

# PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY 2016-2017: WILLARD SCHOOL

Results of the May 2017 survey for Willard 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 Ridgewood’s schools and your children’s education. The results of the survey for Willard 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

*Vincent Loncto, President*

*James Morgan, Vice President*

*Sheila Brogan*

*Christina Krauss*

*Jennie Smith Wilson*

Superintendent of Schools

*Daniel Fishbein*

**How to read this report**

The data in this report reflect survey results for Willard School.

**How was the survey conducted?**

The survey was conducted via email from May 8-19, 2017 using SurveyMonkey software. Email invitations with private survey links were sent to all district parents and guardians with email addresses on file. 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 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 8,120 valid emails were sent; 2498 parents or guardians competed or partially completed the surveys, representing a 30.8 percent participation rate. [Click here](#) for a summary of the district data for the 2017 survey.

Full results for the individual schools may be found on the website of the Ridgewood Public Schools at [www.ridgewood.k12.nj.us](http://www.ridgewood.k12.nj.us).

**How many parents and guardians participated in your school’s 2016-2017 survey?**

As of 5.01.17	# Enrolled Students	# Emails Sent*	# Survey Responses	Participation Rate
Willard School	496	652	213	32.7%
In-District	5690	8183 (8120 valid)	2498	30.8%

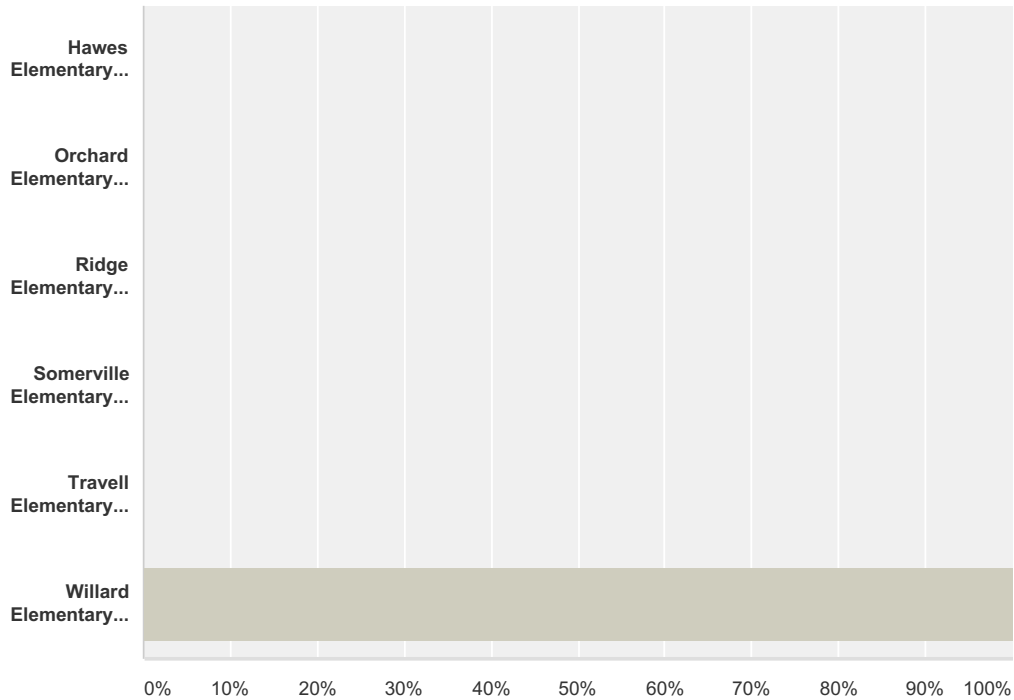
\*Includes bounced emails

**How will these survey results be used?**

Complete survey results have been provided to your school’s principal, 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 and practices 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 about this school, with your youngest child attending this school in mind. Which elementary school does your child attend?**

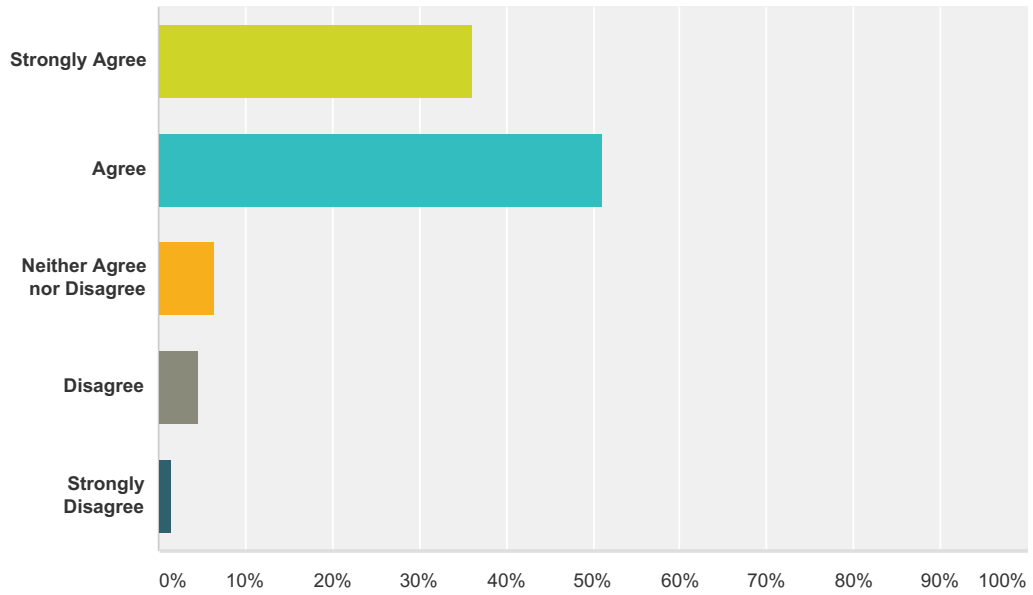
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Answer Choices	Responses
Hawes Elementary School	0.00% 0
Orchard Elementary School	0.00% 0
Ridge Elementary School	0.00% 0
Somerville Elementary School	0.00% 0
Travell Elementary School	0.00% 0
Willard Elementary School	100.00% 213
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>

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

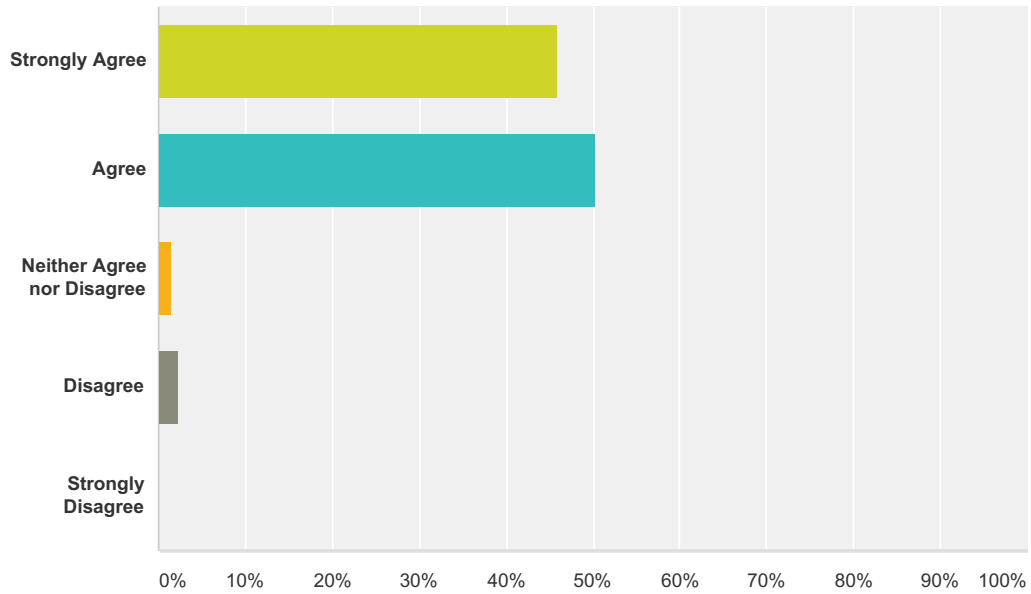
Answered: 213 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	36.15% 77
Agree	51.17% 109
Neither Agree nor Disagree	6.57% 14
Disagree	4.69% 10
Strongly Disagree	1.41% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>

### Q3 My child likes going to school.

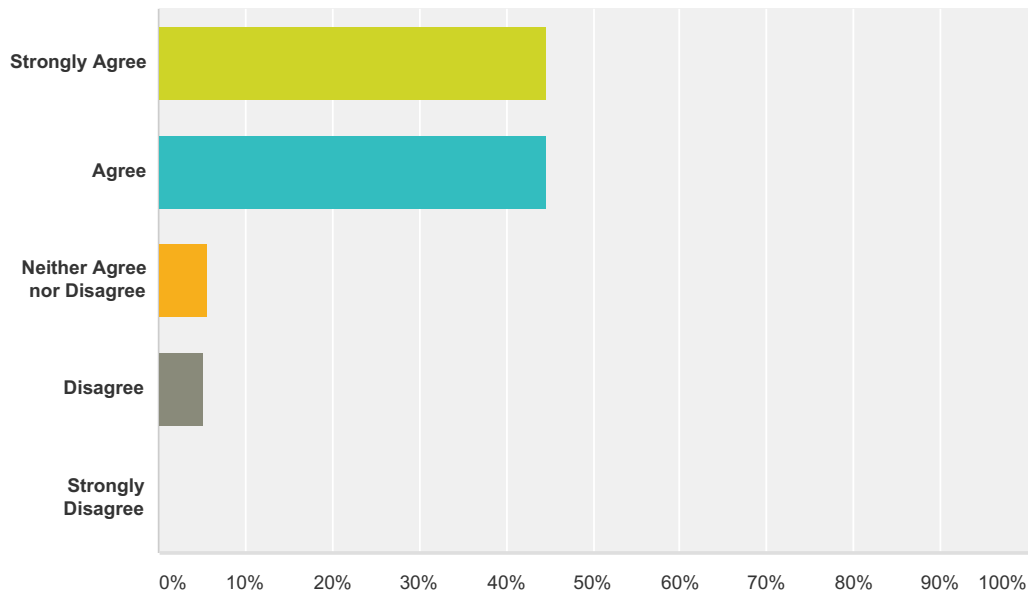
Answered: 213 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	46.01% 98
Agree	50.23% 107
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1.41% 3
Disagree	2.35% 5
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>

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

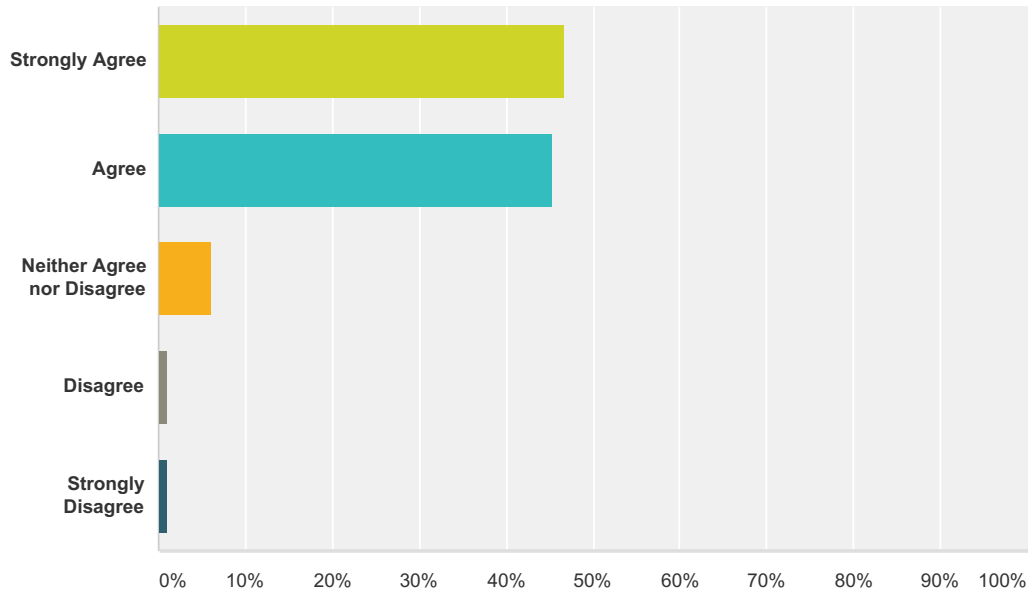
Answered: 213 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	44.60% 95
Agree	44.60% 95
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.63% 12
Disagree	5.16% 11
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>

### Q5 I feel welcome in my child's school.

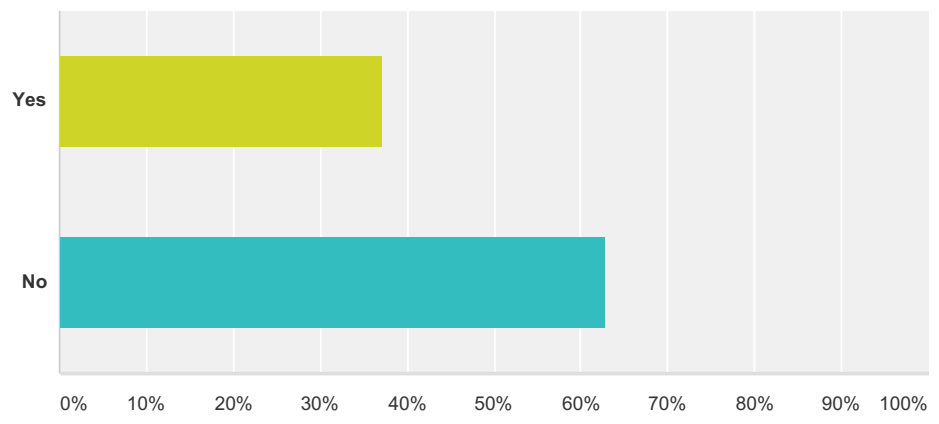
Answered: 212 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	46.70%	99
Agree	45.28%	96
Neither Agree nor Disagree	6.13%	13
Disagree	0.94%	2
Strongly Disagree	0.94%	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>212</b>

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

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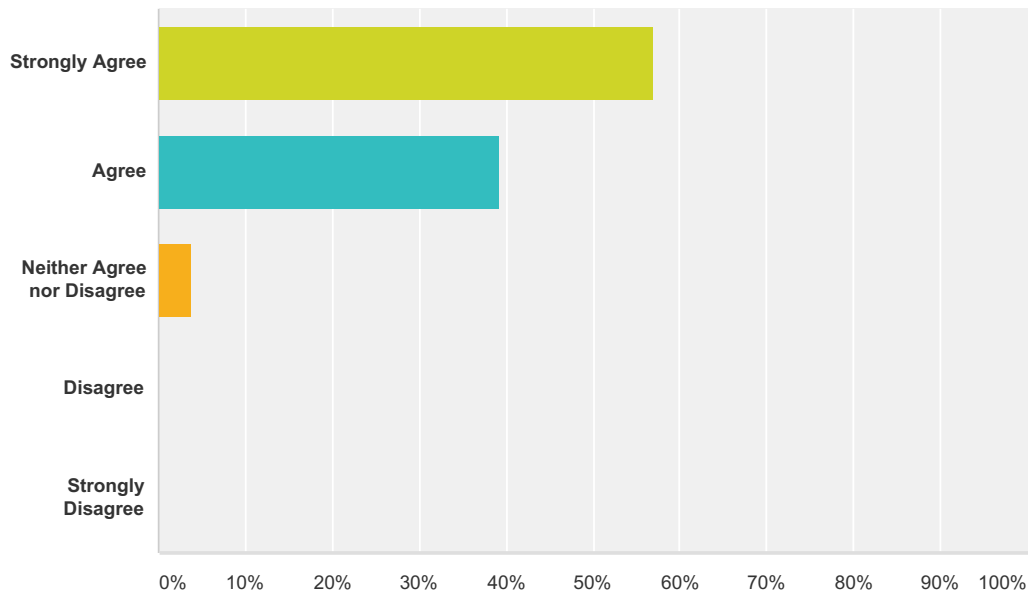


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	37.26% 79
No	62.74% 133
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>



### Q7 My child feels safe at school.

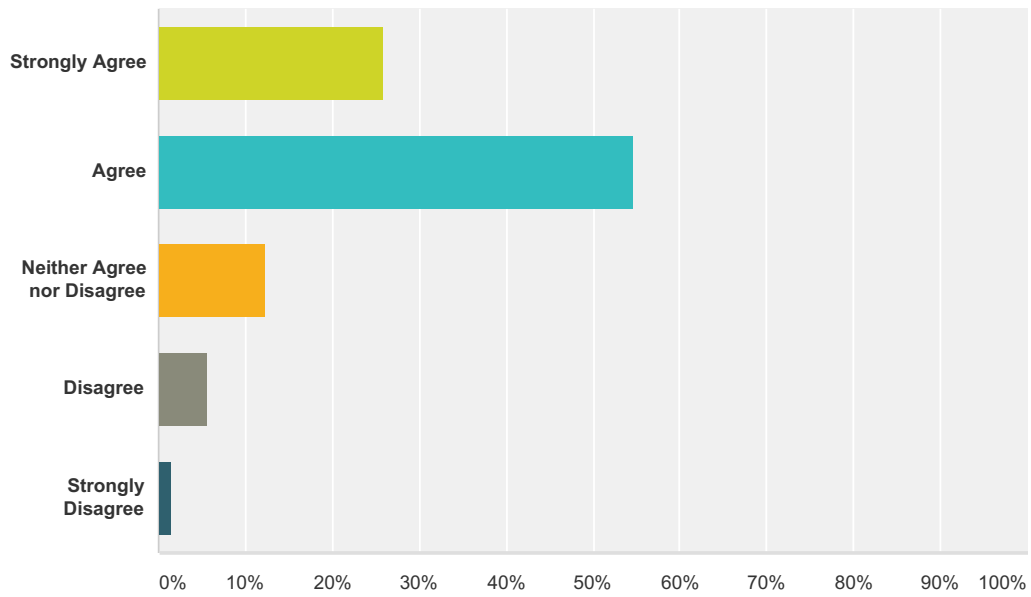
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	57.08%	121
Agree	39.15%	83
Neither Agree nor Disagree	3.77%	8
Disagree	0.00%	0
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>212</b>

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

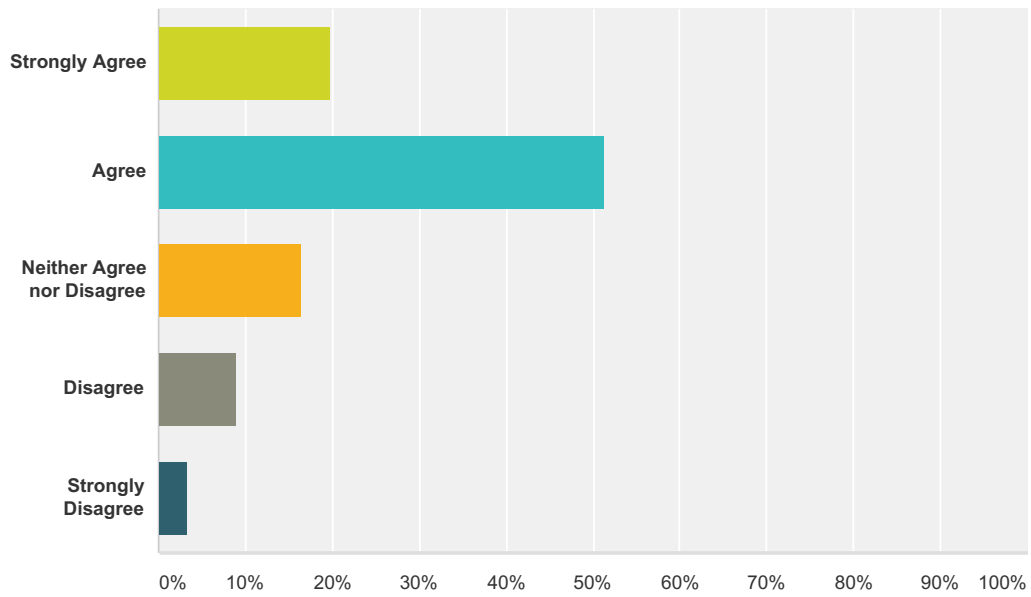
Answered: 212 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	25.94% 55
Agree	54.72% 116
Neither Agree nor Disagree	12.26% 26
Disagree	5.66% 12
Strongly Disagree	1.42% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>

### Q10 The academic challenge is appropriate for my child.

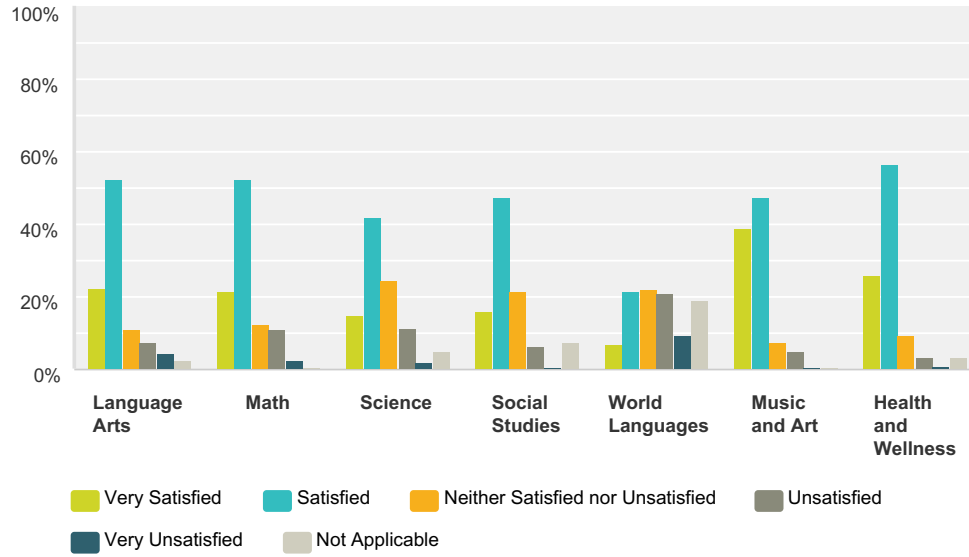
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	19.81%	42
Agree	51.42%	109
Neither Agree nor Disagree	16.51%	35
Disagree	8.96%	19
Strongly Disagree	3.30%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>212</b>

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

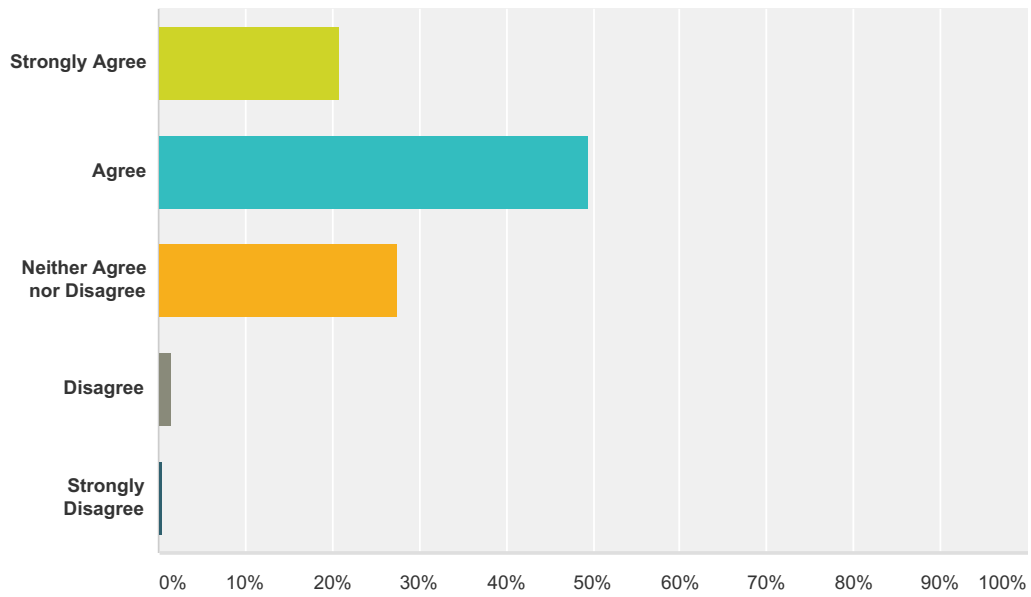
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	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Unsatisfied	Unsatisfied	Very Unsatisfied	Not Applicable	Total
Language Arts	22.38% 47	52.38% 110	10.95% 23	7.62% 16	4.29% 9	2.38% 5	210
Math	21.43% 45	52.38% 110	12.38% 26	10.95% 23	2.38% 5	0.48% 1	210
Science	15.24% 32	41.90% 88	24.29% 51	11.43% 24	1.90% 4	5.24% 11	210
Social Studies	16.19% 34	47.62% 100	21.43% 45	6.67% 14	0.48% 1	7.62% 16	210
World Languages	7.14% 15	21.43% 45	21.90% 46	20.95% 44	9.52% 20	19.05% 40	210
Music and Art	39.05% 82	47.62% 100	7.62% 16	4.76% 10	0.48% 1	0.48% 1	210
Health and Wellness	26.19% 55	56.67% 119	9.52% 20	3.33% 7	0.95% 2	3.33% 7	210

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

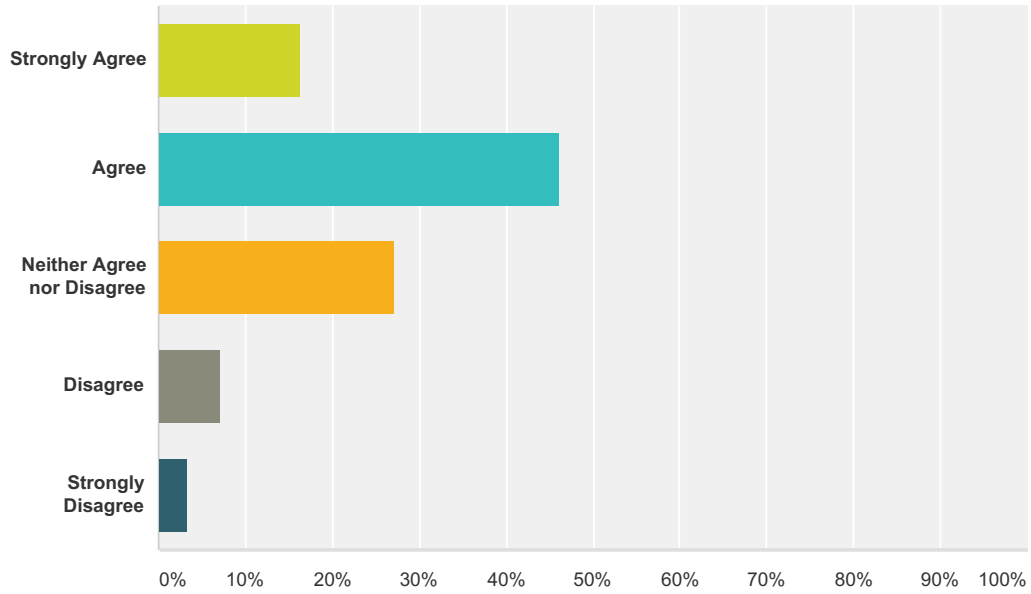
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	20.95% 44
Agree	49.52% 104
Neither Agree nor Disagree	27.62% 58
Disagree	1.43% 3
Strongly Disagree	0.48% 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>

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

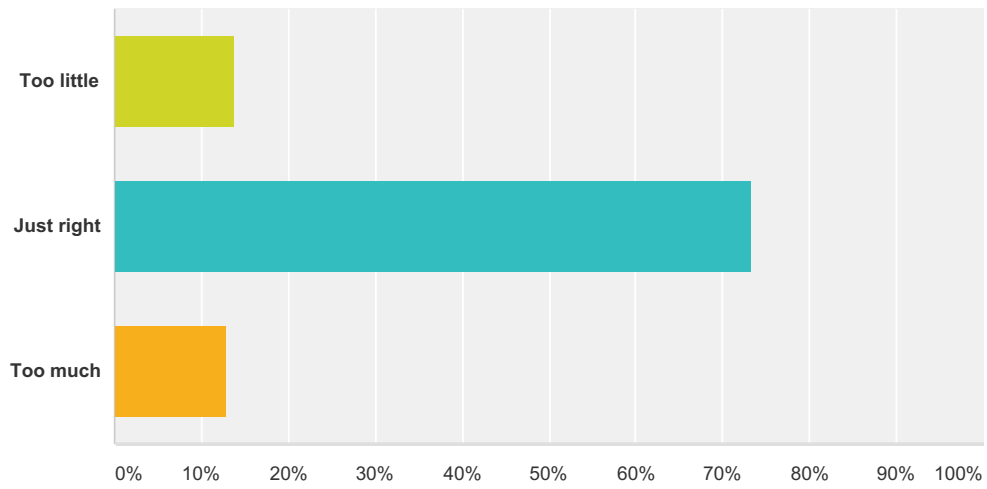
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	16.19%	34
Agree	46.19%	97
Neither Agree nor Disagree	27.14%	57
Disagree	7.14%	15
Strongly Disagree	3.33%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>

### Q14 The amount of homework my child receives is:

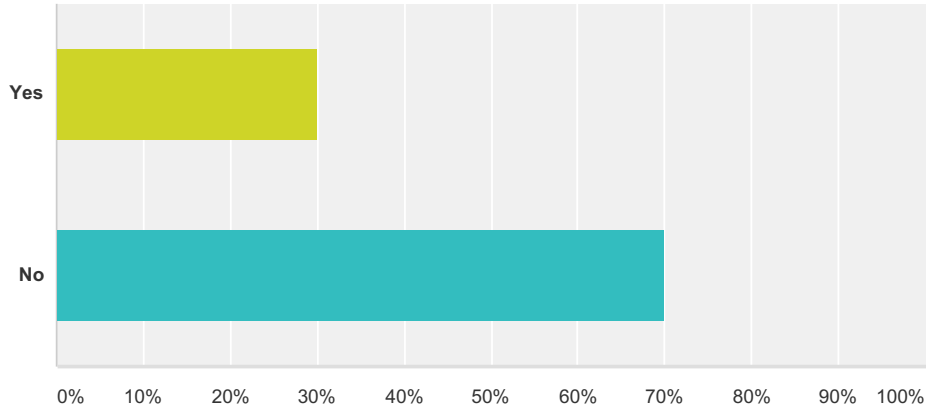
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses	
Too little	13.81%	29
Just right	73.33%	154
Too much	12.86%	27
<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>

**Q15 I supplement my child's education with professional tutoring in core subjects such as math or reading.**

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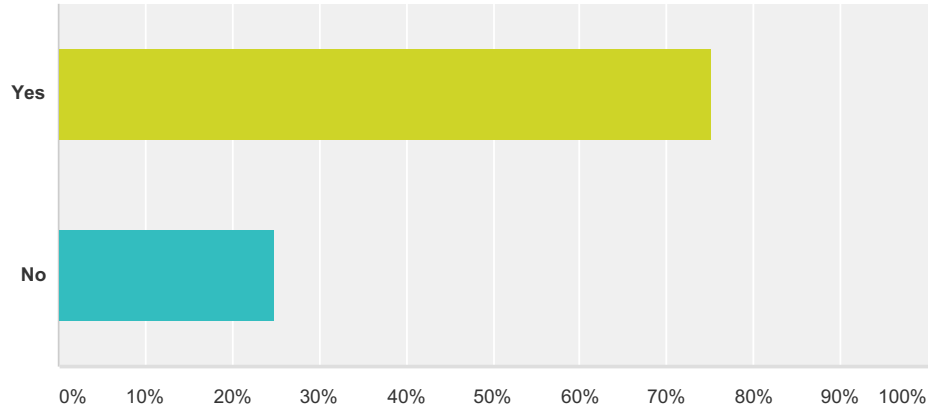


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	30.00% 63
No	70.00% 147
<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>



**Q16 Are you aware that the District teaches students about the responsible use of technology as part of the curriculum?**

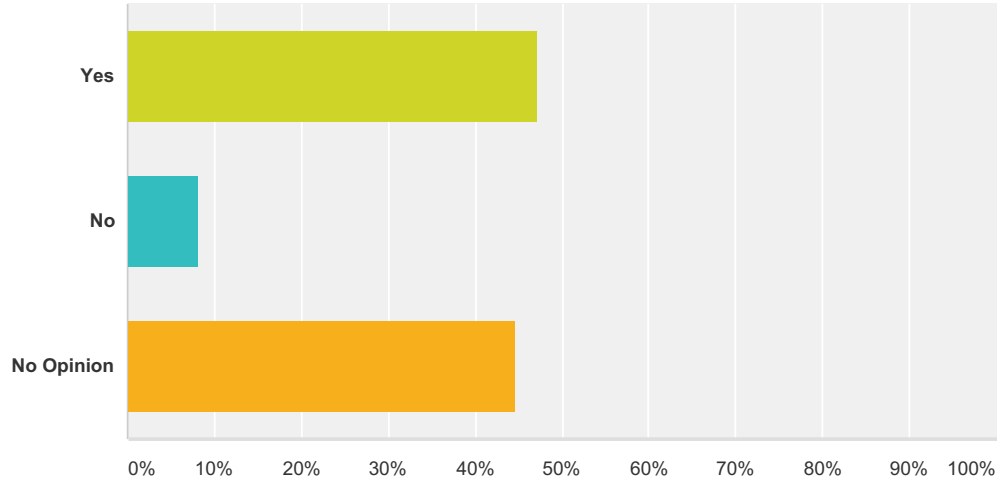
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	75.24% 158
No	24.76% 52
<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>

### Q17 Do you believe the District does a good job of teaching the importance of Internet safety?

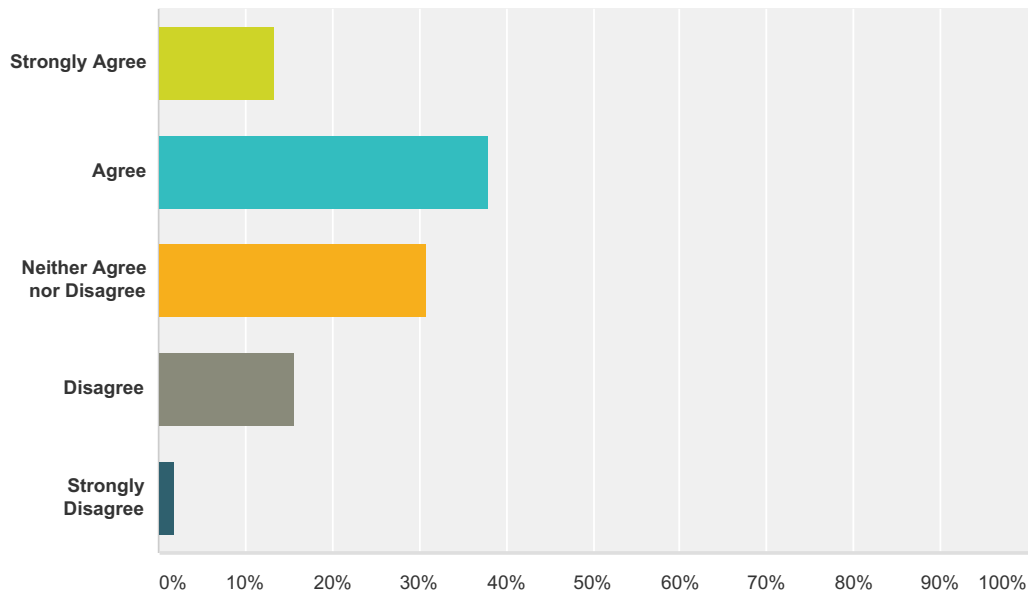
Answered: 159 Skipped: 54



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	47.17% 75
No	8.18% 13
No Opinion	44.65% 71
<b>Total</b>	<b>159</b>

### Q19 I am satisfied with the club and after-school opportunities at my child's school.

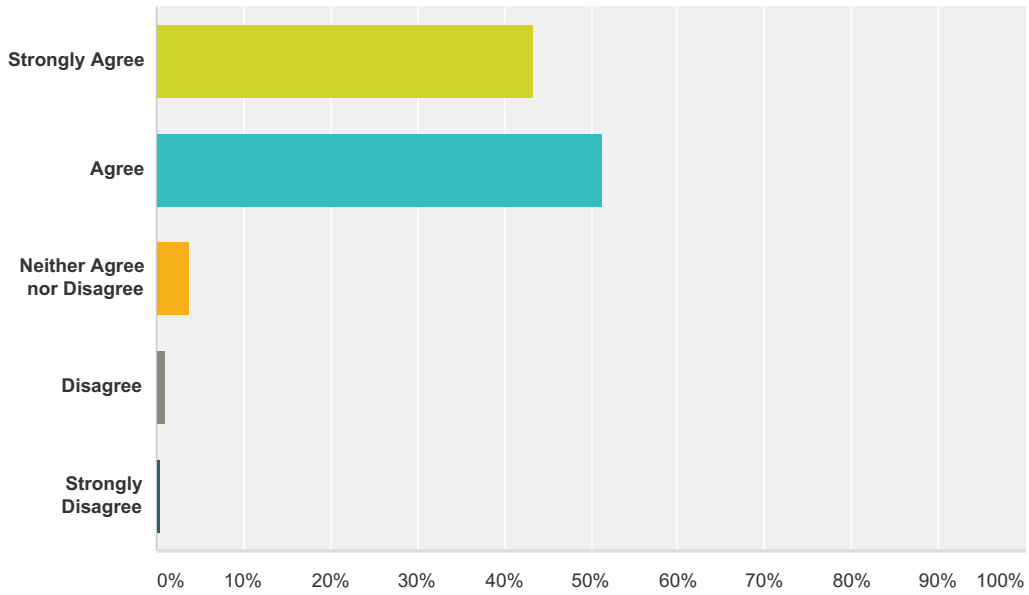
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	13.33%	28
Agree	38.10%	80
Neither Agree nor Disagree	30.95%	65
Disagree	15.71%	33
Strongly Disagree	1.90%	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>

### Q21 My child's school is clean and well-maintained.

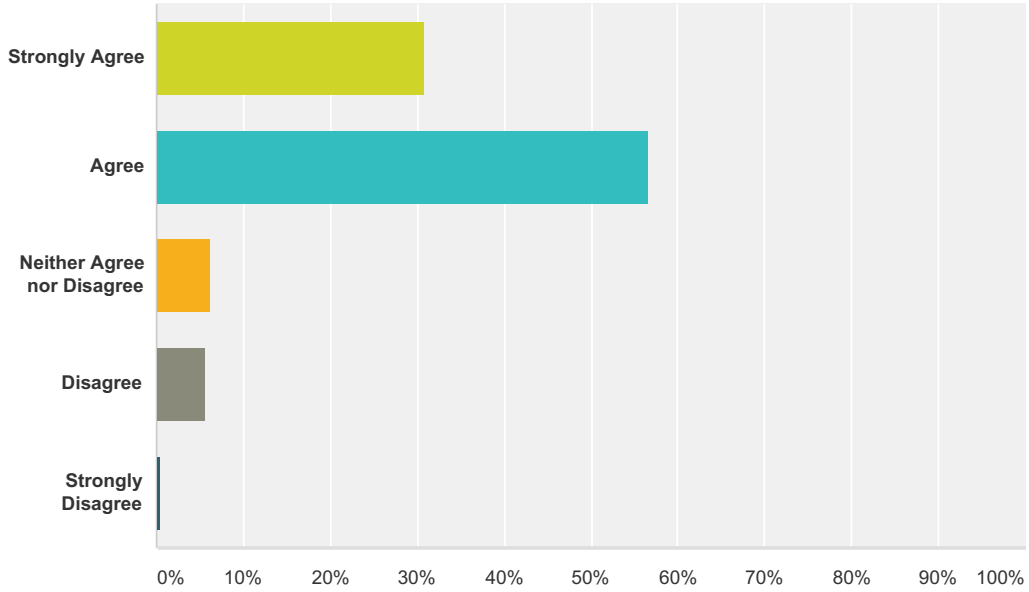
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	43.33% 91
Agree	51.43% 108
Neither Agree nor Disagree	3.81% 8
Disagree	0.95% 2
Strongly Disagree	0.48% 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>

**Q22 I am satisfied with the condition / quality of the physical spaces at my child's school.**

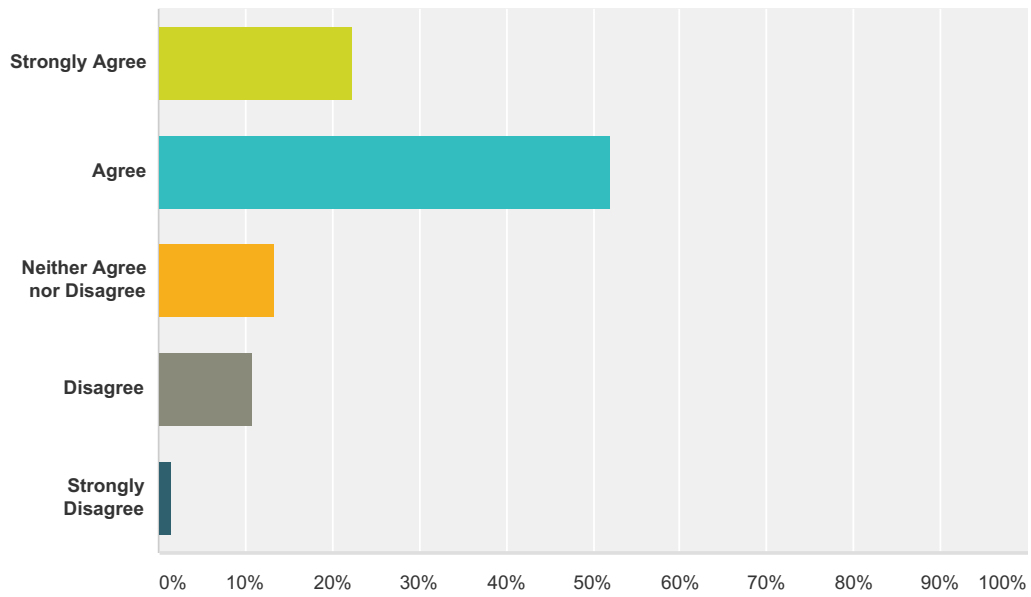
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Strongly Agree	30.95%	65
Agree	56.67%	119
Neither Agree nor Disagree	6.19%	13
Disagree	5.71%	12
Strongly Disagree	0.48%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>

**Q23 The condition / quality of the school's athletic facilities is acceptable.**

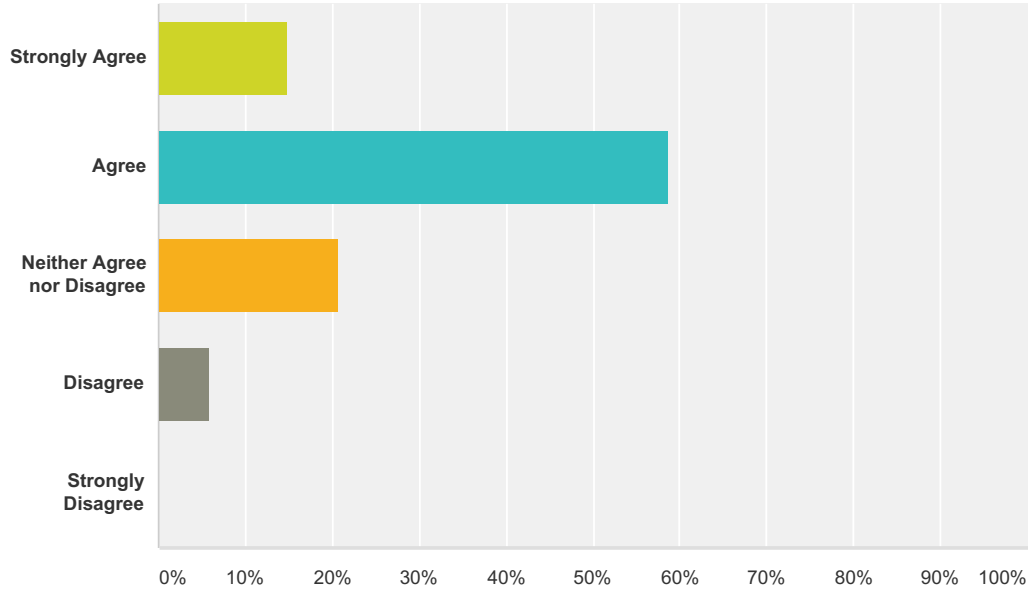
Answered: 210 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	22.38% 47
Agree	51.90% 109
Neither Agree nor Disagree	13.33% 28
Disagree	10.95% 23
Strongly Disagree	1.43% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>

**Q24 The condition / quality of the school's fine and performing arts spaces is acceptable.**

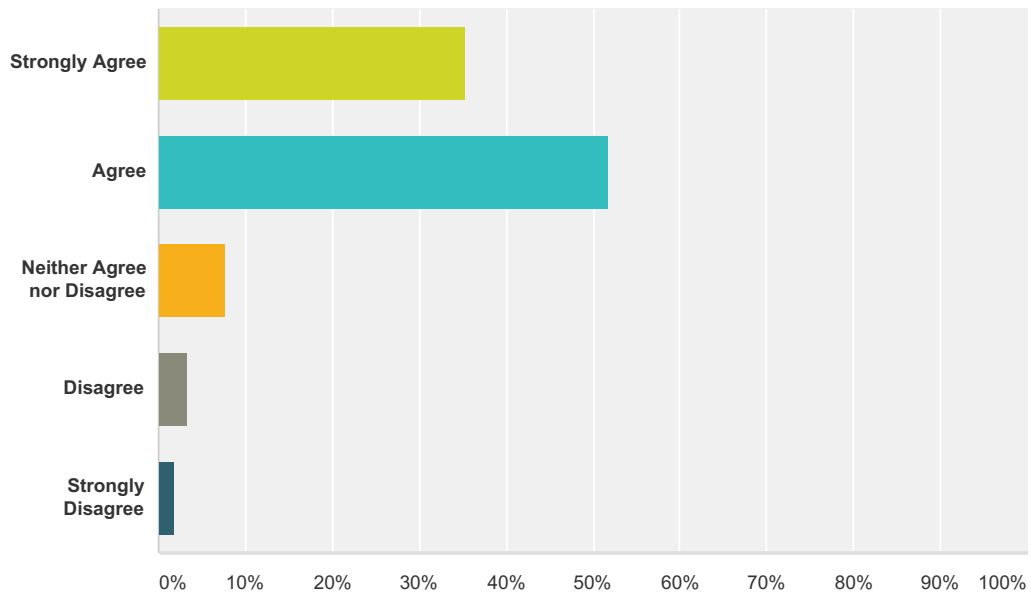
Answered: 208 Skipped: 5



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	14.90%	31
Agree	58.65%	122
Neither Agree nor Disagree	20.67%	43
Disagree	5.77%	12
Strongly Disagree	0.00%	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>208</b>

**Q26 I feel well-informed about the school's programs, services and activities.**

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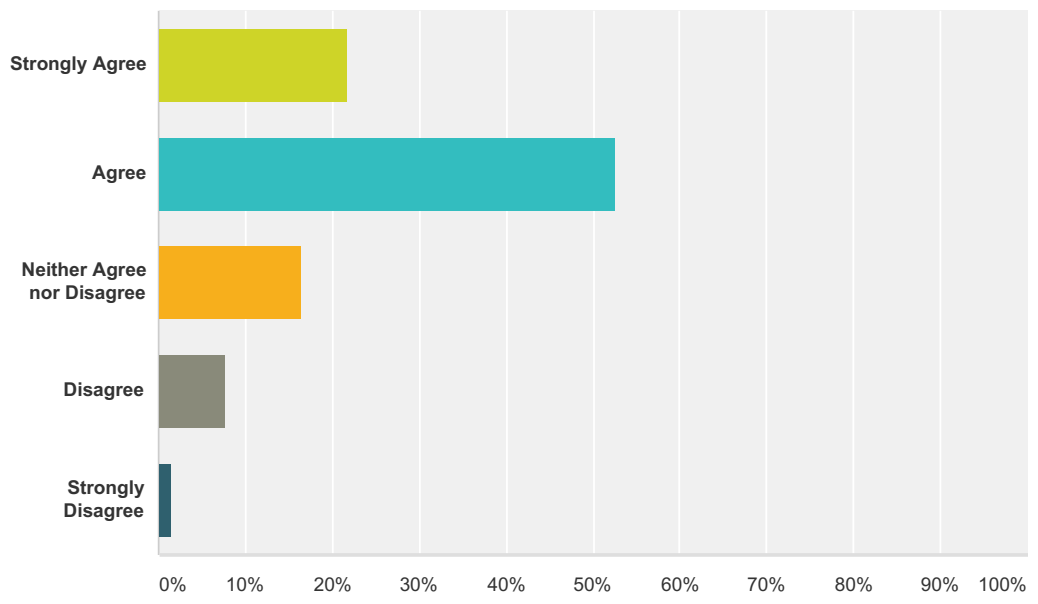


Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	35.27% 73
Agree	51.69% 107
Neither Agree nor Disagree	7.73% 16
Disagree	3.38% 7
Strongly Disagree	1.93% 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>207</b>



**Q27 The school keeps me informed of my child's progress.**

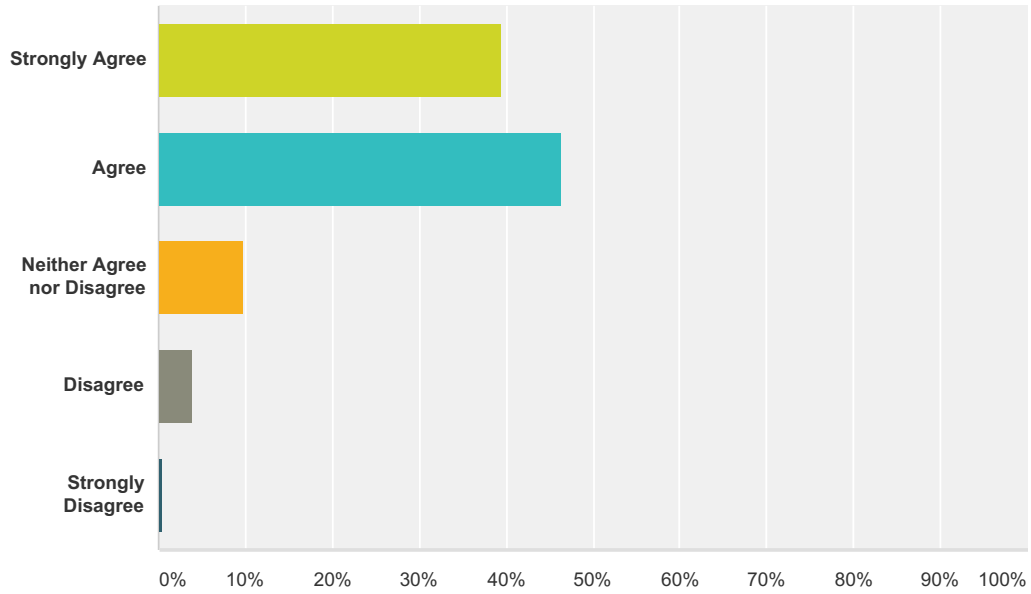
Answered: 207 Skipped: 6



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	21.74% 45
Agree	52.66% 109
Neither Agree nor Disagree	16.43% 34
Disagree	7.73% 16
Strongly Disagree	1.45% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>207</b>

**Q28 School staff members (teachers / principal / support staff) are responsive to my parental concerns.**

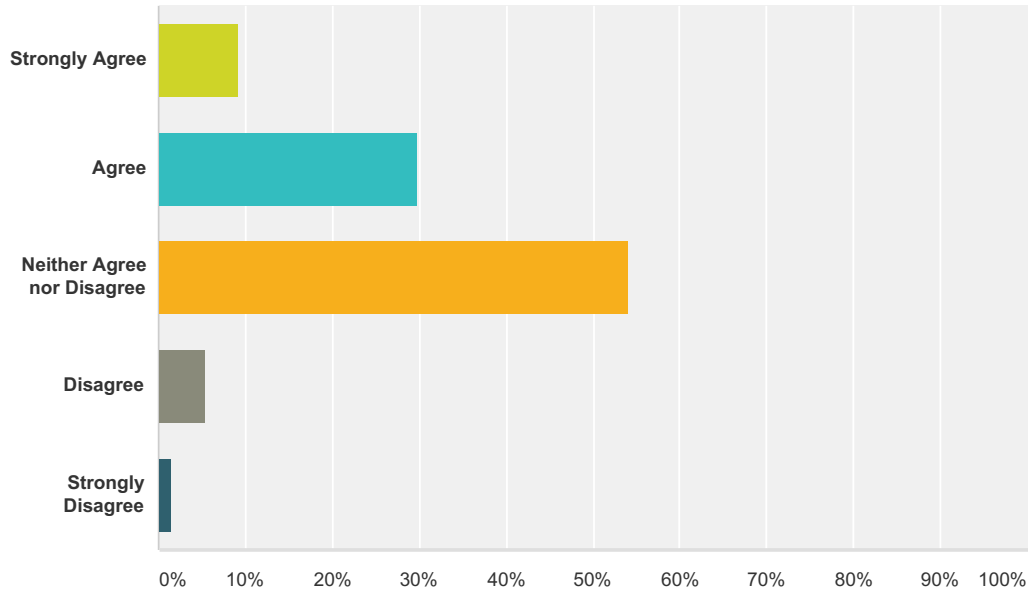
Answered: 205 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly Agree	39.51%	81
Agree	46.34%	95
Neither Agree nor Disagree	9.76%	20
Disagree	3.90%	8
Strongly Disagree	0.49%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>205</b>

**Q29 The district administration and/or Board of Education are responsive to my parental concerns.**

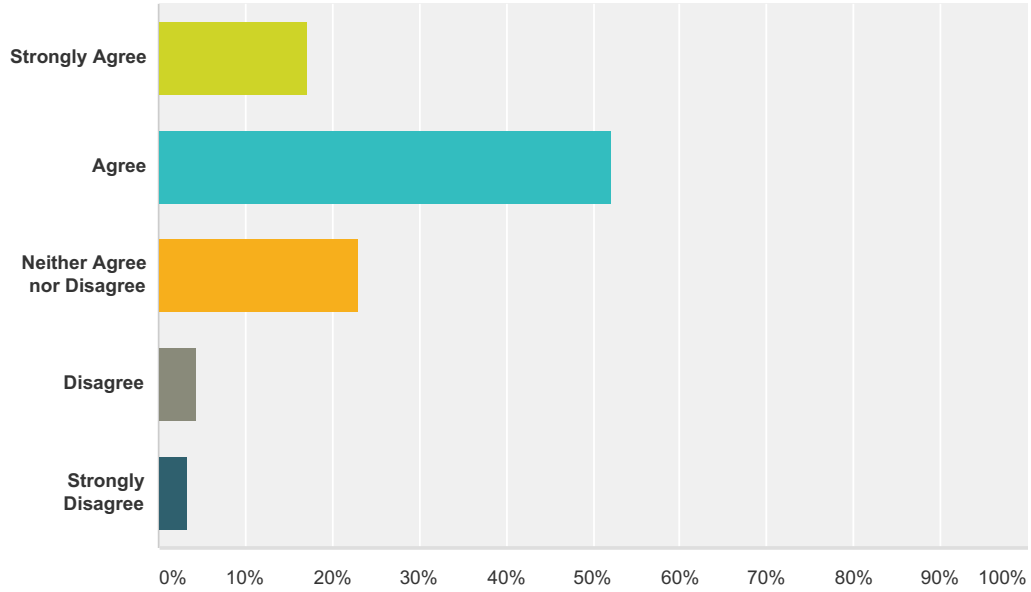
Answered: 205 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	9.27% 19
Agree	29.76% 61
Neither Agree nor Disagree	54.15% 111
Disagree	5.37% 11
Strongly Disagree	1.46% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>205</b>

**Q30 I have sufficient opportunities to express my opinions or concerns regarding my child's school.**

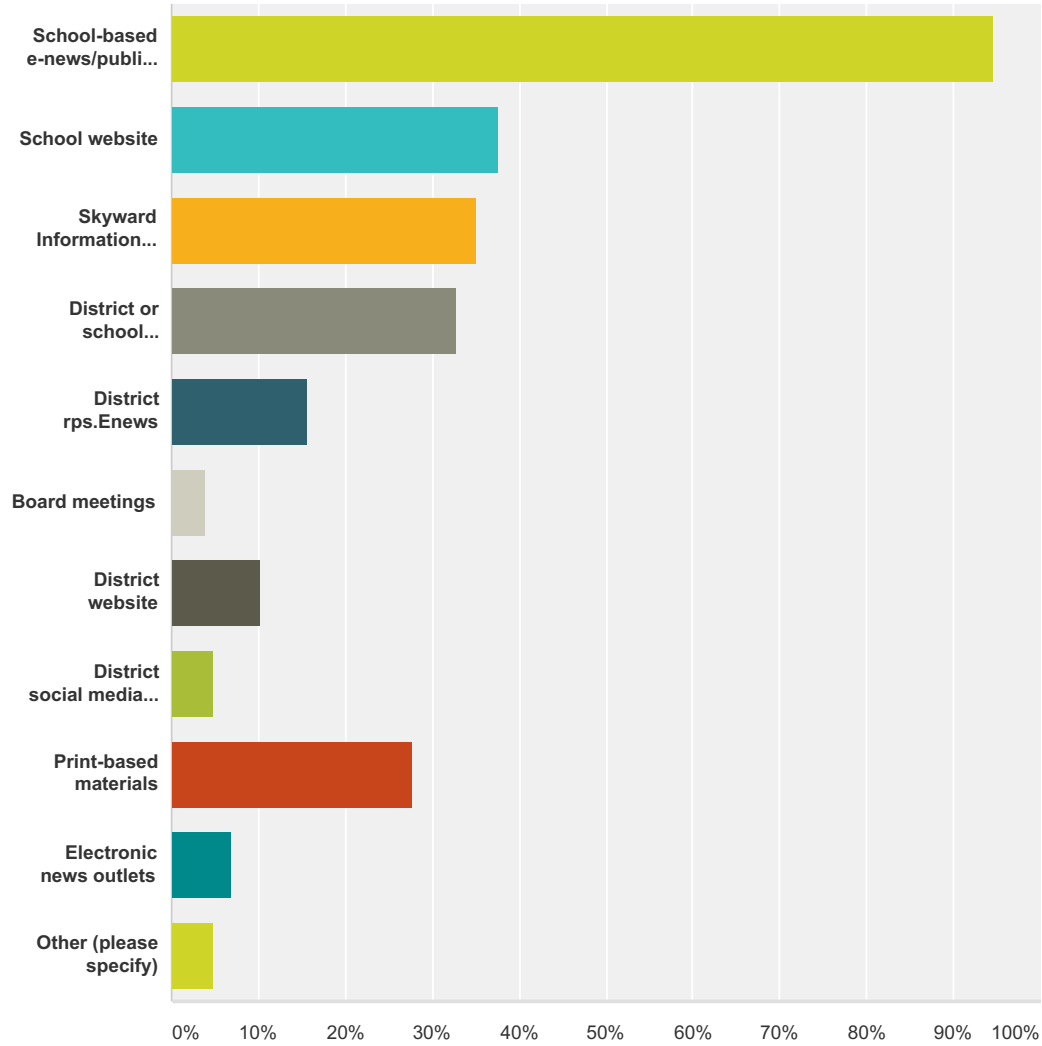
Answered: 205 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Strongly Agree	17.07%	35
Agree	52.20%	107
Neither Agree nor Disagree	22.93%	47
Disagree	4.39%	9
Strongly Disagree	3.41%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>205</b>

### Q31 How do you receive most of your school-related information? (Check all that apply.)

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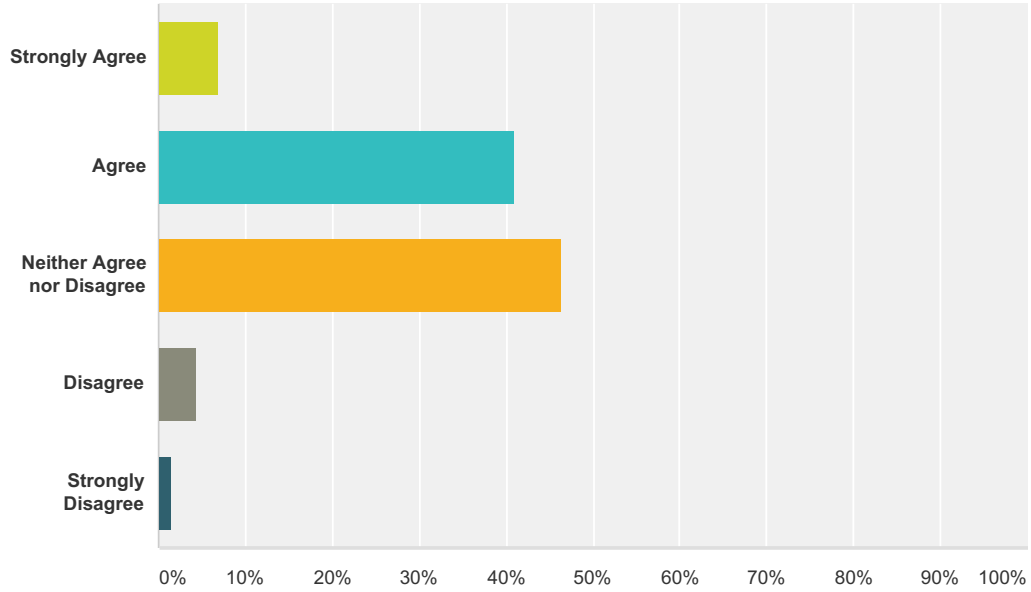
Answer Choices	Responses
School-based e-news/publications	94.63% 194
School website	37.56% 77
Skyward Information System	35.12% 72
District or school e-blasts/robo calls	32.68% 67
District rps.Enews	15.61% 32
Board meetings	3.90% 8
District website	10.24% 21
District social media (Facebook page or Twitter feed)	4.88% 10

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Print-based materials	27.80%	57
Electronic news outlets	6.83%	14
Other (please specify)	4.88%	10
<b>Total Respondents: 205</b>		

**Q32 The new district website (launched Fall 2016) is a useful source for all I need to know about the Ridgewood Public Schools.**

Answered: 205 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	6.83% 14
Agree	40.98% 84
Neither Agree nor Disagree	46.34% 95
Disagree	4.39% 9
Strongly Disagree	1.46% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>205</b>