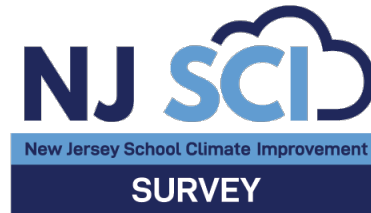


NJ SCI Pilot Survey

Students Grades 6-12 Data Report

South Orange Middle School

June 2022



This report contains data from the New Jersey School Climate Improvement (NJ SCI) Survey. Items in the survey are organized into domains, or main conceptual areas of school climate. Means and response distributions are available for each domain as well as individual items within domains. Item level means represents the average score on an item for all respondents that answered that item. Item level distributions represent the number and percentage of respondents that selected each available response option (e.g., strongly disagree, disagree, agree, strongly agree) for an item. Total number of respondents in each item may vary if respondents skip (an) item(s) or select "Not Applicable." Overall means for each domain are calculated by taking the average of means from individual items within a respective domain. Similarly, overall response distributions are calculated by taking the average percentage distribution for individual items within a respective domain. Please note that mean scores on the domain and item-level pages are ranked highest to lowest.

** = Item includes a "not applicable" option and may have a lower response number compared to other items.*

Stakeholder Summary

Overall	
Overall	570
By: Grade	
Grade 6	129
Grade 7	181
Grade 8	213
Grade 9	0
Grade 10	0
Grade 11	0
Grade 12	0
Not Specified	47
By: Gender	
Combined totals here may exceed overall number of respondents for this stakeholder as more than one option may be selected.	
Boy/Male	281
Girl/Female	233
I use a different word(s)	32
Non-binary	27

By: Gender
Combined totals here may exceed overall number of respondents for this stakeholder as more than one option may be selected.

Transgender	18
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By: Race/Ethnicity
Combined totals here may exceed overall number of respondents for this stakeholder as more than one option may be selected.

A group not listed here	62
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American Indian or Alaska Native	24
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Asian	70
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Black or African-American	147
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Hispanic or Latino/a	63
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Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	16
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White	341
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By: English at Home

No	45
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Not Specified	46
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Yes	479
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By: Language Survey Submitted In

English	526
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Haitian Creole	1
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Not Specified	43
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By: Language Survey Submitted In	
Portuguese	0
Spanish	0

Overall Summary

Domain	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
Sense of Physical Safety	3.06	4%	10%	63%	24%	548
Supportive Staff-Student Relationships	3.02	5%	15%	55%	26%	544
Student Sense of Belonging	2.92	6%	16%	57%	20%	532
Negative Student Interpersonal Behaviors	2.78	17%	21%	28%	34%	530
Behavioral Expectations	2.75	6%	25%	56%	13%	554
Academic Culture and Classroom Practices	2.68	8%	36%	36%	20%	569
Supports for Student Social and Emotional Learning	2.67	9%	27%	52%	12%	527
Student Voice and Involvement	2.65	10%	27%	51%	12%	523
Prosocial Student Interpersonal Behaviors	2.62	9%	30%	51%	10%	535

Note: Response options in the Academic Culture and Classroom Practices domain range from "None" "Some" "Most" and "All." Response options for the Negative Student Interpersonal Behaviors domain range from "A Big Problem" "A Medium Problem" "A Small Problem" and "Not A Problem."

Academic Culture and Classroom Practices

Item	Mean	None	Some	Most	All	Total Respondents
4. In this school: _____ of my teachers expect me to work hard.	3.52	1% 8	8% 44	28% 158	62% 350	560
9. In this school: _____ of my teachers would give me extra help with my work if I needed it.	3.26	2% 13	17% 97	32% 177	48% 269	556
10. In this school: _____ of my teachers help me learn from my mistakes on work.	2.95	5% 25	28% 155	36% 198	32% 177	555
11. In this school: _____ of my teachers give me feedback that helps me improve my work.	2.92	5% 29	27% 151	38% 208	30% 165	553
8. In this school: _____ of my teachers give me chances to work with other students.	2.85	2% 11	34% 187	42% 236	22% 123	557
1. In this school: _____ of the students stay on task in class.	2.67	1% 5	33% 185	65% 370	1% 7	567
2. In this school: _____ of the students care about doing well on work.	2.66	1% 6	36% 202	59% 331	4% 24	563
5. In this school: _____ of my teachers teach about people like me.	2.54	14% 79	39% 214	25% 136	22% 120	549
3. In this school: _____ of the students keep trying when the work is hard.	2.44	2% 10	55% 310	40% 225	3% 17	562
6. In this school: _____ of my teachers teach about topics I like.	2.37	9% 49	52% 288	33% 186	6% 35	558
12. In this school: _____ of my teachers explain how schoolwork will help me in the future.	2.13	26% 142	45% 252	20% 109	9% 52	555

Item	Mean	None	Some	Most	All	Total Respondents
7. In this school: _____ of my teachers give me chances to pick from different types of assignments.	1.83	34% 188	52% 290	10% 58	3% 19	555

Behavioral Expectations

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
13. In this school: adults let students know how they should behave while in school.	3.13	2% 9	6% 35	69% 379	23% 126	549
16. In this school: adults recognize when I follow the rules and expectations.	2.78	5% 28	24% 128	59% 320	12% 67	543
14. In this school: adults are fair to all groups of students when they apply the rules.	2.66	8% 45	31% 169	47% 257	14% 74	545
18. The rules help make my school a better place.	2.65	9% 48	28% 149	53% 286	11% 58	541
15. In this school: adults help students make things right when they hurt others.	2.64	8% 43	31% 170	50% 269	11% 59	541
17. I think the rules at our school are fair.	2.60	7% 39	31% 169	56% 305	6% 31	544

Sense of Physical Safety

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
23. I feel safe at school events or activities that happen after school hours.*	3.16	3% 14	6% 25	63% 278	28% 123	440
22. I feel safe on the way to and from school.	3.15	3% 15	6% 33	64% 350	27% 146	544
20. I feel safe in my classrooms.	3.14	2% 13	8% 45	62% 339	27% 148	545
21. I feel safe outside of the classroom.	3.03	4% 20	11% 61	63% 345	22% 119	545
19. I feel safe during the school day.	3.00	4% 22	13% 69	63% 344	20% 111	546
24. Adults at this school help keep everyone safe.	2.90	6% 33	16% 86	60% 323	18% 100	542

Supportive Staff-Student Relationships

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
32. Adults in my school respect students: from all religions or cultures.	3.32	1% 6	4% 22	57% 306	38% 207	541
29. Adults in my school respect students: of all sexual orientations.	3.30	2% 9	6% 33	53% 286	39% 211	539
28. Adults in my school respect students: of all races, ethnicities, and nationalities.	3.28	2% 12	7% 37	51% 278	40% 215	542
33. Adults in my school respect students: whose families have more money or less money.	3.28	2% 11	5% 29	55% 295	38% 201	536
30. Adults in my school respect students: of all gender identities.	3.23	2% 10	9% 50	53% 285	36% 193	538
31. Adults in my school respect students: of all ability levels.	3.07	4% 19	14% 75	54% 291	28% 153	538
27. Adults in my school: treat me with respect.	2.90	6% 31	15% 80	63% 344	16% 88	543
26. Adults in my school: would help me if I was being treated badly.	2.89	5% 27	15% 83	65% 352	15% 80	542
34. There are one or more adults in my school who really care about me.	2.89	5% 29	20% 107	55% 294	20% 106	536
25. Adults in my school: want to get to know me.	2.56	7% 39	35% 189	52% 279	6% 32	539
35. I am comfortable speaking to an adult in my school if something is bothering me.	2.52	16% 85	29% 155	43% 230	12% 66	536

Prosocial Student Interpersonal Behaviors

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
41. Students at this school: are friends with students who are different from them (such as race, ethnicity, religion, gender).	3.25	2% 10	5% 29	59% 315	34% 180	534
42. Students at this school: include students with disabilities in groups and activities.	2.82	6% 34	19% 102	61% 322	14% 72	530
36. Students at this school: help each other if they need it.	2.65	7% 39	26% 139	61% 325	6% 30	533
39. Students at this school: are able to resolve their problems with other students.	2.48	11% 57	35% 185	50% 269	4% 23	534
38. Students at this school: speak up if someone might hurt others.	2.39	11% 61	42% 223	43% 226	4% 21	531
37. Students at this school: are kind to one another.	2.39	12% 65	39% 210	46% 245	3% 14	534
40. Students at this school: discuss different points of view in a respectful way.	2.36	12% 65	43% 231	41% 216	4% 20	532

Student Sense of Belonging

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
47. I have one or more good friends at this school.	3.44	2% 12	2% 8	46% 243	50% 268	531
46. I feel like I belong at this school.	2.79	7% 37	19% 97	62% 320	12% 62	516
43. I am proud to be a student at this school.	2.78	9% 45	20% 103	56% 294	15% 80	522
44. I can be myself at this school.	2.78	6% 34	21% 111	60% 315	12% 65	525
45. People at this school appreciate me for who I am.	2.78	6% 32	21% 108	62% 326	11% 56	522

Negative Student Interpersonal Behaviors

Item	Mean	A Big Problem	A Medium Problem	A Small Problem	Not A Problem	Total Respondents
53. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their religion or culture.	3.28	10% 55	9% 45	23% 122	58% 304	526
60. Students at this school pick on each other because of: how much money their family has.	3.19	15% 78	7% 36	23% 122	55% 290	526
52. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their race, ethnicity, or nationality.	3.17	13% 67	9% 50	26% 139	51% 271	527
58. Students at this school pick on each other because of: how they move or walk.	3.09	12% 65	16% 82	23% 120	49% 259	526
55. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their sexual orientation.	2.98	15% 77	16% 84	26% 137	43% 228	526
59. Students at this school pick on each other because of: how they speak.	2.96	13% 67	18% 97	29% 151	40% 211	526
54. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their gender or gender expression.	2.95	15% 79	17% 87	27% 143	41% 217	526
56. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their academic or learning ability.	2.83	13% 70	20% 107	36% 190	30% 160	527
50. Students at this school: leave other students out of groups or activities on purpose.	2.50	19% 100	29% 154	35% 185	17% 90	529
57. Students at this school pick on each other because of: their physical appearance.	2.48	23% 121	29% 154	25% 131	23% 121	527
51. Students at this school: are mean to each other online or through text.	2.36	26% 136	29% 152	29% 153	16% 85	526

Item	Mean	A Big Problem		A Medium Problem		A Small Problem		Not A Problem		Total Respondents
49. Students at this school: push, hit, or kick each other on purpose.	2.19	27%	142	36%	192	28%	150	9%	46	530
48. Students at this school: say mean things to each other in person.	2.12	26%	135	41%	219	28%	149	5%	26	529

Supports for Student Social and Emotional Learning

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
73. In my school we learn: how to value all cultures and identities.	3.04	5% 25	11% 58	59% 307	25% 130	520
70. In my school we learn: how our actions affect others.	2.83	6% 31	20% 102	60% 312	14% 75	520
69. In my school we learn: how to make good choices.	2.81	6% 29	21% 108	61% 318	13% 66	521
71. In my school we learn: how to respect how others feel.	2.77	8% 39	20% 102	61% 315	12% 62	518
68. In my school we learn: how to reach our goals.	2.74	6% 33	25% 131	57% 295	12% 63	522
66. In my school we learn: to stop and think before we do something.	2.70	10% 53	21% 112	57% 301	11% 59	525
67. In my school we learn: to recognize our personal strengths.	2.66	10% 55	26% 134	51% 269	13% 66	524
74. In my school we learn: how to help the community outside of school.	2.66	9% 47	29% 150	49% 255	13% 66	518
61. In my school we learn: ways to ask for help when we need it.	2.60	10% 50	29% 154	52% 275	9% 46	525
64. In my school we learn: what to do when we feel stress.	2.54	11% 60	34% 180	43% 223	12% 61	524
62. In my school we learn: ways to resolve problems with others.	2.53	10% 50	35% 184	48% 250	7% 38	522
72. In my school we learn: how to make things right if we hurt others.	2.52	11% 56	35% 183	45% 233	9% 47	519
65. In my school we learn: what to do when we have upset feelings.	2.49	12% 61	36% 189	44% 229	9% 45	524

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
63. In my school we learn: ways of showing our feelings.	2.46	12% 63	37% 195	43% 225	7% 38	521

Student Voice and Involvement

Item	Mean	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Respondents
75. In this school, I have chances to: share my ideas and opinions.	2.91	5% 26	15% 78	64% 335	16% 82	521
77. In this school, I have chances to: participate in activities that help the community.	2.80	6% 33	20% 106	60% 314	13% 69	522
80. I participate in clubs, groups, or other activities at school.*	2.76	13% 52	19% 75	46% 179	22% 85	391
76. In this school, I have chances to: help lead activities and events.	2.68	7% 37	28% 145	55% 284	10% 54	520
78. I have chances to help decide activities in the classroom or school.	2.53	10% 49	36% 183	47% 243	8% 40	515
79. I have chances to help make rules in the classroom or school.	2.27	19% 101	41% 211	34% 174	6% 33	519