

PARENT SURVEY RESULTS 2008-2009

WIDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Survey Report

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Support for Parent Involvement.

Adequacy of Communication about Student Progress and Expectations. This scale consists of 7 items that measure the adequacy of communication with parents about staff expectations for their child and their child's academic progress. The individual item and subscale averages are provided in Table 7.

| "My child's school staff clearly communicate their expectations for" | Widen 2006-2007 | Widen 2007-2008 | Widen 2008-2009 | All EL 2008-2009 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 10. My child's learning | ** | 3.42 | 3.42 | 3.49 |
| 11. My child's behavior | ** | ** | 3.39 | 3.52 |
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Parent Achievement Press. This subscale consists of 5 items that describe the extent to which parents exert pressure for high standards by engaging in conversations about academic priorities both their child and the school staff. The individual item and subscale averages are provided in Table 9.

| "I talk with my child about" | Widen 2008-2009 | All EL 2008-2009 |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|
| 26. The importance of doing well in school. | 3.82 | 3.85 |
| 27. What he/she is learning in school. | 3.85 | 3.85 |
| 28. Future college and career plans. | 3.54 | 3.43 |
| Student-Focused Achievement Press Average | 3.74 | 3.71 |
| "I talk with school staff about the importance of having" | | |
| 23. High standards. | 2.25 | 2.44 |
| 24. Good teachers. | 2.35 | 1 |

Table 9. Parent Achievement Press

Table 11. Percentage of Parents Reporting That They Participate in School Activities

| Activity | Widen 2008-2009 | All EL 2008-2009 |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| 22a. General school meetings (e.g., open house, Back to School Night, Choice Sheet night, etc.). | 48% | 54% |