Survey Report

In Fall 2009, 68% of teachers from Gullett responded to the survey. Figure 3 represents the percentage of respondents at Gullett (depicted in dark green) and across all Elementary Schools (light blue) who identified themselves as teachers, classified/support staff, or administrators and non-teaching professionals, plus the number who did not specify a staff role. This information will help you to generalize the findings to the rest of your campus community.

Staff results for Gullett for the 2009-10 school year year are highlighted on the next page. Please pay close attention to the call-out boxes that appear in red and green as they highlight specific campus climate areas that Gullett can improve, as well as areas in which Gullett excels. You may visit the following websites for resources and tips on how to improve campus climate in general, and specific resources for improving the area of Gullett's lowest subscale score are provided on the next page.

http://www.schoolclimate.org/climate/council.php

http://www.turningpts.org/pdf/Family.pdf

http://www.schoolsecurity.org/

http://ccsr.uchicago.edu

The appendix provides you with more detailed information regarding Gullett's campus climate from 2007-08 through 2009-10. Please review the individual items on each subscale with particular attention to how Gullett's average ratings have changed or remained consistent over time. To indicate which changes are most meaningful from year to year, statistically meaningful



The graphs below depict Gullett's staff climate ratings over time, as well staff climate ratings across all Elementary Schools in 2009-10. Scores over 3.0 are desirable, as indicated by the red dashed line in the graphs below. The first step in improving campus climate is to examine the score for each area (Figure 2).

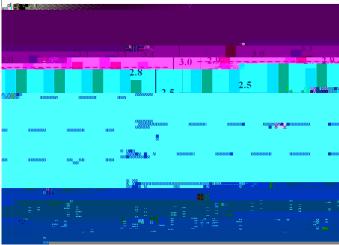
For 2009-10, Gullett staff rated **Community Engagement** the highest of all climate areas. Alternatively, Gullett staff rated **Collegial Leadership** the lowest of all climate areas. In the appendix, you will find the individual items that make up **Community Engagement** and **Collegial Leadership**. Examine these items and consider possible areas for campus improvement. Make note of any item with an arrow, which indicates an average rating that is meaningfully higher or lower than that of the previous year. Discuss these areas of strength and challenge with staff, and note the ways in which initiatives on campus have addressed or could address these issues during the current or next school year.

Figure 2. Campus Climate Subscales for Gullett from 2007-08 through 2009-10

Gullett's highest subscale on the 2009-10 staff climate survey was Community Engagement, which refers to the extent to which the school has fostered a productive relationship with its community and can count on involvement and support from parents and community members. This subscale also measures the degree to which the school provides the community with information about its accomplishments.

Figure 3. Campus Climate Subscales for Gullett and all Elementary Schools, 2009-10

Gullett's lowest subscale score on the 2009-10 staff climate survey was Collegial Leadership, which measures the extent to which principals treat teachers and staff with openness, egalitarianism, and friendliness and set clear expectations for performance. Collegial Leadership has been linked to student academic achievement. For tips on ways to improve this aspect of school climate, please visit: http://www.calstatela.edu/centers/schoolclimate/research/#climate research



Note. The blue bars represent 2009-10 data for all Elementary Schools and the green bars represent 2009-10 data for Gullett Elementary School.

- 2. The principal explores all sides of topics and admits that other opinions exist.
- 10. The principal puts suggestions made by faculty into operation.
- 11. The principal treats all faculty members as his or her equal.
- 16. The principal lets faculty know what is expected of them.
- 18. The principal is willing to make changes.
- 22. The principal maintains definite standards for performalerfemake



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Achievement Press Subscale Items	2007-08	Gullett 2008-09	2009-10	All Elementary Schools
3. The school sets high standards for academic performance.	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.5
6. Teachers in this school believe that their students have the ability to achieve academically.	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.4
7. Parents exert pressure to maintain high standards.	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.4
8. Academic achievement is recognized and	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.3
acknowledged by the school.13. Parents press for school improvement.15. Students in this school can achieve the goals	3.0 3.4	2.9 3.5	2.6 3.3	2.4
that have been set for them. 19. Students respect others who get good grades. 25. Students seek extra work so they can get good.	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.1 3.0
grades.	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.3
32. Students try hard to improve on previous work.	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.7
34. The learning environment is orderly and serious.	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.1
Achievement Press Subscale	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.9

Note: It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Professional Teacher Behavior Subscale Items	2007-08	Gullett 2008-09	2009-10	All Elementary Schools
4. Teachers help and support each other.	3.2	3.4	3.0	3.3
12. Teachers respect the professional	3.1	3.2	2.9	3.1
competence of their colleagues.			_	7
14. The interactions between faculty	3.4	3.3	2.9	3.1
members are cooperative.				
17. Teachers in this school exercise	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.2
professional judgment.	2.4	2.4		7
21. Teachers go the extra mile with their	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.4
students.	2.0	2.2	-	_
23. Teachers provide strong social support	3.0	3.3	3.1	3.1
for colleagues.	2.1	20	2.7	7 21
33. Teachers accomplish their jobs with	3.1	2.9	2.7	3.1
enthusiasm.	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5
36. Teachers show commitment to their	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5
students.	3.3	2.2	2.1	2.2
Professional Teacher Behavior Subscale	5.5	3.3	3.1	3.2

Note: It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

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General Climate Subscale Items		Gullett]	All Elementary
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Schools
24. Campus staff are friendly to each other.	3.3		3.1	3.3
27. Campus staff exhibit pride in their affiliation with the school.	3.3		3.2	3.2
28. Campus staff are willing to go out of their way to help.	3.2		2.9	3.2
29. Campus staff accomplish their jobs with enthusiasm.	3.2		2.7	3.0
30. Campus staff are committed to their jobs.	3.3		3.1	3.3
37. The goals of my school are made clear.	3.0		2.8	3.3
General Climate Subscale	3.2		3.0	3.2

Note: It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

To the best of your knowledge, how often do the following events occur at your school?	2007-08	Gullett	2009-10	All Elementary
				Schools
50. Student racial tension	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.9
51. Student bullying	1.6	1.9	1.6	1.8
52. Widespread disorder in classrooms	0.3	0.6	0.7	1.0
53. Student acts of disrespect for Teachers	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.7
54. Student acts of disrespect for Nonteaching	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.5
Professional or Administrative Staff				
55. Student acts of disrespect for Classified or	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.5
Support Staff				
56. Gang activities	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5

Note: It is desirable to have a response of **less than** 2.0

How satisfied are you with the way	Gul	lett	All
your campus addresses:	2008-09	2009-10	Elementary Schools
57a. Student Behavior	3.2	3.2	3.1
57b. Classroom Management	3.3	3.2	3.3
57c. Common Area Management	3.5	2.9	3.2
Behavior Management Subscale	3.3	3.1	3.2

Note: It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.



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To the best of your knowledge, how often do the following events occur at your school?	Gullett 2008-09 2009-10 No Yes No Yes		All Elementary Schools No Yes			
58. There is a behavior support team (other than PBS or IMPACT) on my campus.	n/a	n/a	25%	75%	25%	75%
59. I am regularly updated about PBS activities/progress.	n/a	n/a	31%	69%	27%	73%
60. I have used PBS strategies in the classroom/common area.	n/a	n/a	3%	97%	15%	86%
61. I know how to refer students to campus resources such as IMPACT, behavior support specialists, School to Community Liaisons, etc.	6%	81%	3%	92%	8%	92%
62. I feel there is consistent reinforcement of commendable student behavior on my campus.	8%	84%	16%	84%	21%	80%
63. I know how to refer students to external agencies such as Communities in Schools (CIS), Safe Place, etc.	19%	54%	23%	77%	27%	73%
Average Percentage	9%	76%	17%	83%	26%	74%

Data Vision. These two items were new to the survey this year and addressed the extent to which teachers utilize student data in their work. Response options ranged from strongly disagree (1) to strongly agree (4). High scores indicate higher levels of data vision.

Data Vision	Gullett 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
40. There are clear goals and structures for teaching and learning in AISD.	3.2	3.2
41. There is a clear vision for the use of data to inform education in AISD.	3.1	3.1
Total Data Use Subscale	3.1	3.2

Note: It is desirable to have a response of 3.0 or higher.

Teacher Support. These eight items were new to the survey this year and addressed the extent to which teachers feel valued for their contributions on campus, for their hard work and generally supported on their campus. Response options ranged from strongly disagree (1) to strongly agree (4). High scores indicate higher levels of appreciation.

Teacher Support	Gullett 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
42. My school values my contribution to its well-being.	2.9	3.2
43. My school appreciates my extra effort.	2.9	3.1
44. My school does not ignore my complaints.	2.7	3.0
45. My school really cares about my well-being.	3.0	3.1
46. My school acknowledges my good work.	2.8	3.1
47. My school cares about my general satisfaction at work.	2.7	3.0
48. My school shows a lot of concern for me.	2.9	3.0
49. My school takes pride in my accomplishments at work	2.8	3.0
Total Teacher Support Subscale	2.8	3.1

Note: It is desirable to have a response of 3.0 or higher.

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