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NORTHWESTERN EVENING HS

Introduction

As part of the comprehensive improvement plan for the 2008–2009 school year, the Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) Department of Research and Evaluation (DRE) conducted a survey to determine how students, parents, and teachers feel about their schools. By conducting the survey, the DRE was able to collect stakeholders’ opinions on factors such as school leadership, level of safety in the schools, and amount of parental involvement, which, when analyzed, reveal what the stakeholders think about their schools’ overall climate and effectiveness.

With this information, district and school will be able to identify strengths that can be built upon to support future improvements. They can also determine what changes are needed to improve school climate and effectiveness and, thus, advance the academic achievement of students.

How to Interpret the Data

A step-by step guide to interpret the data for each table and figure is provided below:

- **Table 1** provides a summary of the number of students, parents, and teachers that participated in the SY 2008/2009 School Climate Survey. Each stakeholder group — students, parents and teachers/paraprofessionals—is listed in the 1st column. The 2nd column indicates the different subsets of data—your individual school, and all high schools in the district. This allows you to see how your school compares to the average high school. The 3rd column (*Sample*) indicates the total number of individuals who were invited to participate in the survey. The 4th column (*Number of Respondents*) indicates the number of participants that responded to the survey. The 5th column (*Response Rate*) is expressed as the percentage of the participants that responded to the survey (Number of Respondents divided by Sample and multiplied by 100).
- **Table 2** provides the percentage of respondents who expressed positive feelings about each of the characteristics of effective schools. The 1st column lists the key characteristics of effective schools measured by this survey (i.e., Effective Instructional Leadership, Clear and Focused Mission, etc.) and a composite measure of all of the key characteristics. The remaining columns represent each stakeholder group, and allow you to compare your school’s results with the results from all high schools in PGCPS for SY2009.
- **Table 3** is similar to Table 2, except that it shows stakeholders’ perceptions of your school from SY2007 to SY2009 so that you can see where you made progress or where problems have developed over the past two years.
- **Figures 1 - 13** are graphic illustrations of the data presented in Tables 2 and 3. Figure 1 compares stakeholders’ perceptions of your school with the perceptions of stakeholders

about all high schools in PGCPs for SY2009. Figure 2 show the stakeholders' perception about your school from SY2007 and SY2009. Figures 3 through 13 show the stakeholders' perceptions of individual characteristics of effective schools. The charts on the left side of the page provide a visual comparison of your school's results with those of all high schools in the district during SY2009. The charts on the right side of the page illustrate a comparison between your school's results from SY2007 and this year's results.

- **Tables 4-6** are the item response tables for each of the stakeholder groups for your school. Table 4 shows the student results, Table 5 displays the parent results and Table 6 represents teacher results. The 1st column lists the items to which participants were asked to respond. The second column (*N*) represents the number of people who responded to that item. Columns 3 through 7 represent the percent of participants who responded in the way indicated at the top of the column.

Table 1 – Summary of Survey Participation

		Sample	Number of Respondents	Response Rate
Students	Northwestern Evening HS	63	32	50.8%
	All High Schools	19,296	11,229	58.2%
Parents	Northwestern Evening HS	49	3	6.1%
	All High Schools	16,848	4,000	23.7%
Teachers & Paraprofessionals	Northwestern Evening HS		n/r	
	All High Schools	2,492	1,301	52.2%

n/r= no response

Table 2—Percent with Positive Perceptions by Characteristics of Effective Schools, NEHS and All PGCPS High Schools

	Students		Parents		Teachers/Paraprofessionals	
	Northwestern Evening HS	All High Schools	Northwestern Evening HS	All High Schools	Northwestern Evening HS	All High Schools
All Characteristics (Composite)	84.4%	60.4%	66.7%	68.8%		74.9%
Effective Instructional Leadership	N/A	N/A	66.7%	65.8%		70.5%
Clear and Focused Mission	N/A	N/A	66.7%	71.8%		78.8%
Safe and Orderly Environment	84.4%	45.9%	100.0%	75.9%		64.3%
Positive School Climate	81.3%	34.5%	100.0%	63.6%		63.0%
High Expectations	84.4%	63.6%	66.7%	74.9%		81.4%
Frequent Assessment/Monitoring of Student Achievement	71.9%	42.7%	66.7%	58.3%		86.6%
Emphasis on Basic Skills	87.5%	77.6%	33.3%	70.0%		84.7%
Maximum Opportunities for Learning	87.5%	63.2%	33.3%	55.1%		66.6%
Parent/Community Involvement	61.3%	36.5%	33.3%	57.8%		58.0%
Strong Professional Development	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		73.5%
Teacher Involvement in Decision-making	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		53.9%

Table 3—Percent with Positive Perceptions by Characteristics of Effective Schools, SY2007 and SY2009

	Students		Parents		Teachers/Paraprofessionals	
	NEHS SY2007	NEHS SY2009	NEHS SY2007	NEHS SY2009	NEHS SY2007	NEHS SY2009
All Characteristics (Composite)	73.1%	84.4%	66.7%	66.7%		
Effective Instructional Leadership	N/A	N/A	0.0%	66.7%		
Clear and Focused Mission	N/A	N/A	66.7%	66.7%		
Safe and Orderly Environment	68.5%	84.4%	33.3%	100.0%		
Positive School Climate	58.9%	81.3%	66.7%	100.0%		
High Expectations	64.2%	84.4%	100.0%	66.7%		
Frequent Assessment/Monitoring of Student Achievement	46.7%	71.9%	33.3%	66.7%		
Emphasis on Basic Skills	76.6%	87.5%	0.0%	33.3%		
Maximum Opportunities for Learning	65.7%	87.5%	66.7%	33.3%		
Parent/Community Involvement	30.5%	61.3%	0.0%	33.3%		
Strong Professional Development	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Teacher Involvement in Decision-making	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

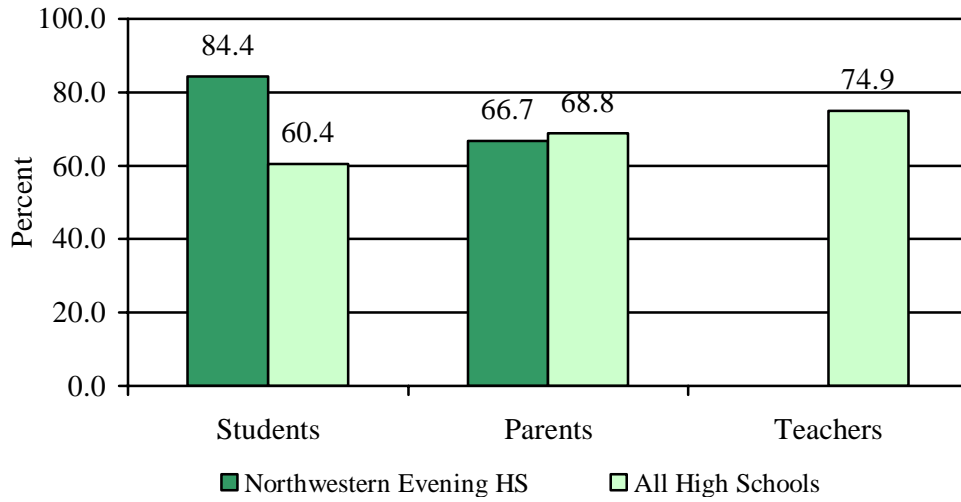


Figure 1 - All Listed Characteristics of Effective Schools (Combined) – Percent with Positive Perception, NEHS and all PGCPHS High Schools

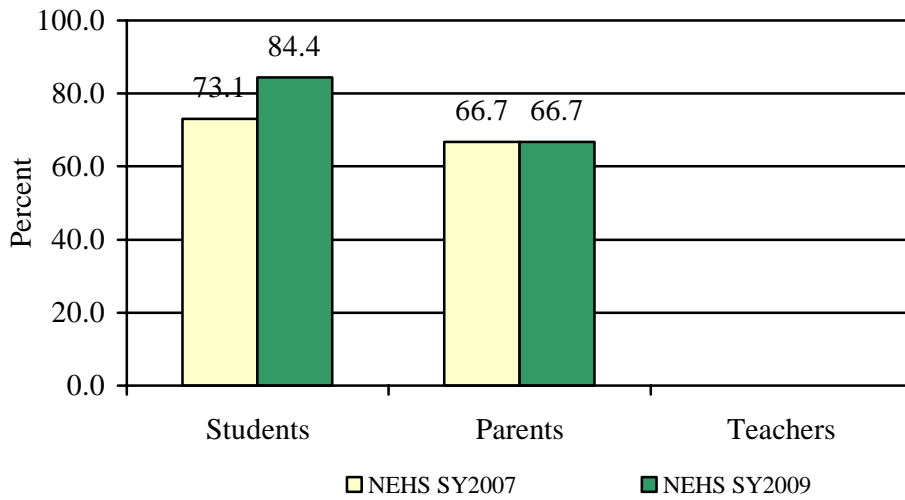


Figure 2 - All Listed Characteristics of Effective Schools (Combined) – Percent with Positive Perception, SY2007—SY2009

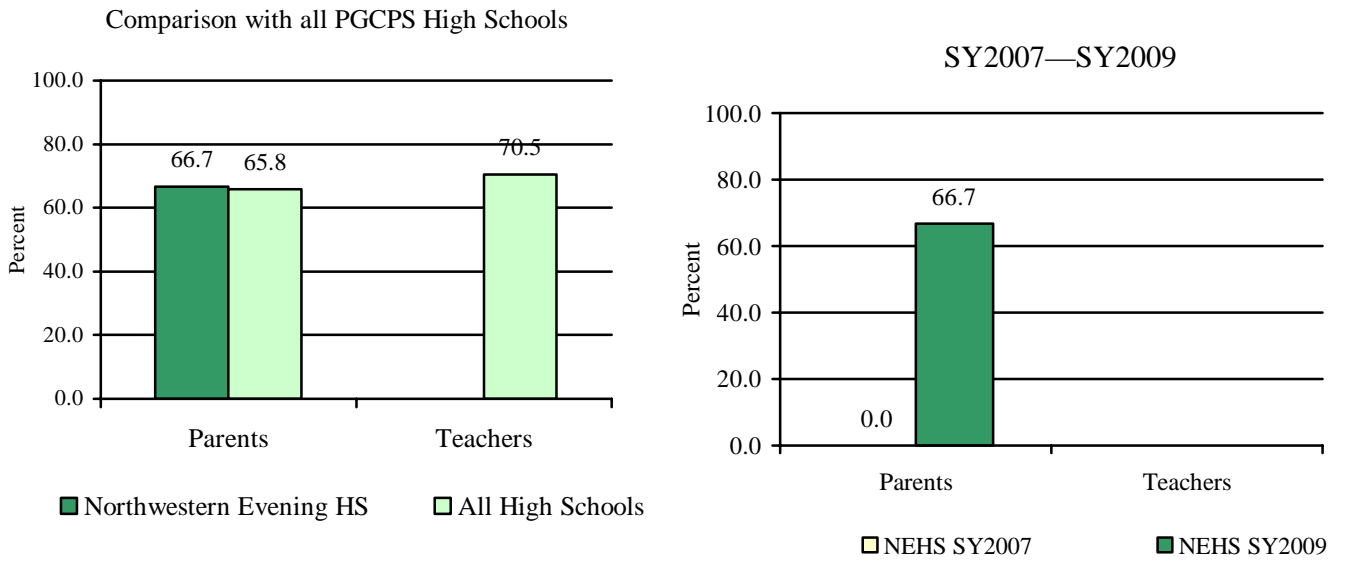


Figure 3 – Effective Instructional Leadership – Percent with Positive Perception

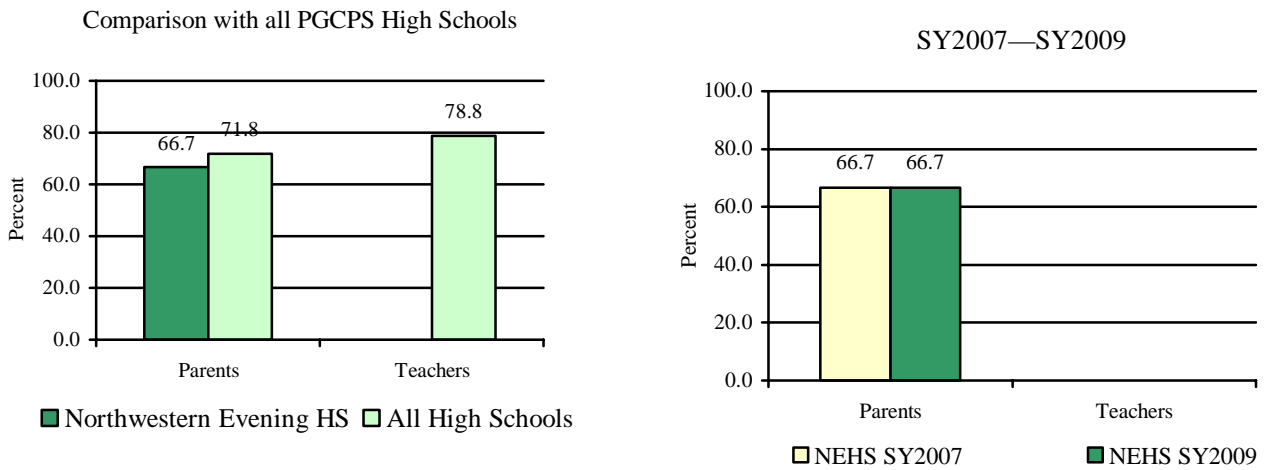


Figure 4 - Clear and Focused Mission – Percent with Positive Perception

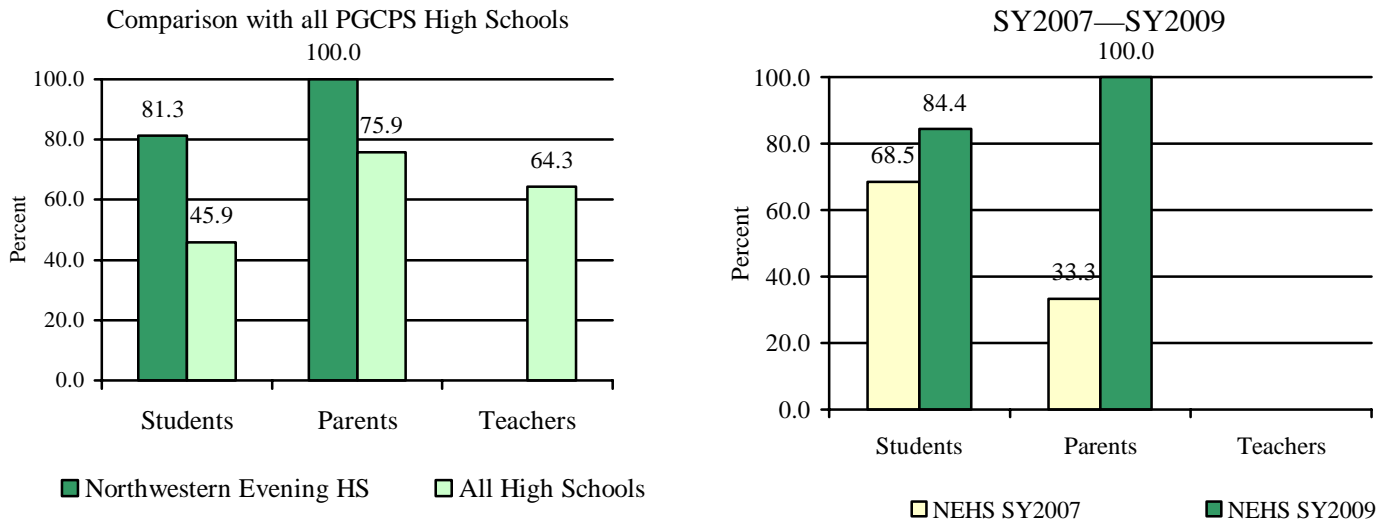


Figure 5 – Safe and Orderly Environment – Percent with Positive Perception

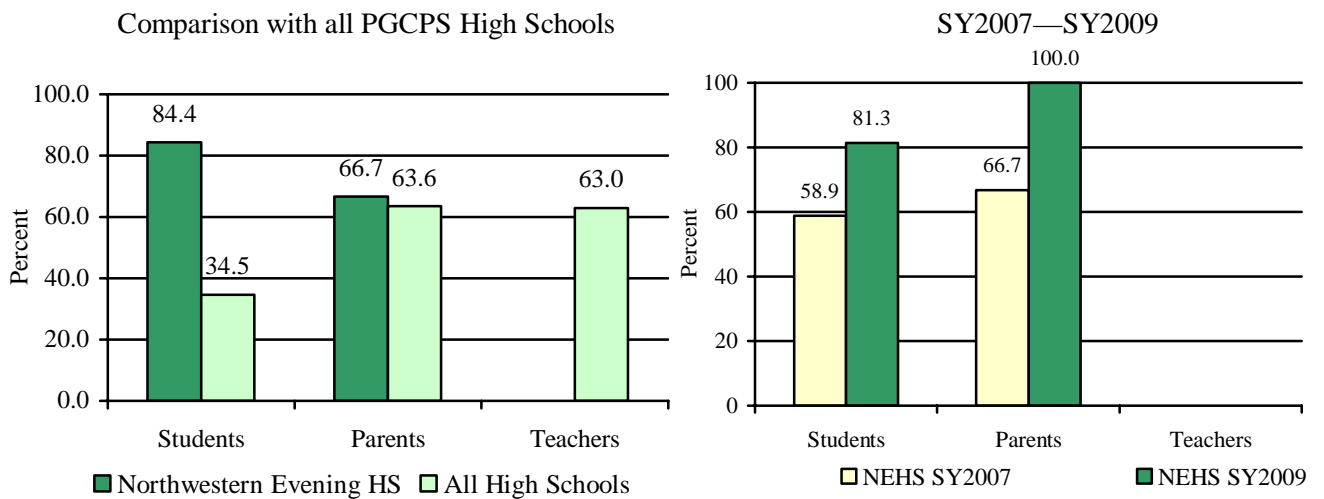


Figure 6 - Positive School Climate – Percent with Positive Perception

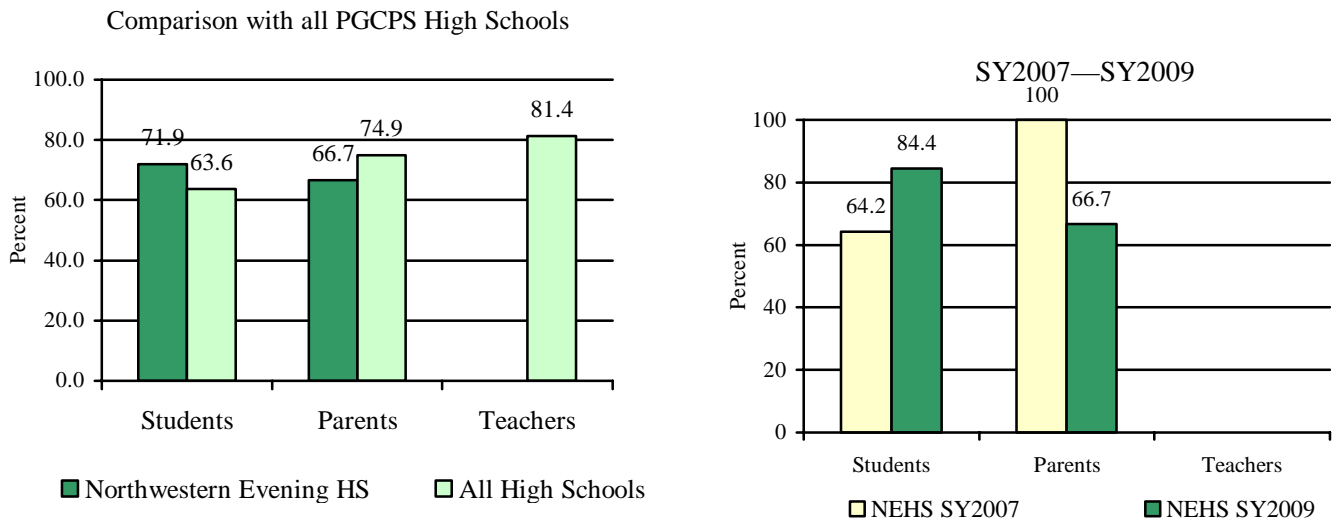


Figure 7 – High Expectations – Percent with Positive Perception

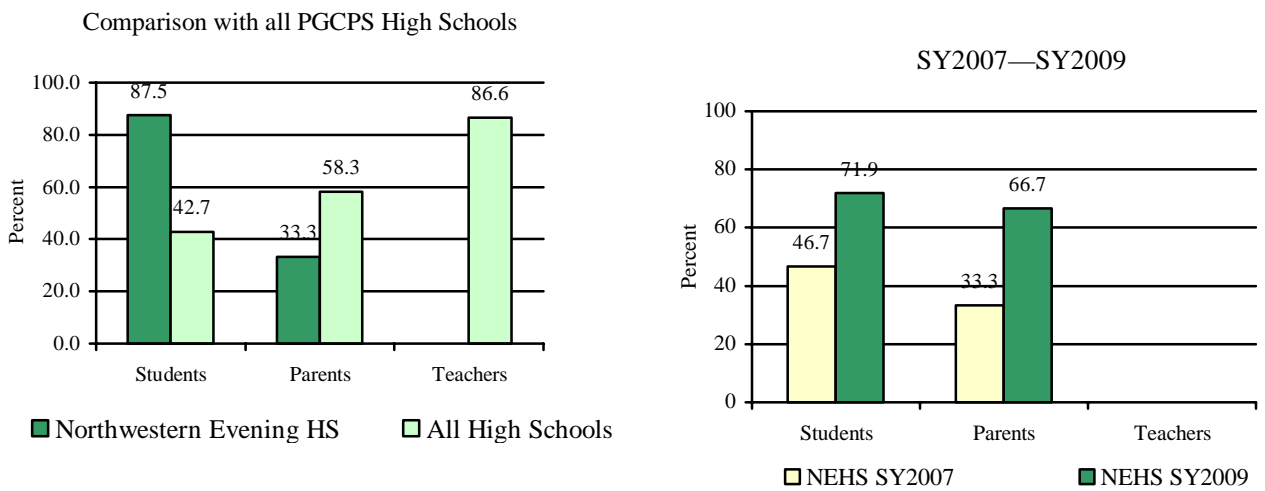


Figure 8 – Frequent Assessment and Monitoring of Student Achievement – Percent with Positive Perception

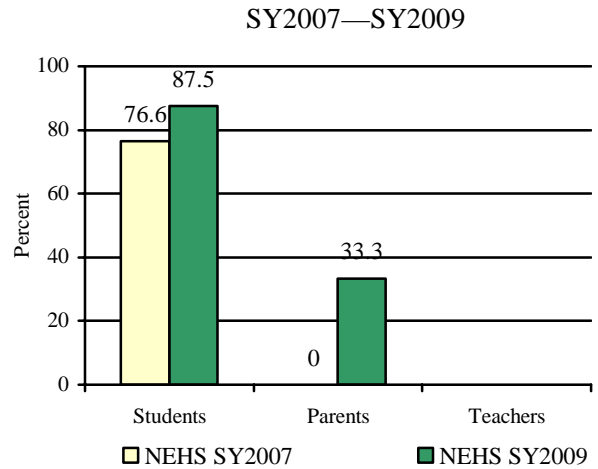
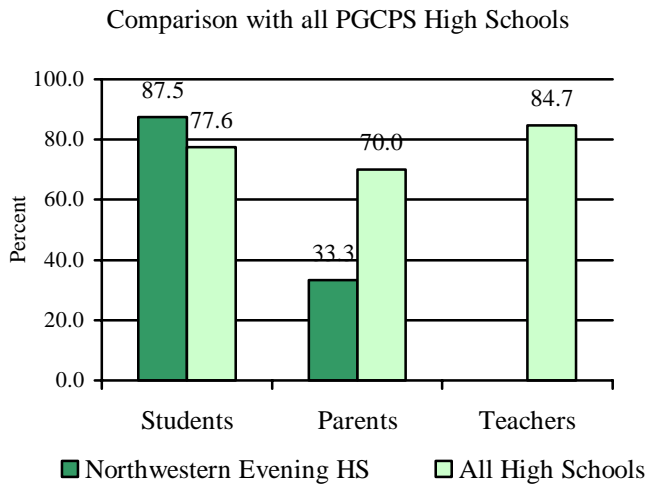


Figure 9 – Emphasis on Basic Skills – Percent with Positive Perception

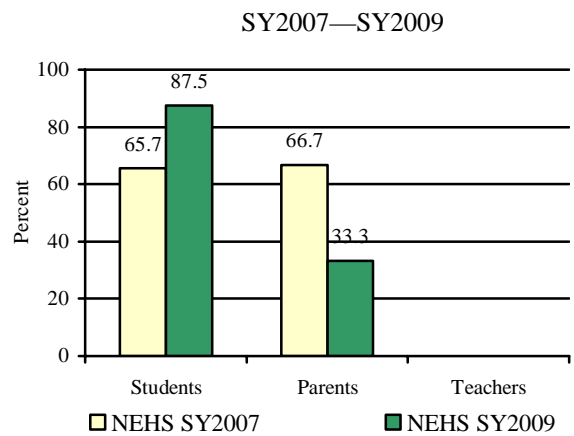
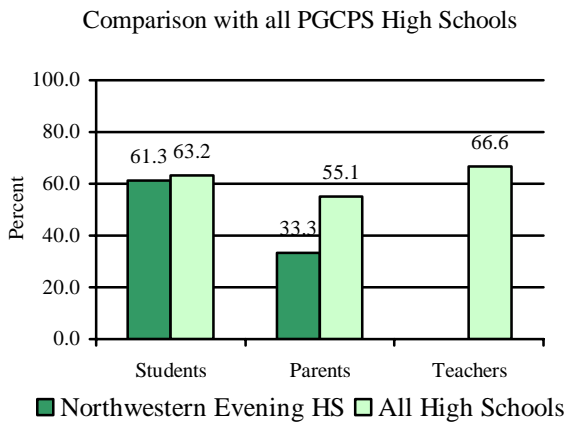


Figure 10 – Maximum Opportunities for Learning – Percent with Positive Perception

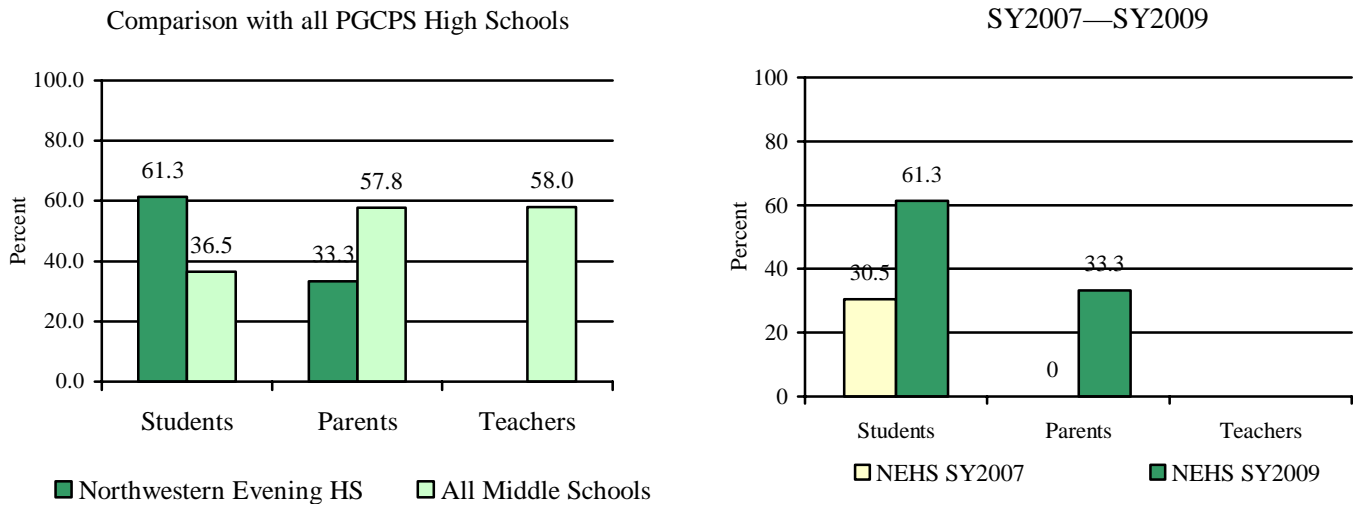


Figure 11 – Parent/Community Involvement – Percent with Positive Perception

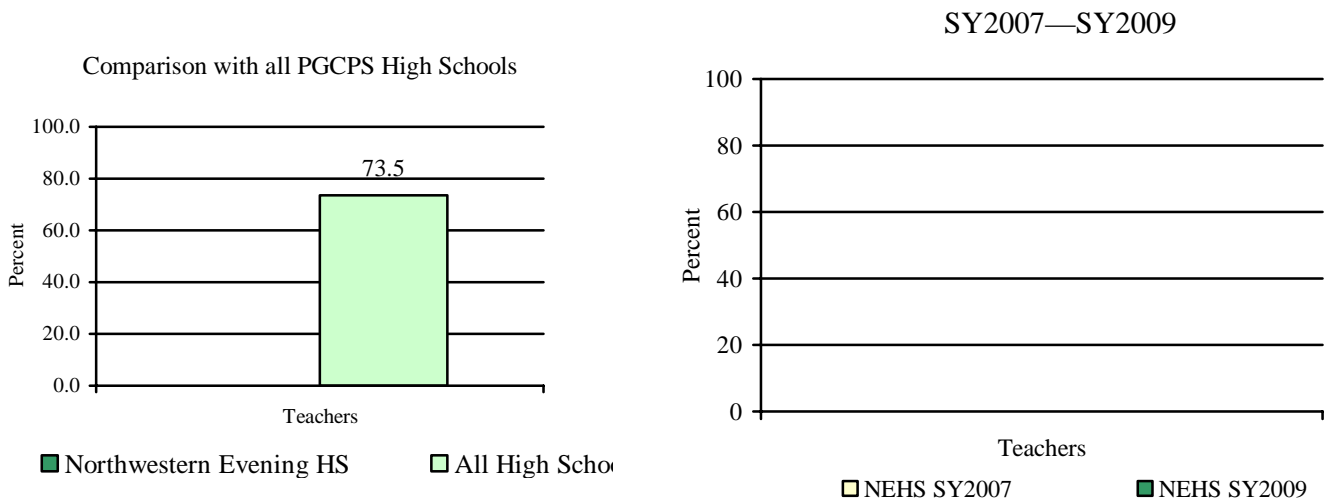


Figure 12 – Strong Professional Development – Percent with Positive Perception

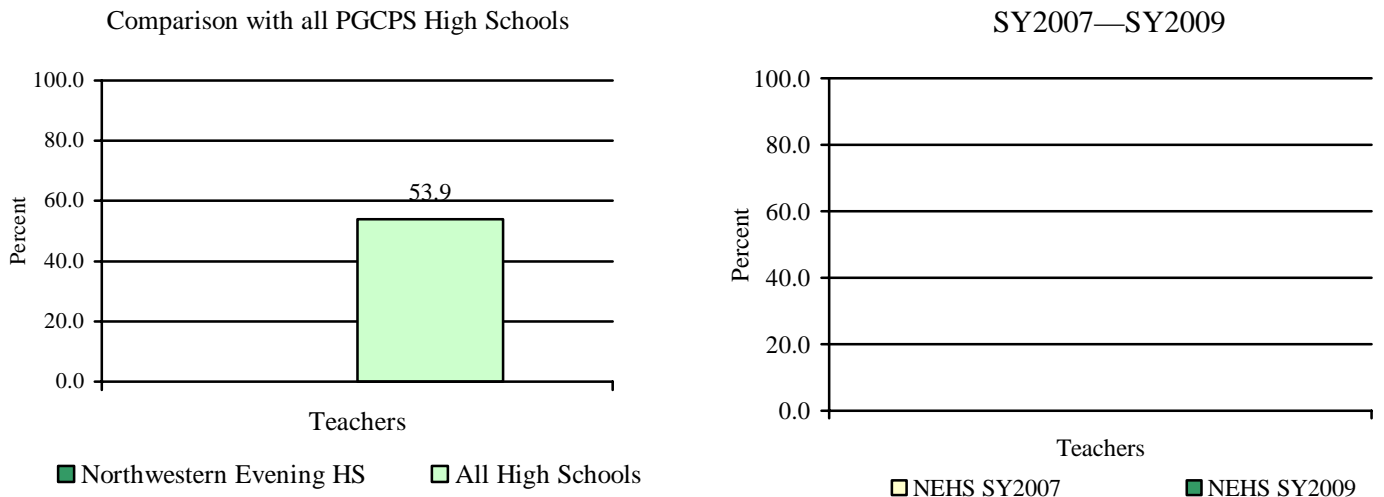


Figure 13 – Teacher Involvement in Decision-making – Percent with Positive Perception

Table 4 – Distribution of Northwestern Evening HS Students’ Responses on Survey Items

Key Constructs of the Survey	SY2009						SY2007					
	Number	Percent					Number	Percent				
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Safe and Orderly Environment												
1. My school includes instruction in appropriate behavior.	32	31.3%	46.9%	21.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1,116	23.3%	51.0%	19.1%	4.6%	2.1%
2. School conduct rules are established with input from students.	31	19.4%	38.7%	22.6%	6.5%	12.9%	1,113	2.1%	11.3%	28.4%	36.8%	21.4%
3. My parents know the school’s student conduct rules.	32	31.3%	37.5%	18.8%	12.5%	0.0%	1,116	12.7%	34.1%	28.6%	17.0%	7.5%
4. My parents support the school’s student conduct rules.	32	28.1%	34.4%	37.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1,113	16.5%	38.1%	36.8%	5.9%	2.6%
5. My school building is kept clean and everything works.	32	25.0%	25.0%	31.3%	12.5%	6.3%	1,125	2.8%	18.7%	28.4%	31.4%	18.8%
6. I know the school safety rules for the school building, parking area and grounds, and school buses.	32	40.6%	34.4%	12.5%	6.3%	6.3%	1,126	17.7%	45.4%	22.2%	11.4%	3.4%
7. Safety rules are enforced.	32	34.4%	34.4%	28.1%	3.1%	0.0%	1,116	19.1%	48.7%	25.4%	5.3%	1.5%
8. The school safety rules are generally obeyed by students.	32	18.8%	34.4%	40.6%	3.1%	3.1%	1,123	2.8%	31.1%	37.2%	19.9%	9.0%
9. Teachers conduct classes in an orderly and efficient manner.	32	40.6%	40.6%	15.6%	3.1%	0.0%	1,118	7.3%	43.6%	34.9%	11.4%	2.8%
Positive School Climate												
10. Teachers and students at my school trust and respect each other.	32	31.3%	15.6%	40.6%	9.4%	3.1%	1,119	2.9%	18.1%	38.6%	25.3%	15.1%

Key Constructs of the Survey	SY2009						SY2007						
	Survey Items	Number	Percent					Number	Percent				
			Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
11. Teachers are approachable, so I feel comfortable asking for help.	32	37.5%	37.5%	21.9%	0.0%	3.1%	1,115	10.1%	33.6%	33.3%	15.6%	7.4%	
12. Absenteeism is not a problem at my school.	31	19.4%	12.9%	35.5%	19.4%	12.9%	1,113	2.2%	17.4%	37.0%	27.7%	15.6%	
13. The school rewards students and teachers for their achievements.	32	31.3%	37.5%	25.0%	3.1%	3.1%	1,118	8.1%	29.8%	30.4%	21.0%	10.6%	
14. Students and teachers at school take good care of the school building and grounds.	31	29.0%	22.6%	29.0%	9.7%	9.7%	1,117	2.6%	21.7%	37.7%	26.9%	11.2%	
15. I feel safe at school.	32	34.4%	31.3%	21.9%	0.0%	12.5%	1,113	14.0%	42.9%	29.4%	8.2%	5.6%	
16. I am proud of the appearance of the building and grounds of my school.	32	31.3%	34.4%	25.0%	3.1%	6.3%	1,122	7.6%	28.1%	37.7%	16.6%	10.1%	
17. Teachers care about their students as individuals.	32	28.1%	34.4%	25.0%	9.4%	3.1%	1,126	4.5%	28.4%	40.9%	17.8%	8.4%	
18. My teachers like teaching the subjects they teach.	32	43.8%	34.4%	12.5%	9.4%	0.0%	1,124	17.4%	43.0%	30.1%	7.6%	2.0%	
19. I am proud to be a student at this school.	32	25.0%	40.6%	25.0%	3.1%	6.3%	1,117	32.1%	39.7%	20.4%	4.2%	3.7%	
High Expectations													
20. My teachers encourage me to do my best on assigned work and tests.	31	48.4%	22.6%	22.6%	6.5%	0.0%	1,120	19.0%	44.5%	27.1%	6.6%	2.8%	
21. My teachers expect all students to do well in school.	32	46.9%	31.3%	18.8%	3.1%	0.0%	1,118	15.9%	41.0%	25.6%	13.0%	4.6%	
22. My teachers challenge me to learn as much as I can.	32	37.5%	40.6%	18.8%	3.1%	0.0%	1,119	13.7%	38.1%	33.8%	10.7%	3.8%	

	SY2009						SY2007					
Key Constructs of the Survey	Number	Percent					Number	Percent				
Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Frequent Assessment/Monitoring of Student Achievement												
23. My teachers keep track of how I am doing in my school work.	32	31.3%	46.9%	15.6%	3.1%	3.1%	1,116	6.9%	33.3%	32.9%	18.7%	8.2%
24. The grades I get are a good indication of my ability and effort.	32	21.9%	21.9%	34.4%	18.8%	3.1%	1,115	14.3%	33.4%	22.8%	19.8%	9.8%
25. My teachers tell me how I am doing on my tests and assigned school work.	32	31.3%	37.5%	28.1%	3.1%	0.0%	1,113	6.5%	34.3%	33.4%	17.5%	8.3%
26. My teachers keep my parents informed about my progress in my classes.	32	25.0%	15.6%	31.3%	25.0%	3.1%	1,116	4.0%	12.2%	26.8%	34.0%	23.0%
Emphasis on Basic Skills												
27. The things I learn in my English class are important.	32	50.0%	31.3%	15.6%	0.0%	3.1%	1,117	20.8%	36.8%	26.1%	9.9%	6.4%
28. The things I learn in my social studies class are important.	31	45.2%	16.1%	32.3%	0.0%	6.5%	1,113	17.3%	39.5%	23.7%	10.2%	9.3%
29. The things I learn in my mathematics class are important.	32	56.3%	31.3%	3.1%	3.1%	6.3%	1,119	29.3%	38.0%	20.6%	5.8%	6.3%
30. The things I learn in my science class are important.	32	43.8%	12.5%	34.4%	3.1%	6.3%	1,115	27.2%	36.7%	20.6%	8.5%	7.0%
31. I will be able to make good use of what I learn in English class.	32	53.1%	34.4%	9.4%	0.0%	3.1%	1,115	24.9%	40.1%	22.3%	8.0%	4.7%
32. I will be able to make good use of what I learn in social studies class.	32	40.6%	28.1%	28.1%	0.0%	3.1%	1,116	16.3%	31.3%	27.6%	14.8%	10.0%

Key Constructs of the Survey	SY2009						SY2007					
	Survey Items	Number	Percent				Number	Percent				
			Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree		Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree
33. I will be able to make good use of what I learn in mathematics class.	32	53.1%	25.0%	12.5%	6.3%	3.1%	1,110	28.6%	39.5%	19.5%	6.2%	6.1%
34. I will be able to make good use of what I learn in science class.	32	43.8%	18.8%	18.8%	9.4%	9.4%	1,114	25.3%	33.4%	24.1%	10.3%	6.8%
Maximum Opportunities for Learning												
35. My school offers a variety of elective classes such as music, art, foreign languages, and vocational education.	32	25.0%	34.4%	37.5%	3.1%	0.0%	1,114	60.9%	29.1%	6.7%	1.6%	1.7%
36. My homework assignments are challenging.	31	19.4%	25.8%	38.7%	16.1%	0.0%	1,088	11.0%	32.6%	42.5%	9.9%	4.0%
37. Classes are seldom interrupted by activities, announcements, or other people.	32	18.8%	9.4%	37.5%	25.0%	9.4%	1,083	5.7%	24.2%	34.3%	26.3%	9.4%
38. In my classes I have the opportunity to work on lessons with other students.	32	25.0%	43.8%	28.1%	3.1%	0.0%	1,075	3.4%	39.8%	34.9%	16.3%	5.6%
39. The material presented in class is often interesting.	31	29.0%	41.9%	22.6%	6.5%	0.0%	1,078	3.1%	23.3%	39.7%	23.7%	10.2%
40. The way the teachers present the material in my classes makes the subjects interesting.	32	34.4%	34.4%	28.1%	3.1%	0.0%	1,069	4.3%	23.3%	40.4%	22.1%	9.9%
41. The way my textbooks and workbooks present information helps me learn the course material.	32	25.0%	31.3%	34.4%	6.3%	3.1%	1,066	5.0%	27.2%	37.1%	21.5%	9.3%

	SY2009					SY2007						
Key Constructs of the Survey	Number	Percent					Number	Percent				
Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
42. The school provides many extracurricular activities.	32	21.9%	28.1%	43.8%	6.3%	0.0%	1,067	51.6%	35.3%	10.0%	2.1%	0.9%
43. I am getting what I need from this school.	31	32.3%	48.4%	9.7%	9.7%	0.0%	1,062	19.7%	47.3%	22.8%	7.2%	3.1%
44. My teachers know their subject areas well.	32	50.0%	34.4%	12.5%	3.1%	0.0%	1,062	20.7%	45.9%	26.4%	5.0%	2.1%
45. My teachers can explain material in a way that I can understand.	32	40.6%	31.3%	28.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1,062	9.1%	39.3%	36.4%	11.2%	4.0%
46. My teachers are well prepared.	32	50.0%	25.0%	21.9%	3.1%	0.0%	1,055	9.5%	42.0%	37.9%	7.9%	2.7%
Parent/Community Involvement												
47. My parents actively support school events.	31	32.3%	19.4%	35.5%	9.7%	3.2%	1,059	6.7%	19.6%	36.2%	22.1%	15.4%
48. My parents are aware of what happens at school.	31	35.5%	22.6%	32.3%	6.5%	3.2%	1,059	12.1%	30.8%	29.3%	16.3%	11.5%

Table 5 – Distribution of Northwestern Evening HS Parents’ Responses on Survey Items

	SY2009					SY2007						
Key Constructs of the Survey	Number	Percent					Number	Percent				
Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Effective Instructional Leadership												
1. The principal and assistant principals know enough about the school to provide effective leadership.	2	0.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
2. Free and open communication occurs among parents, faculty, and administration.	2	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%
3. Decisions about instruction are made using information from parents and the community.	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
4. The principal and teachers show leadership in promoting quality instruction.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
5. The principal and teachers make good instruction the most important school priority.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
6. The principal is an effective leader for improving classroom instruction.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%
Clear and Focused Mission												
7. The school has a written plan that clearly indicates what the school is trying to achieve.	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%

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			Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree		Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree
8. The school's written plan is developed with participation by teachers and parents.	3	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%
9. Parents and students are aware of school purposes and goals.	3	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%
10. Teachers inform students of what they are expected to learn.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Safe and Orderly Environment												
11. Students are informed of how they are expected to behave in school and at school activities.	3	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
12. Students are disciplined in a fair and consistent manner.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%
13. Parents are involved in and support school disciplinary practices.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
14. The school buildings and grounds are clean and well maintained.	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%
15. Students are taught to act in a safe and responsible manner.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Positive School Climate												
16. An atmosphere of respect and trust exists in the school.	3	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%
17. Social and cultural differences are respected in the school.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
18. Students and teachers have a positive attitude toward school.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%

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Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
19. Students are recognized for their accomplishments.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
20. School staff members and students work together to keep the school clean and attractive.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
21. Students feel that the school is a good place to be.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%
22. The teachers and staff consider the interests and needs of each student.	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
High Expectations												
23. School staff members set high, but appropriate and achievable, goals for students.	3	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
24. Students and parents know what the school expects of them.	3	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
25. All students, regardless of social or cultural differences, are expected to work toward high standards.	3	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Frequent Assessment/Monitoring of Student Achievement												
26. The school keeps track of each student's performance.	3	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%
27. Student performance is evaluated in a variety of ways.	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
28. Parents are kept informed of how well their children are doing in school.	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%	3	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%

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Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
29. The school quickly informs parents when their children are not doing well.	3	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%
30. Students are kept informed of how well they are doing in school.	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Emphasis on Basic Skills												
31. Students are taught to apply basic skills and problem-solving skills in reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
32. The school provides learning activities to help students with special needs or interests.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
Maximum Opportunities for Learning												
33. Teachers spend as much time as needed on instruction.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
34. There are few disruptions to instruction in the school.	3	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%
35. Field trips and other activities are used appropriately to support instruction.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
36. School courses are varied to meet the different needs, interests, and abilities of students.	3	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
37. Students have enough opportunities to learn with and from each other.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%

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Survey Items		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
38. Teachers are adequately prepared for their teaching fields.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Parent/Community Involvement												
39. Parents and parent groups have a voice in school policies.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%
40. Parents and parent groups actively participate in school activities.	3	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
41. Parents and school staff members often share information about students' progress and plans.	3	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	3	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%
42. Parents are encouraged to support the instructional activities of the school.	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
43. Parents have opportunities to get involved in the development of school budgets.	3	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%
44. The school gives parents news about their children's accomplishments.	3	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	3	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%