

June 2, 2020

Dear Parents,

Thank you for taking the time to complete the Distance Learning Survey. We received over 350 individual responses. Your feedback will be essential in our reflection and planning for the upcoming school year. A summary of the findings is attached to this email.

It is clear that the majority of respondents are hopeful that our schools will return to regular operations in the fall (me too!). Beyond the desire for in-person instruction and peer interaction, the following themes emerged:

- The desire for more synchronous connections between students and teachers
- Predefined daily schedules for students
- An emphasis on comprehension beyond task completion
- Clear communication for families to monitor their child's progress in school
- More streamlined use of online learning platforms and tools
- Support for families to facilitate learning environments at home

As we plan for our return to school in September, we are mindful that distance learning may continue to play a role in our instructional practices. These themes will be carefully considered in our planning.

As many of our respondents noted, we all worked to adjust and adapt to an unforeseeable situation. We appreciate your support and recognize the hard work that you put into helping your children navigate this situation.

Sincerely,

Phil Benante, Ed. D.

Superintendent of Schools

**Haldane Central School District
Distance Learning Survey Results
May 2020**

Total Responses: 348
 Elementary School: 158
 Middle School: 77
 High School: 101

Survey Questions

1. Does your child have reliable internet access and a reliable device (laptop, computer, tablet) at home? (347 responses)

Total

94% have reliable internet access
 52% have at least one reliable device
 1.2% do not have reliable internet access
 1.4% do not have at least one reliable device

2. My child is actively engaged with their teachers and classwork. (347 responses)

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
Agree	69%	76%	58%	69%
Disagree	21%	16%	32%	17%
Not Sure	10%	8%	10%	14%

3. My child is learning new concepts and is being challenged to grow. (344 responses)

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
Agree	45%	59%	30%	29%
Disagree	27%	19%	43%	29%
Not Sure	28%	22%	27%	42%

4. If your child has an Individual Education or 504 Plan, are the lessons and activities that your child is receiving appropriate and helping them reach their goals? (310 responses)

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
Child does not have IEP/504	75%	79%	69%	74%
Yes, my child is receiving the support they need	15%	13%	17%	16%
No, my child is not receiving the support they need	10%	8%	14%	10%

5. Haldane’s administration and teachers have kept us informed during the school closure, with clear details about distance learning. (342 responses)

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
Agree	85%	92%	68%	86%
Disagree	15%	8%	32%	14%

6. I received prompt replies to my questions during the school closure. (343 responses)

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
Agree	78%	87%	75%	66%
Disagree	2%	----	5%	4%
No questions	20%	13%	20%	30%

**7. Which of the following improvements would you like to see Haldane make during distance learning?
(303 responses)**

	Total	Elementary	Middle	High
More guidance/information so that I can support my child's distance learning	50%	45%	63%	45%
Fewer assignments	26%	30%	21%	24%
More assignments	19%	18%	22%	17%
Fewer synchronous (live) classes	6%	7%	3%	5%
More synchronous (live) classes	67%	66%	71%	60%
More technology assistance	17%	68%	21%	13%

Note:

- School-level percentages are based on the # of respondents per question, per school. Respondents were allowed to skip a question.