

PARENT / GUARDIAN SURVEY 2014-2015: ORCHARD SCHOOL

Results of the May 2015 survey for Orchard Elementary School

Ridgewood

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

This past May district parents and guardians were asked to fill out a comprehensive survey on topics related to our schools and your children's education. The results of the survey for your school are presented here.

These results present an important summary that we will use as 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 appreciate your feedback and hope you enjoy reading the following report.

The Ridgewood Board of Education
Sheila Brogan, President
Vincent Loncto, Vice President
Christina Krauss
Michele Lenhard
James Morgan

Superintendent of Schools
Daniel Fishbein

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 email from May 5-15, 2015 using SurveyMonkey software. Email invitations with private survey links were sent to all district parents and guardians with email addresses on file. Survey respondents participated on a secure survey website. Only one response was allowed for each email address. The survey was completely anonymous.

Numerical data were compiled and charts were created using SurveyMonkey. District data were compiled from the grade-level 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 7,786 emails were sent; 2773 parents or guardians filled out surveys, representing a 35.6% participation rate. [Click here](#) for a summary of the district survey data for 2014-2015.

How many parents and guardians participated in your school's 2014-2015 survey?

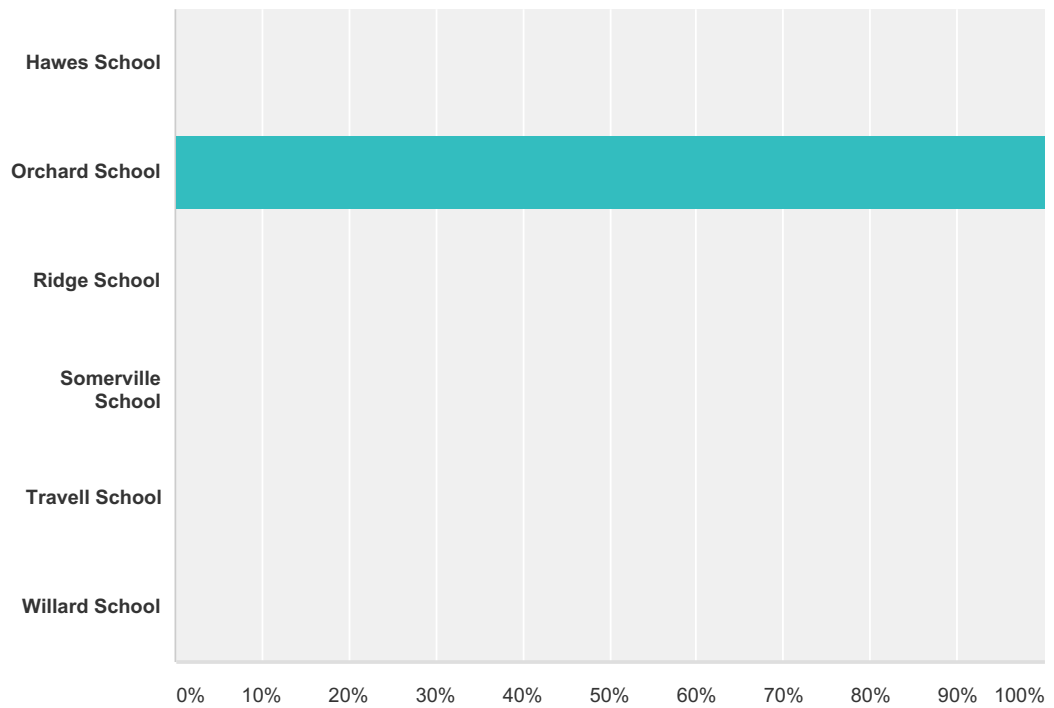
As of 5.31.15	# Enrolled Students	# Emails on File	# Survey Responses	Participation Rate
Orchard School	311	398	142	35.7%
In-District	5682	7786	2773	35.6%

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.

Q1 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?

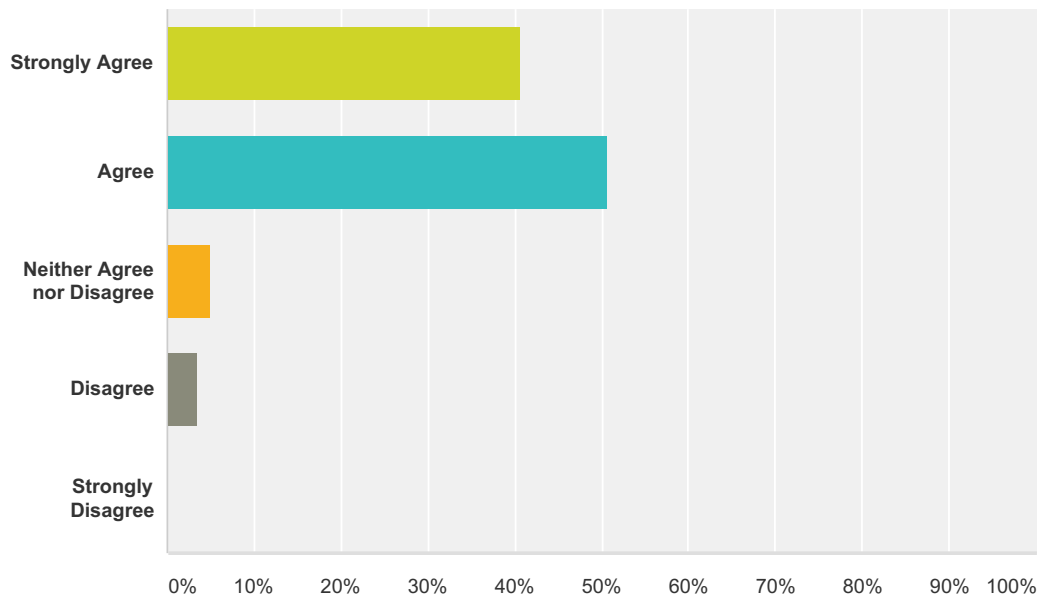
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Answer Choices	Responses
Hawes School	0.00% 0
Orchard School	100.00% 142
Ridge School	0.00% 0
Somerville School	0.00% 0
Travell School	0.00% 0
Willard School	0.00% 0
Total	142

Q2 I am satisfied with the overall quality of my child's education.

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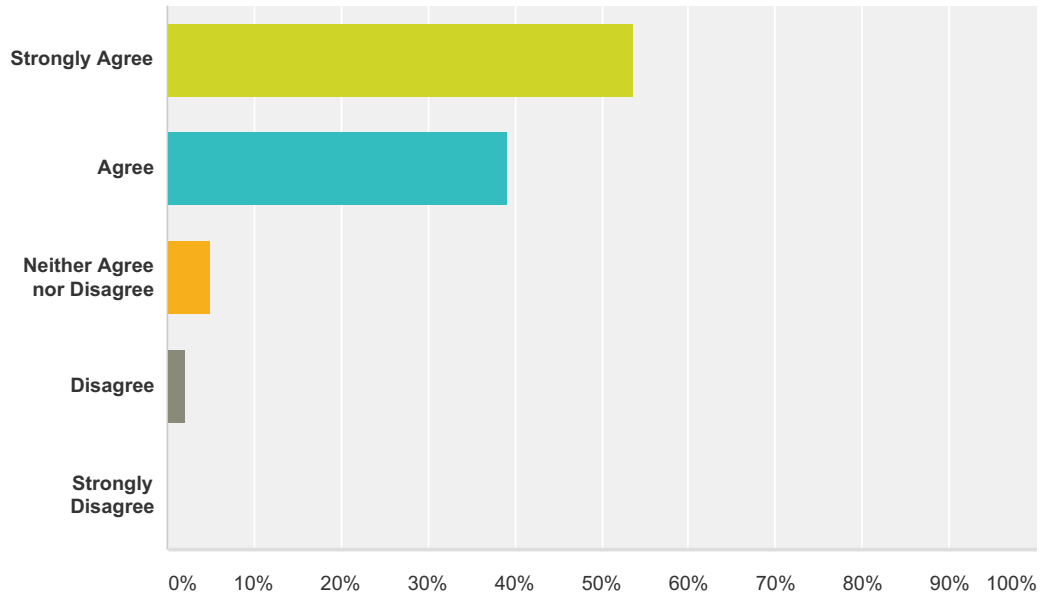


Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	40.71%	57
Agree	50.71%	71
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.00%	7
Disagree	3.57%	5
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
Total		140

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Elementary School Level

Q3 My child likes going to school.

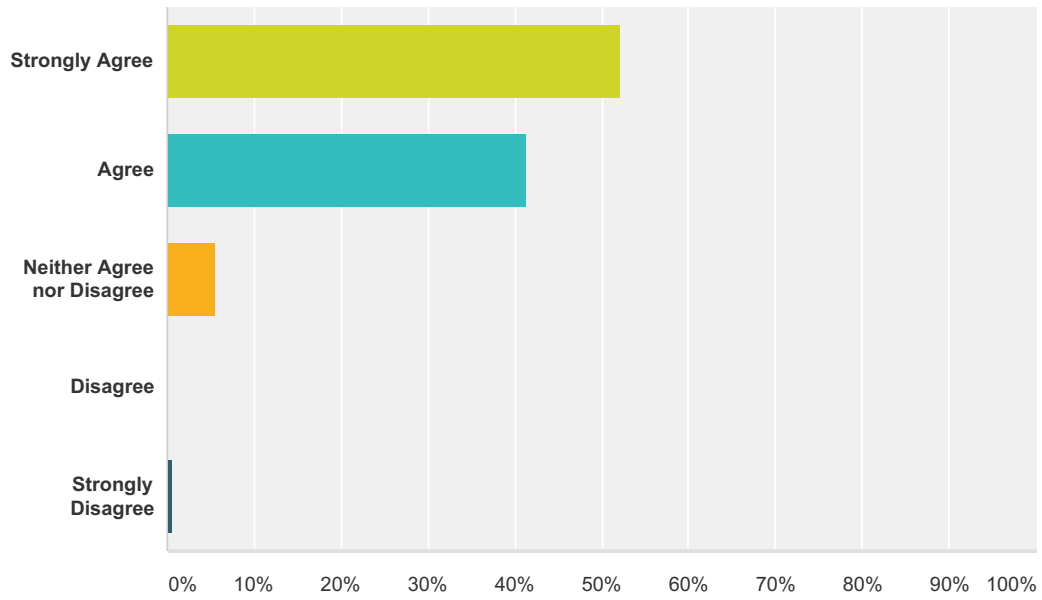
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	53.57% 75
Agree	39.29% 55
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.00% 7
Disagree	2.14% 3
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	140

Q4 I would recommend my child's school to other parents.

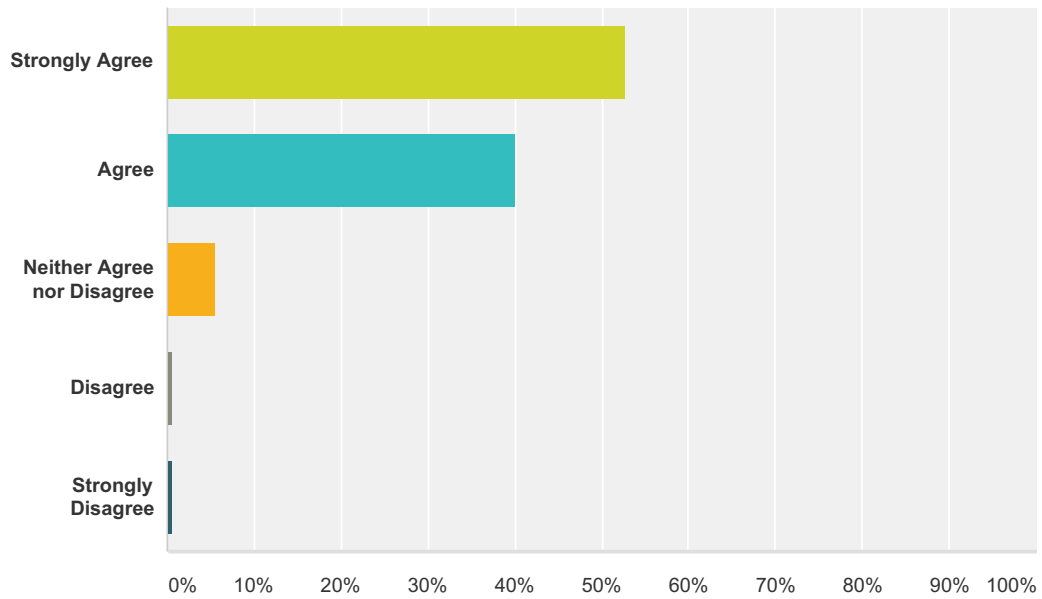
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	52.14% 73
Agree	41.43% 58
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.71% 8
Disagree	0.00% 0
Strongly Disagree	0.71% 1
Total	140

Q5 I feel welcome in my child's school.

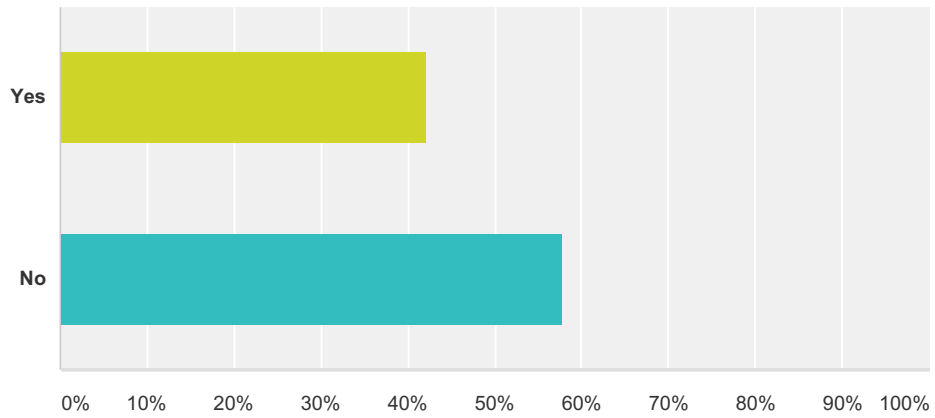
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	52.86% 74
Agree	40.00% 56
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.71% 8
Disagree	0.71% 1
Strongly Disagree	0.71% 1
Total	140

**Q6 I would like to be more involved in my
child's school.**

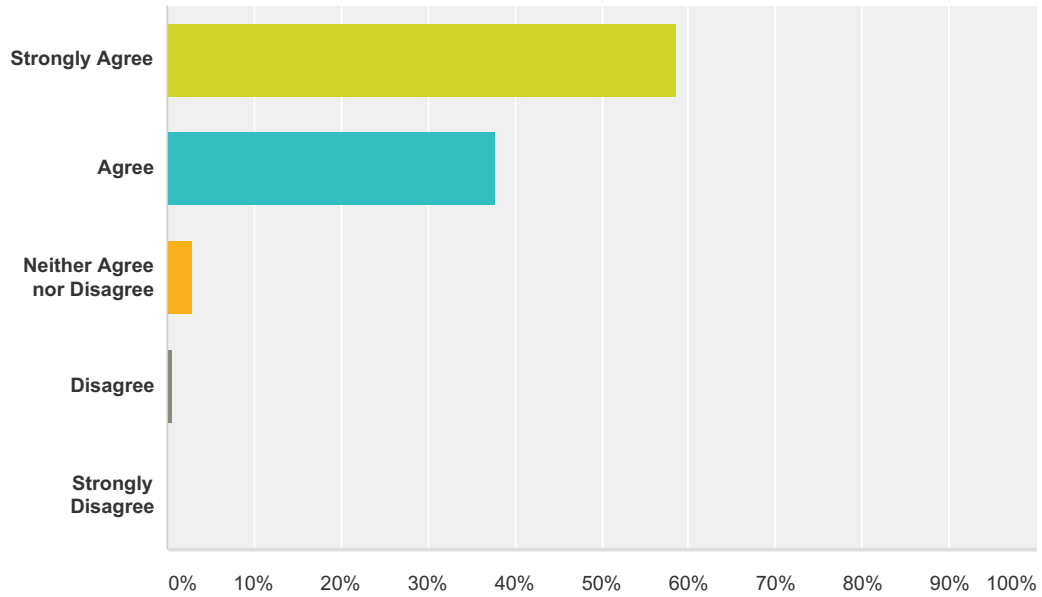
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	42.14%	59
No	57.86%	81
Total		140

Q7 My child feels safe at school.

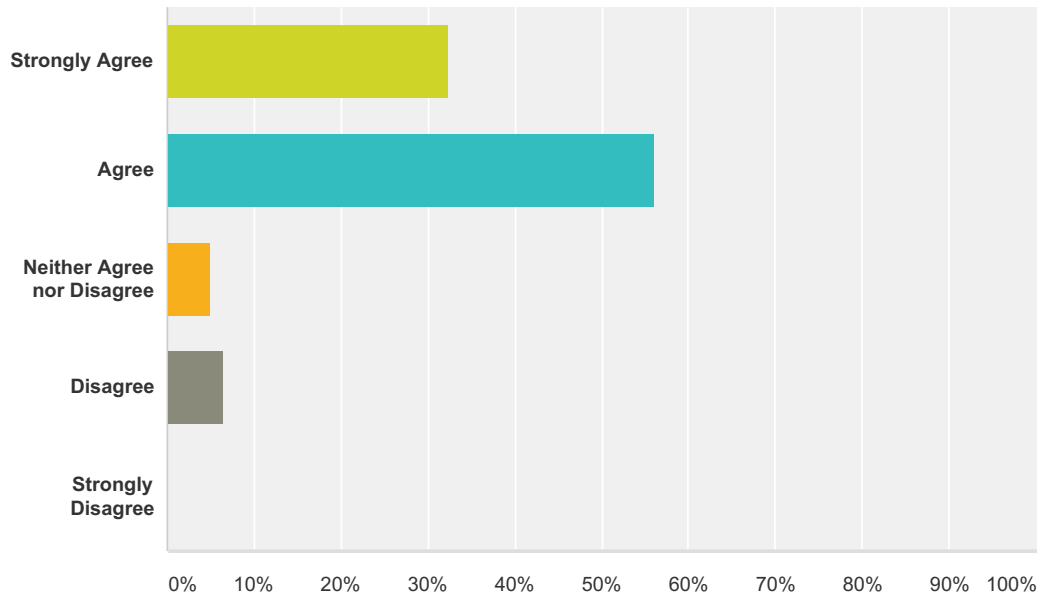
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	58.57% 82
Agree	37.86% 53
Neither Agree nor Disagree	2.86% 4
Disagree	0.71% 1
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	140

Q9 I am satisfied with the academic progress of my child.

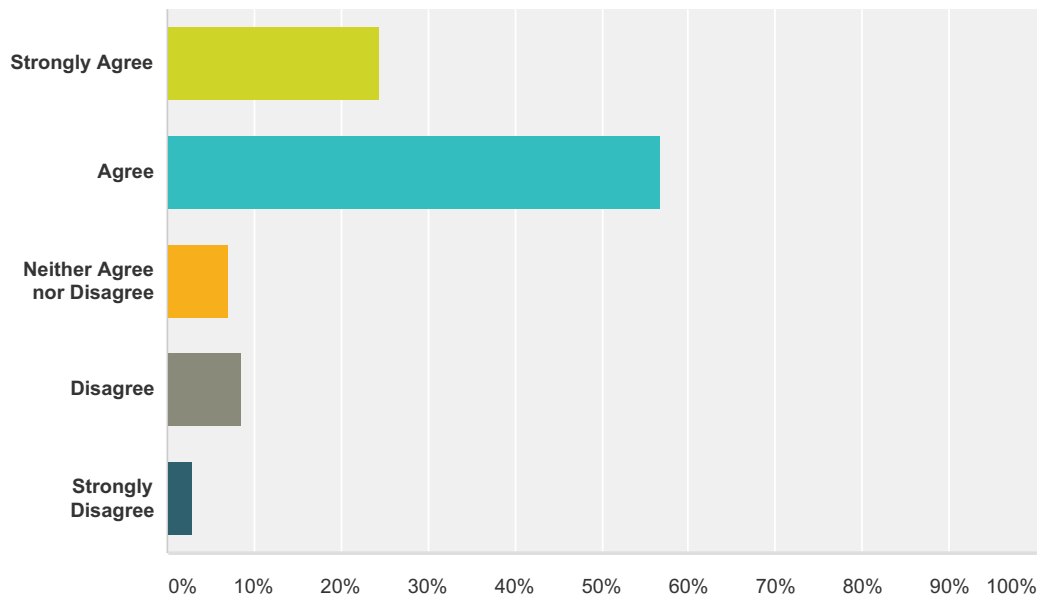
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	32.37%	45
Agree	56.12%	78
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.04%	7
Disagree	6.47%	9
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
Total		139

Q10 The academic challenge for my child is appropriate.

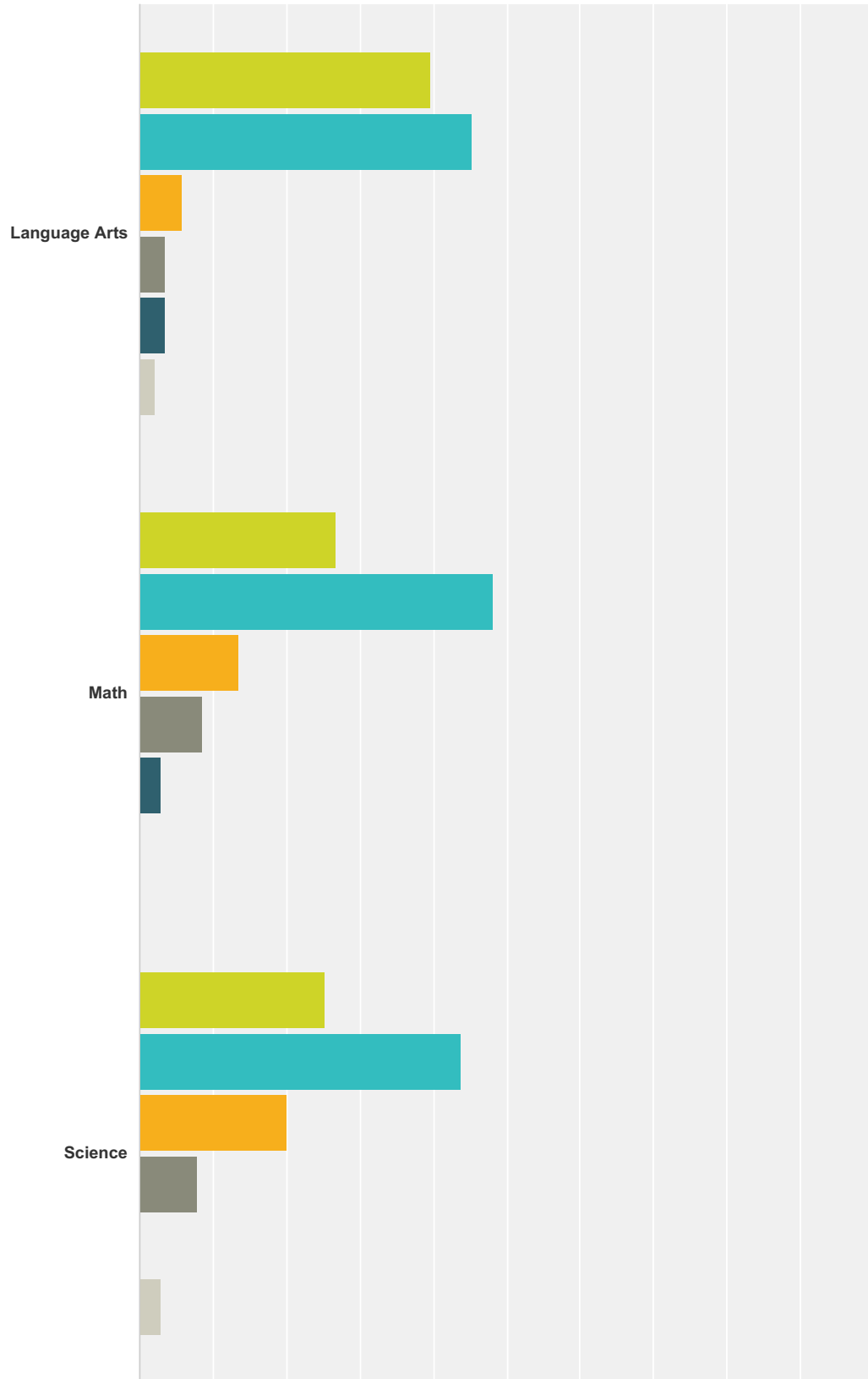
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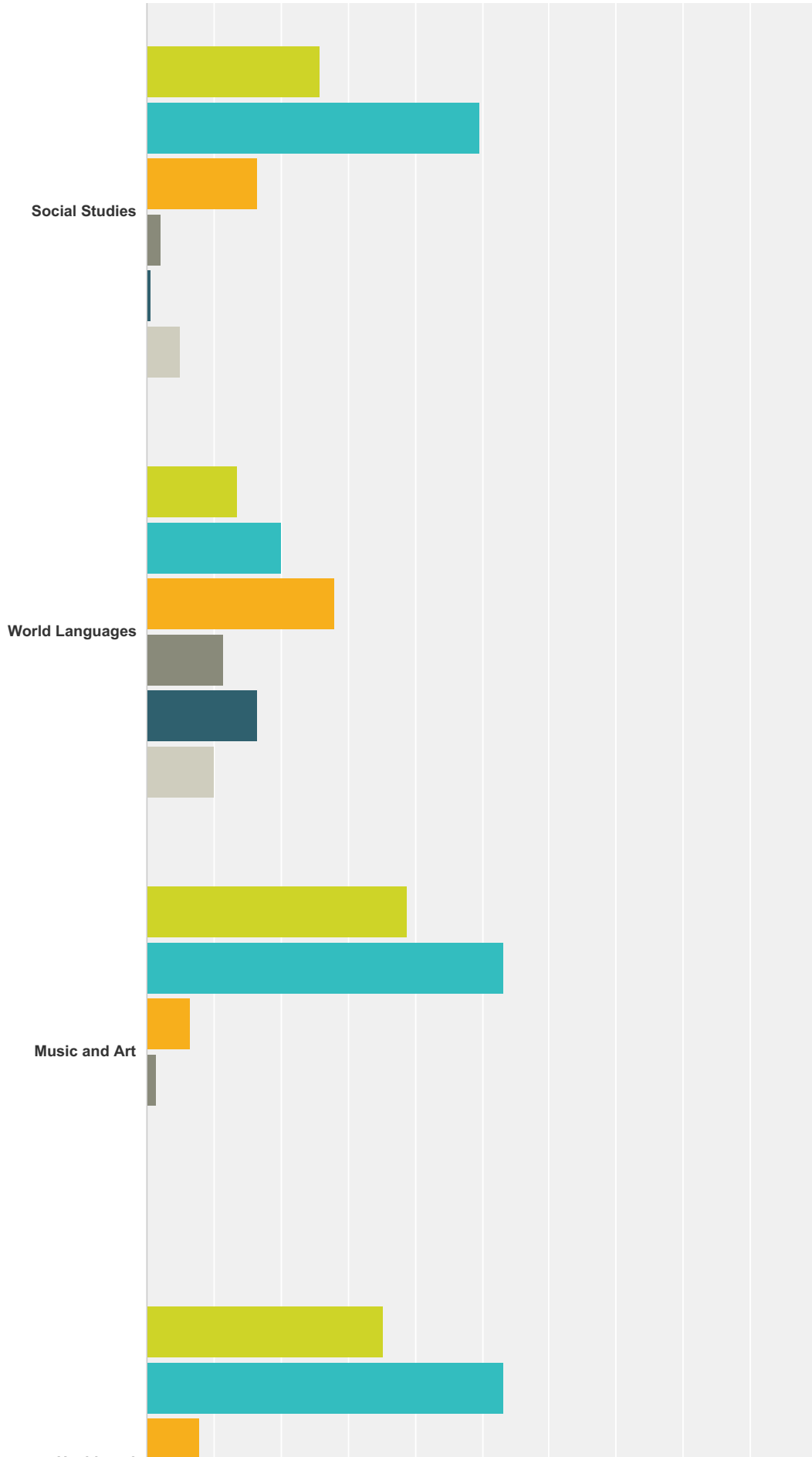
Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	24.46% 34
Agree	56.83% 79
Neither Agree nor Disagree	7.19% 10
Disagree	8.63% 12
Strongly Disagree	2.88% 4
Total	139

**Q11 Please indicate your satisfaction with
the following programs at your child's
school.**

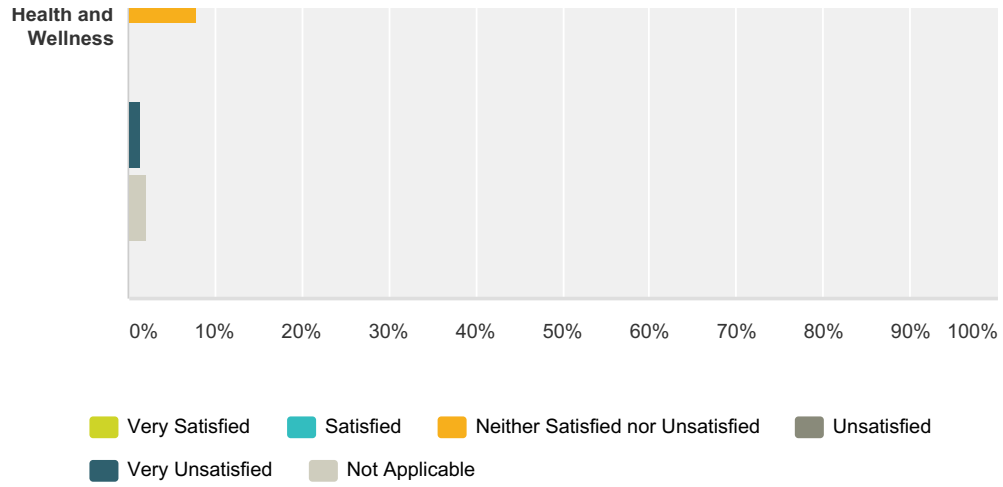
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Elementary School Level



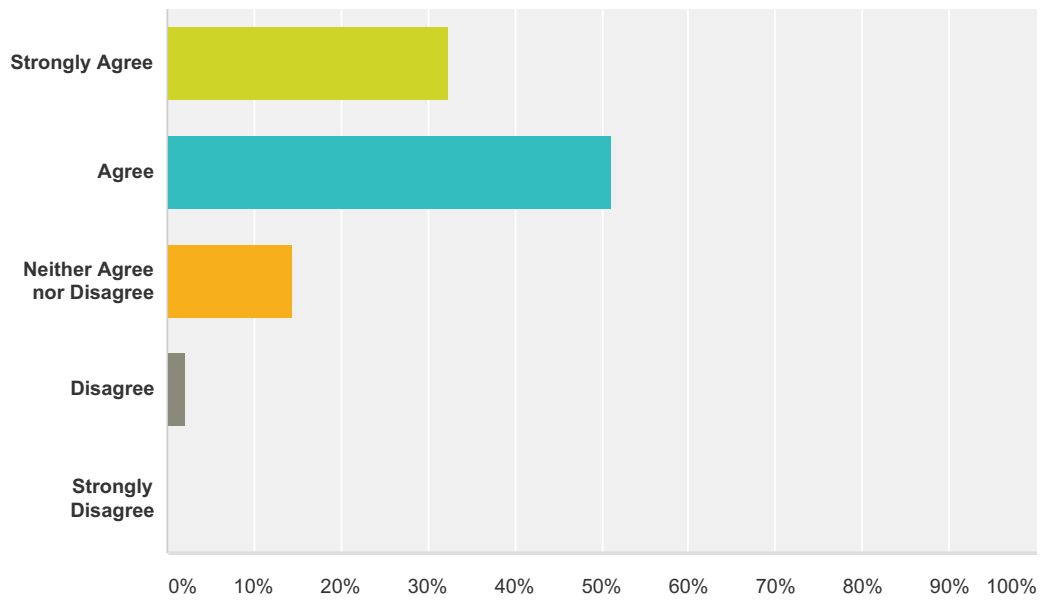
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	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Unsatisfied	Unsatisfied	Very Unsatisfied	Not Applicable	Total
Language Arts	39.57% 55	45.32% 63	5.76% 8	3.60% 5	3.60% 5	2.16% 3	139
Math	26.62% 37	48.20% 67	13.67% 19	8.63% 12	2.88% 4	0.00% 0	139
Science	25.18% 35	43.88% 61	20.14% 28	7.91% 11	0.00% 0	2.88% 4	139
Social Studies	25.90% 36	49.64% 69	16.55% 23	2.16% 3	0.72% 1	5.04% 7	139
World Languages	13.67% 19	20.14% 28	28.06% 39	11.51% 16	16.55% 23	10.07% 14	139
Music and Art	38.85% 54	53.24% 74	6.47% 9	1.44% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	139
Health and Wellness	35.25% 49	53.24% 74	7.91% 11	0.00% 0	1.44% 2	2.16% 3	139

Q12 My child is encouraged to try new things at school.

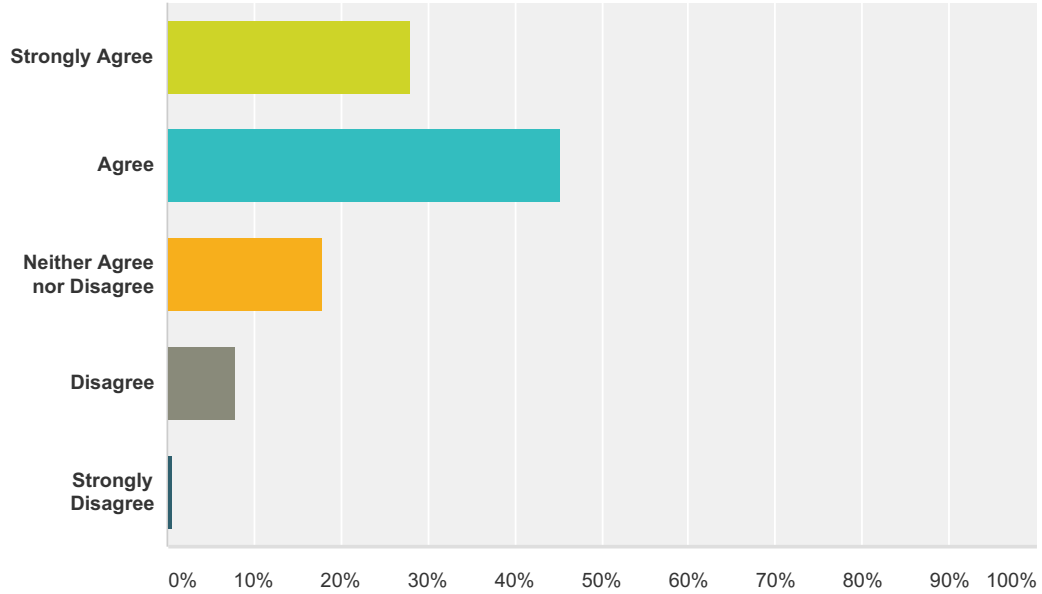
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	32.37% 45
Agree	51.08% 71
Neither Agree nor Disagree	14.39% 20
Disagree	2.16% 3
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	139

Q13 The school gives me ideas and opportunities to help my child do his/her best.

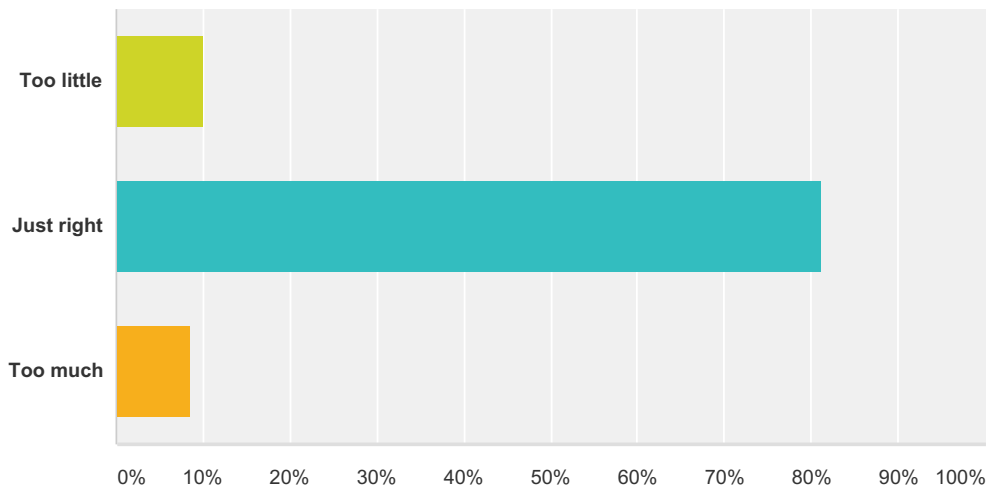
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	28.06% 39
Agree	45.32% 63
Neither Agree nor Disagree	17.99% 25
Disagree	7.91% 11
Strongly Disagree	0.72% 1
Total	139

Q14 The amount of homework my child receives is:

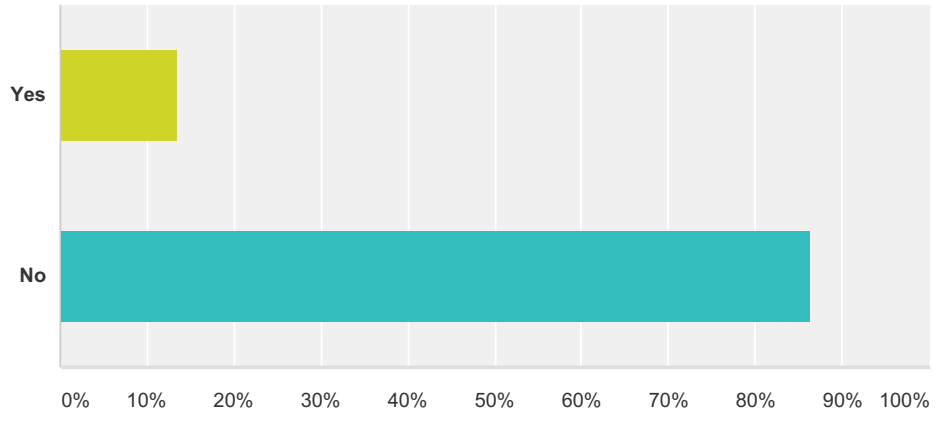
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Too little	10.07%	14
Just right	81.29%	113
Too much	8.63%	12
Total		139

Q15 I supplement my child's education with professional tutoring in core subjects such as math or reading (other than SAT prep).

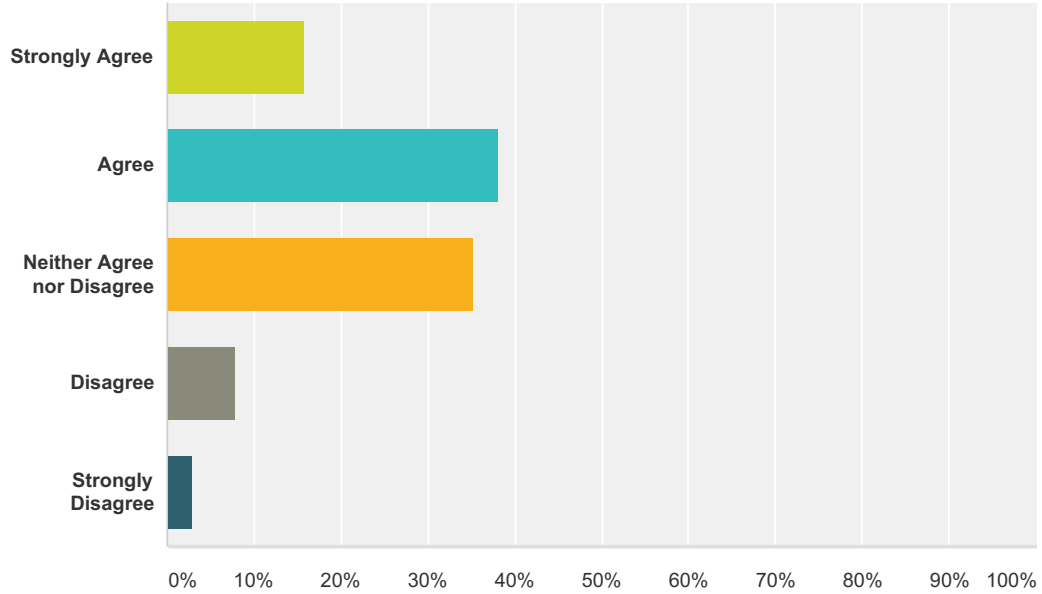
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	13.67% 19
No	86.33% 120
Total	139

**Q18 I am satisfied with the club and
afterschool opportunities at my child's
school.**

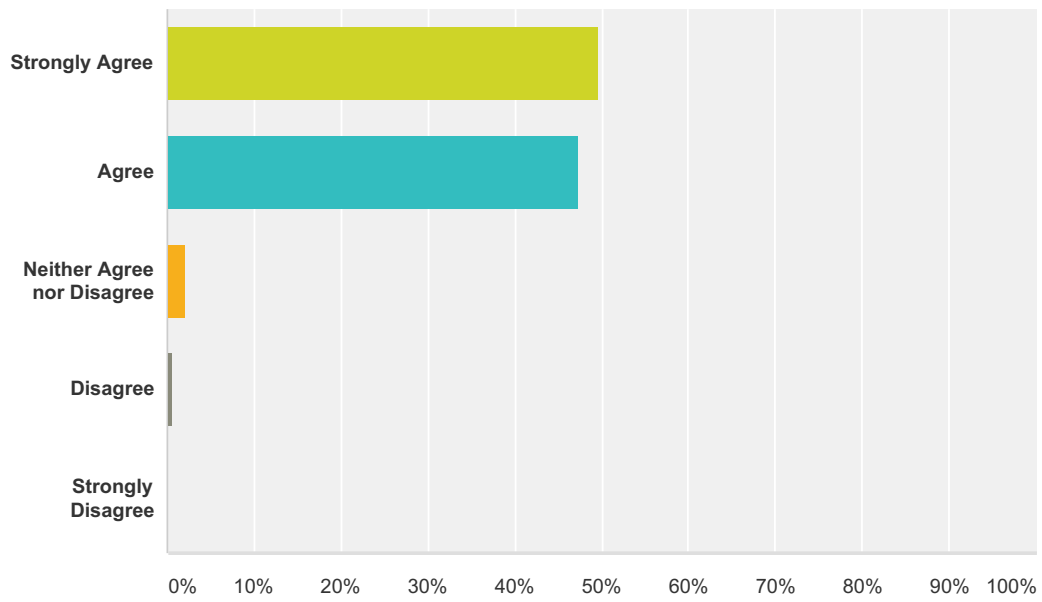
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	15.83% 22
Agree	38.13% 53
Neither Agree nor Disagree	35.25% 49
Disagree	7.91% 11
Strongly Disagree	2.88% 4
Total	139

Q23 My child's school is clean and well-maintained.

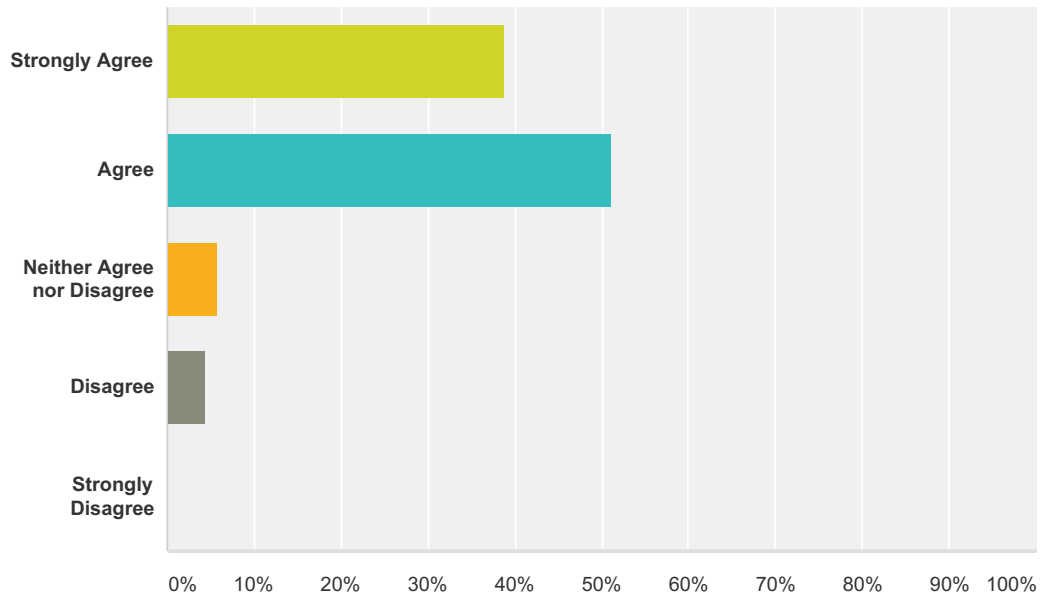
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	49.64%	69
Agree	47.48%	66
Neither Agree nor Disagree	2.16%	3
Disagree	0.72%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
Total		139

Q24 I am satisfied with the quality of the physical spaces at my child's school.

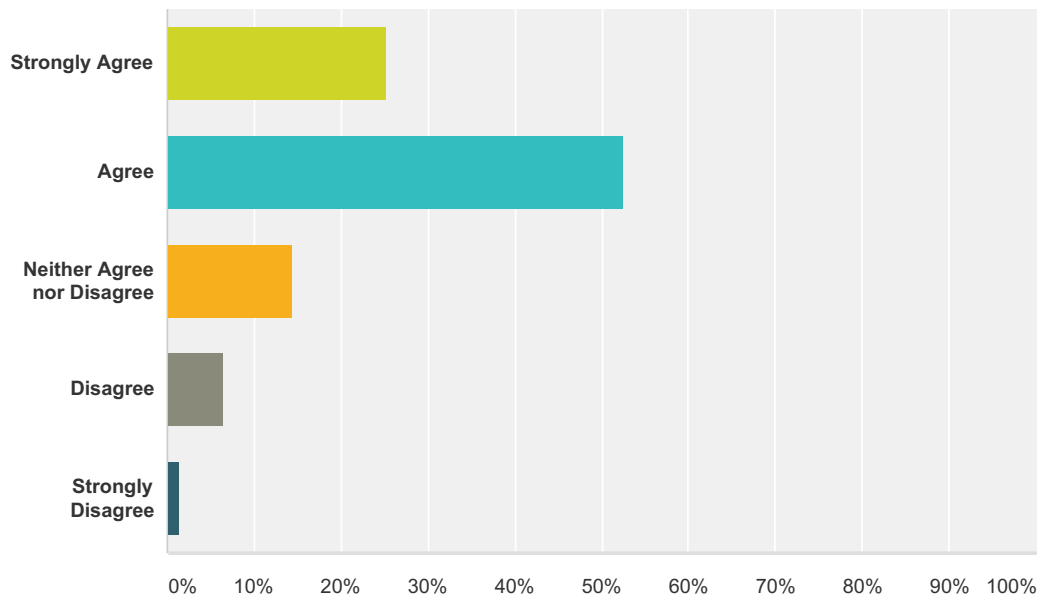
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	38.85% 54
Agree	51.08% 71
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.76% 8
Disagree	4.32% 6
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	139

Q25 The condition/quality of the school's athletic facilities is acceptable.

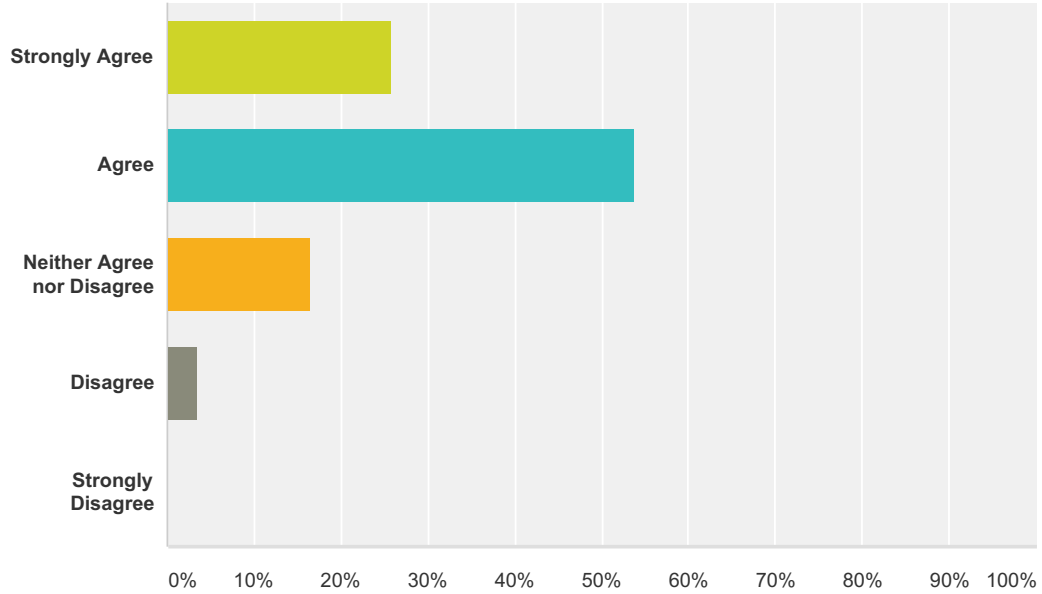
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	25.18% 35
Agree	52.52% 73
Neither Agree nor Disagree	14.39% 20
Disagree	6.47% 9
Strongly Disagree	1.44% 2
Total	139

**Q26 The condition/quality of the school's
fine and performing arts spaces is
acceptable.**

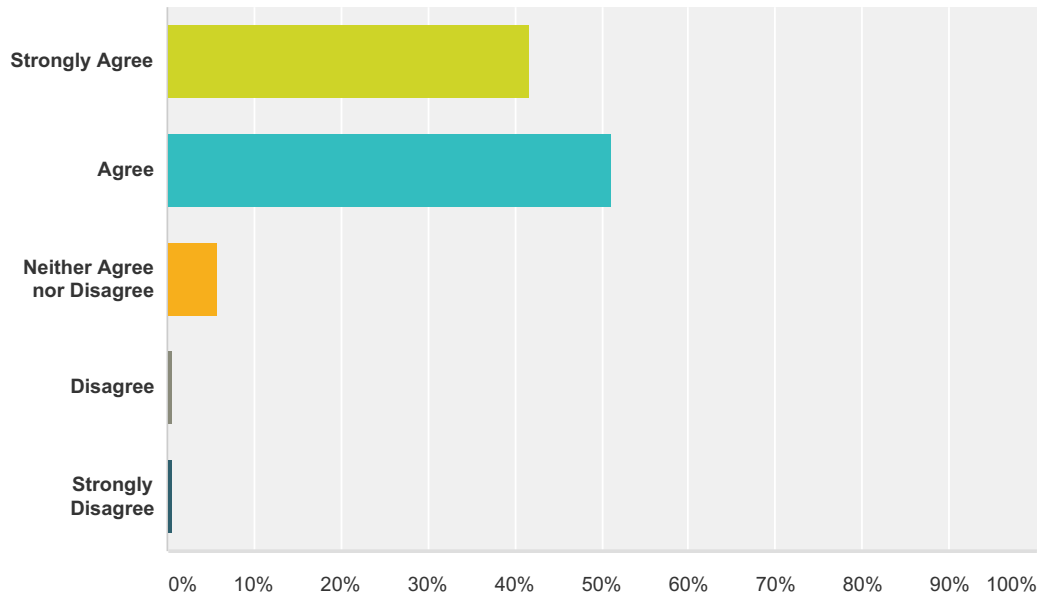
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	25.90%	36
Agree	53.96%	75
Neither Agree nor Disagree	16.55%	23
Disagree	3.60%	5
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
Total		139

Q28 I feel well-informed about the school's programs, services and activities.

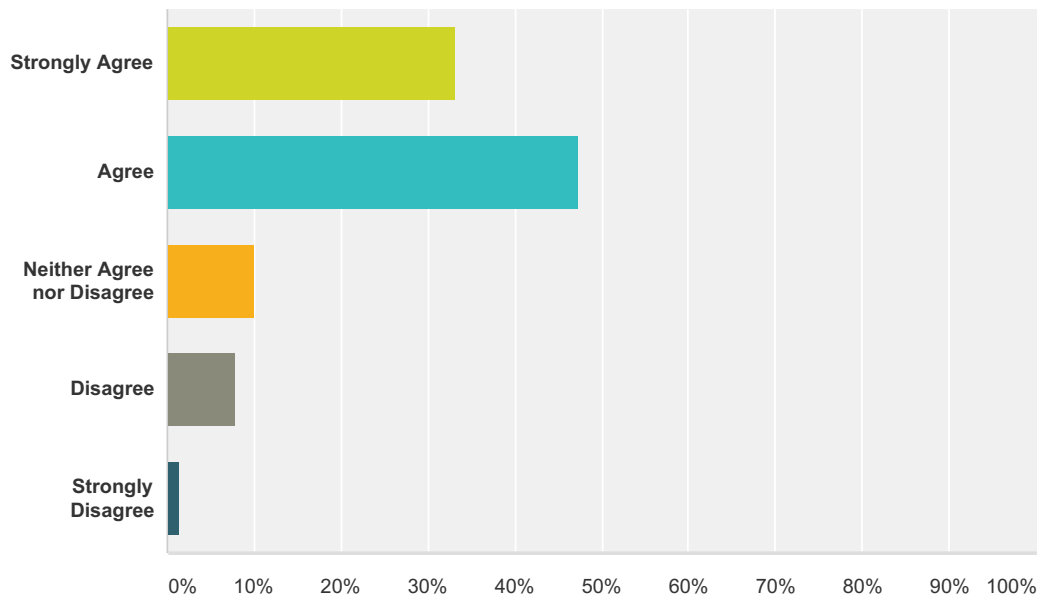
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	41.73%	58
Agree	51.08%	71
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.76%	8
Disagree	0.72%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.72%	1
Total		139

Q29 The school keeps me informed of my child's progress.

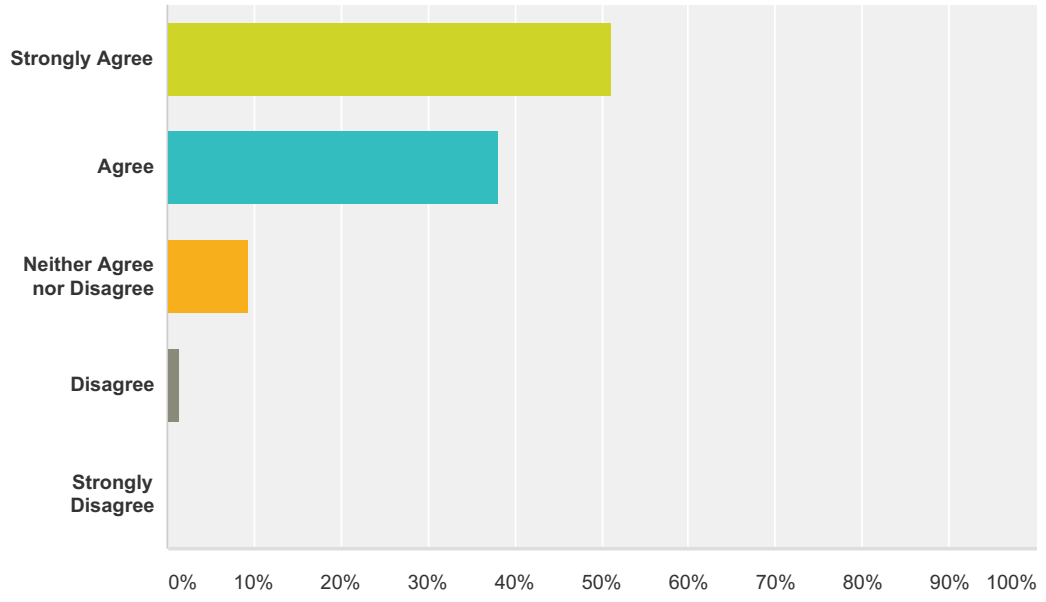
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	33.09%	46
Agree	47.48%	66
Neither Agree nor Disagree	10.07%	14
Disagree	7.91%	11
Strongly Disagree	1.44%	2
Total		139

**Q30 School staff members
(teachers/principal) are responsive to my
parental concerns.**

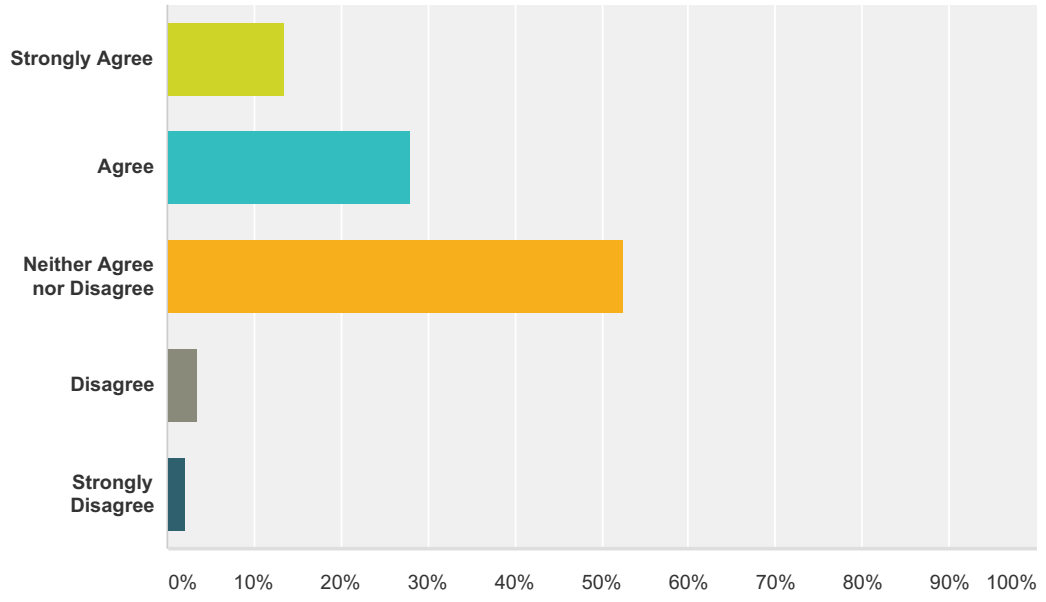
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	51.08% 71
Agree	38.13% 53
Neither Agree nor Disagree	9.35% 13
Disagree	1.44% 2
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	139

Q31 The district administration and/or Board of Education are responsive to my parental concerns.

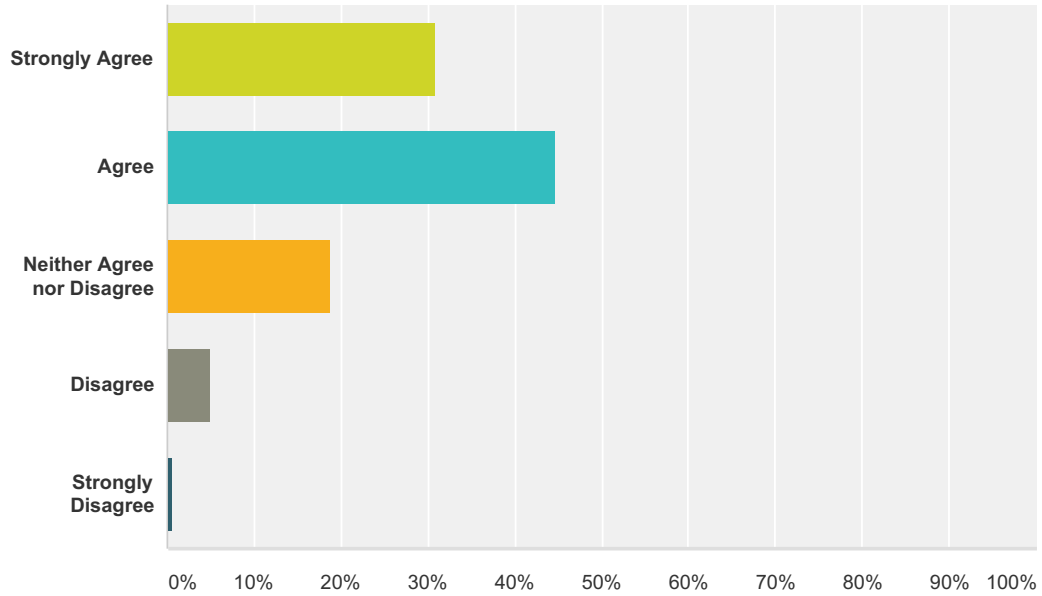
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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	13.67% 19
Agree	28.06% 39
Neither Agree nor Disagree	52.52% 73
Disagree	3.60% 5
Strongly Disagree	2.16% 3
Total	139

Q32 I have sufficient opportunities to express my opinions or concerns regarding my child's school.

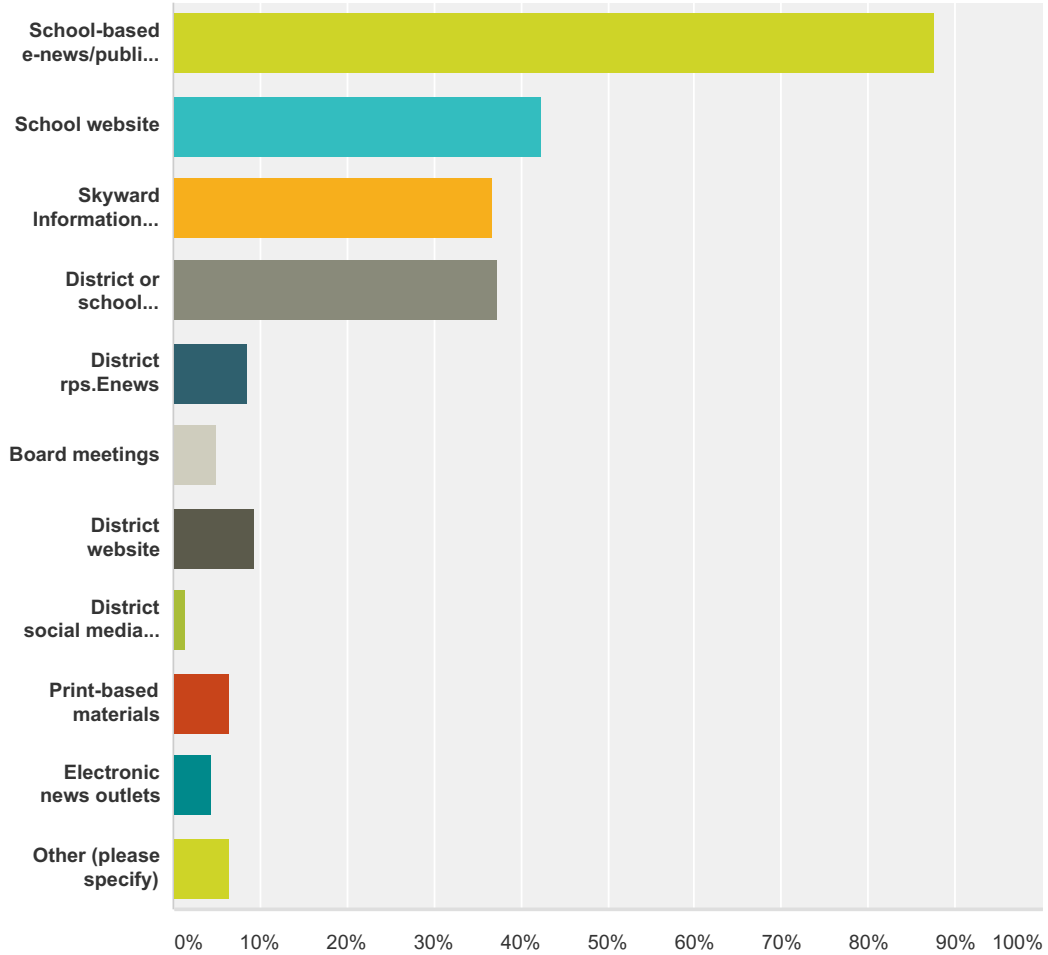
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	30.94%	43
Agree	44.60%	62
Neither Agree nor Disagree	18.71%	26
Disagree	5.04%	7
Strongly Disagree	0.72%	1
Total		139

Q33 How do you receive most of your school-related information? (Check all that apply.)

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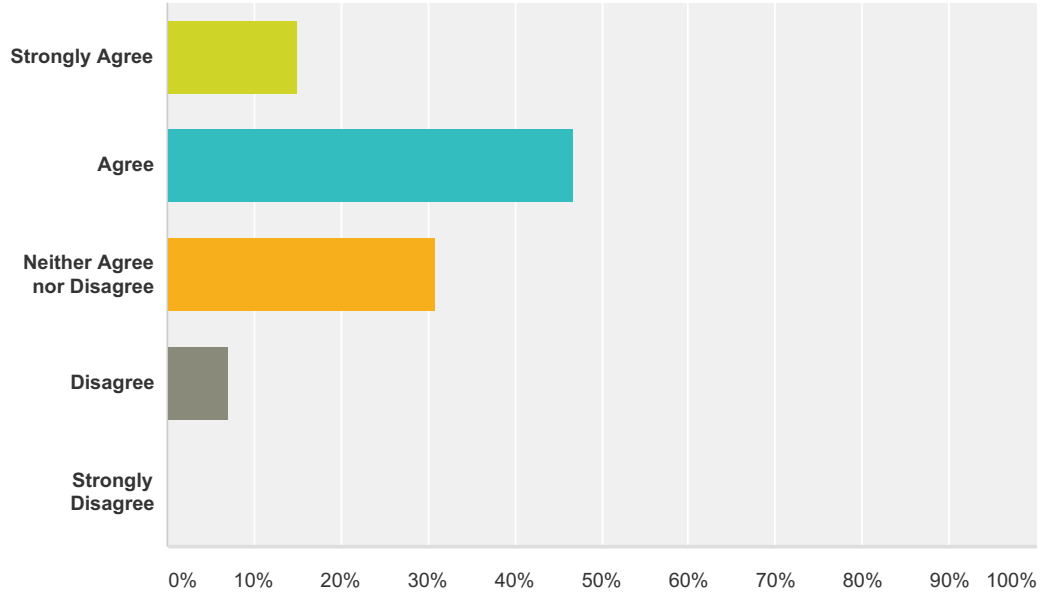
Answer Choices	Responses
School-based e-news/publications	87.77% 122
School website	42.45% 59
Skyward Information System	36.69% 51
District or school e-blasts/robo calls	37.41% 52
District rps.Enews	8.63% 12
Board meetings	5.04% 7
District website	9.35% 13
District social media (Facebook page or Twitter feed)	1.44% 2
Print-based materials	6.47% 9

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Electronic news outlets	4.32%	6
Other (please specify)	6.47%	9
Total Respondents: 139		

Q34 The district website is a useful source for all I need to know about the Ridgewood Public Schools.

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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	15.11% 21
Agree	46.76% 65
Neither Agree nor Disagree	30.94% 43
Disagree	7.19% 10
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	139