## **OVERVIEW**

Research indicates that school climate can be either a positive influence on the learning environment or a significant barrier to learning. Positive school climate has been associated with fewer behavioral problems for students and increased achievement levels for students (Marshall, n.d.). According to Brian Perkins of the National School Boards Association (2006), research shows that improved school climate contributes to a variety of positive outcomes including higher student achievement, higher morale among students and teachers, fewer student dropouts, reduced violence, better community relations, and increased institutional pride. For these reasons, it is important to examine your school's student climate survey results to identify areas in which your campus climate is strong and areas in need of improvement.

This report summarizes the responses from your school's ATSD Student Climate Survey over the Last three years, and provides the current year results for all ATSD schools at your level. The climate survey measures three dimensions of a school's overall climate, called Behavioral Environment, Adult/Student Interactions, and Academic Environment. Each of these three dimensions is made up of several similar concepts that are measured with groups of related items, or subscales.

## **CAMPUS RESULTS**

Allan	06-07	168	93.9%
All Elementary Schools	06-07	16,108	

Average response scores for your campus over the last three years and for all schools at your level this year are presented below for the climate dimensions and their corresponding subscales. Higher average scores indicate a more positive school climate.

**Average Dimension and Subscale Scores** 

Dimension and Subscale	Allan	Allan	Allan	All Elementary Schools
	04-05	05-06	06-07	06-07
Behavioral Environment	3.01	3.12	3.12	3.33
Peer Behavior	2.67	2.85	2.77	3.04
Behavioral Expectations	3.20	3.26	3.51	3.60
School Safety and Cleanliness	3.22	3.30	3.22	3.46
Adult/Student Interactions	3.38	3.53	3.50	3.57
Teacher Support and Engagement	3.41	3.55	3.45	3.48
Adult Fairness and Respect	3.36	3.50	3.54	3.63
Academic Environment	3.44	3.54	3.41	3.52
Academic Standards	3.72	3.77	3.78	3.81
Academic Self-Confidence	3.35	3.46	3.30	3.44

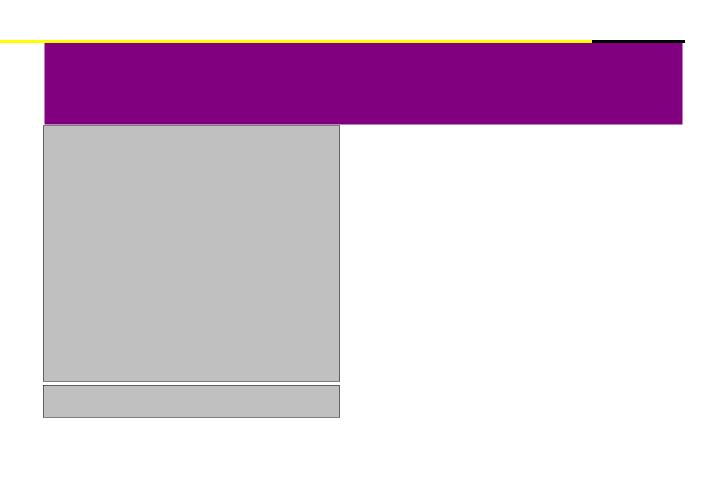
Note: Scores may range from 1 (lowest) to 4 (highest). Up arrows indicate statistically meaningful increase (based on Cohen's D calculation of effect size) from the previous year; down arrows indicate statistically meaningful decrease from the previous year.

If the average score for your campus has increased in a particular area, please consider campus policies and practices that may be responsible for these improvements. Conversely, if the average score has decreased, please examine any changes on your campus that may account for these declines and consider possible strategies for improvement. Page 6 contains more information about ways to improve school climate.

Scores for your campus this year should be examined relative to the scores for all schools at your level. If your school's average score for a dimension or subscale is lower than the average for all schools at your level, individual item responses will help you to identify areas for targeted improvement efforts. Alternatively, if your school's average score for this year is higher than the average for all schools at your level, individual item responses will provide more detailed information regarding specific areas of strength to help you identify successful strategies.

The following pages contain response averages for each survey item, grouped by subscale. More detailed information regarding the percentage of students selecting each response option may be found in the Appendix at the end of this report.

	Allan	Allan	Allan	All Elementary Schools
	3.27	3.42	3.31	3.36
12. My teachers always make sure that students	3.18	3.22	3.72	3.82
	3.15	3.26	3.45	3.58



Average Response for Adult Fairness and Respect Items

Adult Fairness and Respect Items	Allan 04-05	Allan 05-06	Allan 06-07	All Elementary Schools 06-07
Teachers at this school care about their students.	3.64	3.81	3.81	3.88
4. Teachers at this school care about their students.	3.04	3.01	3.01	3.00
5. Adults at this school listen to student ideas and opinions	3.34	3.43	3.38	3.49
6. Adults at this school treat all students fairly.	3.30	3.36	3.63	3.59
7. The staff in the front office show respect to students.	3.64	3.68	3.79	3.81
10. The school rules are fair.	3.23	3.44	3.37	3.53
11. The consequences for breaking school rules are the same for everyone.	3.12	3.45	3.30	3.45
39. I get the grades I deserve on my class work.	3.35	3.48	3.45	3.63
40. My teachers are fair with students.	3.24	3.44	3.57	3.64
41. My teachers are fair to everyone.	3.35	3.59	3.51	3.65
Adult Fairness and Respect Average	3.36	3.50	3.54	3.63

## ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT

A total of fourteen items measure the rigor of academic expectations and students' sense of academic efficacy. Two subscales, labeled "Academic Standards" and "Academic Self-Confidence", comprise the dimension called Academic Environment. Results for the subscales and individual items comprising each subscale are presented below. Item numbers in each table correspond to the numbers on the survey.

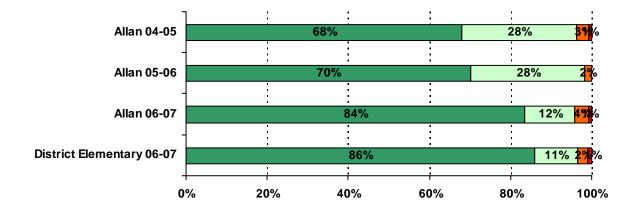
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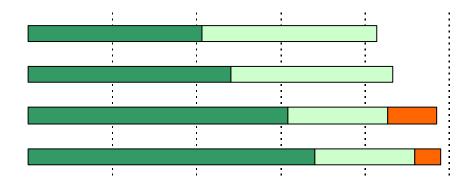
Three items comprise this subscale, which measures teachers' expectations for students and their work. Average scores for each item and for the subscale are reflected in the table below.

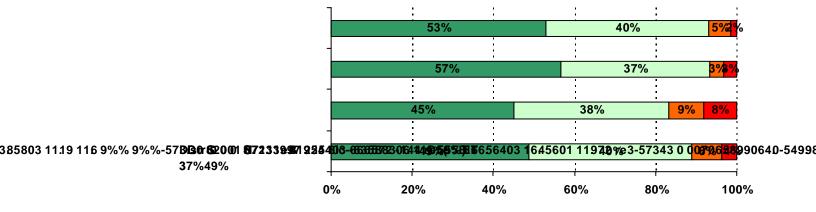
Academic Standards Items	Allan 04-05	Allan 05-06	Allan 06-07	All Elementary Schools 06-07
19. My teachers expect me to do my best work.	3.82	3.81	3.88	3.93
20. My teachers challenge me to do better.	3.67	3.73	3.72	3.65
21. My teachers expect me to finish my homework on time.	3.74	3.78	3.79	3.87
Academic Standards Average	3.72	3.77	3.78	3.81

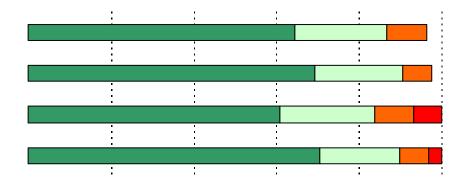
Academic Self-Confidence Items	Allan	Allan	Allan	All Elementary Schools
	04-05	05-06	06-07	06-07
22. I can listen well and understand the thoughts and feelings of other students.	3.45	3.47	3.20	3.34
23. I can explain my thoughts and feelings clearly in discussions.	3.18	3.29	2.93	3.11
24. I can explain my thoughts and feelings clearly in writing.	3.32	3.39	2.95	3.20
Academic Self-Confidence Average	3.35	3.46	3.30	3.44

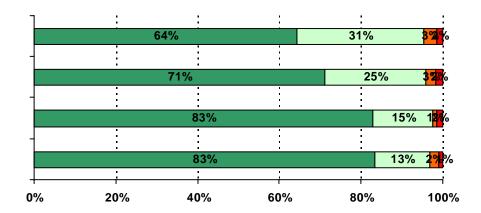
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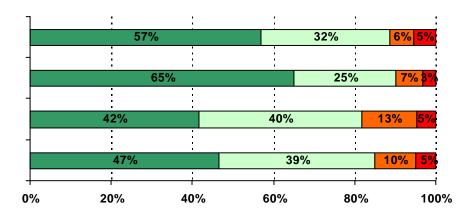












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