2009-2010 AISD Parent Survey International High School

Strong relationships among staff, students, and parents are critical to student success. In particular, parent involvement in education is associated with a high level of student achievement (for a meta-analysis see Fan & Chen, 2001). These survey results provide campuses with feedback about how parents feel about their treatment by school staff, and the school's educational environment, and how parents describe their child's education. The following report contains the results of the 2009-2010 Parent Survey for Austin Independent School District (AISD); longitudinal data are provided where applicable.

The image below displays factors that are known to be related to student academic growth. In this report, we focus on the role of parents (circled in red), which has been measured with six survey subscales: Respectful School Community; Information about Student Expectations and Progress; Academic Planning Information; Teacher Expectations; Support for Parental Involvement; and Parental Assistance, Communication and School Involvement.

In Spring 2009, 47 parents returned surveys for International, representing 20% of students from International (compared to the district High School response, 9%). Figure 1 represents the percentage of respondents with children at International from each ethnic group. The tables below show the total number of surveys International parents returned in 2009-2010, and the percentage of responses and students at International represented by each grade.

Number of Respondents International		
# of surveys returned	47	
# of students	237	
% of students represented	20	

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Figure 1. Percentage of Respondents and Students by Ethnicity for International, 2009-2010

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Survey results for International High School for the 2009-2010 school year are presented on the next page. Please note the green and red text boxes that highlight specific areas in which International excels, as well as areas in which International can improve. The following websites contain resources and tips on how to improve areas measured with the parent survey.

The US Department of Education http://www.dww.ed.gov/
The National Center for Parental Involvement in Education: http://www.ncpie.org
The Harvard Family Research Project: http://www.hfrp.org/

The appendix provides more detailed information regarding International's parent survey results from 2007-2008 through 2009-2010. Please review the individual items on each subscale with particular attention to how International's average ratings have changed or remained consistent over time. Please note that some subscales have changed from previous years, making longitudinal comparisons inappropriate for some items and subscales. For items and subscales where longitudinal data are available, statistically meaningful changes are flagged with up or down arrows. Please share the results of this report with all campus staff and your Campus Advisory Council to inform campus improvement planning.

The graph below depicts International's parent survey ratings over time, as well as parent

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Academic Planning Information	International			All High
Academie i laming information	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Schools
School staff provide me with enough				
information about				
23c. After school programs	n/a	3.1	3.4	3.1
23d. Transitions to and from elementary, middle,				
and high school.	n/a	3.2	3.5	3.1 3.2
22e. High school graduation requirements.		3.2	3.5	3.2
23e. Career opportunities for my child.	n/a	3.3	3.6	3.0
23f. College admission requirements and				
financing options.	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.1
Academic Planning and Information subscale	n/a	n/a	3.5	3.1

Note: Response options range from 1(strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Teacher Expectations	International 2009-10	All High Schools
11. My child's teachers believe my child can do well in		
school.	3.5	3.4
12. My child's teachers believe my child can learn new		
things.	3.6	3.4
13. My child's teachers encourage my child to stick with		
problems until he/she can solve them.	3.4	3.3
Teacher Expectations subscale	3.6	3.4

Note: These items were new to the 2009-2010 Parent Survey and were designed to measure teacher's expectations for their students. Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Knowledge about child's experiences at school	International 2009-10	All High Schools
11. I believe my child likes to go to school.15. AISD's online ParentConnection system has helped me	3.7	3.3
to monitor my child's progress.	3.1	3.4

Note: These items were new to the 2009-2010 Parent Survey. Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

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Support for Parental Involvement	2007-08	International 2008-09	2009-10	All High Schools
7. My child's school staff use the suggestions that I make about my child's education.	n/a	3.3	3.3	3.1
14. My child's teachers make it easy for me to be involved with my child's education.	n/a	n/a	3.4	3.1
17b. My child's principal provides me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	n/a	3.2	3.7	3.3
18b. My child's assistant principal(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	n/a	3.2	3.7	3.3
19b. My child's teacher(s) have helped me become more involved in my child's education.	n/a	3.4	3.5	3.2
19c. My child's teacher(s) value my input in academic decisions about my child.	n/a	3.4	3.3	3.2
19d. My child's teacher(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	n/a	3.2	3.6	3.3
20b. My child's counselor(s) have helped me become more involved in my child's education.	n/a	3.4	3.3	3.2
20c. My child's counselor(s) value my input in academic decisions about my child.	n/a	3.4	3.2	3.2
20d. My child's counselor(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	n/a	3.2	3.6	3.2
23g. School staff provide me with enough information about opportunities to be involved.	n/a	n/a	3.4	3.2
Support for Parental Involvement subscale	n/a	n/a	3.4	3.2

Note: Items range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree) with a response of at least 3.0 desirable. With the addition of items 14 and 23g in 2009-2010, subscale comparisons across years are no longer possible.

- 24. Talk with my child about his/her school day.25. Supervise my child's homework.26. Help my child study for tests.27. Talk with other parents about my child's school.

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