINE

Amos A. Lawrence School

K-8 Family Survey
Spring 2019

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Summary

Topic Description	Results	Comparison	
Communications	**57%** ▲ 13 since last survey	**59%** **59%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools
District Climate	**59%** ▲ 8 since last survey	**60%** **60%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools
Family Engagement	**53%** ▲ 4 since last survey	**46%** **46%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools
School Climate	**75%** ▲ 13 since last survey	**73%** **73%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools
School Fit	**67%** ▲ 6 since last survey	**66%** **66%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools
School Safety	**57%** ▲ 11 since last survey	**59%** **59%**	K - 8 Brookline Public Schools

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Communications

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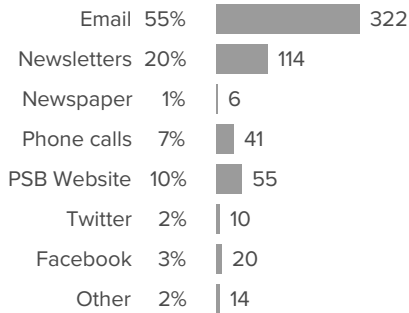
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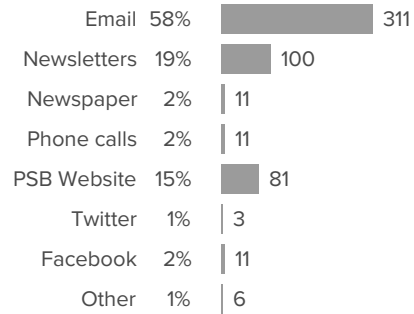since last survey

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District average: **59%** Brookline Public Schools
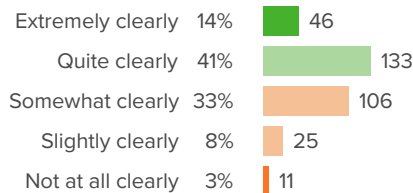
How did people respond?

Q.1: What is the best way for the school/district to stay in communication with you? (check all that apply)

Email	55%	322
Newsletters	20%	114
Newspaper	1%	6
Phone calls	7%	41
PSB Website	10%	55
Twitter	2%	10
Facebook	3%	20
Other	2%	14

Q.2: Of the following, which source do you use the most to get information about the school/district? (check all that apply)

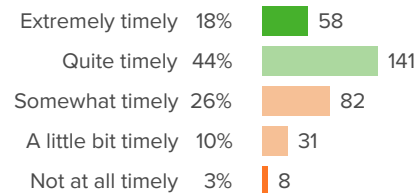|		
Email	58%	311
Newsletters	19%	100
Newspaper	2%	11
Phone calls	2%	11
PSB Website	15%	81
Twitter	1%	3
Facebook	2%	11
Other	1%	6

Q.3: How clearly do this school's leaders identify their goals for the school?

Extremely clearly	14%	46
Quite clearly	41%	133
Somewhat clearly	33%	106
Slightly clearly	8%	25
Not at all clearly	3%	11

▲ **20** from last survey   Favorable: **56%**

Q.4: How timely is the feedback that teachers at this school provide to students about their learning?

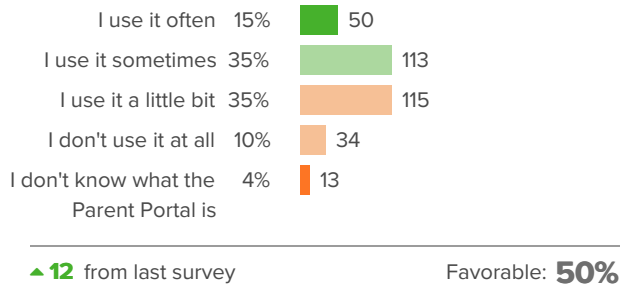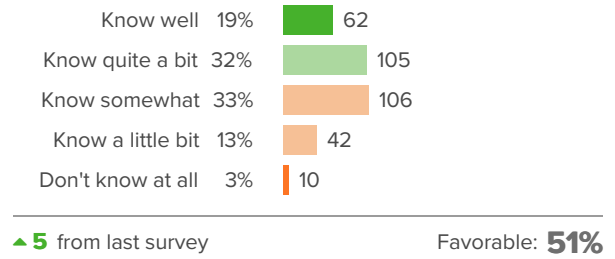|		
Extremely timely	18%	58
Quite timely	44%	141
Somewhat timely	26%	82
A little bit timely	10%	31
Not at all timely	3%	8

▲ **6** from last survey   Favorable: **62%**

Q.5: To what extent do you use the Parent Portal to access information about your child's academic progress?

I use it often	15%	50
I use it sometimes	35%	113
I use it a little bit	35%	115
I don't use it at all	10%	34
I don't know what the Parent Portal is	4%	13

▲ **12** from last survey   Favorable: **50%**

Q.6: To what extent do you know how your child is doing in school before you receive his or her report card or progress report?

Know well	19%	62
Know quite a bit	32%	105
Know somewhat	33%	106
Know a little bit	13%	42
Don't know at all	3%	10

▲ **5** from last survey   Favorable: **51%**

Q.7: How effectively do this school's leaders communicate important information to families?

Extremely effectively	21%	69
Quite effectively	46%	147
Somewhat effectively	26%	84
Slightly effectively	5%	15
Not at all effectively	3%	8

▲ **22** from last survey   Favorable: **67%**
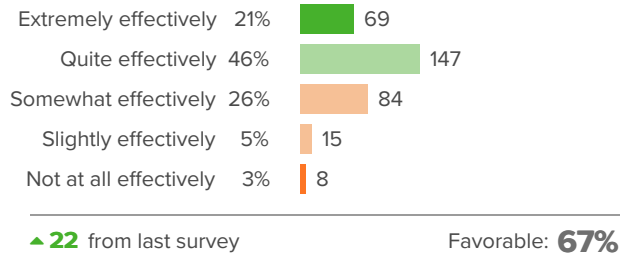
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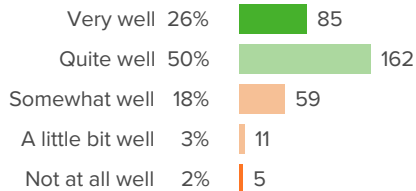
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since last survey

K - 8 Grouping average: **60%** K - 8

District average: **60%** Brookline Public Schools
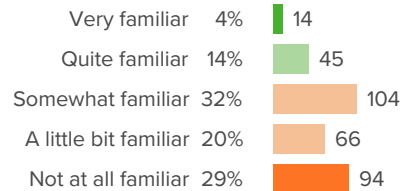

How did people respond?

Q.1: How well do district leaders communicate important information to parents/guardians?

Very well	26%	85
Quite well	50%	162
Somewhat well	18%	59
A little bit well	3%	11
Not at all well	2%	5

▲ **10** from last survey   Favorable: **77%**

Q.2: How familiar are you with the Public School of Brookline's four district-wide goals?

Very familiar	4%	14
Quite familiar	14%	45
Somewhat familiar	32%	104
A little bit familiar	20%	66
Not at all familiar	29%	94

▲ **7** from last survey   Favorable: **18%**

Q.3: How consistently are you able to get information about district events or news when you need it?

I get this information every time I need it	16%	53
I get this information frequently	59%	189
I sometimes get this information	22%	70
I rarely get this information	3%	9
I never get this information	1%	2
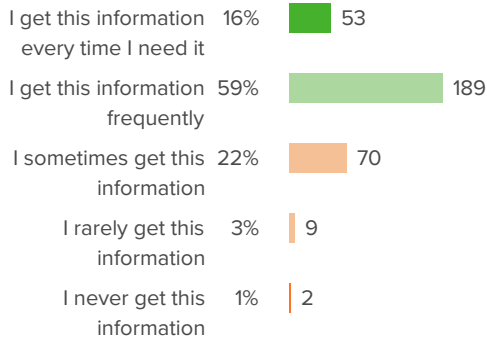
▲ **2** from last survey   Favorable: **75%**

Q.4: How successful are district leaders in supporting schools to provide high quality education to students?

Highly successful	17%	55
Quite successful	47%	147
Somewhat successful	31%	97
A little bit successful	4%	11
Not at all successful	2%	5

▲ **11** from last survey   Favorable: **64%**

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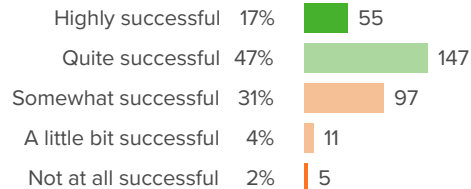
Family Engagement

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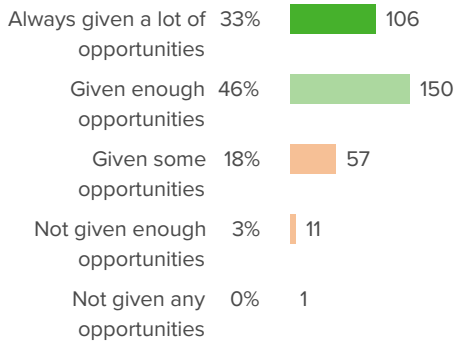# 53%

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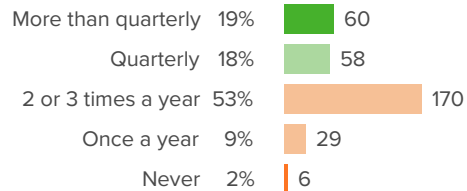
How did people respond?

Q.1: To what extent are parents/guardians given opportunities to be meaningfully involved at this school?

Always given a lot of opportunities	33%	106
Given enough opportunities	46%	150
Given some opportunities	18%	57
Not given enough opportunities	3%	11
Not given any opportunities	0%	1

▲ **9** from last survey   Favorable: **79%**

Q.2: How often do you meet in person with teachers at your child's school?

More than quarterly	19%	60
Quarterly	18%	58
2 or 3 times a year	53%	170
Once a year	9%	29
Never	2%	6

▲ **4** from last survey   Favorable: **37%**

Q.3: How involved have you been with parent groups at this school?

Extremely involved	7%	23
Quite involved	19%	63
Somewhat involved	34%	109
Slightly involved	22%	72
Not at all involved	18%	58
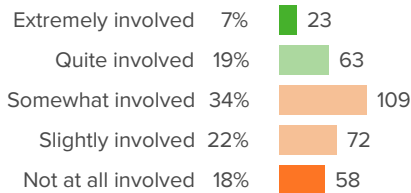
▲ **0** from last survey   Favorable: **26%**

Q.4: In the past year, how often have you visited your child's school?

Weekly or more	50%	163
Monthly	18%	58
Every few months	24%	77
Once or twice	7%	23
Never	1%	2
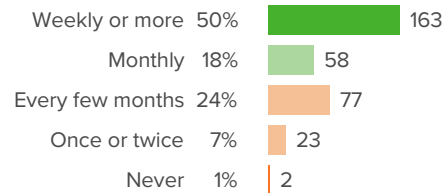
▲ **1** from last survey   Favorable: **68%**

School Climate

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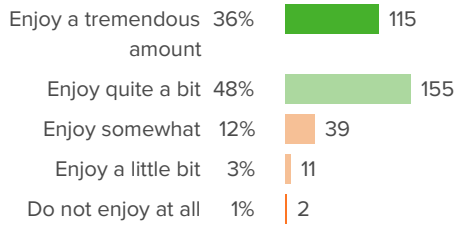
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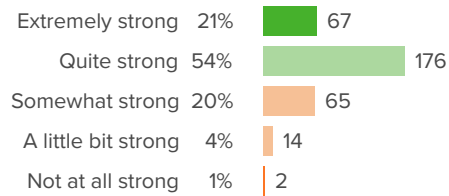
How did people respond?

Q.1: To what extent do you think that students enjoy going to this school?

Enjoy a tremendous amount	36%	115
Enjoy quite a bit	48%	155
Enjoy somewhat	12%	39
Enjoy a little bit	3%	11
Do not enjoy at all	1%	2

▲ **10** from last survey   Favorable: **84%**

Q.2: How strong is this school's sense of community?

Extremely strong	21%	67
Quite strong	54%	176
Somewhat strong	20%	65
A little bit strong	4%	14
Not at all strong	1%	2

▲ **13** from last survey   Favorable: **75%**

Q.3: To what extent is your child engaged in appropriately challenging levels of academics at this school?

Very much	16%	53
Quite a bit	44%	144
Somewhat	30%	99
A little bit	7%	23
Not at all	2%	6
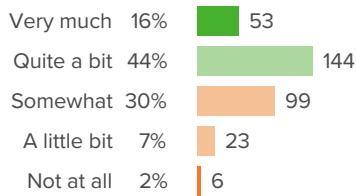
▲ **5** from last survey   Favorable: **61%**

Q.4: How positive is the culture of this school?

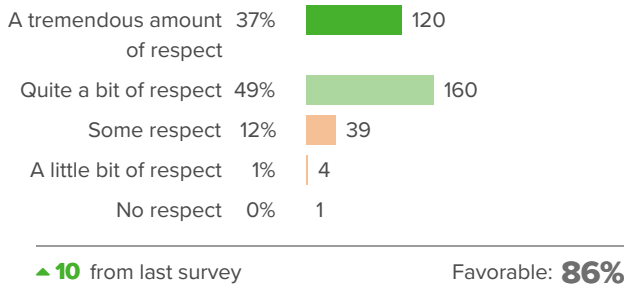|		
Extremely positive	31%	102
Quite positive	54%	174
Somewhat positive	12%	40
Slightly positive	3%	8
Not at all positive	0%	0
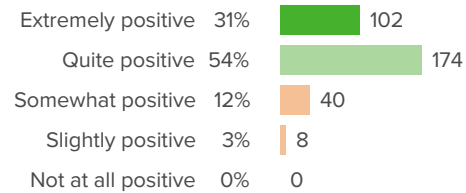
▲ **25** from last survey   Favorable: **85%**

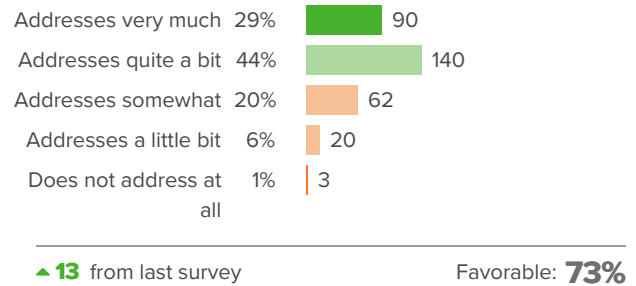**Q.5: How respectful are the relationships between staff and students at this school?**

A tremendous amount of respect	37%	120
Quite a bit of respect	49%	160
Some respect	12%	39
A little bit of respect	1%	4
No respect	0%	1

▲ **10** from last survey   Favorable: **86%**

Q.6: How much does this school value the diversity of students' backgrounds?

A tremendous amount	47%	151
Quite a bit	40%	128
Some	11%	35
A little bit	3%	8
Not at all	0%	0

▲ **8** from last survey   Favorable: **87%**
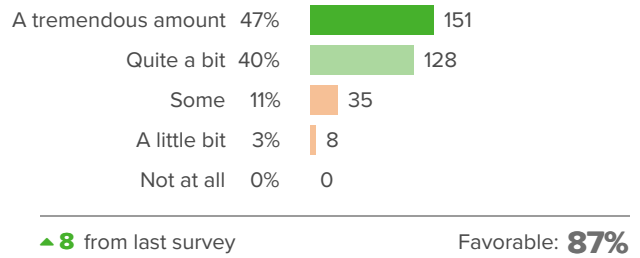
Q.7: To what extent does this school address matters related to students' socioeconomic status?

Addresses very much	17%	51
Addresses quite a bit	38%	116
Addresses somewhat	35%	106
Addresses a little bit	6%	18
Does not address at all	4%	13

▲ **10** from last survey   Favorable: **55%**
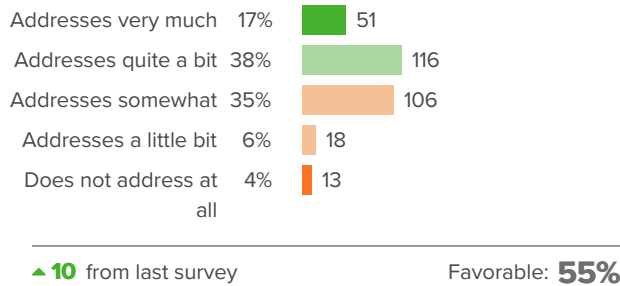
Q.8: To what extent does this school address matters related to students' race/ethnicity?

Addresses very much	29%	90
Addresses quite a bit	44%	140
Addresses somewhat	20%	62
Addresses a little bit	6%	20
Does not address at all	1%	3

▲ **13** from last survey   Favorable: **73%**

Q.9: To what extent does this school address matters related to students' disabilities?

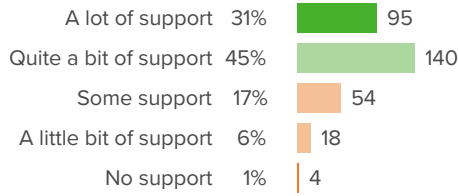|		
Addresses very much	24%	73
Addresses quite a bit	42%	126
Addresses somewhat	27%	82
Addresses a little bit	3%	9
Does not address at all	3%	9

▲ **17** from last survey   Favorable: **67%**
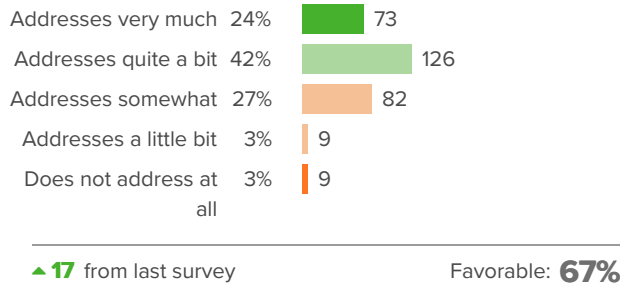
Q.10: How well do teachers and administrators at this school create a school environment that helps students learn?

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Extremely well	35%	114
Quite well	47%	150
Somewhat well	14%	45
Slightly well	4%	12
Not well at all	0%	1

▲ **8** from last survey   Favorable: **82%**
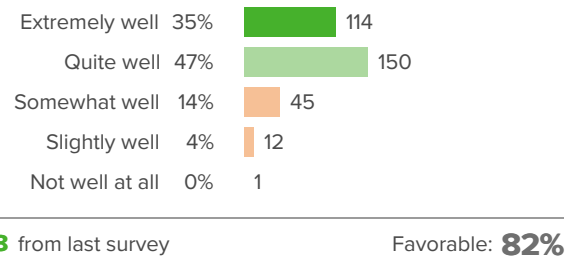
Q.11: When struggling with academics at school, to what extent does your child receive the support needed to be successful?

A lot of support	31%	95
Quite a bit of support	45%	140
Some support	17%	54
A little bit of support	6%	18
No support	1%	4

▲ **11** from last survey   Favorable: **76%**

Q.12: How well does homework at this school support learning in the classroom?

Very much	20%	62
Quite a bit	43%	134
Somewhat	25%	78
A little bit	10%	32
Not at all	2%	6
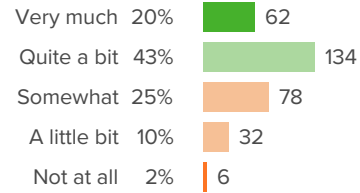
▲ **10** from last survey   Favorable: **63%**

Q.13: How effective is this school's leader in promoting the learning and growth of all students?

Extremely effective	21%	66
Quite effective	49%	154
Somewhat effective	24%	75
A little bit effective	5%	16
Not at all effective	2%	5
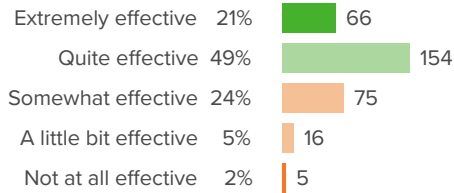
▲ **32** from last survey   Favorable: **70%**

Q.14: If a friend were looking for a school to send their children to, how likely would you be to recommend this school to them?

Extremely likely	45%	145
Quite likely	38%	122
Somewhat likely	12%	39
A little bit likely	3%	9
Not at all likely	2%	7
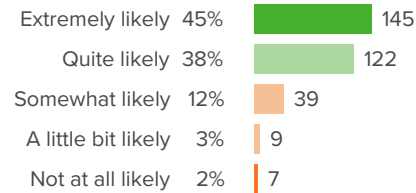
▲ **13** from last survey   Favorable: **83%**

School Fit

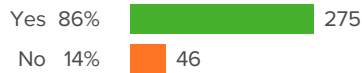**Your average**

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since last survey

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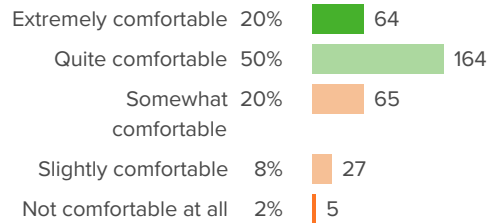District average: **66%** Brookline Public Schools

How did people respond?

Q.1: Does your child have a close relationship with at least one adult at this school?

Yes	86%	275
No	14%	46

▲ **4** from last survey   Favorable: **86%**

Q.2: How comfortable is your child in asking for help from adults at this school?

Extremely comfortable	20%	64
Quite comfortable	50%	164
Somewhat comfortable	20%	65
Slightly comfortable	8%	27
Not comfortable at all	2%	5

▲ **11** from last survey   Favorable: **70%**

Q.3: To what extent does your child feel a sense of belonging at this school?

Tremendous belonging	30%	98
Quite a bit of belonging	52%	167
Some belonging	14%	46
A little bit of belonging	4%	12
No belonging at all	0%	1
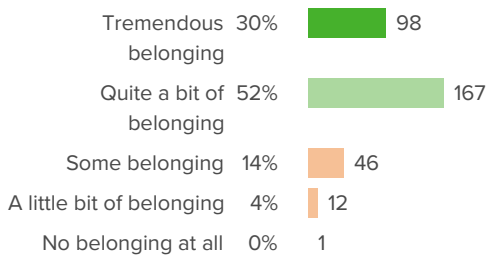
▲ **8** from last survey   Favorable: **82%**

Q.4: Given your child's cultural background, how good a fit is this school?

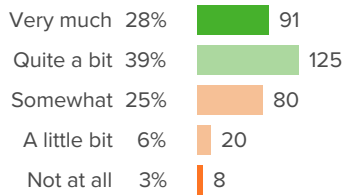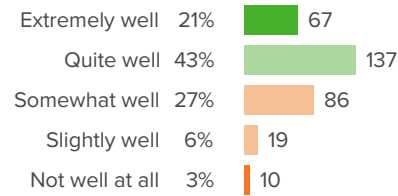|		
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Quite good	46%	148
Somewhat good	12%	39
Slightly good	4%	12
Not good at all	0%	1
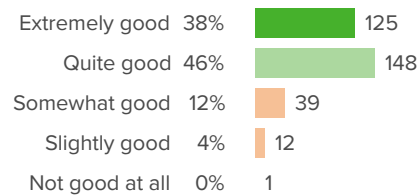
▲ **4** from last survey   Favorable: **84%**

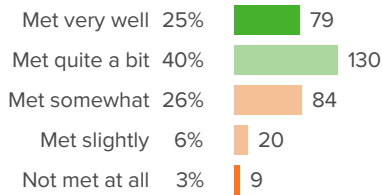**Q.5: To what extent have teachers at this school helped your child to develop effective work and study habits?**

Very much	28%	91
Quite a bit	39%	125
Somewhat	25%	80
A little bit	6%	20
Not at all	3%	8

▲ **3** from last survey   Favorable: **67%**

Q.6: How well do you feel this school is preparing your child for the next academic year?

Extremely well	21%	67
Quite well	43%	137
Somewhat well	27%	86
Slightly well	6%	19
Not well at all	3%	10

▲ **6** from last survey   Favorable: **64%**

Q.7: To what extent are your child's individual learning needs met at this school?

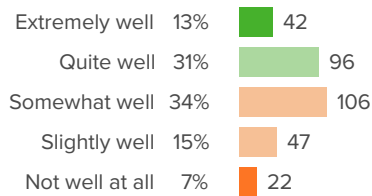|		
Met very well	25%	79
Met quite a bit	40%	130
Met somewhat	26%	84
Met slightly	6%	20
Not met at all	3%	9

▲ **8** from last survey   Favorable: **65%**

Q.8: To what extent does your child participate in extracurricular activities at this school?

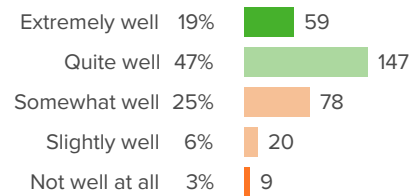|		
Very much	13%	41
Quite a bit	29%	92
Somewhat	27%	85
A little bit	20%	63
Not at all	12%	39
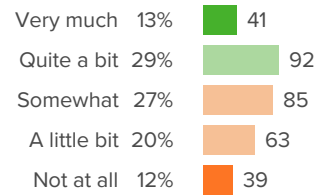
▲ **5** from last survey   Favorable: **42%**

Q.9: How well do the extracurricular activities offered at this school match your child's interests?

Extremely well	13%	42
Quite well	31%	96
Somewhat well	34%	106
Slightly well	15%	47
Not well at all	7%	22

▲ **5** from last survey   Favorable: **44%**

Q.10: How well does the overall approach to discipline at this school work for your child?

Extremely well	19%	59
Quite well	47%	147
Somewhat well	25%	78
Slightly well	6%	20
Not well at all	3%	9

▲ **9** from last survey   Favorable: **66%**

School Safety

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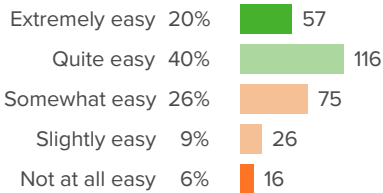since last survey

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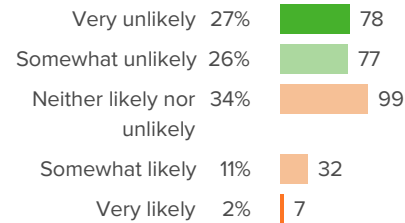

How did people respond?

Q.1: If a student is bullied at this school, how easy is it for a child to get help from an adult?

Extremely easy	20%	57
Quite easy	40%	116
Somewhat easy	26%	75
Slightly easy	9%	26
Not at all easy	6%	16

▲ **14** from last survey   Favorable: **60%**

Q.2: How likely is it that someone from this school will bully your child online?

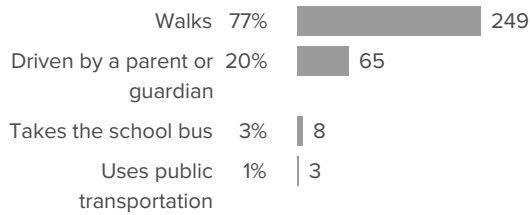|		
Very unlikely	27%	78
Somewhat unlikely	26%	77
Neither likely nor unlikely	34%	99
Somewhat likely	11%	32
Very likely	2%	7

▲ **8** from last survey   Favorable: **53%**

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School arrival

How did people respond?

Q.1: How does your child typically get to school?

Walks	77%	249
Driven by a parent or guardian	20%	65
Takes the school bus	3%	8
Uses public transportation	1%	3

Q.2: When you/a guardian brings your child to school, where do you typically drop your child off?

At the curb	14%	45
At the front door	29%	93
In their classroom	43%	139
My child gets to school on their own	15%	47
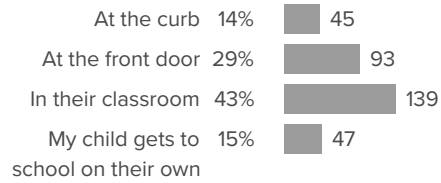
Q.3: How would you prefer your child be dropped off at school?

At the curb	16%	50
At the front door	30%	95
In their classroom	34%	106
I would prefer my child travel to school on their own	20%	63
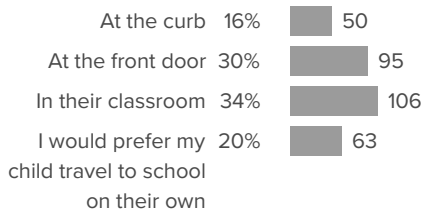
Other questions

How did people respond?

Q.1: **Please select the grade level(s) that your child(ren) is/are in at this school this year.**

K	15%		61
1	12%		48
2	14%		58
3	12%		49
4	11%		44
5	11%		47
6	10%		42
7	10%		41
8	6%		26