Dimension and Subscale				
				<b>3.04</b> 2.79
School Safety and Cleanliness  Adult/Student Interactions  Teacher Support and Engagement  Adult Fairness and Respect	3.27 3.49	3.19 3.48	3.43 3.59	3.27 3.41
Academic Standards				

First, examine your campus scores for changes over time. Green upward-facing arrows indicate a statistically meaningful increase in average score from the previous year, red downward-facing arrows indicate a statistically meaningful decrease from the previous year. It is particularly important to examine the individual item responses on the following pages for any subscales with meaningful changes from year to year. If you do not see any arrows, changes in your school's dimension or subscale scores may not represent meaningful differences from year to 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.

#### BEHAVIORAL ENVIRONMENT

A total of ten items on the survey assess the dimension called Behavioral Environment, the social and physical school environment, including students' peer interactions, their expectations about school rules and their enforcement, and school safety and cleanliness. Behavioral Environment is comprised of three subscales, labeled "Peer Behavior," "Behavioral Expectations," and "School Safety and Cleanliness." Results for the three subscales and the individual items composing each subscale are presented below. Item numbers in each table correspond to the numbers on the survey.

#### Peer Behavior:

This subscale contains four items that describe the respect and caring among students and the extent to which students obey the school rules. Average scores for each item and for the subscale are reflected in the table below.

### Average Response for Peer Behavior Items

Peer Behavior Items	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson	All Elementary Schools
	03-04	04-05	05-06	05-06
1. Students in my school respect each other.	2.60	2.77	2.75	2.74
2. Students at my school respect other students who are different than they are.	2.70	2.86	3.07	2.87
3. I am happy with the way students treat me at school.	2.88	3.00	3.11	2.98
14. Students at my school obey the school rules.	2.35	2.75	2.74	2.54
Peer Behavior Average	2.66	2.86	2.94	2.79

Teacher Support and Engagement Items	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson	All Elementary Schools
	03-04	04-05	05-06	05-06
18. Teachers give rewards or praise for good behavior.	3.52	3.48	3.62	3.37
31. Teachers give rewards or praise for good work.	3.43	3.50	3.57	3.33
27. My teachers are excited about what they teach.	3.50	3.49	3.50	3.41

Average Response for Adult Fairness and Respect Items

Adult Fairness and Respect Items	Dawson Dawson 03-04 04-05		Dawson 05-06	All Elementary Schools 05-06
4. Teachers at this school care about their students.	3.74	3.76	3.76	3.71
5. Adults at this school listen to student ideas and opinions	3.44	3.24	3.41	3.31
6. Adults at this school treat all students fairly.	3.32	3.27	3.41	3.28
7. The staff in the front office respect students.	3.55	3.65	3.81	3.60
10. The school rules are fair.	3.41	3.49	3.53	3.30
11. The punishment for breaking the rules is the same no matter who you are.	3.21	3.50	3.45	3.29
39. I get the grades I deserve on my class work.	3.60	3.52	3.60	3.45
40. My teachers are fair with students.	3.50	3.55	3.56	3.40
41. My teachers apply classroom rules fairly to all students.	3.59	3.62	3.71	3.49
Adult Fairness and Respect Average	3.49	3.49	3.58	3.41

## 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.

### Academic Standards:

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.

Average Response for Academic Standards Items

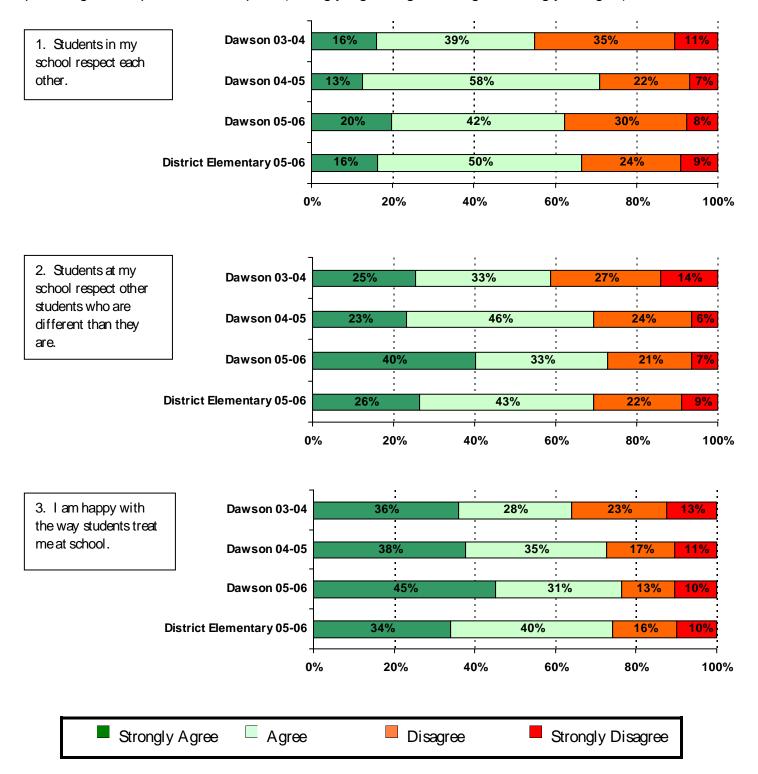
Academic Standards I tems	Dawson 03-04	Dawson 04-05	Dawson 05-06	All Elementary Schools 05-06
19. My teachers expect me to do my best work.	3.83	3.81	3.90	3.80
20. My teachers challenge me to do better.	3.66	3.72	3.74	3.56
21. My teachers expect me to get my homework assignments done on time.	3.74	3.77	3.87	3.75
Academic Standards Average	3.74	3.76	3.84	3.70

	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson	All Elementary Schools
22. I have learned how to listen better so I can	3.44	3.40	3.56	3.41
23. I have learned how to explain my ideas more clearly to others in discussions.	3.40	3.37	3.38	3.29
24. I have learned how to explain my ideas in writing more clearly.	3.38	3.35	3.47	3.34

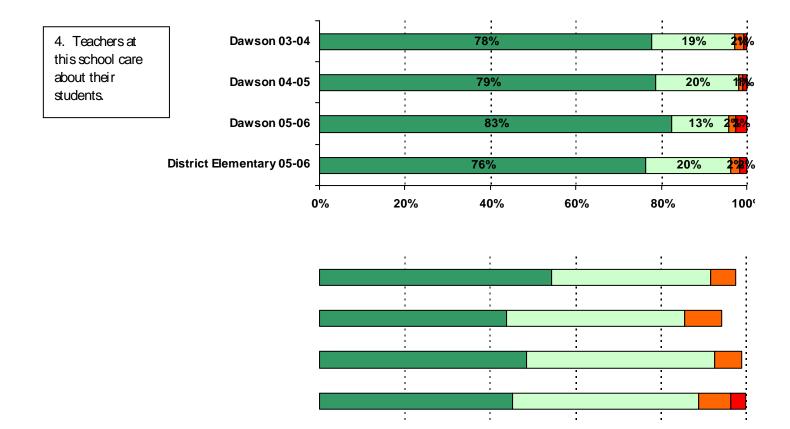
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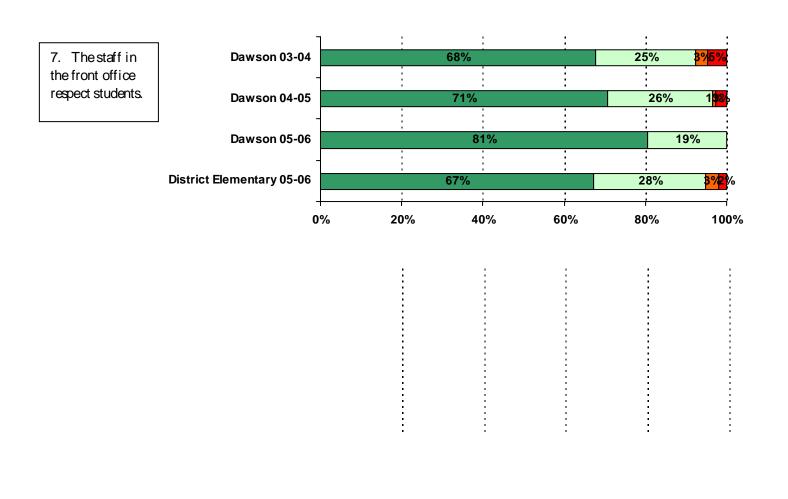
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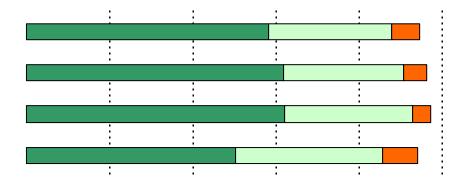
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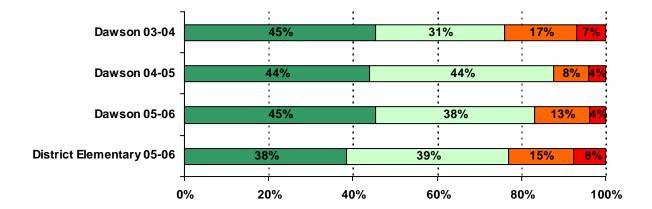


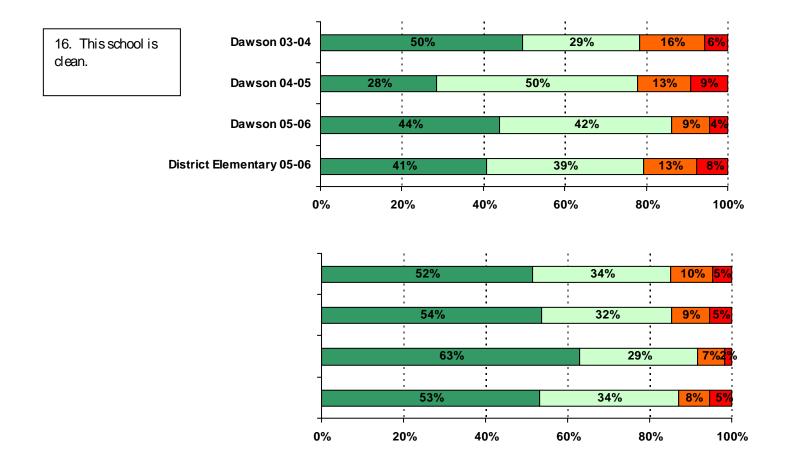
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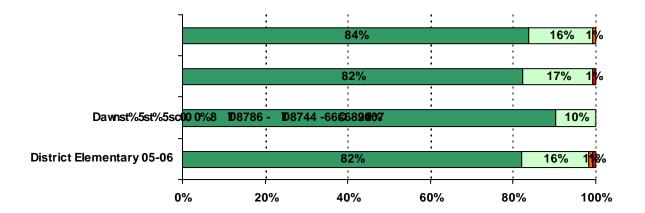


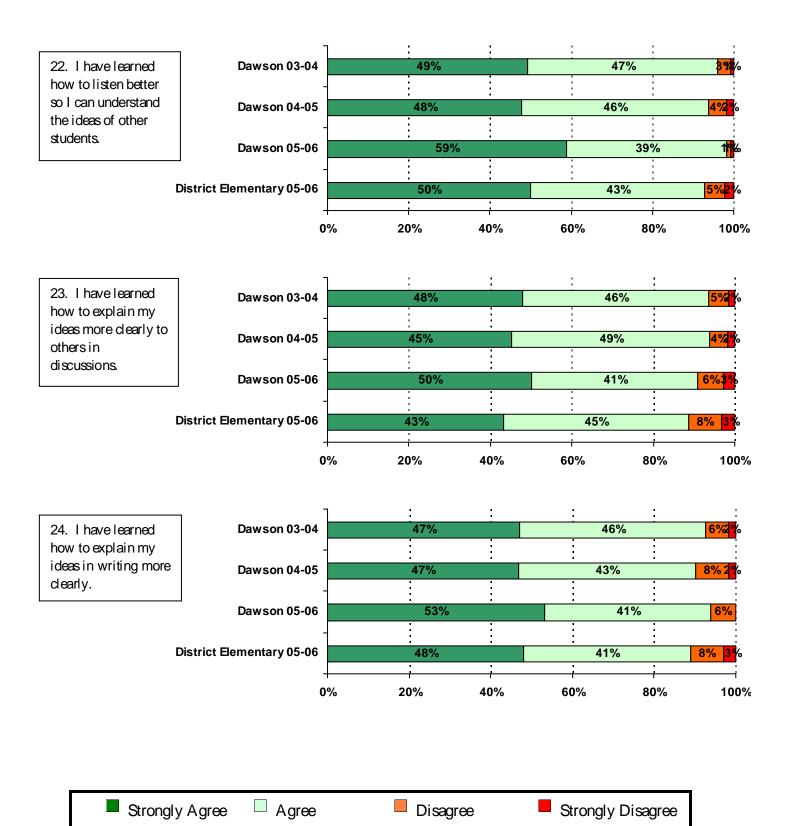




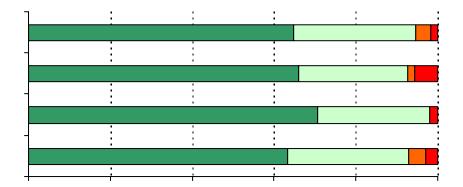


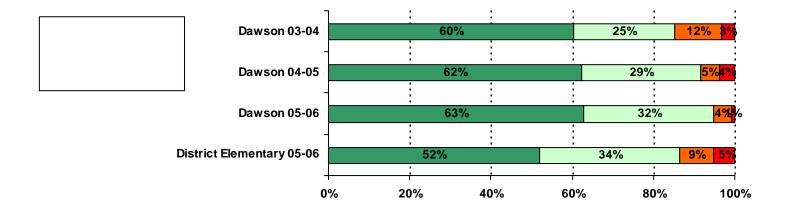


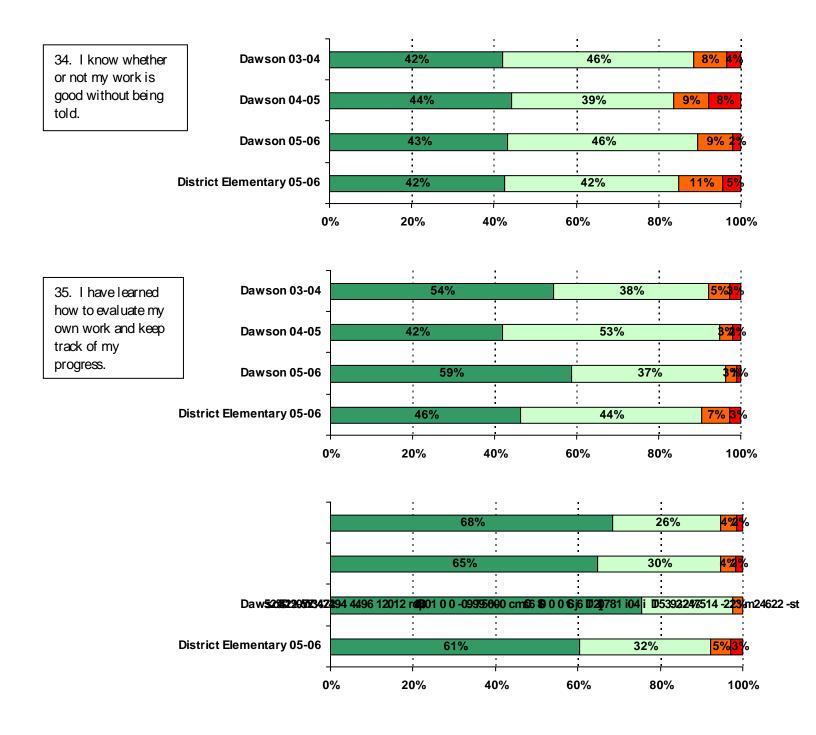


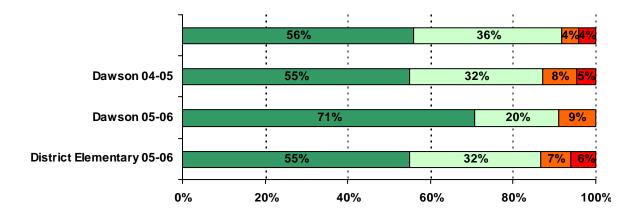


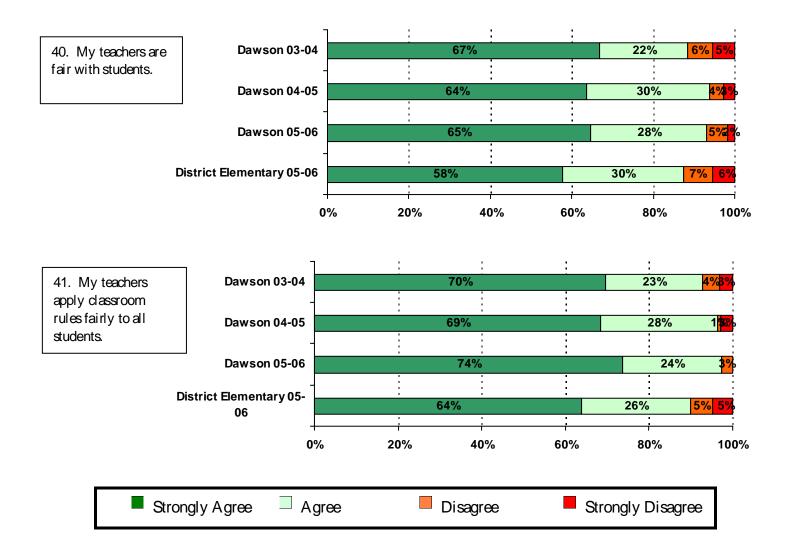
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