

PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY 2012-2013: HAWES SCHOOL

Results of the May 2013 survey for Hawes Elementary School

Ridgewood

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

One goal of the Board of Education is to survey the district's parents and guardians each year, alternating a comprehensive satisfaction survey with a brief survey on a singular topic. This May the school district asked its parents and guardians to fill out a comprehensive survey on topics related to their children's schools and education. The results of the survey are presented here.

The results present an important snapshot that the Board of Education hopes will contribute to a dialogue among all members of the school community and become a resource for making your school and the district the best they can be.

Thank you to all who took the time to complete the survey. We hope you enjoy reading the report and appreciate your feedback.

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How to read this report

The data in this report reflect survey results for your school only. A link to the results for the whole district is also provided below.

Please note that not all parents participated in the survey. Your school's participation rate is noted below, along with the overall district participation rate.

How was the survey conducted?

The survey was conducted via e-mail from May 13-24, 2013. Using SurveyMonkey software, e-mail invitations with private links were sent to all parent/guardian e-mail addresses on file with the district. Survey respondents participated on a secure survey website, and only one response was allowed for each e-mail address. The survey was completely anonymous.

Numerical data were compiled and charts were created using SurveyMonkey. District data were compiled from the individual school surveys by members of the Ridgewood Public Schools Information Technology Department. The superintendent, administrators and school board members reviewed the data and all comments.

What were the results for the whole District?

A total of 2673 parents or guardians filled out surveys, representing a 35.0% participation rate. [Click here](#) for a summary of the district survey data.

How many parents and guardians participated in your school's 2012-2013 survey?

As of 5.31.13	# Enrolled Students	# Valid E-mails on File	# Survey Responses	Participation Rate
Hawes	406	521	196	37.6%
District	5768	7627	2673	35.0%


How will these survey results be used?

Complete survey results have been provided to your school's principal, as well as the central administration and the Ridgewood Board of Education. The data will be used as one of several resources for the ongoing review and refinement of the programs of the Ridgewood Public Schools.






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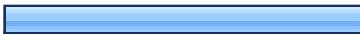



Our records show that your child attends a Ridgewood elementary school. The questions in this survey should be answered with this school in mind, for your youngest child attending this school. Which elementary school does your child attend?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Hawes School		100.0%	196
Orchard School		0.0%	0
Ridge School		0.0%	0
Somerville School		0.0%	0
Travell School		0.0%	0
Willard School		0.0%	0
		answered question	196
		skipped question	0






I am satisfied with the overall quality of my child's education.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		41.0%	77
Agree		47.9%	90
Neither Agree nor Disagree		7.4%	14
Disagree		3.2%	6
Strongly Disagree		0.5%	1
		answered question	188
		skipped question	8






My child likes going to school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		53.7%	101
Agree		39.9%	75
Neither Agree nor Disagree		5.9%	11
Disagree		0.0%	0
Strongly Disagree		0.5%	1
answered question			188
skipped question			8



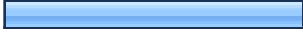


I would recommend my child's school to other parents.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		56.4%	106
Agree		35.6%	67
Neither Agree nor Disagree		5.9%	11
Disagree		1.6%	3
Strongly Disagree		0.5%	1
answered question			188
skipped question			8

I feel welcome in my child's school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		61.7%	116
Agree		29.8%	56
Neither Agree nor Disagree		6.4%	12
Disagree		1.1%	2
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			188
skipped question			8

I would like to be more involved in my child's school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		9.6%	18
Agree		37.8%	71
Neither Agree nor Disagree		44.7%	84
Disagree		6.9%	13
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			188
skipped question			8






My child feels safe at school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		52.7%	99
Agree		41.0%	77
Neither Agree nor Disagree		5.9%	11
Disagree		0.5%	1
Strongly Disagree		0.0%	0
answered question			188
skipped question			8



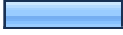


The district has programs and activities in place at each school level that are designed to foster respect and discourage harassment, intimidation and bullying (HIB). Examples of these programs include daily announcements, school assemblies and Open Circle at the elementary school level. Do you agree that these programs have been beneficial and constructive for your child?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		28.7%	54
Agree		51.6%	97
Neither Agree nor Disagree		16.0%	30
Disagree		3.2%	6
Strongly Disagree		0.5%	1
answered question			188
skipped question			8

I am satisfied with the academic progress of my child.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		26.8%	48
Agree		53.1%	95
Neither Agree nor Disagree		12.8%	23
Disagree		6.1%	11
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			179
skipped question			17

The academic challenge for my child is appropriate.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		19.0%	34
Agree		48.0%	86
Neither Agree nor Disagree		17.3%	31
Disagree		14.0%	25
Strongly Disagree		1.7%	3
answered question			179
skipped question			17

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Please indicate your satisfaction level with the following programs at your child's school.

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Unsatisfied	Unsatisfied	Very Unsatisfied	Not Applicable	Rating Count
Language Arts	27.4% (49)	50.8% (91)	10.6% (19)	6.7% (12)	2.2% (4)	2.2% (4)	179
Math	23.5% (42)	48.0% (86)	12.8% (23)	12.3% (22)	2.2% (4)	1.1% (2)	179
Science (new 12-13)	22.3% (40)	49.7% (89)	16.8% (30)	2.2% (4)	2.2% (4)	6.7% (12)	179
Social Studies	22.3% (40)	50.8% (91)	15.6% (28)	2.2% (4)	0.6% (1)	8.4% (15)	179
World Languages	12.3% (22)	29.1% (52)	22.3% (40)	16.2% (29)	7.3% (13)	12.8% (23)	179
Music and Art	27.4% (49)	52.5% (94)	13.4% (24)	3.9% (7)	1.1% (2)	1.7% (3)	179
Health and Wellness	29.1% (52)	51.4% (92)	16.2% (29)	1.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	1.7% (3)	179

Please feel free to comment on the K-8 Science program, implemented September 2012.

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answered question

179






skipped question

17




My child is encouraged to try new things at school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		27.5%	49
Agree		53.9%	96
Neither Agree nor Disagree		13.5%	24
Disagree		3.9%	7
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			178
skipped question			18



The school gives me ideas and opportunities to help my child do his/her best.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		27.0%	48
Agree		34.3%	61
Neither Agree nor Disagree		30.3%	54
Disagree		7.3%	13
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			178
skipped question			18






The amount of homework my child receives is:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Too little		23.0%	41
Just right		71.9%	128
Too much		5.1%	9
answered question			178
skipped question			18






I supplement my child's education with professional tutoring in core subjects such as math or reading.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		34.3%	61
No		65.7%	117
answered question			178
skipped question			18






I am satisfied with the quality of the physical spaces at my child's school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		34.1%	60
Agree		55.7%	98
Neither Agree nor Disagree		6.3%	11
Disagree		3.4%	6
Strongly Disagree		0.6%	1
answered question			176
skipped question			20





My child's school is clean and well-maintained.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		45.5%	80
Agree		48.9%	86
Neither Agree nor Disagree		2.8%	5
Disagree		1.7%	3
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			176
skipped question			20






The condition/quality of the school's athletic facilities is acceptable.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		28.4%	50
Agree		48.9%	86
Neither Agree nor Disagree		12.5%	22
Disagree		8.5%	15
Strongly Disagree		1.7%	3
answered question			176
skipped question			20



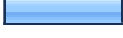


The condition/quality of the school's visual and performing arts spaces is acceptable.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		21.6%	38
Agree		53.4%	94
Neither Agree nor Disagree		21.0%	37
Disagree		4.0%	7
Strongly Disagree		0.0%	0
answered question			176
skipped question			20





I feel well-informed about the school's programs, services and activities.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		40.6%	71
Agree		47.4%	83
Neither Agree nor Disagree		5.7%	10
Disagree		5.7%	10
Strongly Disagree		0.6%	1
answered question			175
skipped question			21





The school keeps me informed of my child's progress.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		28.6%	50
Agree		45.7%	80
Neither Agree nor Disagree		17.1%	30
Disagree		6.9%	12
Strongly Disagree		1.7%	3
answered question			175
skipped question			21






School staff members (teachers/principal) are responsive to my parental concerns.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		52.0%	91
Agree		32.6%	57
Neither Agree nor Disagree		11.4%	20
Disagree		4.0%	7
Strongly Disagree		0.0%	0
answered question			175
skipped question			21












The district administration and/or Board of Education are responsive to my parental concerns.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		16.0%	28
Agree		28.6%	50
Neither Agree nor Disagree		48.6%	85
Disagree		6.9%	12
Strongly Disagree		0.0%	0
answered question			175
skipped question			21

I have sufficient opportunities to express my opinions or concerns regarding my child's school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		29.7%	52
Agree		45.1%	79
Neither Agree nor Disagree		20.0%	35
Disagree		4.0%	7
Strongly Disagree		1.1%	2
answered question			175
skipped question			21

How do you receive most of your school-related information? Check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
School-based e-news/publications		86.9%	152
School website		61.7%	108
Skyward Information System		41.1%	72
District or school e-blasts/robo calls		33.7%	59
District rps.Enews		11.4%	20
Board meetings		2.9%	5
District website		8.0%	14
District Facebook page		1.1%	2
Print-based newspapers		5.1%	9
Electronic news outlets		3.4%	6
Other (please specify)		11.4%	20
		answered question	175
		skipped question	21








The district website is a useful source for all I need to know about the Ridgewood Public Schools.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		12.6%	22
Agree		48.0%	84
Neither Agree nor Disagree		35.4%	62
Disagree		3.4%	6
Strongly Disagree		0.6%	1
answered question			175
skipped question			21

Would it be helpful for the district to provide programs on parenting issues?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		64.0%	112
No		36.0%	63
answered question			175
skipped question			21



Please indicate your interest in the following types of programs. Check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
District curriculum and programs		62.5%	70
Overscheduling of children		36.6%	41
Parenting in the age of media and technology		64.3%	72
Children's anxiety issues		53.6%	60
Building children's self-esteem		69.6%	78
Helicopter parenting		20.5%	23
School safety and security		42.0%	47
		Other	1

answered question 112

skipped question 84

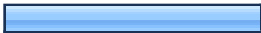


What would be the best way for you to participate in district parental programs? Check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
In person at a school or the Education Center		70.5%	79
Online webinar		59.8%	67
		Other (please specify)	4






answered question 112

skipped question 84

When would be the best times for you to participate in district programs? Check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Weekday during school hours		38.4%	43
Weekday evenings		66.1%	74
Weekend daytime		25.9%	29
	Other (please specify)		1
		answered question	112
		skipped question	84

I am satisfied with the club and after-school opportunities at my child's elementary school.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree		10.9%	19
Agree		32.6%	57
Neither Agree nor Disagree		42.9%	75
Disagree		11.4%	20
Strongly Disagree		2.3%	4
		answered question	175
		skipped question	21