



# Greenwich Public Schools




Family-School Relationships Survey  
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# Summary

Topic Description	Results	Benchmark
<p><b>Barriers to Engagement</b></p> <p>Factors that can create challenges for families to interact with or become involved with their child's school. Survey-takers responded to the question, "How big of a problem are the following issues for becoming involved with your child's current school?"</p>	<p><b>85%</b></p> <p>▼1 since last survey</p>	 <p>40th - 59th percentile compared to others nationally</p>
<p><b>Communication</b></p>	<p><b>37%</b></p>	
<p><b>Connecticut school climate indicators</b></p>	<p><b>56%</b></p> <p>0 since last survey</p>	
<p><b>Family Engagement</b></p> <p>The degree to which families become involved with and interact with their child's school.</p>	<p><b>26%</b></p> <p>0 since last survey</p>	 <p>60th - 79th percentile compared to others nationally</p>
<p><b>Home School Connection</b></p>	<p><b>67%</b></p>	
<p><b>School Fit</b></p> <p>Families' perceptions of how well a school matches their child's developmental needs.</p>	<p><b>69%</b></p> <p>0 since last survey</p>	 <p>40th - 59th percentile compared to others nationally</p>

2,582 responses



# Barriers to Engagement

Your average

**85%**

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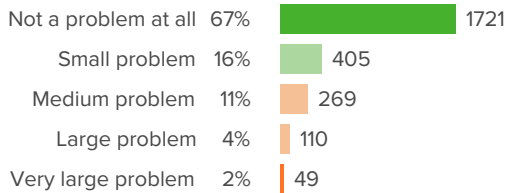
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## How did people respond?

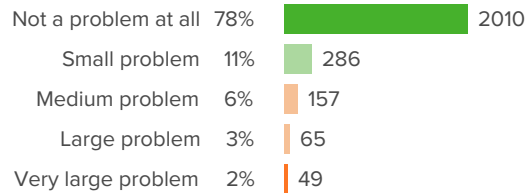
**Q.1: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Childcare needs?**



▼ **2** from last survey

Favorable: **83%**

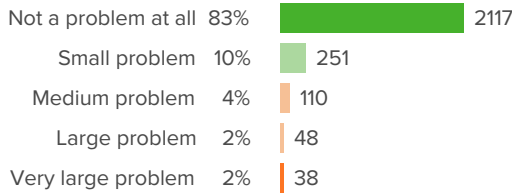
**Q.2: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Transportation-related challenges?**



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **89%**

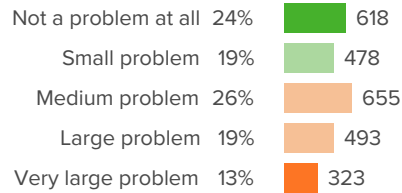
**Q.3: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Concerns about getting to the school safely?**



▲ **0** from last survey

Favorable: **92%**

**Q.4: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: How busy your schedule is?**

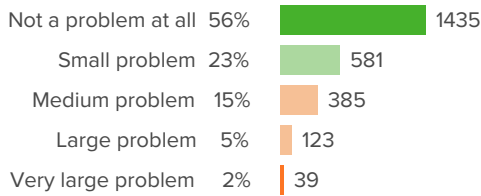


▲ **0** from last survey

Favorable: **43%**

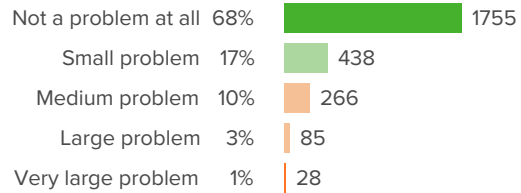


**Q.5: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: School staff seem too busy?**



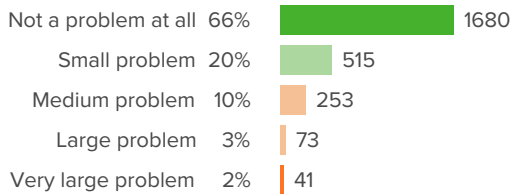
▼ **3** from last survey Favorable: **79%**

**Q.6: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: You feel unsure about how to communicate with the school?**



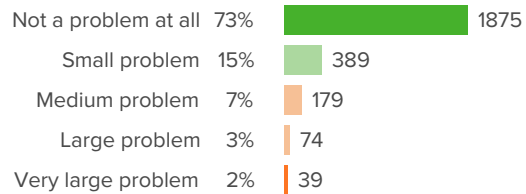
▼ **2** from last survey Favorable: **85%**

**Q.7: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: The school provides little information about involvement opportunities?**



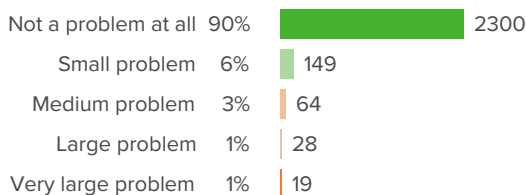
▼ **1** from last survey Favorable: **86%**

**Q.8: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: The school is not welcoming to parents?**



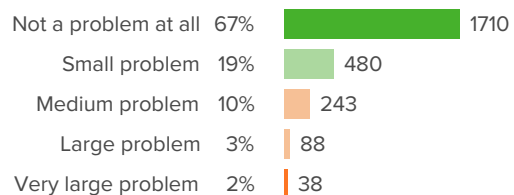
▼ **1** from last survey Favorable: **89%**

**Q.9: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: The school does not communicate well with people from your culture?**



▲ **0** from last survey Favorable: **96%**

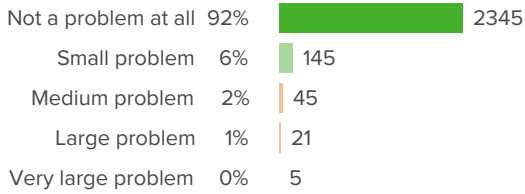
**Q.10: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: You do not feel a sense of belonging with your child's school community?**



▲ **1** from last survey Favorable: **86%**

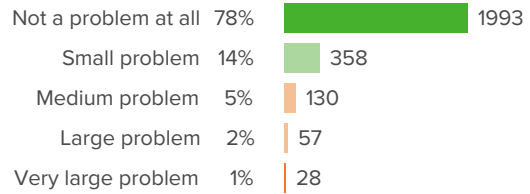


**Q.11: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Negative memories of your own school experience?**



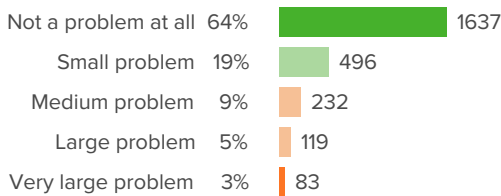
▲ **0** from last survey Favorable: **97%**

**Q.12: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: Your child does not want you to contact the school?**



▼ **1** from last survey Favorable: **92%**

**Q.13: How big of a problem is the following issue for becoming involved with your child's current school: You worry that adults at the school will treat your child differently if you raise a concern?**



▼ **2** from last survey Favorable: **83%**



# Communication

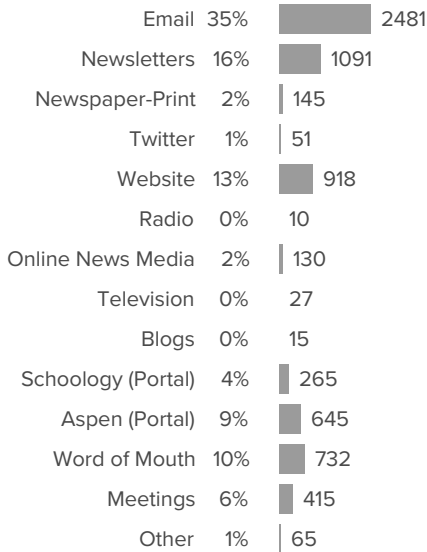
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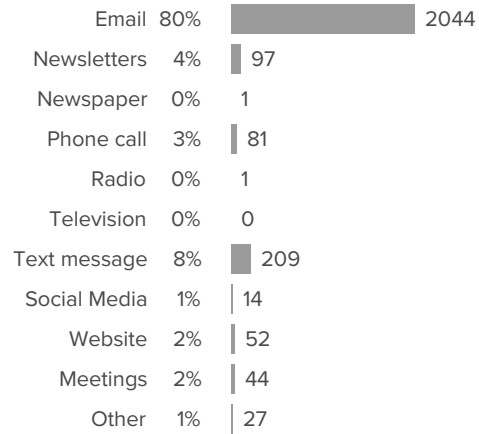
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## How did people respond?

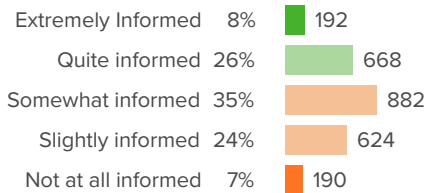
**Q.1: Of the following, which sources do you use the most to get information about the school and district? Please select your top three choices.**



**Q.2: What would be the best way for the school and district to stay in communication with you?**



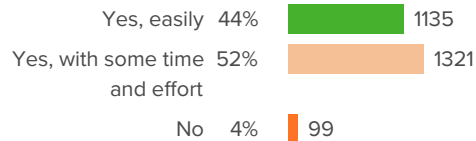
**Q.3: How well informed do you feel about the issues impacting education in the District?**



▼ 4 from last survey

Favorable: **34%**

**Q.4: Considering all of the sources of information available to you, are you able to find the information that is important to you?**

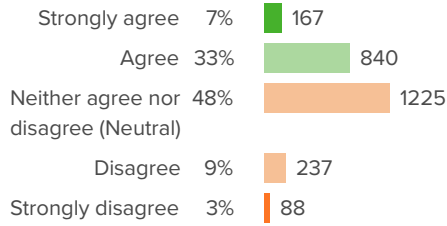


▲ 7 from last survey

Favorable: **44%**



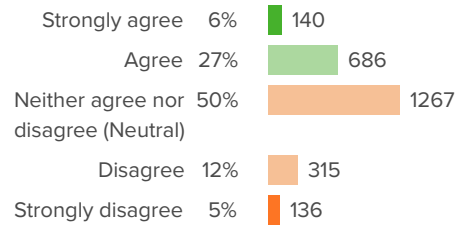
**Q.5: There are adequate opportunities for me to express my concerns and opinions about important issues impacting the Greenwich Public Schools.**



▼ 5 from last survey

Favorable: **39%**

**Q.6: Concerns and opinions expressed by families are seriously considered by school and District leaders.**



Favorable: **32%**



## Connecticut school climate indicators

Your average

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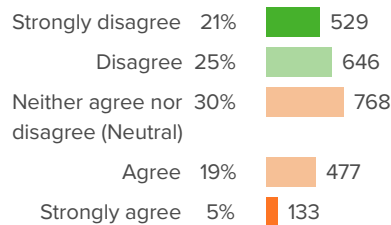
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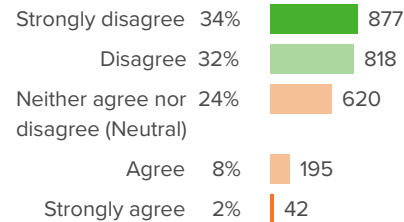
**Q.1: In my child's school, I have seen or heard or seen on social media, students ridiculing, laughing at, cursing at, gossiping about or lying about other students.**



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **46%**

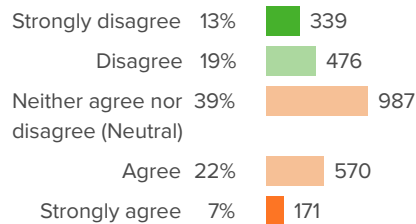
**Q.2: I have seen students at my child's school being physically hurt by other students more than once (for example, pushed, slapped, punched, or beaten up).**



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **66%**

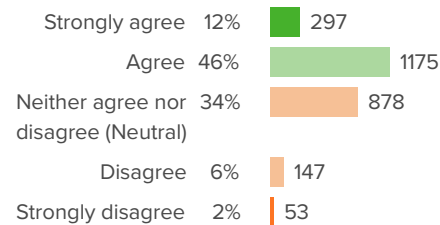
**Q.3: There are groups of students in the school who exclude others and make them feel bad for not being a part of the group.**



▲ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **32%**

**Q.4: Students in my child's school respect each other's differences (for example, gender, race, culture, disability, sexual orientation, learning differences, etc.).**



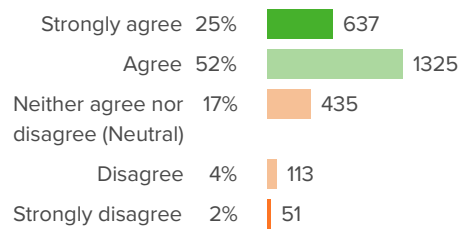
▲ **0** from last survey

Favorable: **58%**





**Q.5: Parents/guardians feel welcome at my child's school.**



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **77%**



# Family Engagement

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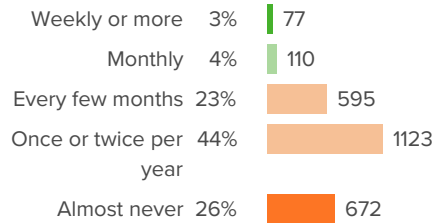
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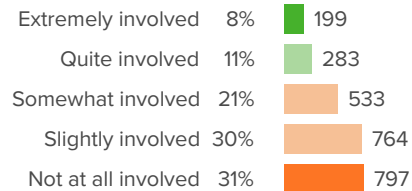
### Q.1: How often do you meet in person with teachers at your child's school?



▼ 1 from last survey

Favorable: **7%**

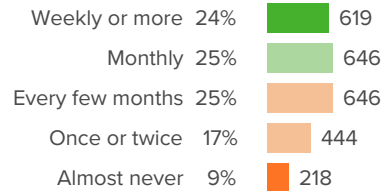
### Q.2: How involved have you been with a parent group(s) at your child's school?



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: **19%**

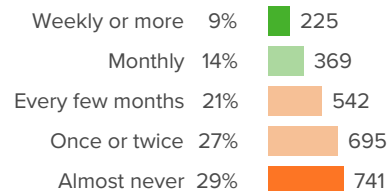
### Q.3: In the past year, how often have you discussed your child's school with other parents from the school?



▲ 3 from last survey

Favorable: **49%**

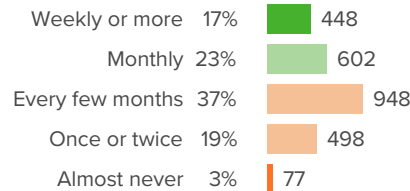
### Q.4: In the past year, how often have you helped out at your child's school?



▼ 2 from last survey

Favorable: **23%**

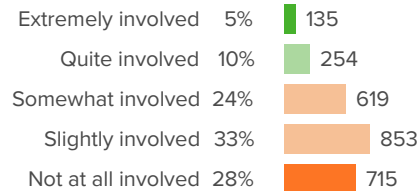
### Q.5: In the past year, how often have you visited your child's school?



▼ 3 from last survey

Favorable: **41%**

### Q.6: How involved have you been in fundraising efforts at your child's school?



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: **15%**



# Home School Connection

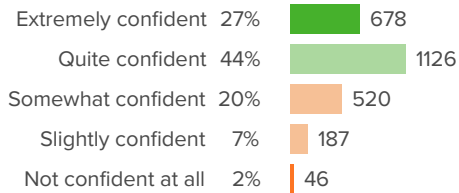
Your average

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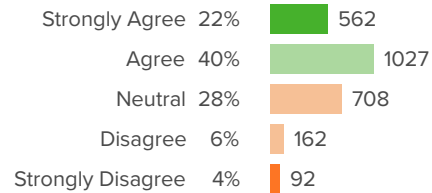
## How did people respond?

### Q.1: How confident are you in your ability to support your child's learning at home?



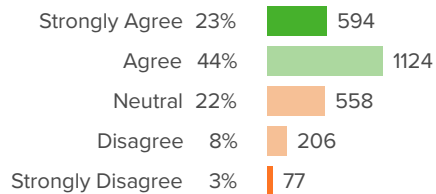
Favorable: **71%**

### Q.2: At my child's school, families are welcomed partners in their child/ren's learning.



Favorable: **62%**

### Q.3: There are adequate opportunities for me to express my concerns and opinions about important issues impacting my child.



Favorable: **67%**



## School Fit

Your average

**69%**

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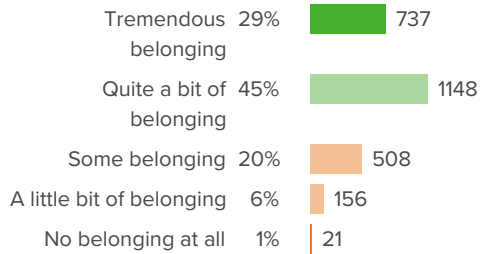
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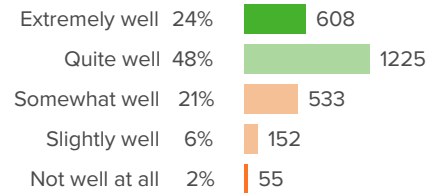
#### Q.1: How much of a sense of belonging does your child feel at his/her school?



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **73%**

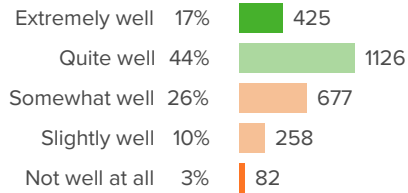
#### Q.2: How well do you feel your child's school is preparing him/her for his/her next academic year?



▲ **2** from last survey

Favorable: **71%**

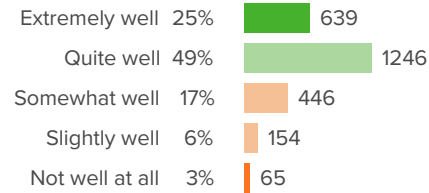
#### Q.3: How well do the activities offered at your child's school match his/her interests?



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Favorable: **60%**

#### Q.4: At your child's school, how well does the overall approach to discipline work for your child?

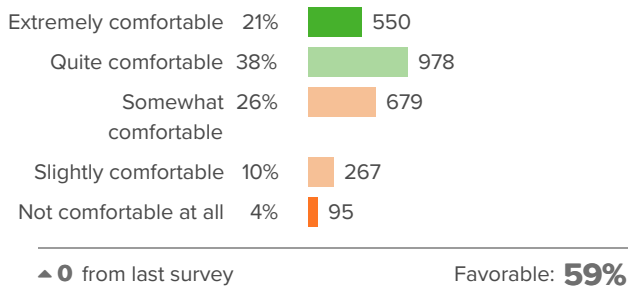


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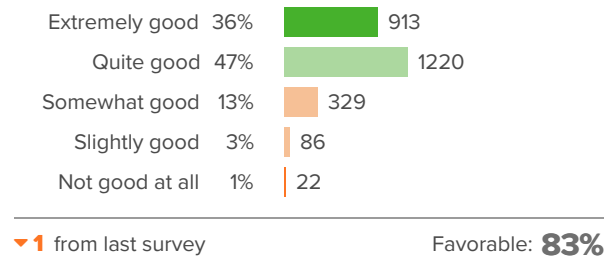
Favorable: **74%**



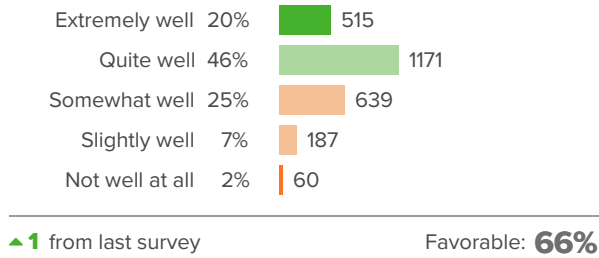
**Q.5: How comfortable is your child in asking for help from school adults?**



**Q.6: Given your child’s cultural background, how good a fit is his/her school?**



**Q.7: How well do the teaching styles of your child's teachers match your child's learning style?**

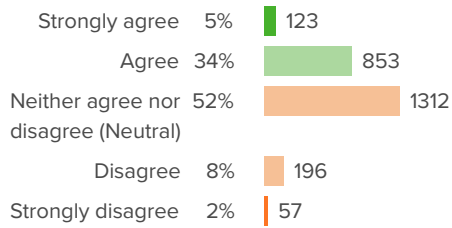




## Other questions

How did people respond? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.1: Students at my child's school will try to stop students from insulting or making fun of other students.**



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: **38%**