

## Community Outreach Survey – Fall 2015

### School Climate Questions

Q1. Which title best describes your role?					
	Community member	Parent	Staff	Student	Total
Responses Received in %	1.92%	67.11%	29.66%	1.32%	1976

Rate your level of agreement to the following statements based on all of your children and all of their experiences in Albemarle County Public Schools.							
Q2. Select the best response:							
		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total
(a)	I feel welcome in the schools	51.60%	38.89%	7.27%	1.98%	0.25%	1967
(b)	I know what teachers expect of students	28.12%	52.86%	14.06%	4.70%	0.26%	1956
(c)	Children are safe in school	32.70%	50.82%	12.04%	3.57%	0.87%	1960
(d)	Teachers show respect for students	35.59%	49.54%	11.03%	3.44%	0.41%	1950
(e)	Our schools meet the academic needs of the students	26.74%	50.08%	15.13%	6.57%	1.48%	1963
(f)	Our schools succeed at preparing students for future work	22.79%	46.75%	21.45%	7.07%	1.95%	1953
(g)	Our schools have a good public image	35.99%	49.21%	10.57%	3.78%	0.46%	1959
(h)	Our schools succeed at preparing students to be Lifelong Learners	22.88%	44.17%	24.21%	7.01%	1.74%	1954

## Calendar Questions

	0 - Very Displeased	1	2	3	4	5 - Very Pleased	Total
Rate your satisfaction with the current, 2015-2016, academic calendar.	1.08%	2.16%	5.97%	23.67%	45.45%	21.67%	1943

	0 - Completely Disagree	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Completely Agree	Total
I am open to shortening the winter break by up to two days in order to have the school year end earlier in June.	31.29%	11.62%	7.95%	5.81%	3.72%	9.79%	2.62%	4.87%	5.81%	4.03%	12.51%	1911

	0 - Completely Disagree	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Completely Agree	Total
I am open to increasing the length of the school day by up to five minutes in order to make up fewer snow days at the end of the year.	10.26%	3.02%	2.03%	1.98%	1.15%	7.50%	2.97%	6.15%	11.04%	8.80%	45.10%	1920

	0 - Completely Disagree	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Completely Agree	Total
I am open to having the last day of school be a half day for students and an additional half day of work time for teachers.	5.72%	2.55%	1.77%	1.14%	1.09%	9.51%	2.18%	5.15%	9.62%	8.06%	53.22%	1924

## Budgetary Questions

Respondents rated the options in the following order of preference:

1. Provide Exceptional Class Sizes. Currently in ACPS, the average elementary class size is 19.6 students to one teacher. For middle and high school, the average class size is 21.3 students to one teacher (11,779 points\*).
2. Stay Competitive with Employee Compensation. In order to support our Board's goal of being above the 75th percentile in our competitive hiring market for teacher pay, we are targeting a 2% compensation increase (11,604 points).
3. Fully Fund Student Population Growth. We anticipate growing by approximately 150 additional students for 2016-17 (9,103).
4. Provide Innovative Educational Programs. These programs include student internships, maker-work, and elementary world languages, for example (8,600 points).
5. Expand Student Educational Services. We aim to expand learning opportunities for students. Examples of services are pre-school, AVID (a college prep program for 1st generation college attendance), and virtual courses (8,189 points).
6. Improve Professional Development Opportunities. For teachers to continue to improve their teaching and leadership skills for the betterment of students' learning experiences and growth, we need to provide affordable and excellent professional development (7,909 points).
7. Renovate and Modernize School Facilities. Approximately 90 of our classrooms across the division do not have natural light, for example, and these rooms need renovation to improve lighting (7,569 points).
8. Other (4,122 points).

\*Points are calculated by aggregating the rated scores for each options (i.e. 8 points for post preferred and 1 points for least preferred) across all responses.