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Summary

Topic Description	Results	Comparison
Additional questions	67%	76% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 70% Special School District
Communicating results	80% ▲ 12 since last survey	69% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 72% Special School District
Communications	78% ▲ 8 since last survey	72% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 67% Special School District
Deia	70% ▲ 5 since last survey	74% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 66% Special School District
Feedback and Coaching Perceptions of the amount and quality of feedback faculty and staff receive.	39% ▼ 1 since last survey	43% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 45% Special School District
Mission and vision	72% ▲ 5 since last survey	74% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 72% Special School District
Overall engagement	84% ▲ 10 since last survey	82% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 79% Special School District
Partner Districts	39% ▼ 26 since last survey	75% SSD of St. Louis (MO) 62% Special School District

Professional Learning

51%
▲ 7
since last survey

48% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
47% Special School District

School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the school.

57%
▼ 1
since last survey

65% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
57% Special School District

School Leadership

Perceptions of the school leadership's effectiveness.

70%
▲ 4
since last survey

59% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
55% Special School District

Staff-Leadership Relationships

Perceptions of faculty and staff relationships with school leaders.

81%
▲ 4
since last survey

68% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
64% Special School District

Well-being

Faculty and staff perceptions of their own professional well-being.

77%
▲ 6
since last survey

72% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
68% Special School District

Work environment

89%
▲ 5
since last survey

82% SSD of St. Louis (MO)
82% Special School District

18 responses

Additional questions

Your average

67%

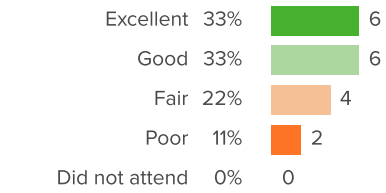
18 responses

Client average: **76%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **70%** Special School District

How did people respond?

Q.1: How would you rate your overall experience regarding the 2024 back-to-school convocation event, including the organization, content, and atmosphere?



Favorable: **67%**

Communicating results

Your average

80%

18 responses

Change

▲ 12

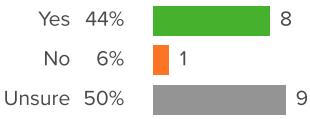
since last survey

Client average: **69%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **72%** Special School District

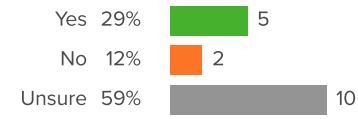
How did people respond?

Q.1: The SSD Employee Engagement Survey was last administered in February/March 2022. Were the results shared with you?



▲ 39 from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.2: Has your immediate SSD supervisor made changes to improve employee engagement since the last survey?



▼ 15 from last survey — Favorable: **71%**

Communications

Your average

78%

18 responses

Change

▲ **8**

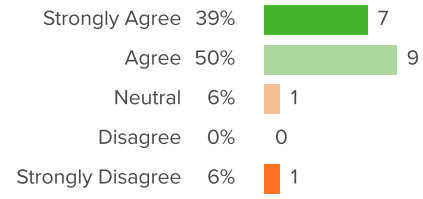
since last survey

Client average: **72%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **67%** Special School District

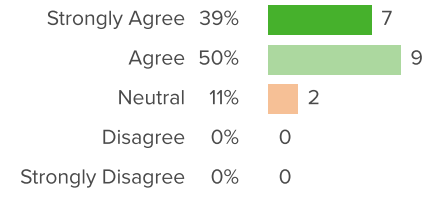
How did people respond?

Q.1: My direct supervisor provides me with constructive feedback.



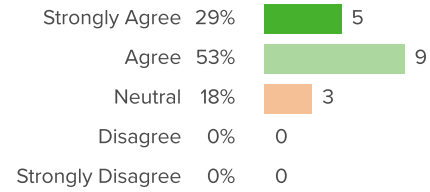
▲ **19** from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.2: I receive adequate and timely information about district news and initiatives.



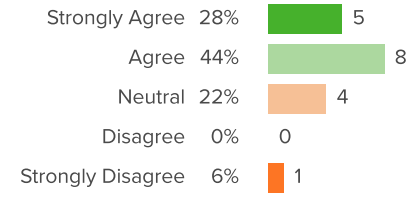
▲ **16** from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.3: I am aware of where and how I can direct a question or concern.



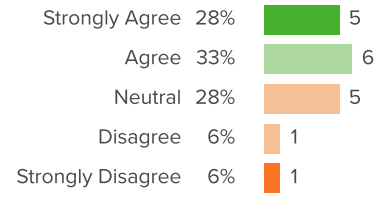
▲ **0** from last survey — Favorable: **82%**

Q.4: The actions of my immediate SSD supervisor are consistent with his or her words.



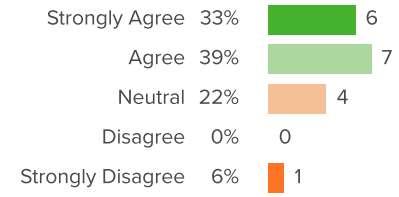
▲ **8** from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Q.5: SSD leaders clearly explain the reasons behind decisions on key issues.



▲ **6** from last survey — Favorable: **61%**

Q.6: SSD leaders encourage employees to share ideas to improve performance.



▼ **1** from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Deia

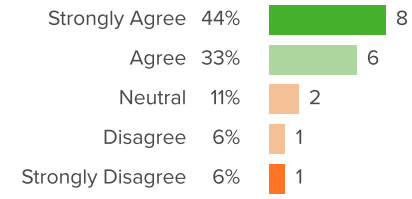
Your average
70%
18 responses

Change
▲ **5**
since last survey

Client average: **74%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)
District average: **66%** Special School District

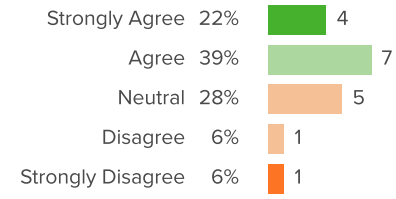
How did people respond?

Q.1: SSD staff values and embraces diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.



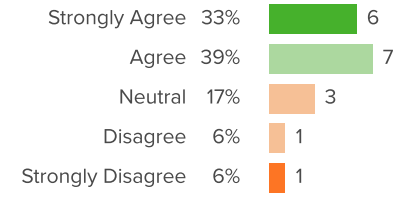
▲ **2** from last survey — Favorable: **78%**

Q.2: SSD provides an environment for the free and open expression of ideas, opinions, and beliefs.



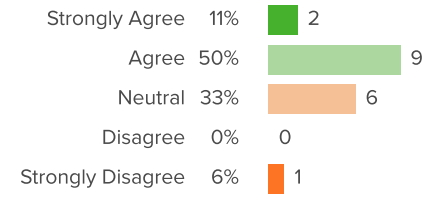
▲ **18** from last survey — Favorable: **61%**

Q.3: SSD Administration communicates effectively with others from diverse backgrounds.



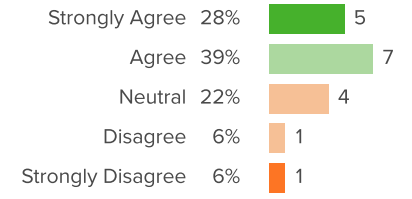
▲ **1** from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Q.4: SSD's equity professional development is valuable, and I have used what I have learned in my work.



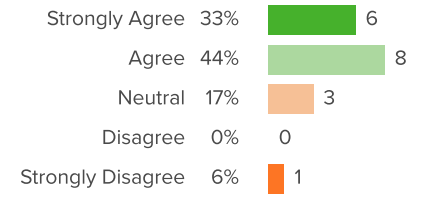
▲ **4** from last survey — Favorable: **61%**

Q.5: I feel my background and identity are valued at SSD.



▼ **6** from last survey — Favorable: **67%**

Q.6: People from all backgrounds and with a range of identities have equitable opportunities to advance their careers at SSD.



▲ **10** from last survey — Favorable: **78%**

Feedback and Coaching

Your average

39%

18 responses

Change

▼ 1

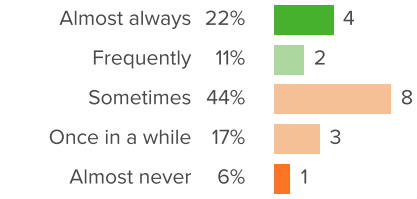
since last survey

Client average: **43%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **45%** Special School District

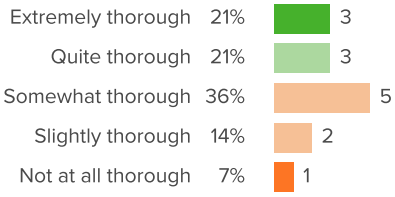
How did people respond?

Q.1: How often do you receive feedback on your teaching?



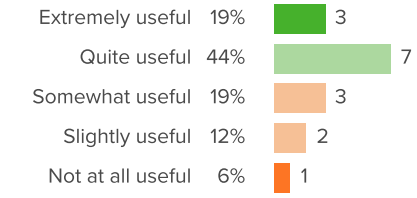
▲ 3 from last survey — Favorable: **33%**

Q.2: At your school, how thorough is the feedback you receive in covering all aspects of your role as a teacher?



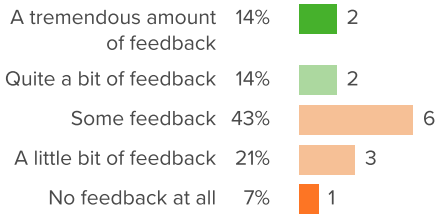
▼ 7 from last survey — Favorable: **43%**

Q.3: How useful do you find the feedback you receive on your teaching?



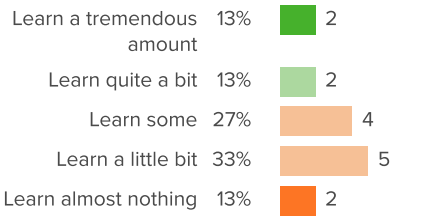
▲ 22 from last survey — Favorable: **63%**

Q.4: How much feedback do you receive on your teaching?



▼ 12 from last survey — Favorable: **29%**

Q.5: How much do you learn from the teacher evaluation processes at your school?



▼ 9 from last survey — Favorable: **27%**

Mission and vision

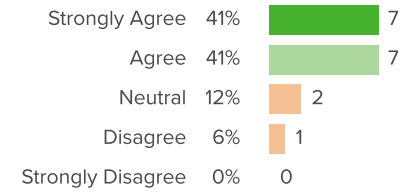
Your average	Change
72%	▲ 5
18 responses	since last survey

Client average: **74%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **72%** Special School District

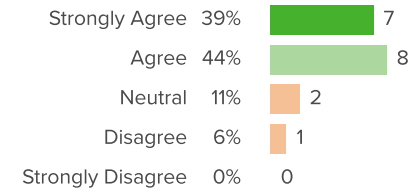
How did people respond?

Q.1: I am familiar with and support the mission and vision of SSD.



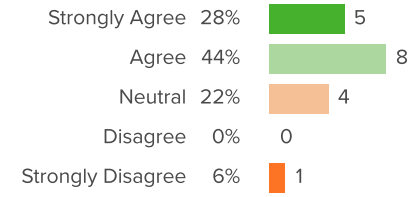
▲ 5 from last survey — Favorable: **82%**

Q.2: The district's mission and vision are clearly defined.



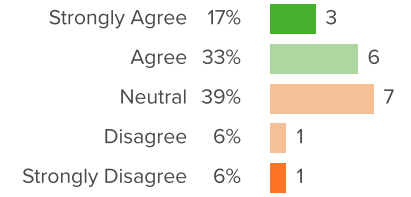
▲ 1 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Q.3: The district is moving in a direction that reflects our mission and vision.



▲ 15 from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Q.4: I can provide input on how the district accomplishes its mission.



▼ 2 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Overall engagement

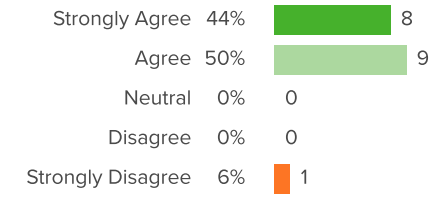
Your average	Change
84%	▲ 10
18 responses	since last survey

Client average: **82%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **79%** Special School District

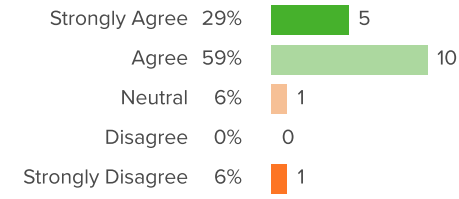
How did people respond?

Q.1: I am proud to work for SSD.



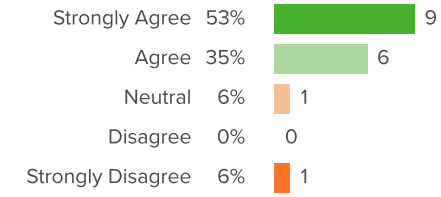
▲ 7 from last survey — Favorable: **94%**

Q.2: Employment with SSD gives me a feeling of accomplishment.



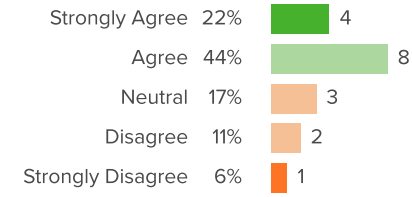
▲ 6 from last survey — Favorable: **88%**

Q.3: I am engaged in my work.



▲ 1 from last survey — Favorable: **88%**

Q.4: I am included in decisions that affect my work.



▲ 28 from last survey — Favorable: **67%**

Partner Districts

Your average

39%

18 responses

Change

▼ 26

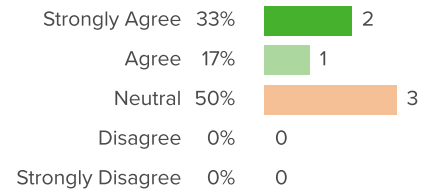
since last survey

Client average: **75%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **62%** Special School District

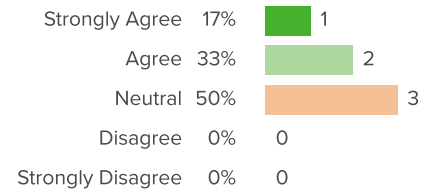
How did people respond?

Q.1: I feel respected and supported by the partner district principal and other administrators at this school.



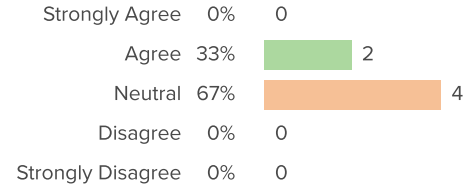
▼ 21 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.2: My partner district principal fosters a shared vision and a sense of community and cooperation at this school.



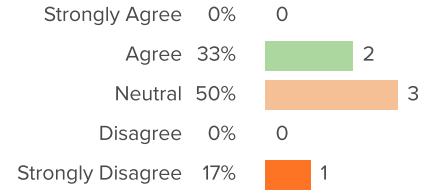
▼ 7 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.3: In my partner district school, the atmosphere is one of mutual respect among general education staff and SSD staff.



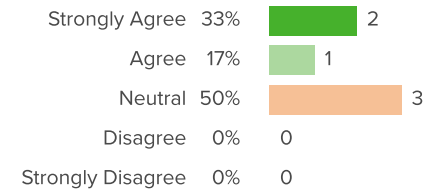
▼ 53 from last survey — Favorable: **33%**

Q.4: My partner district principal effectively communicates important issues that affect me.



▼ 24 from last survey — Favorable: **33%**

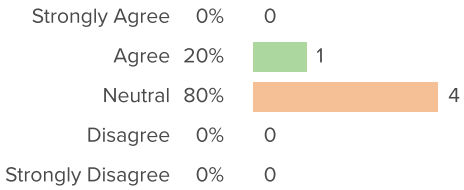
Q.5: Staff at my partner district school work together to ensure an education, student-centered environment.



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: 50%

Q.6: The administrators in my partner district work collaboratively with SSD administration.



▼ 51 from last survey

Favorable: 20%

Professional Learning

Your average

51%

18 responses

Change

▲ 7

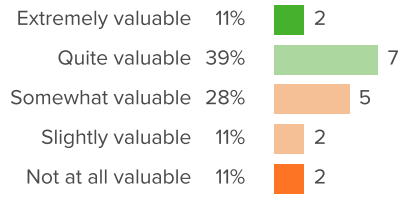
since last survey

Client average: **48%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **47%** Special School District

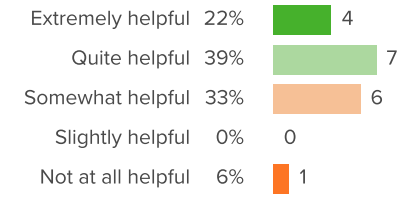
How did people respond?

Q.1: At your school, how valuable are the available professional development opportunities?



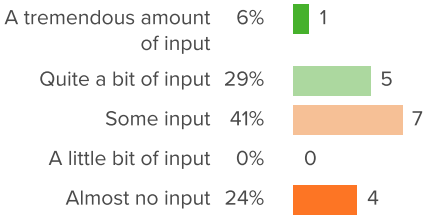
▲ 0 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.2: How helpful are your colleagues' ideas for improving your teaching?



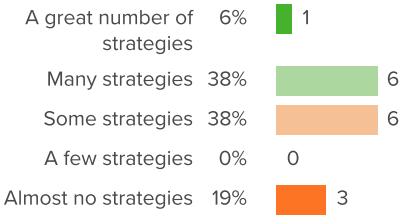
▲ 4 from last survey — Favorable: **61%**

Q.3: How much input do you have into individualizing your own professional development opportunities?



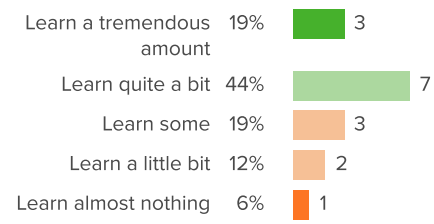
▲ 5 from last survey — Favorable: **35%**

Q.4: Through working at your school, how many new teaching strategies have you learned?



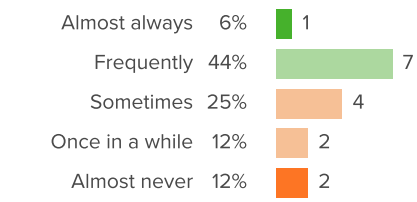
▲ 3 from last survey — Favorable: **44%**

Q.5: Overall, how much do you learn about teaching from the leaders at your school?



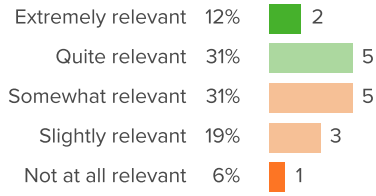
▲ 18 from last survey — Favorable: **63%**

Q.6: How often do your professional development opportunities help you explore new ideas?



▲ 9 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.7: How relevant have your professional development opportunities been to the content that you teach?



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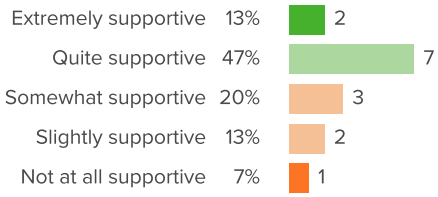
Favorable: **44%**

Q.8: Overall, how supportive has the school been of your growth as a teacher?



▲ 1 from last survey

Favorable: **60%**

School Climate

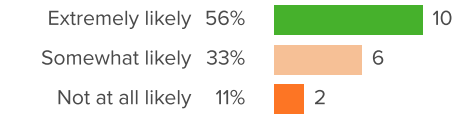
Your average
57%
18 responses

Change
▼ 1
since last survey

Client average: **65%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)
District average: **57%** Special School District

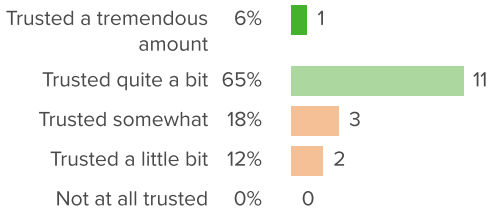
How did people respond?

Q.1: How likely is it that you would recommend working for SSD to a family member or friend?



▼ 8 from last survey — Favorable: **56%**

Q.2: To what extent are staff trusted to work in the way they think is best?



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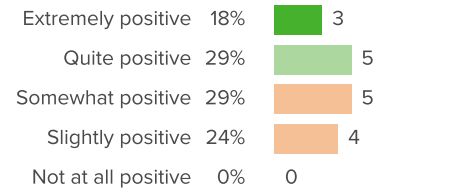
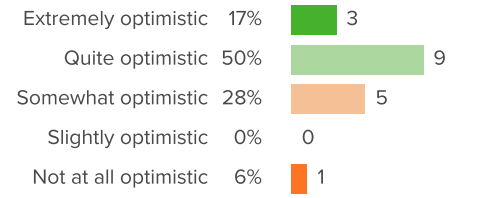
Q.3: How positive are the attitudes of your colleagues?



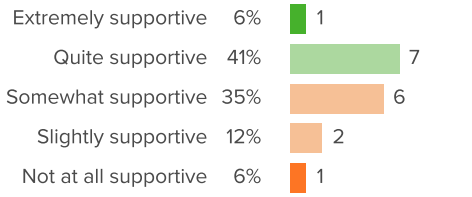
▲ 11 from last survey — Favorable: **47%**

Q.4: How optimistic are you the future of Special School District?



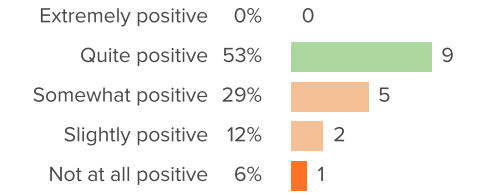
▼ 11 from last survey — Favorable: **67%**

Q.5: When new initiatives are presented at your school, how supportive are your colleagues?



▼ 3 from last survey — Favorable: **47%**

Q.6: Overall, how positive is the working environment at your school/location?



▲ 8 from last survey — Favorable: **53%**

School Leadership

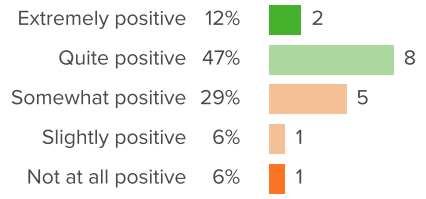
Your average
70%
18 responses

Change
▲ **4**
since last survey

Client average: **59%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)
District average: **55%** Special School District

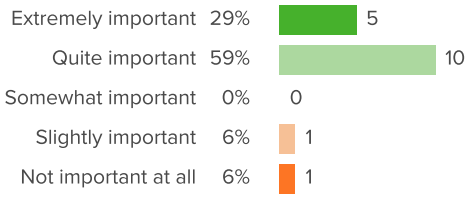
How did people respond?

Q.1: How positive is the tone that school leaders set for the culture of the school?



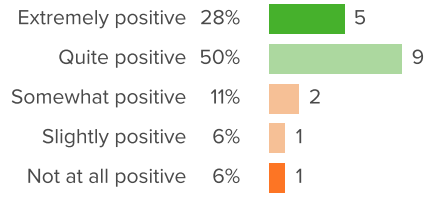
▲ **2** from last survey — Favorable: **59%**

Q.2: For your school leaders, how important is staff satisfaction?



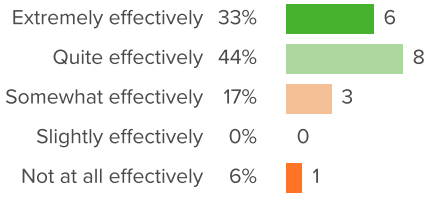
▲ **14** from last survey — Favorable: **88%**

Q.3: Overall, how positive is the influence of the school leaders on the quality of your work?



▲ **21** from last survey — Favorable: **78%**

Q.4: How effectively do school leaders communicate important information to teachers?



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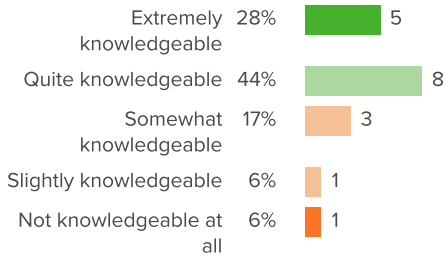
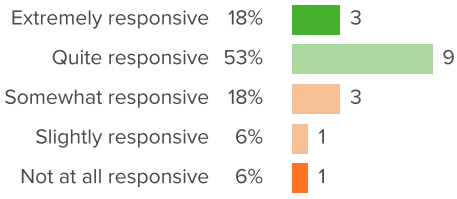
Q.5: How knowledgeable are your school leaders about what is going on in the school?



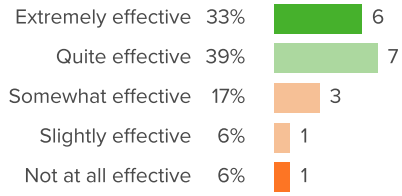
▼ **1** from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Q.6: How responsive are school leaders to your feedback?



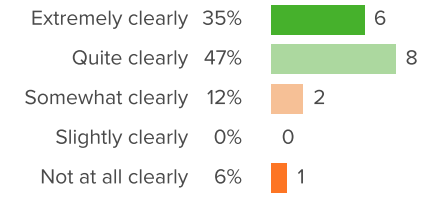
▼ **2** from last survey — Favorable: **71%**

Q.7: How effective are the school leaders at developing rules for students that facilitate their learning?



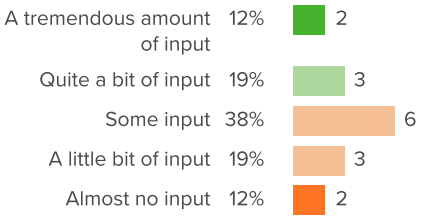
▲ 4 from last survey Favorable: **72%**

Q.8: How clearly do your school leaders identify their goals for staff?



▲ 9 from last survey Favorable: **82%**

Q.9: When the school makes important decisions, how much input do staff have?



▼ 7 from last survey Favorable: **31%**

Staff-Leadership Relationships

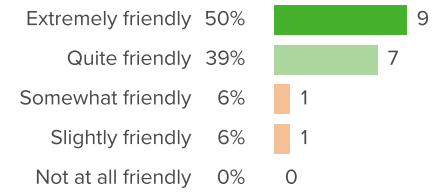
Your average	Change
81%	▲ 4
18 responses	since last survey

Client average: 68% SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: 64% Special School District

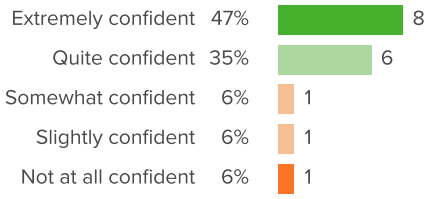
How did people respond?

Q.1: How friendly are your school leaders toward you?



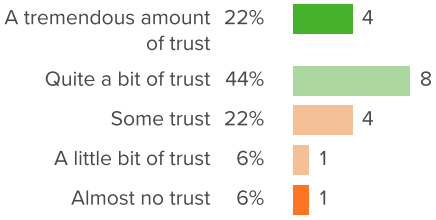
▼ 2 from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.2: How confident are you that your school leaders have the best interests of the school in mind?



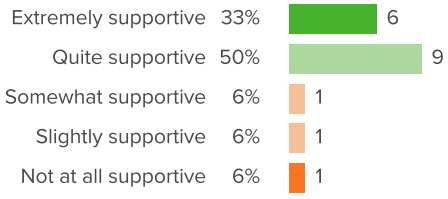
▲ 17 from last survey — Favorable: **82%**

Q.3: How much trust exists between school leaders and staff?



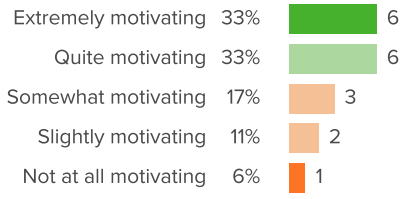
▲ 8 from last survey — Favorable: **67%**

Q.4: When you face challenges at work, how supportive are your school leaders?



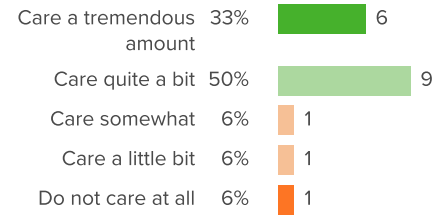
▲ 1 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Q.5: At your school, how motivating do you find working with the leadership team?



▼ 1 from last survey — Favorable: **67%**

Q.6: How much do your school leaders care about you as an individual?



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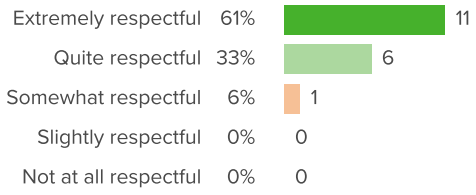
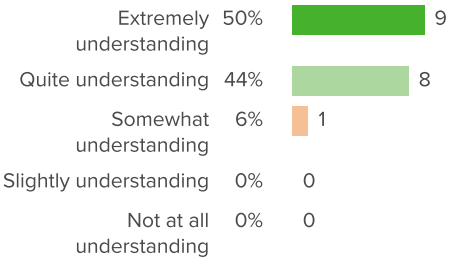
Q.7: How respectful are your school leaders towards you?



▲ 12 from last survey — Favorable: **94%**

Q.8: When challenges arise in your personal life, how understanding are your school leaders?



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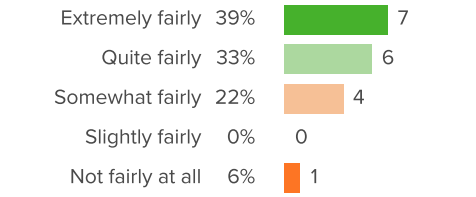
Q.9: How fairly does the school leadership treat the staff?



▲ 8 from last survey — Favorable: **72%**

Well-being

Your average

77%

18 responses

Change

▲ **6**

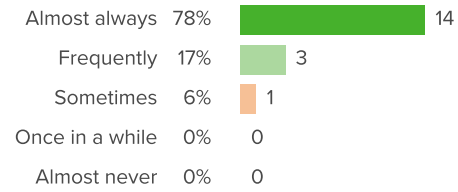
since last survey

Client average: **72%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **68%** Special School District

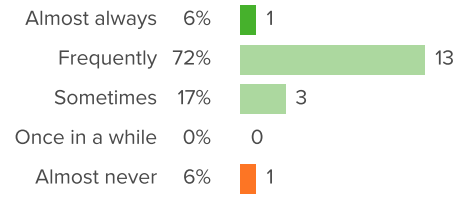
How did people respond?

Q.1: During the past week, how often did you feel engaged at work?



▲ 3 from last survey — Favorable: **94%**

Q.2: During the past week, how often did you feel excited at work?



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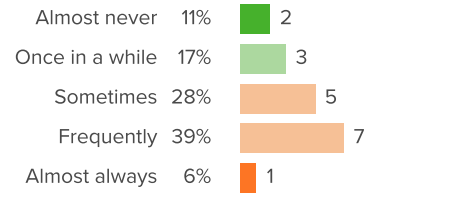
Q.3: During the past week, how often did you feel exhausted at work?



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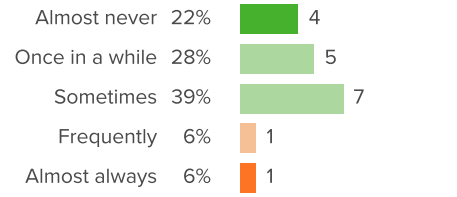
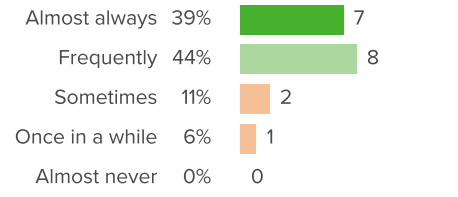
Q.4: During the past week, how often did you feel frustrated at work?



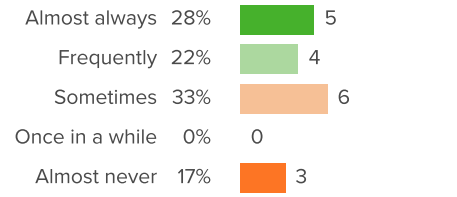
▲ 11 from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.5: During the past week, how often did you feel happy at work?



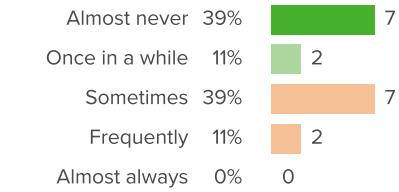
▲ 9 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Q.6: During the past week, how often did you feel hopeful at work?



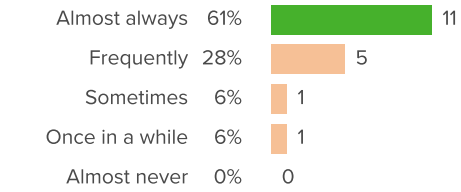
▲ 7 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.7: During the past week, how often did you feel overwhelmed at work?



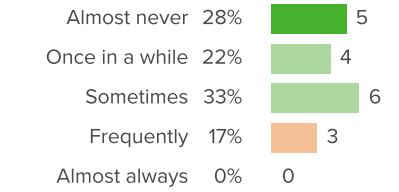
▼ 11 from last survey — Favorable: **50%**

Q.8: During the past week, how often did you feel safe at work?



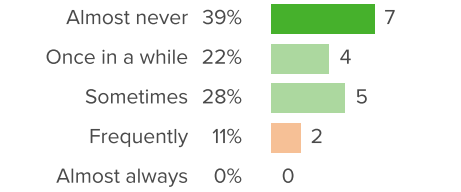
▲ 18 from last survey — Favorable: **61%**

Q.9: During the past week, how often did you feel stressed out at work?



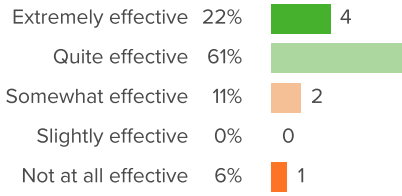
▲ 13 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Q.10: During the past week, how often did you feel worried at work?



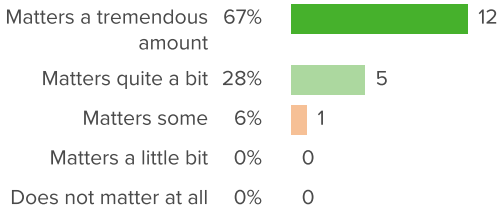
▲ 15 from last survey — Favorable: **89%**

Q.11: How effective do you feel at your job right now?



▲ 9 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Q.12: How much does your work matter to you?



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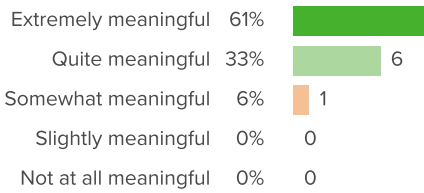
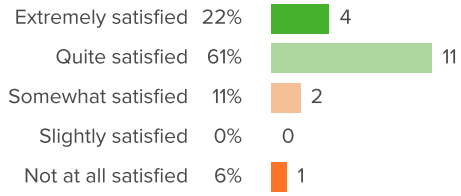
Q.13: How meaningful for you is the work that you do?



▼ 6 from last survey — Favorable: **94%**

Q.14: Overall, how satisfied are you with your job right now?



▲ 5 from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Work environment

Your average

89%

18 responses

Change

▲ **5**

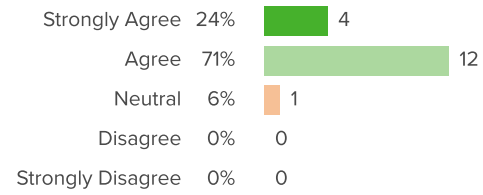
since last survey

Client average: **82%** SSD of St. Louis (MO)

District average: **82%** Special School District

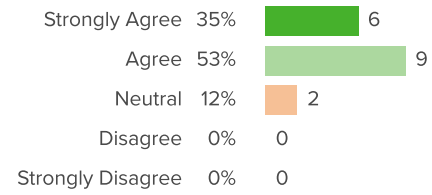
How did people respond?

Q.1: I have the materials and resources to do my job effectively.



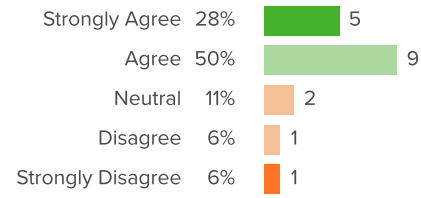
▲ **21** from last survey — Favorable: **94%**

Q.2: My school/location is in good condition and well-maintained.



▲ **15** from last survey — Favorable: **88%**

Q.3: I feel safe in my school/location.



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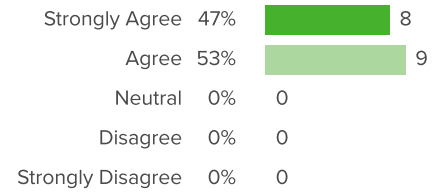
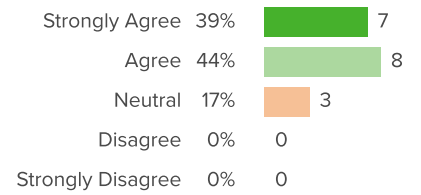
Q.4: I am aware of safety and security procedures at my school/location.



▲ **9** from last survey — Favorable: **100%**

Q.5: SSD provides opportunities to promote employee wellness (i.e., employee health and general well-being).



▼ **7** from last survey — Favorable: **83%**

Background Questions

How did people respond?

Q.1: Location

Affton School District	0%	0
Bayless School District	0%	0
Brentwood School District	0%	0
Clayton School District	0%	0
Ferguson-Florissant School District	0%	0
Hancock Place School District	0%	0
Hazelwood School District	0%	0
Jennings School District	0%	0
Kirkwood School District	0%	0
Ladue School District	0%	0
Lindbergh School District	0%	0
Maplewood-Richmond Heights School District	0%	0
Mehlville School District	0%	0
Normandy School District	0%	0
Parkway School District	0%	0
Pattonville School District	0%	0
Ritenour School District	0%	0
Riverview Gardens School District	0%	0
Rockwood School District	0%	0
University City School District	0%	0
Valley Park School District	0%	0
Webster Groves School District	0%	0
Ackerman School	100%	17
Bridges Program	0%	0
Central Office	0%	0
Distribution Center	0%	0
Juvenile Detention Center (JDC)	0%	0
Learning Center	0%	0
Learning Center - Professional Learning	0%	0
Learning Center - ABA	0%	0
Litzsinger School	0%	0
Neuwoehner High School	0%	0

Q.2: Job type

Paraprofessional - SSD school, site, or program	100%	18
Paraprofessional - Partner district	0%	0

North Tech High School	0%	0
Northview High School	0%	0
South Tech High School	0%	0
Southview School	0%	0
Vocational Skills Program (VSP)	0%	0