

Wellesley Public Schools

Family Survey Winter 2023 Family Survey



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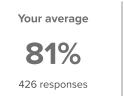
Summary

Topic Description	Results	Benchmark
Barriers to Engagement Factors that can create challenges for families to interact with or become involved with their child's school. Survey-takers responded to the question, "How big of a problem are the following issues for becoming involved with your child's current school?"	81%	20th - 39th percentile compared to others nationally
Family Engagement The degree to which families become involved with and interact with their child's school.	15%	
School Fit Families' perceptions of how well a school matches their child's developmental needs.	59%	
School Safety Perceptions of student physical and psychological safety at school.	77%	

426 responses



Barriers to Engagement



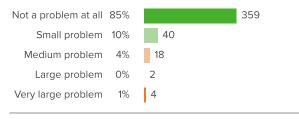
How did people respond?

Q.1: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Childcare needs?

Not a problem at all 64	4%	271
Small problem 18	3%	78
Medium problem 10	0%	43
Large problem	5%	21
Very large problem 2	2%	10

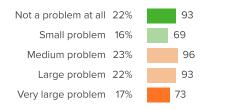
Favorable: 83%

Q.2: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Transportation-related challenges?



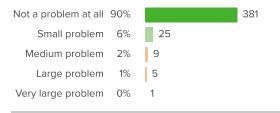
Favorable: 94%

Q.4: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: How busy your schedule is?



Favorable: 38%

Q.3: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Concerns about getting to the school safely?

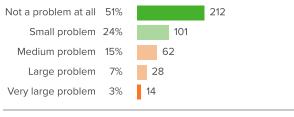


Favorable: 96%

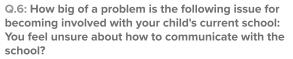


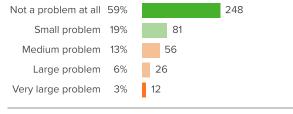


Q.5: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: School staff seem too busy?



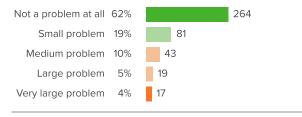
Favorable: 75%





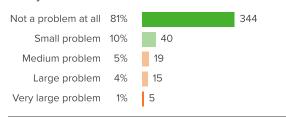
Favorable: 78%

Q.8: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: The school is not welcoming to parents?



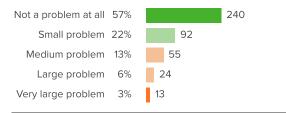
Favorable: 81%

Q.9: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: The school does not communicate well with people from your culture?



Favorable: 91%

Q.10: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: You do not feel a sense of belonging with your child's school community?



Favorable: 78%

involvement opportunities? Not a problem at all 52% 220 Small problem 24% 101 Medium problem 13% 55 Large problem 8% 35

2%

Very large problem

10

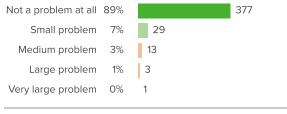
Q.7: How big of a problem is the following issue for

becoming involved with your child's current school: The school provides little information about

Favorable: **76%**

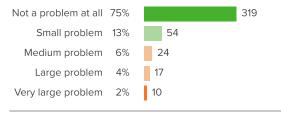


Q.11: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Negative memories of your own school experience?



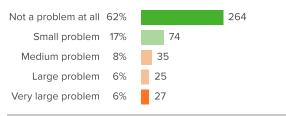
Favorable: 96%

Q.12: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Your child does not want you to contact the school?



Favorable: 88%

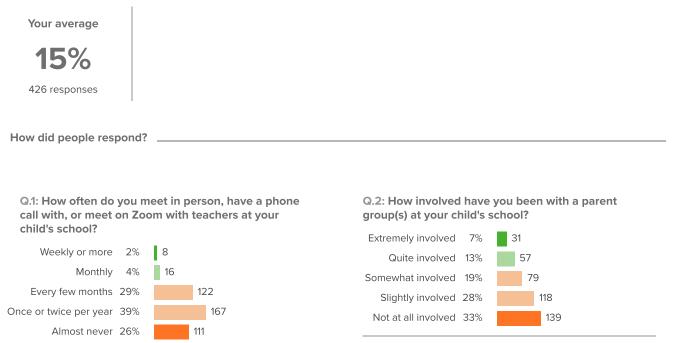
Q.13: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: You worry that adults at the school will treat your child differently if you raise a concern?



Favorable: 80%

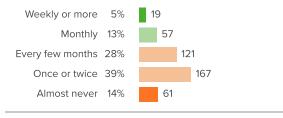


Family Engagement



Favorable: 21%

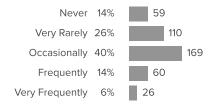
Q.3: In the past year, how often have you visited your child's school, other than drop-off and pick-up?



Favorable: 18%

Favorable: 6%

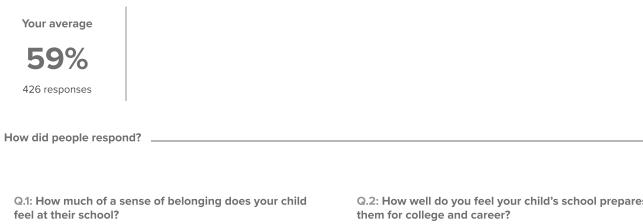
Q.4: How frequently do you rely on other parents/families for important information about your child's school?

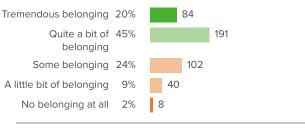






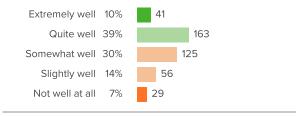
School Fit





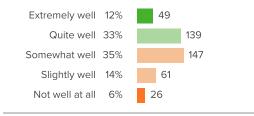
Favorable: 65%

Q.2: How well do you feel your child's school prepares



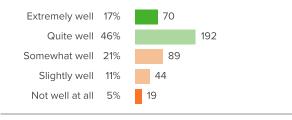
Favorable: 49%

Q.3: How well do the activities offered at your child's school match their interests?



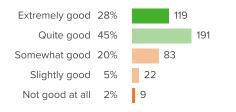
Favorable: 45%

Q.4: At your child's school, how well does the overall approach to discipline work for your child?



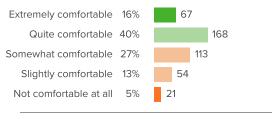
Favorable: 63%

Q.6: Given your child's cultural background, how good a fit is their school?



Favorable: 73%

Q.5: How comfortable is your child in asking for help from school adults?



Favorable: 56%



School Safety

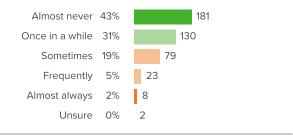
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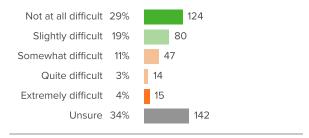
How did people respond?

Q.1: How often do you worry about violence at your child's school?



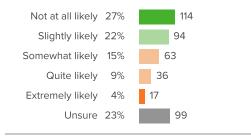
Favorable: 74%

Q.2: If a student is bullied at your child's school, how difficult is it for him/her to get help from an adult?



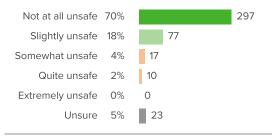
Favorable: 73%

Q.3: How likely is it that someone from your child's school will bully him/her online?



Favorable: 64%

${\tt Q.4:}$ Overall, how unsafe does your child feel at school?

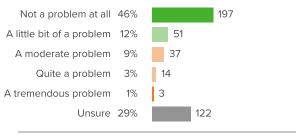


Favorable: 93%





Q.5: To what extent are drugs a problem at your child's school?



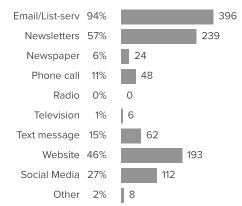
Favorable: 82%



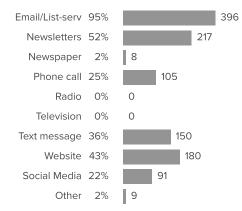
Background Questions

How did people respond?

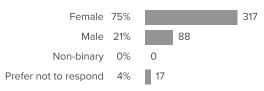
Q.1: Of the following, which source(s) do you use the most to get information about the school/district? Please select all that apply.



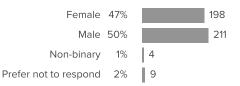
Q.2: What would be the ways you would like the school/district to stay in communication with you?



Q.3: What is your gender?



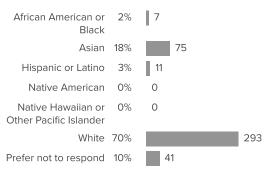
Q.4: What is your child's gender?



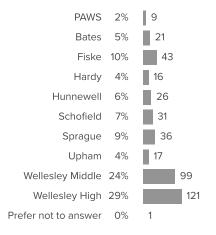




Q.5: What is your race or ethnicity? You may select all that apply.



Q.6: Which school does your child attend?



Q.8: What is your relationship to your child?

Mother	76%			320
Father	22%		91	
Step-mother	0%	0		
Step-father	0%	0		
Grandmother	0%	0		
Grandfather	0%	0		
Aunt	0%	0		
Uncle	0%	0		
Guardian	0%	0		
Other	0%	0		
Prefer not to respond	3%	12		

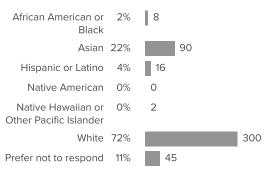
Q.7:	What	grade	is	your	child	in?

Pre-Kindergarten	2%	9
Kindergarten	7%	28
1st grade	6%	26
2nd grade	8%	32
3rd grade	8%	34
4th grade	9%	38
5th grade	8%	32
6th grade	9%	36
7th grade	8%	33
8th grade	7%	28
9th grade	6%	27
10th grade	7%	31
11th grade	7%	31
12th grade	8%	35
18-22 year old program	0%	0
My child no longer attends WPS	0%	0

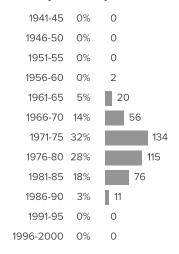




Q.9: What is your child's race or ethnicity? You may select all the apply.



Q.10: In which year were you born?



Q.11: Please indicate the primary language spoken in your childhood home. (Please indicate only one).

Chinese	5%	22
English	80%	337
French	1%	3
Haitian Creole	0%	0
Japanese	1%	4
Korean	1%	3
Portuguese	0%	1
Russian	0%	2
Spanish	1%	3
Vietnamese	0%	0
Other/multiple languages	8%	32
Prefer not to respond	3%	13

 ${\tt Q.12:}$ Please indicate the primary language you speak with your child currently. (Please check only one).

Chinese	4%	17	
English	86%		361
French	1%	3	
Haitian Creole	0%	0	
Japanese	1%	4	
Korean	1%	3	
Portuguese	0%	0	
Russian	0%	0	
Spanish	1%	3	
Vietnamese	0%	0	
Other/multiple languages	5%	21	
Prefer not to respond	2%	8	





Q.13: Please select the highest level of education you have completed.

		0	0%	Did not attend school
		0	0%	Some high school
		1	0%	Graduated from high school
		3	1%	Some college
		4	1%	Graduated from a 2- year college
	101		24%	Graduated from a 4- year college
		16	4%	Some graduate school
173			41%	Completed graduate school
		5	1%	Some doctoral school
	109		26%	Completed doctoral school (e.g., JD, MD, PhD)
		7	2%	Prefer not to respond