

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL PARENT SURVEY



Mt. Diablo Unified 2017-2018 Main Report

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PREFACE

HYPERLINK FEATURE

The digital version of this report has been hyperlinked. Click on the title of a section or a table in the List of Tables and you will be automatically directed to the actual content section or table in the report.

This report provides the detailed results for each question from this school/districts 2017-18 *California School Parent Survey* (CSPS), presented in tables organized by topic. The CSPS is specifically designed to provide data to help foster better parental involvement, one of the required priorities of Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), and to bring parent voice into the school improvement process. (Henceforth, the word parent is used to refer to any adult in a household with parental or guardianship responsibilities.)

The survey aims to raise awareness of how well the school is doing in its parent involvement efforts and what are the needs and concerns of parents that it should address. It is a means to confidentially obtain parent perceptions about learning and teaching conditions, school climate, and parent-school involvement and relationships, including whether the school environment is academically challenging, caring and welcoming, participatory, safe, and fair. More information about the survey is available on its website: csps.wested.org.

THE CALSCHLS SYSTEM AND LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLANNING

The CSPS, along with its two companion surveys—the *California Healthy Kids Survey* (CHKS) and the *California School Staff Survey* (CSSS) for staff—is a service of the California Department of Education (CDE). These three surveys form the *California School Climate, Health, and Learning Survey* (CalSCHLS) System. CalSCHLS is the largest, most comprehensive effort in the nation to assess students, staff, and parents at the local level on a regular basis to provide key data on school climate and safety, learning supports and barriers, and stakeholder engagement, as well as youth development, health, and well-being (see cal-schls.wested.org). The surveys provide a wealth of information to guide school improvement efforts and meet LCAP requirements and goals.

These surveys grew out of CDE’s commitment to helping schools promote the successful cognitive, social, and emotional development of all students and create more positive, engaging school environments for students, staff, and parents.

In addition to providing data to meet the LCAP parent involvement priority, the CSPS, and CalSCHLS overall, are especially valuable for supporting LCAP efforts in other respects:

- Providing data to help meet three other LCAP priorities: enhancing academic achievement, school climate, and pupil engagement;
- Supporting the priority of fostering achievement among foster youth, low-income, English language learners, and other high-need subgroups, by enabling LEAs to determine how survey factors that affect achievement vary across population subgroups; and
- Serving as a data collection tool to identify or monitor other local needs by adding additional questions.

For more information, see *Helpful Resources for Local Control and Accountability Plans* (chks.wested.org/resources/LCAP_Cal_SCHLS.pdf).

THE IMPORTANCE OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Parental involvement in the school and their children's education is one of the important characteristics of a positive school climate and quality schooling. A large and growing body of evidence has linked school success to the manner and degree to which a school communicates with parents, engages them both in school activities and education, and fosters a school climate that parents perceive as warm, inviting, and helpful—all variables assessed by the CSPS.

Involving family members is absolutely essential to creating a safe, caring, challenging, participatory, and supportive school climate. Positive relationships or ties among students, parents, teachers, administrators, and the fostering of parental support for education, are key components of school improvement efforts and are a common characteristic of effective schools. Parent involvement at school and in education has positive effects on youth behavior, academic achievement and learning, school attendance, and graduation. Many studies show that parent and other family involvement in children's learning is a critical element of student success.

SURVEY CONTENT OVERVIEW

The CSPS serves two primary purposes. First, it addresses most of the key issues in regard to parental involvement in both the school and their own child's education. Second, it provides feedback on how parents view school climate, their perspective on the degree to which positive conditions and supports exist in a school. It asks parents and guardians to rate their own experience as school partners through questions like: *This school keeps me well-informed, promptly responds [to me], encourages me to be an active partner*, etc. The survey content covers several key content areas:

- Characteristics of parent respondents and their children;
- Student supports and school conditions (learning environment, school discipline, cultural sensitivity, opportunities for meaningful student participation);
- How welcoming the school is to parents;
- The scope and nature of parental involvement in school activities and decision-making;
- The scope and nature of school communications to parents;
- Parental involvement in their children's education; and
- Parental perceptions of student risk behaviors (how much of a problem at the school).

The questions are aligned with the staff and student surveys so information obtained across these three stakeholder groups can be compared, as illustrated in Exhibit 1.

SURVEY ADMINISTRATION AND SAMPLING

Surveys were administered by school staff using detailed instructions provided by the CalSCHLS Technical Assistance Center. A local survey coordinator plans, schedules, and monitors the CSPS. In keeping with the differences in the digital connectedness of parents in different districts, the surveys can be administered on paper forms, using an on-line format, or a mix of the two.

Parent participation is completely voluntary, anonymous, and confidential. The survey's target sample (those asked to take the survey) are generally all parents and guardians of students in all the schools that administer it, regardless of grade. Minimally, the survey's target sample should include the parents who have children in the grades in which students were surveyed. Table A1.1 gives the final number of parents who completed the survey. Because of the difficulty in external identification of the number of parents at any school, a participant response rate is not calculated, as it is with the student survey.

THE REPORT

The tables in this report, organized by topic, provide the percentages responding to each question's response option for the whole district and by school levels in which the survey was administered (elementary, middle, high, and nontraditional). In the tables, the percentages are rounded off to the nearest full percent. Depending on the number of respondents, individual school reports can also be provided.

UNDERSTANDING THE DATA

The findings reflect the *perceptions* of parents. Some parents may have reasons to make their school look good; others, to paint an overly negative picture. The perceptions of the parents may be very different from those of students or staff or from an independent observer of the school. This is one reason why it is important to compare CSPS results to those in the CHKS and CSPS, as discussed below. Nevertheless, parent perceptions reflect a *reality* in themselves that is important and can influence both staff and student performance.

Care must be taken to understand the factors that can impact the quality, validity, and generalizability of the results. Many factors besides real changes in behavior, attitudes, or experiences among parents may account for changes in results from administration to administration. Changes may be due to differences over time in the characteristics or number of the respondents who completed the survey (see below), changes in the questions themselves, or differences between time periods in which the survey was administered (e.g., parental feedback may be more informed in transition grades later than earlier in the school year). A more detailed discussion of these topics can be found in the CHKS Guidebook to Data Use and Dissemination (download chks.wested.org/resources/chks_guidebook_3_datause.pdf).

IMPROVING SURVEY PARTICIPATION

Among the most important factors affecting the quality of survey results is the level of parent participation. The higher the number of parents that completed the survey out of the total number you contacted, the more confidence you can have in the validity and representativeness of the results. Even if the response rate is low, the results provide an indication of the school-related feelings and experiences of those parents who did respond.

Strategies for improving parent participation are contained in the *Guidebook to the California School Climate, Health, & Learning Surveys* (download from chks.wested.org/wp-content/uploads/CalSCHLS_AdminGuideBook_201617.pdf). The most important strategy over time may be to ensure that the results of the survey are communicated to parents and that parents are involved in the process of reviewing the data and determining how to improve the school (see Next Steps below).

RESOURCES

The CHKS and CalSCHLS websites contain guidebooks and other tools for using and understanding survey results, including factsheets that show how data variables are related and offer suggestions for how data can be analyzed at the local level.

- CDE’s California Safe and Supportive Schools website ([CaliforniaS3.wested.org](https://californias3.wested.org)) contains a wealth of information and tools related to school climate improvement and social-emotional learning. It includes factsheets analyzing CalSCHLS data and *What Works Briefs* that provide guidance on strategies to implement.
- The *School Climate Connection Newsletter* provides monthly announcements of resources, tools, webinars and workshops, and research. Sign up on the CHKS or CaliforniaS3 websites.
- Among the tools available to help in understanding and using the survey results, especially for LCAP implementation and monitoring, *Making Sense of School Climate* provides a discussion of all the CalSCHLS survey items that relate to school climate (download californias3.wested.org/resources/S3_schoolclimateguidebook_final.pdf).
- *Helpful Resources for Local Control and Accountability Plans* (chks.wested.org/resources/LCAP_Cal_SCHLS.pdf) describes how survey items align with LCAP priorities and indicators. Also available is an LCAP-related PowerPoint presentation (chks.wested.org/training-support/workshops-presentations).

NEXT STEPS

Receiving this report is just a beginning step in a data-driven decision-making process. The following next steps will help in fostering effective use of the results to support school and program improvement efforts and the LCAP process.

Request School Reports

If the schools in the district vary significantly in demographics, programs, or other characteristics, consider requesting individual parent survey reports for each school.

Request Disaggregated Report or Analyses

The staff of the CalSCHLS TA Center can produce reports that look at how results vary by the demographics of parents and/or their children, by the level of parent involvement in schools, by whether parents had positive experiences compared to those with negative, or by other characteristics.

Compare Results with Student and Staff Surveys

Although the survey results should be useful to any school community when used alone, a more powerful view of the school can be obtained by comparing these findings with those from the California Healthy Kids Survey of students and the California School Staff Survey. As part of the data review process, it is important to determine how consistent are student, staff, and parent perceptions and experiences.

Exhibit 1 below summarizes the variables assessed across the surveys. A crosswalk showing similar survey questions across the three surveys (student, staff, and parent) is posted on the CalSCHLS website. To enhance both survey administration efficiency and data comparability, schools are encouraged to administer the surveys at the same time.

Engage Parents in an Action Planning Process

It is very important to engage parents, along with staff and students, in reviewing and exploring the meaning of the results and obtain their input into how the school might better meet the needs identified and the development of a detailed action plan. This communicates to parents that you value their input into how to improve the school and gives them an opportunity for meaningful participation. This, in itself, helps enhance parent involvement. It will also promote higher rates of survey participation, as parents will see how the data has been used for positive purposes.

To assist in this process, on request, CalSCHLS staff can conduct three workshops:

- A structured group *Student Listening Circle* in which parents (along with staff) can hear from students their perspectives on the meaning of survey results and how to improve the school and better meet the needs of students;
- A *Family Forum*, a semi-structured process that engages family members and school/district stakeholders in a dialogue and action planning for improving the school environment and fostering positive student-adult relationships. The Family Forum provides the opportunity for: (a) family members' voices to be heard on what can be done; (b) family members to be engaged and involved in school improvement efforts; and (c) family members to participate in a genuine parent-school-district partnership activity; and
- A *Data Use Action Planning Workshop* designed to identify local needs based on the survey results and engage stakeholders in developing a detailed plan and timetable for meeting those needs using evidence-based strategies.

For more information, contact your CalSCHLS Technical Assistance Center (call 888.841.7536 or email schoolclimate@wested.org).

Add Questions to Your Next Survey

As part of your data-review process, determine what additional information is needed from parents to guide school improvement efforts and consider adding questions to your next CSPS. The survey was designed so that schools can add additional questions to help them conduct a more individualized and comprehensive assessment.

Exhibit 1***Major School-related Domains and Constructs Assessed by CalSCHLS Surveys***

	Student Core	Student School Climate	Student Social Emotional Health	Staff Survey	Parent Survey
Student Well-Being					
Academic mindset			✓		
Academic motivation	✓	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Academic performance	✓				
Alcohol, tobacco, and drug use	✓			✓	✓
Attendance	✓			✓	
Behavioral self-control			✓ [‡]		
Collaboration			✓		
Emotional self-regulation			✓ [‡]		
Empathy			✓		
Gratitude			✓		
Optimism			✓		
Perceived safety	✓			✓	✓
Persistence			✓		
Problem Solving			✓		
School connectedness	✓				
Self-awareness			✓ [‡]		
Self-efficacy			✓		
Social-emotional competencies and health			✓	✓	
Social emotional distress			✓ [‡]		
Violence and victimization (bullying)	✓			✓	✓
Zest			✓		
School Climate					
Academic rigor and norms				✓	✓
College and career supports		✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Family support			✓ [‡]		
High expectations	✓			✓	✓
Meaningful participation and decision-making	✓			✓	✓
Parent involvement	✓			✓	✓
Quality of physical environment	✓ [‡]	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Relationships among staff				✓	
Relationships among students		✓ [‡]	✓	✓	✓
Relationships between students and staff	✓			✓	✓
Respect for diversity and cultural sensitivity		✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Teacher and other supports for learning	✓ [†]	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
School Climate Improvement Practices					
Bullying prevention	✓ [†]	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Conflict resolution	✓ [†]			✓	
Discipline and order (policies, enforcement)	✓ [†]	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Services and policies to address student needs				✓	
Social-emotional/behavioral supports	✓ [†]	✓ [‡]		✓	✓
Staff supports				✓	

Notes: [†]Elementary student survey. [‡]Secondary student survey.

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Survey Module Administration

Table 1

CSPS Survey Modules Administered

Survey Module	Administered
A. Core (Required)	X
B. Military-Connected Schools	
Z. Custom Questions	

Section A. Core Module (All Parents)

1. Survey Sample

Table A1.1

Core Module Sample

	All	ES	MS	HS	NT ^A
Number of respondents	4,889	2,990	875	928	96

Notes: ^ANT includes continuation, community day, and other alternative school types. K-12 schools and Alternative Schools of Choice were classified into elementary, middle, or high schools based on grade-specific enrollment.

2. Summary of Key Survey Indicators

Table A2.1

Key Indicators of School Climate, Student Behavior, and Parental Involvement

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %	Table
Parental Involvement						
School allows input and welcomes parents' contributions [†]	37	45	24	20	33	A4.1
School encourages me to be an active partner with the school in educating my child [†]	42	52	27	24	36	A4.1
School actively seeks the input of parents before making important decisions [†]	22	28	13	12	23	A4.1
Parents feel welcome to participate at this school [†]	42	53	25	21	24	A4.1
Academic Orientation and Participation						
School promotes academic success for all students [†]	39	44	30	25	48	A5.1
School is a safe place for my child [†]	39	48	29	22	38	A6.4
School motivates students to learn [†]	38	47	26	18	32	A5.4
School has adults that really care about students [†]	41	50	29	22	42	A6.2
School provides opportunities for meaningful student participation [†]	37	43	29	26	38	A7.1
Respect and Cultural Sensitivity						
School treats all students with respect [†]	42	51	29	25	47	A8.1
School promotes respect of all cultural beliefs and practices [†]	34	40	24	22	38	A8.3
Student Risk Behavior						
Student alcohol and drug use [‡]	10	6	6	27	10	A9.1
Harassment or bullying of students [‡]	11	9	15	15	6	A9.2
Discipline						
School clearly communicates consequences of breaking rules [†]	42	47	36	31	49	A10.1
School enforces school rules equally [†]	35	42	24	21	40	A10.2
Facilities						
School has clean and well-maintained facilities/properties [†]	29	36	19	13	31	A11.1

Notes: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

[†]Percent responding "Strongly Agree;" [‡]Percent responding "Large Problem."

3. Parent and Student Characteristics

Table A3.1

Role at Home

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Parent of at least one child at this school	96	97	94	97	98
Grandparent, other relative, and/or legal guardian of a child at this school	2	2	2	2	2
Not applicable, not sure, or decline to answer	2	1	5	1	0

Question A.1: I am a...

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.2

Relationship to Child

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Biological parent	94	95	92	94	95
Adoptive parent	2	1	3	3	4
Stepparent	1	1	1	1	0
Foster parent	0	0	0	0	0
Grandparent	1	1	1	1	1
Other guardian	1	1	3	1	0

Question A.6: How are you related to your child?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.3***Race/Ethnicity of Respondents***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	1	2
Asian or Asian American	7	6	9	8	7
Black or African American (Not Hispanic)	2	2	1	3	3
Filipino	3	4	3	3	2
Hispanic or Latino	23	25	18	18	31
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1	1	1	1	0
White (Not Hispanic)	45	44	49	48	33
Two or more races/ethnicities	12	13	11	12	19
Not applicable, not sure, or decline to answer	6	6	8	7	2

Question A.4: What is your race or ethnicity?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.4***Free or Reduced Price Meals Eligibility***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
No	72	68	79	78	63
Yes	25	29	17	20	37
Not applicable, not sure, or decline to answer	3	3	5	2	0

Question A.5: Does one or more of your children receive a free or reduced-price breakfast or lunch at this school?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.5***Number of Years at This School***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Less than one year	25	23	32	23	46
1 to 2 years	28	23	41	29	44
3 to 5 years	41	46	23	46	7
6 to 10 years	4	7	1	1	0
Over 10 years	1	0	2	1	2
Not applicable, not sure, or decline to answer	1	1	2	0	0

Question A.3: How many years has your child been at this school?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.6***Grade Level***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Kindergarten	10	16	0	0	0
1st grade	11	17	0	0	0
2nd grade	10	16	0	0	0
3rd grade	10	17	0	0	0
4th grade	10	16	0	0	0
5th grade	10	16	0	0	0
6th grade	6	0	31	0	0
7th grade	6	0	34	0	0
8th grade	6	0	32	0	1
9th grade	4	0	0	22	0
10th grade	5	0	0	25	3
11th grade	6	0	0	26	34
12th grade	6	0	0	27	61
Other	2	2	0	0	0
Ungraded	0	0	1	0	1

Question A.7: In what grade is your child?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A3.7***Special Program Participation***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Migrant Education Program	1	1	1	0	1
Special Education Program or has had an Individual Education Plan (IEP)	11	10	12	14	23
English Language Development (for children learning English)	12	16	6	3	2
Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) or takes Honors/Advanced Placement classes	9	1	15	30	5
Not applicable, not sure, or decline to answer	69	74	71	55	68

Question A.2: Is your child in any of these programs? (Mark all that apply)

Notes: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents. Total percentages may exceed 100% for “mark all that apply” items.

Table A3.8***After School Program Participation***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
No	74	69	79	85	90
Yes - 1 day a week	6	7	8	3	3
Yes - 2 days a week	4	3	6	3	2
Yes - 3 days a week	3	3	2	2	2
Yes - 4 days a week	2	3	1	1	0
Yes - 5 days a week	11	15	4	6	2

Question A.8: Does one or more of your children participate in this school’s after school program? (Respond for your child that most frequently participates in the after school program.)

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

4. Parental Involvement

Table A4.1

School Encourages Parental Involvement

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
School allows input and welcomes parents' contributions.					
Strongly agree	37	45	24	20	33
Agree	47	43	51	54	47
Disagree	6	5	9	10	3
Strongly disagree	3	2	4	5	3
Don't know/NA	7	5	12	10	14
School encourages me to be an active partner with the school in educating my child.					
Strongly agree	42	52	27	24	36
Agree	46	42	52	53	40
Disagree	6	3	9	9	11
Strongly disagree	2	1	5	4	6
Don't know/NA	4	2	7	10	7
School actively seeks the input of parents before making important decisions.					
Strongly agree	22	28	13	12	23
Agree	40	42	35	39	37
Disagree	13	10	17	20	16
Strongly disagree	4	3	6	7	8
Don't know/NA	20	17	29	22	17

Question A.17, 27, 28: This school... allows input and welcomes parents' contributions... encourages me to be an active partner with the school in educating my child... actively seeks the input of parents before making important decisions.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.1
School Encourages Parental Involvement – Continued

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Parents feel welcome to participate at this school.					
Strongly agree	42	53	25	21	24
Agree	44	40	49	53	46
Disagree	7	4	11	11	12
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	4	7
Don't know/NA	5	2	11	11	11
School staff treat parents with respect.					
Strongly agree	43	53	29	25	40
Agree	47	42	56	59	49
Disagree	4	3	5	9	0
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	3	2
Don't know/NA	3	1	6	5	9
School staff take parent concerns seriously.					
Strongly agree	38	45	28	22	34
Agree	43	41	45	45	44
Disagree	8	6	10	14	3
Strongly disagree	3	2	5	5	3
Don't know/NA	9	7	12	14	14
School staff are helpful to parents.					
Strongly agree	40	48	27	22	34
Agree	48	45	53	54	51
Disagree	6	3	8	12	4
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	4	2
Don't know/NA	4	2	7	9	8

Question A.38-41: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school?... Parents feel welcome to participate at this school... School staff treat parents with respect... School staff take parent concerns seriously... School staff are helpful to parents.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.2***Parental Involvement at School***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Attended a school or class event					
No	25	19	43	24	78
Yes	75	81	57	76	22
Served as a volunteer in this child's classroom or elsewhere in the school					
No	47	37	64	60	93
Yes	53	63	36	40	7
Attended a general school meeting					
No	9	7	10	13	37
Yes	91	93	90	87	63
Attended a meeting of the parent-teacher organization or association					
No	55	49	67	65	76
Yes	45	51	33	35	24
Gone to a regularly scheduled parent-teacher conference with the child's teacher					
No	37	24	58	64	57
Yes	63	76	42	36	43

Question A.52-56: Since the beginning of this school year, has any adult in your child's household done any of the following things at your child's school?... Attended a school or class event, such as a play, dance, sports event, or science fair... Served as a volunteer in this child's classroom or elsewhere in the school... Attended a general school meeting, for example, an open house, or a back-to-school night... Attended a meeting of the parent-teacher organization or association... Gone to a regularly scheduled parent-teacher conference with the child's teacher.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.2***Parental Involvement at School – Continued***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Participated in fundraising for the school					
No	27	19	35	37	82
Yes	73	81	65	63	18
Served on a school committee					
No	80	78	88	81	91
Yes	20	22	12	19	9
Met with a guidance counselor in person					
No	79	85	76	64	55
Yes	21	15	24	36	45

Question A.57-59: Since the beginning of this school year, has any adult in your child's household done any of the following things at your child's school?... Participated in fundraising for the school... Served on a school committee... Met with a guidance counselor in person.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.3
School Keeps Parents Well-Informed

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
School keeps me well-informed about school activities.					
Strongly agree	44	52	35	29	30
Agree	44	40	48	53	45
Disagree	8	5	10	12	12
Strongly disagree	3	2	5	5	3
Don't know/NA	1	1	2	2	9
Teachers communicate with parents about what students are expected to learn in class.					
Strongly agree	37	47	22	19	26
Agree	48	45	53	53	43
Disagree	10	6	16	17	13
Strongly disagree	3	1	6	6	9
Don't know/NA	2	1	3	3	9
School promptly responds to my phone calls, messages, or e-mails.					
Strongly agree	39	48	27	21	43
Agree	44	42	49	48	38
Disagree	6	3	8	12	4
Strongly disagree	3	1	6	8	3
Don't know/NA	7	5	10	12	11

Question A.14, 26, 37: This school... keeps me well-informed about school activities... promptly responds to my phone calls, messages, or e-mails... How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school?... Teachers communicate with parents about what students are expected to learn in class.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.4
Information Dissemination to Parents

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Letting you know how your child is doing in school between report cards					
Very well	53	55	55	45	60
Just okay	30	29	29	31	29
Not very well	8	7	9	11	4
Does not do it at all	6	5	6	11	3
Don't know/NA	3	4	1	2	3
Providing information about how to help your child with homework					
Very well	44	56	26	20	40
Just okay	29	28	33	26	25
Not very well	11	8	18	17	11
Does not do it at all	10	4	15	24	10
Don't know/NA	7	4	9	12	14
Providing information about why your child is placed in particular groups or classes					
Very well	34	40	25	21	39
Just okay	24	24	24	21	28
Not very well	11	9	17	13	8
Does not do it at all	12	8	17	24	6
Don't know/NA	19	19	17	21	19

Question A.60-62: How well has this child's school been doing the following things during the school year?... Letting you know how your child is doing in school between report cards... Providing information about how to help your child with homework... Providing information about why your child is placed in particular groups or classes.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A4.4
Information Dissemination to Parents – Continued

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Providing information on your expected role at your child's school					
Very well	46	55	32	26	49
Just okay	30	29	32	31	28
Not very well	9	6	13	14	10
Does not do it at all	7	4	11	15	4
Don't know/NA	9	7	11	14	8
Providing information on how to help your child plan for college or vocational school					
Very well	23	21	12	35	48
Just okay	17	12	16	34	26
Not very well	8	5	14	14	11
Does not do it at all	16	15	27	10	7
Don't know/NA	36	47	31	7	8

Question A.63, 64: How well has this child's school been doing the following things during the school year?... Providing information on your expected role at your child's school... Providing information on how to help your child plan for college or vocational school.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

5. Academic Orientation

Table A5.1

School Promotes Academic Success for All Students

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	39	44	30	25	48
Agree	51	48	54	59	41
Disagree	5	3	7	8	3
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	4	2
Don't know/NA	3	3	5	4	5

Question A.9: This school... promotes academic success for all students.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A5.2

Learning Environment is Supportive and Inviting

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	39	48	27	21	48
Agree	50	46	57	58	38
Disagree	5	4	7	10	2
Strongly disagree	2	1	5	5	3
Don't know/NA	3	2	5	6	8

Question A.16: This school... is a supportive and inviting place for students to learn.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A5.3
School Provides High Quality Instruction

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	34	41	24	17	34
Agree	53	50	56	59	46
Disagree	8	5	10	16	8
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	4	3
Don't know/NA	4	2	6	5	9

Question A.30: This school... provides high quality instruction to my child.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A5.4
School Motivates Students to Learn

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	38	47	26	18	32
Agree	50	47	55	57	52
Disagree	6	3	10	15	6
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	3	3
Don't know/NA	4	2	7	7	7

Question A.31: This school... motivates students to learn.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A5.5
School Encourages Students of All Races to Enroll in Challenging Courses

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	30	32	23	26	40
Agree	32	29	35	39	34
Disagree	6	5	10	9	10
Strongly disagree	2	2	3	4	3
Don't know/NA	30	32	29	22	12

Question A.12: This school... encourages all students to enroll in challenging courses regardless of their race, ethnicity, or nationality.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

6. Learning Supports

Table A6.1

School Has Teachers That Go Out of Their Way to Help Students

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	41	50	28	24	41
Agree	44	40	48	52	39
Disagree	6	4	9	11	7
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	5	2
Don't know/NA	7	5	11	8	11

Question A.32: This school... has teachers that go out of their way to help students.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A6.2

School Has Adults That Really Care About Students

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	41	50	29	22	42
Agree	47	43	52	56	46
Disagree	4	3	5	7	0
Strongly disagree	1	1	3	3	4
Don't know/NA	7	4	10	11	8

Question A.33: This school... has adults that really care about students.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A6.3

School Has High Expectations for All Students

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	36	43	26	20	39
Agree	46	44	46	51	41
Disagree	7	5	9	11	7
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	3	3
Don't know/NA	10	7	15	14	10

Question A.34: This school... has high expectations for all students.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A6.4***School is a Safe Place for Students***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	39	48	29	22	38
Agree	51	47	59	60	49
Disagree	5	3	5	8	2
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	4	4
Don't know/NA	3	1	4	6	6

Question A.25: This school... is a safe place for my child.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A6.5***School Provides Quality Programs for My Child's Talents, Gifts, or Special Needs***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	25	26	20	24	28
Agree	37	35	39	44	35
Disagree	10	10	13	9	11
Strongly disagree	4	4	5	4	4
Don't know/NA	24	25	23	19	21

Question A.24: This school... has quality programs for my child's talents, gifts, or special needs.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A6.6***School Provides Quality Counseling and Supports for Students with Social or Emotional Needs***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	25	28	22	18	37
Agree	31	29	33	37	39
Disagree	8	6	8	13	7
Strongly disagree	3	2	6	6	3
Don't know/NA	32	35	32	26	13

Question A.15: This school... provides quality counseling or other ways to help students with social or emotional needs.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

7. Opportunities for Student Participation

Table A7.1

School Provides Opportunities for Meaningful Student Participation

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	37	43	29	26	38
Agree	43	41	43	48	38
Disagree	5	4	8	8	4
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	4	3
Don't know/NA	13	11	18	15	16

Question A.13: This school... gives all students opportunities to “make a difference” by helping other people, the school, or the community.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A7.2

School Provides Opportunities for Classroom Participation

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	45	52	34	30	49
Agree	49	44	56	59	42
Disagree	1	1	2	2	0
Strongly disagree	1	0	2	1	2
Don't know/NA	5	3	6	9	7

Question A.20: This school... gives my child opportunities to participate in classroom activities.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A7.3

School Provides Quality Sports, Clubs, or Other Activities to Meet My Child's Needs

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	33	34	26	34	32
Agree	46	43	52	53	31
Disagree	9	10	10	6	8
Strongly disagree	3	2	4	4	6
Don't know/NA	9	10	8	4	24

Question A.23: This school... provides quality activities that meet my child's interests and talents, such as sports, clubs, and music.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

8. Respect and Cultural Sensitivity

Table A8.1

School Treats All Students with Respect

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	42	51	29	25	47
Agree	47	43	53	55	36
Disagree	5	3	8	9	7
Strongly disagree	2	1	4	4	3
Don't know/NA	4	2	7	8	7

Question A.10: This school... treats all students with respect.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A8.2

School Encourages Students to Care About How Others Feel

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	39	48	28	18	31
Agree	44	43	45	47	39
Disagree	4	3	5	7	2
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	3	4
Don't know/NA	11	5	18	25	22

Question A.35: This school... encourages students to care about how others feel.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A8.3

School Promotes Respect of All Cultural Beliefs and Practices

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	34	40	24	22	38
Agree	44	44	44	49	30
Disagree	4	3	4	6	4
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	3	2
Don't know/NA	16	12	25	20	25

Question A.19: This school... communicates the importance of respecting all cultural beliefs and practices.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A8.4***School Provides Culturally Appropriate Materials***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	26	31	16	15	29
Agree	38	39	35	38	30
Disagree	8	6	12	11	6
Strongly disagree	3	2	4	4	6
Don't know/NA	26	21	34	33	30

Question A.21: This school... provides instructional materials that reflect my child's culture, ethnicity, and identity.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A8.5***Racial/Ethnic Conflict***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Not a problem	46	56	30	24	44
Small problem	10	7	13	18	5
Somewhat a problem	5	2	8	11	5
Large problem	6	6	6	8	6
Don't know/NA	33	29	43	39	41

Question A.47: Based on your experience, how much of a problem at this school is... racial/ethnic conflict among students?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A8.6***School Helps Students Resolve Conflict***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	31	39	21	15	28
Agree	41	43	39	35	37
Disagree	7	6	6	11	6
Strongly disagree	3	1	5	4	6
Don't know/NA	19	11	30	35	24

Question A.36: This school... helps students resolve conflicts with one another.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

9. Student Risk Behavior

Table A9.1

ATOD Use

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Tobacco use					
Not a problem	56	74	38	14	24
Small problem	5	1	10	15	10
Somewhat a problem	5	0	6	19	13
Large problem	8	5	6	17	9
Don't know/NA	26	20	39	35	44
Electronic cigarette use					
Not a problem	56	74	38	12	22
Small problem	4	1	8	11	9
Somewhat a problem	5	0	7	18	20
Large problem	9	5	7	23	7
Don't know/NA	27	20	41	36	42
Alcohol and drug use					
Not a problem	55	74	35	9	25
Small problem	5	0	12	15	12
Somewhat a problem	5	0	6	21	12
Large problem	10	6	6	27	10
Don't know/NA	25	20	40	28	40

Question A.42-44: Based on your experience, how much of a problem at this school is... student tobacco use (cigarette smoking and/or smokeless tobacco such as dip, chew, or snuff)?... student use of electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, or other vaping device such as e-hookah, hookah pens, or vape pens?... student alcohol and drug use?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A9.2***Bullying and Fighting***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Harassment or bullying					
Not a problem	27	34	15	14	30
Small problem	25	26	28	20	15
Somewhat a problem	16	12	22	23	16
Large problem	11	9	15	15	6
Don't know/NA	21	19	20	29	33
Physical fights					
Not a problem	42	53	25	19	38
Small problem	16	12	23	23	13
Somewhat a problem	8	4	16	18	6
Large problem	7	6	7	9	7
Don't know/NA	28	26	30	32	36

Question A.45, 46: Based on your experience, how much of a problem at this school is... harassment or bullying of students?... physical fighting between students?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A9.3***Students Disrespecting Staff***

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Not a problem	43	54	25	19	36
Small problem	15	12	21	20	13
Somewhat a problem	8	4	11	17	11
Large problem	8	6	8	14	8
Don't know/NA	27	24	34	30	31

Question A.48: Based on your experience, how much of a problem at this school is... students not respecting staff?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A9.4
Delinquency

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Gang-related activity					
Not a problem	61	72	48	35	43
Small problem	3	1	4	10	8
Somewhat a problem	2	0	2	5	7
Large problem	5	5	4	6	7
Don't know/NA	29	21	41	44	36
Weapons possession					
Not a problem	61	72	48	35	50
Small problem	3	2	5	7	2
Somewhat a problem	1	0	2	2	1
Large problem	5	5	4	5	7
Don't know/NA	30	21	41	50	40
Vandalism					
Not a problem	55	67	39	28	47
Small problem	10	6	13	19	8
Somewhat a problem	3	1	5	7	1
Large problem	5	5	5	5	7
Don't know/NA	27	20	39	41	37

Question A.49-51: Based on your experience, how much of a problem at this school is... gang-related activity?... weapons possession?... vandalism (including graffiti)?

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

10. Discipline

Table A10.1

School Clearly Communicates Consequences of Breaking Rules

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	42	47	36	31	49
Agree	45	41	51	53	39
Disagree	4	3	3	6	2
Strongly disagree	2	1	3	3	2
Don't know/NA	8	8	7	8	8

Question A.11: This school... clearly tells students in advance what will happen if they break school rules.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Table A10.2

School Enforces Rules Equally

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	35	42	24	21	40
Agree	43	42	46	43	41
Disagree	6	5	9	8	2
Strongly disagree	3	2	5	7	3
Don't know/NA	13	10	16	21	13

Question A.22: This school... enforces school rules equally for my child and all students.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

11. Facilities

Table A11.1

School Has Clean and Well-Maintained Facilities and Properties

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	29	36	19	13	31
Agree	55	52	60	57	57
Disagree	10	8	12	19	6
Strongly disagree	4	3	4	7	3
Don't know/NA	2	1	5	4	3

Question A.29: This school... has clean and well-maintained facilities and properties.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

12. Nutrition

Table A12.1

School Provides Healthy Food Choices

	All %	ES %	MS %	HS %	NT %
Strongly agree	19	24	11	9	21
Agree	35	38	30	29	25
Disagree	12	10	16	14	8
Strongly disagree	6	5	9	7	2
Don't know/NA	28	23	34	41	44

Question A.18: This school... provides students with healthy food choices.

Note: Cells are empty if there are less than 5 respondents.

Appendix

2017-18 CSPA Parent Survey Data Status

Eligible Elementary Schools	Data Received
Ayers Elementary	X
Bancroft Elementary	X
Bel Air Elementary	X
Cambridge Elementary	X
Delta View Elementary	X
Eagle Peak Montessori	
El Monte Elementary	X
Fair Oaks Elementary	X
Gregory Gardens Elementary	X
Hidden Valley Elementary	X
Highlands Elementary	X
Holbrook Language Academy	X
Meadow Homes Elementary	X
Monte Gardens Elementary	X
Mountain View Elementary	X
Mt. Diablo Elementary	X
Pleasant Hill Elementary	X
Rio Vista Elementary	X
Sequoia Elementary	X
Shore Acres Elementary	X
Silverwood Elementary	X
Strandwood Elementary	X
Sun Terrace Elementary	X
Valhalla Elementary	X
Valle Verde Elementary	X
Walnut Acres Elementary	X
Westwood Elementary	X
Woodside Elementary	X

Notes: Eligible schools listed are based on CBEDS 2017-18 public school and enrollment data files. Directly funded charter schools have been excluded from the list.

2017-18 CSPA Parent Survey Data Status - Continued

Eligible Elementary Schools	Data Received
Wren Avenue Elementary	X
Ygnacio Valley Elementary	X

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Eligible Intermediate/Middle/Junior High Schools	Data Received
Diablo View Middle	X
El Dorado Middle	X
Foothill Middle	X
Oak Grove Middle	X
Pine Hollow Middle	X
Pleasant Hill Middle	X
Riverview Middle	X
Sequoia Middle	X
Valley View Middle	X

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Eligible High Schools	Data Received
College Park High	X
Concord High	X
Horizons School: Independent Study	
Mt. Diablo High	X
Northgate High	X
Ygnacio Valley High	X

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Eligible Non-Traditional Schools ^A	Data Received
College Now	X
Crossroads High (Alternative)	X
Diablo Community Day	
Gateway High (Continuation)	
Olympic Continuation High	X
Prospect High (Continuation)	X
Summit High (Continuation)	X
Sunrise (Special Education)	

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