

Vincent J. Gallagher Middle School

SurveyWorks! 2011-2012

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Introduction to the 2012 SurveyWorks School Report

This School Report presents results from the **2012 SurveyWorks Student, Parent, and Teacher/Staff Surveys** for this school. Results from the 2012 SurveyWorks School Administrator Survey are provided in a separate report. The surveys gather input from students, parents, and teachers and other staff on elements of Rhode Island's Basic Education Program (BEP) including:

- Teaching and Student Achievement;
- Families and Communities;
- Safe and Supportive Schools; and
- Funding and Resources.

The results are reported for each of these categories. These data are intended to be used to inform decisions at all levels-including the classroom, school, district, and state.

The report is organized into three sections by survey population. Section 1 reports the findings from the Student Survey. Section 2 reports the findings from the Parent Survey. Section 3 reports the findings from the Teacher/Staff Survey.

The findings are reported in tables showing the total number and percentage of individuals answering each item by school (or by district) and at the state level. The survey allowed individuals to skip over questions that did not apply to them or that they did not wish to answer. Therefore, the number of responses to any one question may vary. In order to protect individuals' rights to confidentiality, data for items with fewer than ten responses are not reported. In these cases, a dash (-) indicates that there are insufficient responses to report.

Participation Rates

The percentage of eligible individuals responding to each survey is an important piece of information when examining survey results. The participation rate for schools that were not eligible or exempt is reported as "N/A". Low participation rates suggest that data should be interpreted with caution.

Participation Rates		
	This School	Statewide
	%	%
Student Survey (Grade 6-8)	96.1	87.7
Parent Survey	27.0	20.8
Teacher Survey	76.4	48.0

Participation rates for this school, by survey, are indicated in the table at the right. Participation rates for the Student Survey are based on the school's average daily enrollment between October 1, 2011 and March 12, 2012 for the applicable grades. The Parent Survey participation rate is based on the number of unique mailing addresses for students enrolled in a school. The Teacher Survey participation rate is based on two data sources. School principals were asked to provide the number of teachers and instructional staff. For those schools that provided the data, these numbers are used. For schools that did not provide this information, staffing data are provided by the Rhode Island Department of Education.

Navigating the Report

This report contains several navigation features. The Table of Contents contains active links to each of the main sections of the report. The Table of Contents for each section contains active links to subsections based on BEP category.

In addition, some pages have navigation buttons that allow the reader to see how a different survey population responded to a similar topic. For example, the page displaying students' responses to questions about teacher practices contains a navigation button that links to teachers' responses about teacher practices.

Data

Data files are available upon request. Please contact surveyworks@wested.org for more information. Survey results and related education data can be found on the RIDE InfoWorks website, <http://infoworks.ride.ri.gov>.

Section 1: Student Survey



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Section 1: Student Survey Introduction

In January 2012, public school students in grades 4-12 were invited to participate in the SurveyWorks Student Survey. Different versions of the Student Survey were used at the elementary (grades 4-5), middle (grades 6-8), and high school (grades 9-12) levels with age appropriate language and content for each group. This section of the report presents the middle school Student Survey results for this school. Please note that many schools have more than one of these grade spans. These school have more than one report.

The Student Survey was administered online in Rhode Island public schools from January 31, 2012 through March 30, 2012. To prevent unauthorized access to the survey and multiple entries, students used a randomly generated 7-digit access code distributed by the SurveyWorks Site Coordinator. To guarantee anonymity, students' personal information was not associated with the access codes.

This section of the report presents the students' responses. Data are provided for this school as well as for all students in comparable grades in Rhode Island. Responses are reported as the percentage of students who responded to each item and the total number of the students answering each item by school and across the state. In order to ensure anonymity, data for items with fewer than ten responses are not reported. In these cases, a dash (-) indicates that there are insufficient responses to report.

As noted in the introduction to the report, **this school's Student Survey participation rate is 96.1%**. The participation rate is calculated as the number of students who responded to the survey as a percentage of the total average daily enrollment of the school between October 1, 2011 and March 12, 2012 for the applicable grades.

In some cases, a school did not participate in the Student Survey. In these instances, an exclamation mark (!) is used in the report tables to indicate that a school did not participate and only state level data are reported.

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Demographics



Grade Level

What grade are you in?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
6th grade	169	30.3	8909	33.0
7th grade	190	34.1	8613	31.9
8th grade	199	35.7	9477	35.1
Total	558	100.0	26999	100.0

Gender

Gender	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Male	288	51.6	13266	49.2
Female	259	46.4	12885	47.7
I don't want to say.	11	2.0	836	3.1
Total	558	100.0	26987	100.0

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Demographics

Ethnicity

Are you Hispanic or Latino?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	33	6.0	6509	24.9
No	513	94.0	19678	75.1
Total	546	100.0	26187	100.0

Race

Race (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
White	489	89.1	16938	68.1
Black or African American	23	4.2	2458	9.9
Asian	17	3.1	1302	5.2
American Indian or Alaskan Native	16	2.9	1053	4.2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	6	1.1	444	1.8
More than one race	55	10.0	5735	23.1
Total	549*	--	24859*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Teaching & Student Achievement



Teacher Practice

Please choose how many of your teachers do the following.	Total	None of them	This School %			Total	None of them	Statewide %		
			Some	Most	All of them			Some	Most	All of them
My teachers give me easy instructions about how to do my work.	547	3.5	31.8	43.0	21.8	26621	5.8	32.8	36.8	24.6
My teachers give me tough problems to solve.	547	5.3	58.9	28.2	7.7	26780	8.0	58.5	24.9	8.6
My teachers give me enough time to do a good job on my classwork.	551	1.8	23.6	39.4	35.2	26710	4.2	27.7	35.9	32.2
My teachers help me catch up if I am absent.	548	5.8	20.3	22.1	51.8	26714	9.7	27.7	24.7	37.9
My teachers will explain something different ways until I get it.	551	6.2	29.8	33.0	31.0	26607	7.4	30.5	30.9	31.1
My teachers let things get out of control in class.	555	69.5	28.1	1.1	1.3	26854	58.7	36.5	3.0	1.7
My teachers ask kids to work together on problems.	552	2.5	54.5	31.9	11.1	26775	4.5	55.1	30.0	10.5

Teacher Practice - Continued

Please choose how many of your teachers ask you to do the following.	Total	None of them	This School %			Total	None of them	Statewide %		
			Some	Most	All of them			Some	Most	All of them
My teachers ask me to work with one or two other students on a class activity.	543	2.6	42.4	37.0	18.0	26406	4.1	45.6	33.7	16.6
My teachers ask me to participate in debates in class.	537	27.0	45.4	16.4	11.2	26391	29.7	40.6	18.7	11.0
My teachers ask me to make presentations in class.	548	3.5	38.3	43.2	15.0	26536	9.8	46.5	30.5	13.2
My teachers ask me to participate in small group (3 or more students) discussions in class.	552	3.4	54.2	31.7	10.7	26694	7.1	55.5	26.8	10.6

What do others say about Teacher Practice?

[Teacher/Staff Survey](#)

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Use of Technology

I use computers in school for the following subjects:	This School*		Statewide*	
	#	%	#	%
Social Studies	257	48.7	16036	63.0
English	317	59.7	15807	62.3
Science	407	75.2	14724	58.1
Math	57	11.1	9169	37.1
Art	67	13.6	3842	16.7
Other Classes	447	83.4	17663	70.7

*Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

Homework

	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	0-30 min	31-60 min	61-120 min	More than 120 min	Total	0-30 min	31-60 min	61-120 min	More than 120 min
How much of your homework time is spent on the computer?	540	72.6	22.4	3.5	1.5	25451	72.9	20.3	3.8	3.0

Student Engagement

Please choose how many of your teachers do the following.	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them
My teachers keep me interested in class.	551	6.9	43.0	34.7	15.4	26782	11.8	45.9	29.3	13.0
My teachers make me want to do my best work.	553	4.2	19.5	25.0	51.4	26722	6.9	26.0	25.6	41.5

What do others say about Student Engagement?

Parent Survey

Teacher/Staff Survey

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College/Career Readiness

	Total	This School %			Statewide %					
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My guidance counselor or adviser is encouraging me to think about college or a career.	544	6.4	13.8	43.6	36.2	26013	11.0	17.1	42.2	29.6

College/Career Readiness - Continued

Do you think you will graduate from high school?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	537	96.9	25750	96.3
No	17	3.1	1002	3.7
Total	554	100.0	26752	100.0

What do others say about College/Career Readiness?

Parent Survey

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Post High School Plans

What do you think you will do after you finish high school? (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Go to a four year college	382	69.2	16503	62.0
Work full time	164	29.7	7163	26.9
Work part time	140	25.4	6412	24.1
Go to a two year college	78	14.1	3898	14.6
Go into the military	61	11.1	3432	12.9
Go to trade school (computer or technical institute, electrical, cosmetology, plumbing, or other trade institute)	42	7.6	3008	11.3
Go to community college	53	9.6	2988	11.2
I don't have specific plans.	73	13.2	4037	15.2
Total	552*	--	26620*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Breakfast

In a normal week, how many days do you eat breakfast?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
0	26	4.7	2187	8.4
1	27	4.9	1201	4.6
2	41	7.4	2343	9.0
3	27	4.9	1955	7.5
4	33	6.0	1465	5.6
5	39	7.1	2271	8.8
6	55	10.0	2101	8.1
7	304	55.1	12407	47.8
Total	552	100.0	25930	100.0

Physical Activity

	This School					Statewide				
	Total	0-30 min	31-60 min	61-120 min	More than 120 min	Total	0-30 min	31-60 min	61-120 min	More than 120 min
How many minutes in an average day are you physically active?	545	19.8	29.5	26.2	24.4	25245	23.8	32.9	21.7	21.7

Asthma

Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	117	21.3	6051	23.3
No	432	78.7	19868	76.7
Total	549	100.0	25919	100.0

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Skipping School

Have you skipped school in the past 12 months? Your information will be kept private.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	50	9.1	4120	15.6
No	501	90.9	22301	84.4
Total	551	100.0	26421	100.0

The following questions are asked only of students who have skipped school in the past 12 months. Results are calculated to create schoolwide and statewide rates.

How often do you skip school?	This School		Statewide	
	%		%	
Once or twice a year	6.5		9.1	
Once or twice a month	1.7		4.1	
Once or twice per week	0.4		1.1	
Almost every day	0.6		1.3	

Please choose the reasons why you have skipped school. (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Because I didn't get enough sleep	19	38.8	1890	47.3
Because it's boring	24	49.0	1848	46.2
Because I didn't do my homework	13	26.5	890	22.3
Because I was drunk or high	5	10.2	741	18.5
Because I had to take care of someone else	6	12.2	729	18.2
Because there was a rumor going around about	7	14.3	611	15.3
Because I was being bullied	7	14.3	524	13.1
Because I didn't feel safe at school	2	4.1	461	11.5
Because I was embarrassed about something I did	5	10.2	425	10.6
Because of some other reason	31	63.3	2494	62.4
Total	49*	--	3999*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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School Safety

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel safe going to and from school.	547	1.5	5.7	50.3	42.6	26183	4.4	8.2	56.3	31.1
I feel safe in the hallways of my school.	552	2.4	5.3	51.3	41.1	26447	4.3	9.4	57.1	29.2
I feel safe when I walk outside of school.	554	2.5	6.7	54.2	36.6	26388	5.2	11.4	56.7	26.7

School Safety - Continued

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
When I hear a fire alarm, I take it seriously.	556	3.6	6.3	34.4	55.8	26897	4.9	12.1	45.8	37.1
When I hear that the school is in lockdown, I take it seriously.	552	2.7	4.3	29.2	63.8	26713	4.1	9.0	41.0	45.9

What do others say about School Safety?

Parent Survey

Teacher/Staff Survey

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Theft

Have you ever been robbed at school?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	42	7.6	5095	19.3
No	513	92.4	21257	80.7
Total	555	100.0	26352	100.0

Discipline and Equity

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
All students are punished equally if they break the same rule.	545	11.4	22.0	43.9	22.8	26473	17.2	24.6	39.6	18.6
Discipline at my school is fair.	539	6.5	13.0	57.3	23.2	26288	12.8	21.3	51.3	14.6
I understand what will happen if I break a school rule.	546	3.1	3.3	37.0	56.6	26420	4.5	5.8	45.7	44.0
Students help make the rules at my school.	536	37.7	43.1	16.0	3.2	26298	35.5	39.6	20.9	4.0

What do others say about Discipline?

Parent Survey

Teacher/Staff Survey

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Bullying

Please choose whether or not you have experienced these types of bullying in the past 12 months.

	This School*		Statewide*	
	#	%	#	%
I have been excluded from activities on purpose.	118	21.6	5390	20.7
I have been made fun of, insulted, or called names at school.	211	38.3	11779	44.8
I have been pushed, shoved, tripped, or spit on.	110	20.0	7155	27.4
I have been threatened with harm.	66	12.0	4456	17.1
I have had embarrassing pictures or rumors spread about me on the Internet or by text message.	44	8.1	2307	8.9
I have had my property destroyed on purpose.	56	10.3	3969	15.3
I have had people try to make me do things that I did not want to do.	97	17.7	5616	21.5
I have had rumors spread about me.	187	33.9	9595	36.6
I have been told by students that I can't sit with them at lunch.	79	14.6	3853	14.9

The following is calculated based on the responses to the above items.

Percentage of students who reported:	This School	Statewide
	%	%
At least 1 type of bullying	55.4	60.6
2 or more types of bullying	41.5	45.9
5 or more types of bullying	13.4	16.6

Please choose whether or not you have been bullied for these reasons in the past 12 months.

	This School*		Statewide*	
	#	%	#	%
Because of my looks	16.7		23.1	
Because of my weight	10.1		14.2	
Because of my race	3.1		8.6	
Because of my learning disability	4.6		6.4	
Because of my religion	1.4		5.0	
Because of my physical disability	2.6		5.0	
Because of my gender	3.1		4.2	
Because of something else	18.1		20.3	

*Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

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Reporting of Bullying

The following questions are asked only of students who have experienced one or more type(s) of bullying.

Did you report this bullying to a teacher or staff member at your school?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	92	30.4	5277	33.6
No	211	69.6	10416	66.4
Total	303	100.0	15693	100.0

The following question is asked only of students who have reported bullying to a teacher or staff member.

Did the bullying stop after you reported it?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	58	65.2	3101	61.2
No	31	34.8	1965	38.8
Total	89	100.0	5066	100.0

The following question is asked only of students who have not reported bullying (that occurred) to a teacher or staff member.

Why didn't you report the bullying? (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
I didn't think it would stop it.	70	45.5	3552	44.2
I didn't think it would be taken seriously.	53	34.4	3413	42.5
I was afraid kids would call me a snitch.	48	31.2	2889	36.0
I was afraid it would get worse.	61	39.6	2638	32.9
I didn't know whom to report it to.	46	29.9	2415	30.1
Total	154*	--	8029*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Teacher-Student Respect

Please choose how many of your teachers do the following.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None of them	Some	Most	All of them		None of them	Some	Most	All of them
My teachers seem to care about me personally.	544	10.1	29.2	27.2	33.5	26516	14.9	35.0	24.9	25.2
My teachers treat me with respect.	547	4.9	17.2	24.9	53.0	26632	6.1	21.4	24.5	47.9

Student-Teacher Respect

Please choose how many students do the following.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None of them	Some	Most	All of them		None of them	Some	Most	All of them
Students in my school treat teachers with respect.	554	2.5	21.5	70.0	6.0	26435	5.6	43.8	44.4	6.2

What do others say about Respect?

Parent Survey

Teacher/Staff Survey

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Personal Relationships

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I can talk to an adult at my school if I'm having a problem at home.	548	9.5	14.2	48.4	27.9	26229	13.4	18.5	44.7	23.3
I can talk to an adult at my school if I'm having a problem with my classes or school work.	546	3.8	6.8	42.9	46.5	26087	6.0	7.2	48.4	38.4
I can talk to an adult at my school if I'm having problems with another student.	547	5.5	6.2	44.2	44.1	26252	7.8	9.7	47.8	34.7
I have a friend I can talk to about my problems.	546	5.7	7.0	30.2	57.1	26330	5.9	7.3	32.4	54.4

Student Violence

	This School*		Statewide*	
	#	%	#	%
During the past 12 months, have you been in a physical fight on school property?	41	7.4	3320	12.7
During the past 12 months, have you been in a verbal fight that needed to be broken up?	78	14.1	5131	19.6

*Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

What do others say about Relationships

Teacher/Staff Survey

What do others say about Violence?

Parent Survey

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Weapons

Please select yes or no for the following statements. Your answers are private and won't be shared with school staff.

This School**		Statewide**	
#	%	#	%

During the past 12 months, I have brought a weapon, like a gun, knife, or club, to this school.	9	1.6	760	2.9
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During the past 12 months, I have seen another student with a weapon, like a gun, knife, or club, at this school.	88	15.9	4861	18.4
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The following question is asked only of students who have brought a weapon to this school in the past 12 months.

What type of weapon(s) did you bring to this school?

This School		Statewide	
#	%	#	%

Gun	-	-	207	35.8
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Knife	-	-	439	76.0
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Club	-	-	177	30.6
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Total	-*	--	578*	--
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The following question is asked only of students who have seen a weapon at this school in the past 12 months.

What type of weapon(s) did you see at this school?

This School		Statewide	
#	%	#	%

Gun	25	29.8	945	20.9
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Knife	75	89.3	4011	88.6
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Club	3	3.6	659	14.6
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Total	84*	--	4528*	--
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**Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Alcohol

Have you ever drunk beer, wine, or alcohol (other than for religious ceremonies)?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	68	12.4	4676	18.0
No	481	87.6	21321	82.0
Total	549	100.0	25997	100.0

The following questions are asked only of students who have drunk beer or alcohol.

Have you ever been under the influence of alcohol at school?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	6	8.8	611	13.2
No	62	91.2	4011	86.8
Total	68	100.0	4622	100.0

Results are calculated to create schoolwide and statewide rates.

How many days, in the past 30 days, have you drunk alcohol?	This School		Statewide	
		%		%
0		96.2*		91.8*
1-2		1.1		4.1
3-5		0.9		1.2
6-9		0.4		0.7
10-19		0.2		0.4
20-30		1.3		1.8

*This percentage includes those who said they had never drunk alcohol.

Smoking

Have you ever smoked a cigarette, even one or two puffs?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	29	5.2	2530	9.7
No	524	94.8	23655	90.3
Total	553	100.0	26185	100.0

The following question is asked only of students who have smoked a cigarette. Results are calculated to create schoolwide and statewide rates.

Have you smoked a cigarette in the past 30 days?	This School		Statewide	
		%		%
Yes		1.9		3.1

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Drug Usage

Have you ever taken an illegal drug other than alcohol or cigarettes?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	21	3.8	1632	6.2
No	531	96.2	24484	93.8
Total	552	100.0	26116	100.0

The following questions are asked only of students who have taken an illegal drug. Results are calculated to create schoolwide and statewide rates.

Have you been under the influence of drugs at school during the past 12 months?	This School	Statewide
	%	%
Yes	1.7	2.7

The following questions are about your drug use.	This School*	Statewide*
	%	%
Have you ever used marijuana (pot)?	2.7	5.3
Have you ever used cocaine?	1.0	1.4
Have you ever used painkillers such as Oxycontin, Codeine, Percocet, or Vicodin (without a doctor's prescription)?	0.8	1.8
Have you ever used uppers (speed, diet pills)?	0.8	1.6

*Indicates the percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

Drugs at School

During the past 12 months, I have been offered, sold, or given drugs on school property.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	29	5.2	1670	6.4
No	525	94.8	24230	93.6
Total	554	100.0	25900	100.0

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Depression

During the past 12 months, did you ever feel so sad or hopeless that you did not feel like doing anything?

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	187	34.3	9829	38.3
No	358	65.7	15829	61.7
Total	545	100.0	25658	100.0

The following questions are asked only of students who, during the past 12 months, felt so sad or hopeless that they did not feel like doing anything. Results are calculated to create schoolwide and statewide rates.

How many weeks have you felt this way?

	This School	Statewide
	%	%
0-2 weeks	21.6	23.9
3-6 weeks	5.2	6.7
7-10 weeks	1.3	1.7
More than 10 weeks	6.2	6.0

Please choose yes or no for the following statements. Your answers will be kept private.

	This School*	Statewide*
	%	%
During the past 12 months, I have seriously considered killing myself.	8.1	10.7
During the past 12 months, I have tried to kill myself.	1.7	3.8

*Indicates the percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

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Parent Engagement

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	Strongly Disagree	This School %			Total	Strongly Disagree	Statewide %		
			Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree			Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My parents or guardians ask me what I'm studying at school.	549	2.7	8.6	39.2	49.5	26485	4.5	10.9	44.5	40.2
My parents or guardians think my school is good.	551	2.0	6.4	51.9	39.7	26578	5.1	11.2	52.5	31.2
My parents or guardians care about my grades.	550	0.9	0.5	13.3	85.3	26642	1.1	1.2	17.2	80.4

Parent Engagement in Post High School Plans

Please choose how often your parents or guardians do the following.	Total	Never	This School %			Total	Never	Statewide %		
			Once or Twice	A few times	Many times			Once or twice	A few times	Many times
My parents or guardians talk to me about different careers or jobs after finishing high school.	547	11.2	23.6	42.6	22.7	26554	10.2	21.9	35.9	31.9
My parents or guardians talk to me about going to college.	542	6.8	18.8	32.5	41.9	26302	7.7	15.8	28.2	48.3

What do others say about Parent Engagement?

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Community Support

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %			Statewide %					
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		
Another adult in the community, other than my parent or guardian, thinks I will go to college.	544	2.2	3.7	40.6	53.5	26210	4.2	6.0	44.1	45.7
Another adult in the community, other than my parent or guardian, encourages me not to give up when things are tough.	542	4.4	7.6	35.1	53.0	26010	5.7	7.8	39.9	46.5

Out of School Time

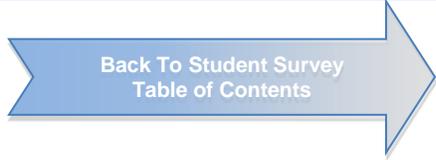
Which activities do you do after school or on the weekends? (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Play sports	406	74.2	16815	63.7
Play music	213	38.9	10771	40.8
Babysit	123	22.5	7142	27.1
Dance	87	15.9	5364	20.3
Do things with my religious group (such as church, temple, mosque, etc.)	117	21.4	4900	18.6
Work	90	16.5	4687	17.8
Volunteer (at a hospital, shelter, food pantry, coaching other kids, etc.)	52	9.5	2447	9.3
Perform theater	20	3.7	1315	5.0
Something else	388	70.9	18467	70.0
Total	547*	--	26381*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Education Technology Resources

Does your school have a computer lab?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	506	99.6	24323	92.9
No	2	0.4	1859	7.1
Total	508	100.0	26182	100.0

The following question is asked only of students who have a computer lab in their schools.

	This School					Statewide				
	Total	Never	Some-times	Usually	Always	Total	Never	Some-times	Usually	Always
The computers in my school's computer lab work well.	488	0.6	4.5	50.4	44.5	23198	1.5	20.0	51.8	26.6

Transportation

How do you get to and from school? (Choose all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Bus	381	68.8	17054	64.5
Drive	339	61.2	13347	50.5
Walk	122	22.0	7829	29.6
Carpool	106	19.1	3075	11.6
Bicycle	31	5.6	1144	4.3
Total	554*	--	26453*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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School Facilities

Please choose how often these statements are true.	Total	Never	This School %			Total	Never	Statewide %		
			Some-times	Usually	Always			Some-times	Usually	Always
I don't like to use the school bathrooms because they are smoky.	553	93.5	4.0	0.5	2.0	26626	83.7	9.9	2.7	3.7
I'm afraid to use the school bathrooms.	555	70.8	17.3	6.1	5.8	26783	62.7	21.2	6.9	9.3
My classrooms are about the right temperature.	550	6.4	42.2	45.5	6.0	26838	10.8	49.9	33.2	6.1
The school bathrooms are locked during school hours.	546	84.4	13.4	0.9	1.3	26651	60.0	29.8	5.8	4.4
There is soap to wash my hands in the school bathrooms.	558	2.5	8.8	40.7	48.0	26855	5.9	22.1	35.3	36.7

School Resources

Please choose whether you agree or disagree.	Total	Strongly Disagree	This School %			Total	Strongly Disagree	Statewide %		
			Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree			Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Most of my textbooks are more than 10 years old.	528	4.0	37.5	41.3	17.2	26021	9.9	36.3	37.7	16.1
My gym has enough equipment for all of the students.	556	1.3	5.8	45.5	47.5	26863	4.5	14.6	53.6	27.4
Students in my classes need to share books.	554	21.8	53.4	21.8	2.9	26816	20.3	49.3	25.6	4.8
The desks in my school are the right size for me.	554	6.7	17.7	51.3	24.4	26775	6.0	13.7	55.7	24.6
The inside of my school looks nice.	559	3.2	5.9	66.7	24.2	26951	7.5	16.9	59.0	16.6
The outside of my school building looks nice.	535	3.9	10.5	65.8	19.8	25746	7.1	17.4	57.7	17.7

What do others say about Resources?

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Section 2: Parent Survey Introduction

In January 2012, parents/guardians of students at all public schools in Rhode Island were invited to participate in the SurveyWorks Parent Survey. The Parent Survey was administered online and on paper from January 5, 2012 through March 30, 2012.

Parents who had multiple students in a school were instructed to answer the survey only once based on his or her experience with the oldest child. Surveys were conducted anonymously. The Parent Survey asked about: the school facility and learning environment, school resources and activities, parent involvement, school-family communication, school safety, and college and career readiness issues.

This section of the report presents the parents' responses. Data tables are provided for this school as well as for parents statewide in Rhode Island. Responses are reported as the percentage of parents who responded to each item and the total number answering each item by school and across the state. In order to ensure anonymity, data for items with fewer than ten responses are not reported. In these cases, a dash (-) indicates that there are insufficient responses to report at the school level.

As noted in the introduction, **this school's Parent Survey participation rate is 27.0%**. The participation rate is calculated as the number of Parent Surveys received as a percentage of the total number of unique student addresses for the school. This method of counting families is more accurate than the total number of students in a school, but may overcount some families and undercount others. Data from schools with low participation rates should be interpreted with caution.

Parent Survey results are not included for any school where the total Parent Survey participation rate was less than ten percent. In these cases, a tilde symbol (~) is used in the data tables to denote that an insufficient participation rate was received for this school and that data are not reportable at the school level. In these instances, only state level data are reported.

In some cases, a school did not participate in the Parent Survey. In these instances, an exclamation mark (!) is used in the data tables to indicate that a school did not participate and only state level data are reported.

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Demographics



Child's Grade Level

In which grade is your child that you are responding for?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Pre-K	0	0.0	419	1.8
K	0	0.0	2037	8.9
1st Grade	0	0.0	2289	9.9
2nd Grade	0	0.0	2348	10.2
3rd Grade	0	0.0	2391	10.4
4th Grade	0	0.0	2524	11.0
5th Grade	0	0.0	2313	10.1
6th Grade	48	36.9	1575	6.8
7th Grade	40	30.8	1329	5.8
8th Grade	42	32.3	1292	5.6
9th Grade	0	0.0	1219	5.3
10th Grade	0	0.0	1150	5.0
11th Grade	0	0.0	1157	5.0
12th Grade	0	0.0	964	4.2
Total	130	100.0	23007	100.0

Child's Gender

What gender is the child you are responding for?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Male	75	57.7	11467	49.7
Female	55	42.3	11597	50.3
Total	130	100.0	23064	100.0

Child's IEP Status

Is the child you are responding for on an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	13	10.0	3767	16.8
No	117	90.0	18642	83.2
Total	130	100.0	22409	100.0

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Relationship to Child

What is your relationship to the child you are responding for?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Parent	126	96.9	22372	97.5
Guardian	1	0.8	334	1.5
Other Relative	3	2.3	251	1.1
Total	130	100.0	22957	100.0

Education Attained

What is your highest level of education?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Some high school	1	0.8	1115	4.9
GED	2	1.5	887	3.9
High school	11	8.5	2795	12.2
Trade school	5	3.8	830	3.6
Some college	20	15.4	4887	21.4
Completed college	63	48.5	7312	32.0
Advanced degree	26	20.0	4344	19.0
Don't want to say	2	1.5	659	2.9
Total	130	100.0	22829	100.0

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Teaching & Student Achievement



Student Engagement

How many of the school staff at this school do the following?	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them
School staff keep my child interested in what they are learning.	113	0.0	16.8	61.1	22.1	20429	1.0	16.1	41.0	41.9

What do others say about Student Engagement?

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Teaching & Student Achievement

College/Career Readiness

The following questions is asked only of parents who are responding for a child in grades 9-12.

Please respond to the following statement about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
This school gives me information on ways to finance my child's college education through loans or scholarships.	-	-	-	-	-	4050	9.4	23.6	53.9	13.1

College/Career Readiness - Continued

The following questions are asked only of parents who are responding for a child in grades 9-12.

How many of the teachers at your child's school do the following?	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None of them	Some	Most	All of them		None of them	Some	Most	All of them
Teachers at this school expect my child to graduate from high school.	-	-	-	-	-	4033	0.6	4.3	14.3	80.8
Teachers at this school expect my child to go to college.	-	-	-	-	-	3735	1.6	7.7	20.2	70.5

What do others say about College/Career Readiness?

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Safe & Supportive Schools



School Safety and Climate

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
This school is a safe place.	129	1.6	2.3	61.2	34.9	22927	1.4	4.5	50.8	43.2
This school promotes a respectful environment for my child.	129	3.9	3.1	51.2	41.9	22878	1.6	4.8	46.5	47.2
The main office staff members are friendly and helpful.	129	3.9	3.1	55.0	38.0	22890	2.2	5.9	44.0	47.9

Risk Behaviors

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
There are physical fights between students.	82	15.9	34.1	45.1	4.9	14909	29.3	37.4	25.4	7.9
Students threaten or bully other students.	89	7.9	31.5	41.6	19.1	15920	20.2	32.6	34.6	12.6

What do others say about School Safety?

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What do others say about Violence?

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Discipline, Equity, and Respect

How many of the school staff at this school do the following?	Total	None of them	This School %			Total	None of them	Statewide %		
			Some	Most	All of them			Some	Most	All of them
School staff apply rules equally for all students.	78	0.0	7.7	57.7	34.6	15449	1.3	14.4	38.0	46.3
School staff respect me.	114	0.0	7.9	28.1	64.0	20614	0.6	7.0	26.9	65.6
School staff respect my child.	114	0.0	7.9	33.3	58.8	20813	0.6	8.2	29.7	61.5

What do others say about Discipline?

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What do others say about Respect?

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[Teacher/Staff Survey](#)

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Parent Engagement

Please respond to the following statements about this school.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I know what my child is studying in his or her classes.	129	0.0	5.4	61.2	33.3	22803	1.5	7.5	53.7	37.2
I feel welcome at this school.	128	0.8	5.5	51.6	42.2	22992	1.6	3.9	44.7	49.8

Parent Engagement - Continued

How often do you do the following?

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
I help my child with homework.	125	1.6	11.2	9.6	77.6	22611	4.2	7.1	5.3	83.3
I talk with my child about school.	127	0.8	0.8	0.0	98.4	22854	0.3	0.9	1.2	97.6
I visit my child's classroom.	123	22.8	76.4	0.8	0.0	22555	15.8	63.2	12.2	8.8
I read with my child.**	-	-	-	-	-	6993	0.2	0.8	1.3	96.8

*Response categories are combined.

** This question is only asked of parents answering for a student in grades PK-2

What do others say about Parent Engagement?

[Student Survey](#)

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Parent Participation

Do you attend these types of school-related events at this school? Please select all that apply.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Parent-teacher conferences	116	91.3	18553	83.3
Special events (college nights, open houses, etc.)	94	74.0	14679	65.9
Plays, concerts, dances	95	74.8	13087	58.8
Book fairs	36	28.3	10220	45.9
Sporting events	76	59.8	6686	30.0
Parent Teacher Association or Parent Teacher Organization meetings	28	22.0	6663	29.9
Workshops or trainings about how to help my child	20	15.7	4347	19.5
Department Nights (math night, etc.)	14	11.0	3794	17.0
Other	4	3.1	1266	5.7
I am not aware of any of these.	0	0.0	700	3.1
Total	127*	--	22272*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Learning Opportunities

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My child is learning as much as he or she can at this school.	126	3.2	14.3	55.6	27.0	22706	3.6	15.8	48.9	31.7
This school has high expectations for my child.	124	1.6	8.9	58.9	30.6	22567	2.5	11.5	50.4	35.5
My child's homework helps him or her do better in school.	128	0.8	10.2	61.7	27.3	22658	1.8	8.1	53.9	36.3

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Involvement in Decision-making

Does this school involve you in these types of school-level decisions? Please select all that apply.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Fundraising	77	68.8	13127	62.3
School rules	37	33.0	8763	41.6
Before and after school programs	22	19.6	7842	37.2
Changes to school programs	24	21.4	6090	28.9
Changes in curriculum	14	12.5	4623	21.9
Budget	29	25.9	3283	15.6
Facilities	11	9.8	2898	13.7
I am not aware of any of these.	22	19.6	5022	23.8
Total	112*	--	21077*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Parent-School Partnership

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The school views parents as important partners.	129	2.3	11.6	51.2	34.9	22782	2.0	6.2	48.0	43.7
This school and I have the same goals for my child.	127	0.8	6.3	56.7	36.2	22697	1.8	7.7	51.2	39.3

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Parent Involvement

Please respond to the following statement about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Many parents I know help out at this school.	125	1.6	32.8	54.4	11.2	22290	4.4	24.1	49.3	22.2

Parent Involvement Frequency

How often do you do the following?	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
I volunteer in my child's classroom.	122	98.4	1.6	0.0	0.0	22386	69.9	22.9	3.4	3.8
I volunteer at this school.	124	67.7	29.0	2.4	0.8	22515	51.1	34.5	7.4	7.0

*Response categories are combined.

Parent Engagement in Post-High School Plans

The following questions are asked only of parents who are responding for a child in grades 9-12.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	At least weekly		Never	A few times per year	Monthly	At least weekly
I talk with my child about career plans.	-	-	-	-	-	4258	1.4	14.3	31.6	52.8
I talk with my child about going to college.	-	-	-	-	-	4278	1.6	12.8	28.7	56.9

What do others say about Parent Involvement?

Teacher/Staff Survey

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Parent-Teacher Communication

How do you communicate with your child's teacher(s)? Please select all that apply.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
In person	68	54.8	14906	66.1
Through parent-teacher conferences	99	79.8	13624	60.5
By written notes sent with the child	68	54.8	13516	60.0
By E-mail	108	87.1	12048	53.5
By phone/voicemail	46	37.1	9754	43.3
Through a parent portal (e.g., schoolnotes.com or other online site)	27	21.8	1965	8.7
By mail	5	4.0	1276	5.7
By text message	3	2.4	792	3.5
Through a social networking site (e.g. Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, etc.)	0	0.0	271	1.2
Total	124*	--	22537*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Parent-Teacher Communication - Continued

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
It is easy for me to communicate with my child's teachers if I need to.	123	2.4	3.3	50.4	43.9	22610	1.4	3.9	42.0	52.7
I understand my child's report card.	129	0.0	0.8	45.0	54.3	22721	1.1	3.8	50.9	44.1

What do others say about Parent-Teacher Communication?

Teacher/Staff Survey

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School-Parent Communication

What is/are the best method(s) for this school to contact you about important school news and events that may affect your child? Please select all that apply.

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Phone/Voicemail	109	87.9	17344	76.8
E-mail	107	86.3	16105	71.3
Notes sent with your child	83	66.9	14618	64.8
Parent-teacher conferences	79	63.7	12166	53.9
Newsletter	57	46.0	8597	38.1
Mail	43	34.7	7666	34.0
Text message	32	25.8	5633	25.0
Parent portal (e.g., schoolnotes.com or other online site)	50	40.3	3754	16.6
PTA/PTO meetings	15	12.1	3751	16.6
Community bulletins	8	6.5	2365	10.5
Social networking site (e.g., Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, etc.)	4	3.2	1563	6.9
Total	124*	--	22574*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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School-Parent Communication - Continued

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	This School					Statewide				
	Total	Strongly Disagree	%		Strongly Agree	Total	Strongly Disagree	%		Strongly Agree
		Disagree	Agree			Disagree	Agree			
It is easy for me to communicate with my child's principal if I need to.	123	1.6	3.3	59.3	35.8	22285	3.1	6.4	48.5	42.0
This school contacts me if my child does something well.	113	10.6	46.0	32.7	10.6	21799	9.9	28.2	39.0	22.9
This school contacts me if my child is having a problem with class work.	113	4.4	29.2	48.7	17.7	21360	5.0	17.3	49.7	28.0
This school contacts me if there is a problem with my child's behavior.	106	0.0	5.7	62.3	32.1	21311	1.8	5.4	51.3	41.6
This school responds quickly to my requests or concerns.	119	1.7	4.2	64.7	29.4	22130	2.4	8.2	51.4	38.1
This school tells me about events happening in school.	120	4.2	10.8	63.3	21.7	22392	2.4	6.5	51.5	39.6

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School Services

Has this school made you aware of these types of school-level services? Please select all that apply.	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
After school programs	70	56.9	15673	70.8
Arts (music, dance, art)	72	58.5	10207	46.1
Sports	83	67.5	8859	40.0
Counseling	41	33.3	6538	29.5
Academic enrichment (chess club, robotics club)	25	20.3	6184	27.9
Tutoring programs	22	17.9	6178	27.9
Before school programs	17	13.8	5748	26.0
Parent support groups/Networking	16	13.0	5736	25.9
Homework club	19	15.4	4814	21.7
Mentoring	16	13.0	3123	14.1
I am not aware of any of these.	16	13.0	2851	12.9
Total	123*	--	22145*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Community Support

Please respond to the following statement about this school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The community supports this school.	128	1.6	4.7	57.8	35.9	22570	1.4	7.7	56.2	34.7

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School Resources

Please respond to the following statements about this school.	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
This school has enough classroom supplies (e.g., books, paper, desks).	125	5.6	20.8	60.0	13.6	22467	4.7	17.4	56.6	21.4
This school has enough computers.	122	4.1	24.6	53.3	18.0	21657	7.3	27.9	50.6	14.3
This school is well-maintained.	129	1.6	0.8	62.8	34.9	22881	2.3	8.1	51.3	38.3

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Section 3: Teacher/Staff Survey Introduction

In January 2012, teachers and staff with direct instructional responsibility at all public schools in Rhode Island were invited to participate in the SurveyWorks Teacher/Staff Survey.

The Teacher/Staff Survey was administered online from January 31, 2012 through March 30, 2012. To prevent unauthorized access to the survey and multiple entries by one individual, teachers/staff were required to login with a randomly generated 7-digit access code distributed by the SurveyWorks Site Coordinator. To guarantee anonymity, personal information was not associated with the access codes.

This section of the report presents a series of tables created from the Teacher/Staff Survey responses for this school. To maintain the anonymity of survey participants, teacher/staff responses to demographic questions are grouped and presented at the local education authority (LEA) level and not reported at the school level. The demographic data for teachers from district-authorized charter schools are reported with their districts. Demographic data for teachers from state-operated schools and state-authorized charters are reported together. Responses to all other items are reported at the school level, as the percentage and total number of teachers/staff who answered each item at this school, as well as statewide.

In order to ensure anonymity, data for items with fewer than ten responses are not reported. In these cases, a dash (-) indicates that there are insufficient responses to report at the school level.

As noted in the introduction, **this school's Teacher/Staff Survey participation rate is 76.4%**. The participation rate is the number of teachers/staff who responded to the survey as a percentage of the eligible teachers/staff at this school. The number of eligible teachers/staff come from one of two data sources. School principals were asked to provide the number of teachers and instructional staff. For those schools that provided the data, these numbers are used. For schools that did not provide this information, staffing data are provided by the Rhode Island Department of Education.

In some cases, a school did not participate in the Teacher/Staff Survey. In these instances, an exclamation mark (!) is used in the data tables to indicate that a school did not participate and only state level data are reported.

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Note: All teacher responses in the Demographic section are grouped and presented at the LEA level and not the school level. See the introduction to Section 3 for more information.

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Years of Teaching Experience

How long have you worked in the field of education as a teacher?	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Less than a year	1	0.7	104	1.8
1-3 years	8	5.6	371	6.5
4-10 years	43	30.1	1460	25.6
11-20 years	51	35.7	2357	41.3
More than 20 years	40	28.0	1410	24.7
Total	143	100.0	5702	100.0

Years Teaching at This School

How long have you worked, as a teacher, at this school?	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Less than a year	6	4.4	530	9.7
1-3 years	13	9.6	904	16.6
4-10 years	55	40.4	1952	35.8
11-20 years	47	34.6	1574	28.8
More than 20 years	15	11.0	498	9.1
Total	136	100.0	5458	100.0

Full- or Part-time Status

Are you a full-time or part-time employee at this school?	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Full-time	147	93.6	5611	94.7
Part-time	10	6.4	311	5.3
Total	157	100.0	5922	100.0

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Education Attained

Please specify your highest level of education.	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
High School	3	2.0	132	2.2
Associate's	6	4.0	132	2.2
Bachelor's	45	29.8	1993	33.7
Master's	84	55.6	3048	51.6
Post-Master's Certificate	13	8.6	560	9.5
Doctorate	0	0.0	42	0.7
Total	151	100.0	5907	100.0

Primary Role

What is your primary role at this school? (Please choose one.)	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Classroom teacher	81	59.1	3497	62.9
Team leader	0	0.0	52	0.9
Guidance counselor	3	2.2	93	1.7
Teacher's aide – paid	9	6.6	285	5.1
Teacher's aide - volunteer	0	0.0	3	0.1
Student teacher or intern	0	0.0	3	0.1
Arts resource teacher	2	1.5	69	1.2
Librarian	2	1.5	97	1.7
ESL/bilingual teacher	1	0.7	46	0.8
Speech pathologist	3	2.2	48	0.9
Social worker	3	2.2	51	0.9
Learning coordinator	0	0.0	14	0.3
Reading specialist	1	0.7	140	2.5
School psychologist	3	2.2	31	0.6
Special Education teacher	17	12.4	711	12.8
Vocational/technical	0	0.0	68	1.2
Other	12	8.8	350	6.3
Total	137	100.0	5558	100.0

The following question is only asked of teachers whose primary role at this school is Special Education teacher.

Please check all that apply. At this school...	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
I have a special education classroom.	9	52.9	318	46.1
I provide pull-out special education resource services.	10	58.8	210	30.4
I provide in-class special education resource services.	13	76.5	420	60.9
Other	1	5.9	74	10.7
Total	17*	--	690*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Grades Taught

Please check all that apply. Which of the following grades do you currently teach at this school?	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Pre-Kindergarten	9	7.4	155	3.1
Kindergarten	13	10.7	653	12.9
Grade 1	20	16.4	739	14.6
Grade 2	21	17.2	753	14.9
Grade 3	24	19.7	762	15.1
Grade 4	22	18.0	791	15.7
Grade 5	27	22.1	726	14.4
Grade 6	16	13.1	623	12.3
Grade 7	18	14.8	693	13.7
Grade 8	19	15.6	673	13.3
Grade 9	33	27.0	1445	28.6
Grade 10	33	27.0	1585	31.4
Grade 11	33	27.0	1614	31.9
Grade 12	32	26.2	1562	30.9
Total	122*	--	5054*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Subjects Taught

Please check all that apply. At this school, I teach...	This LEA		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
All/Almost All Subjects	33	28.4	1605	32.2
Mathematics	24	20.7	1165	23.3
Language Arts	23	19.8	1177	23.6
Reading	18	15.5	948	19.0
Science	15	12.9	796	16.0
Social Studies	15	12.9	731	14.6
Health	9	7.8	280	5.6
Arts (e.g., art, music)	10	8.6	263	5.3
Physical Education	5	4.3	188	3.8
Vocational/Tech	5	4.3	158	3.2
Electives/Exploratories	2	1.7	180	3.6
Enrichment/Gifted/Talent Development	1	0.9	54	1.1
Other	19	16.4	649	13.0
Total	116*	--	4990*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Teacher Practice

Please indicate how often the following practices occur in your classes.	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
I help students develop coping skills (e.g., stress management).	37	16.2	13.5	10.8	59.5	5722	4.5	12.1	11.5	71.9
I ask students to make presentations.	35	2.9	48.6	31.4	17.1	5240	4.9	38.3	33.7	23.1
I ask students to participate in small group discussions.	38	2.6	5.3	10.5	81.6	5727	1.0	5.5	11.0	82.5
I ask students to use facts to support their opinions in writing.	36	0.0	5.6	11.1	83.3	5222	1.4	5.5	10.2	82.9
I ask students to work in small groups on class activities.	37	2.7	2.7	13.5	81.1	5731	0.7	4.5	9.2	85.6
I assign students worksheets.	38	5.3	13.2	31.6	50.0	5618	5.3	9.9	13.5	71.3
I have students use the media center and/or library materials.	37	16.2	37.8	32.4	13.5	5267	8.3	29.4	22.7	39.7
I provide students with opportunities to revise assignments.	40	0.0	5.0	7.5	87.5	5549	1.2	5.4	10.2	83.2
I incorporate "real world" learning activities (e.g., workplace learning experience, community service) into my instruction.	36	16.7	30.6	13.9	38.9	5362	7.5	17.9	14.2	60.4

*Response categories are combined.

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Please indicate how often the following practices occur in your classes.	This School					Statewide				
	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
I ask students to provide feedback and comments on each other's work.	38	13.2	31.6	23.7	31.6	5394	7.9	20.2	24.2	47.7
I ask students to use computers as a part of lessons.	40	7.5	32.5	20.0	40.0	5499	7.5	20.9	21.9	49.7
I provide "hands-on" learning activities (e.g., manipulatives, lab assignments, role playing).	37	0.0	13.5	18.9	67.6	5803	1.4	7.8	14.6	76.2
I give special recognition to students for exemplary work.	40	2.5	25.0	20.0	52.5	5857	1.3	8.8	14.6	75.3
I inform parents/guardians when their child does something well.	40	5.0	45.0	27.5	22.5	5883	2.7	27.0	26.8	43.6

*Response categories are combined.

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Please indicate how often the following practices occur in your classes.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	Some- times	Usually	Always		Never	Some- times	Usually	Always
I help students develop skills to participate actively in community and civic affairs.	39	25.6	30.8	12.8	30.8	5894	11.0	30.0	30.4	28.5
I teach social skills development.	39	17.9	28.2	20.5	33.3	6089	5.0	19.7	24.2	51.1
I explain concepts in multiple ways until students show that they understand.	39	0.0	0.0	33.3	66.7	6082	0.6	2.5	26.7	70.2
I embed memorization skills into my teaching.	39	12.8	71.8	10.3	5.1	5931	7.5	48.4	27.2	16.8
I have students outline and/or take notes from texts.	38	34.2	47.4	5.3	13.2	5856	25.3	42.2	20.9	11.6
I allow students to make up work after they are absent.	40	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	6011	1.7	2.8	12.4	83.0
I give students multiple opportunities to improve their grades.	40	0.0	12.5	32.5	55.0	5937	2.0	9.9	29.1	59.0
I provide specialized instruction for students whenever they progress more quickly than their peers.	39	2.6	28.2	35.9	33.3	5966	4.3	20.3	35.8	39.6
I provide students with additional instruction whenever they fall behind in a subject.	40	0.0	15.0	22.5	62.5	6052	2.0	9.3	29.2	59.6
I use school- or district-generated assessments to inform my instruction.	39	33.3	30.8	25.6	10.3	5926	9.4	22.6	29.9	38.2
I actively promote positive health practices.	39	2.6	15.4	10.3	71.8	6056	2.9	11.2	22.6	63.3

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Components of Grading

Please indicate which of the following items you incorporate into student grading: (Check all that apply.)

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Classwork	35	89.7	4969	84.8
Class participation	26	66.7	4355	74.3
Quizzes	31	79.5	4346	74.2
Effort	27	69.2	4121	70.3
Homework completion	28	71.8	4063	69.3
Essays and writing assignments	22	56.4	4042	69.0
End of unit exams	15	38.5	3975	67.8
Portfolios of students' work	21	53.8	3384	57.7
Content mastery	21	53.8	3371	57.5
Oral presentations	16	41.0	3197	54.5
Homework quality	20	51.3	2846	48.6
End of quarter/semester exams	1	2.6	2751	46.9
Research papers/reports	17	43.6	2708	46.2
Special projects that extend beyond two weeks	24	61.5	2615	44.6
Behavior	11	28.2	2545	43.4
End of year exams	0	0.0	2251	38.4
Attendance	6	15.4	2009	34.3
Exhibition	12	30.8	1484	25.3
Tardiness	1	2.6	924	15.8
Parent signatures on communications	7	17.9	866	14.8
Other	3	7.7	514	8.8
Total	39*	--	5861*	--

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

Homework

How many minutes of homework do you assign to your students in an average day?

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
0-30 minutes	39	97.5	4609	77.1
31-60 minutes	1	2.5	1331	22.3
More than 60 minutes	0	0.0	40	0.7
Total	40	100.0	5980	100.0

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Teacher Collaboration

Please indicate how often teachers on your team/teachers in your grade level do the following activities. Teachers on my team/teachers in my grade...	This School					Statewide				
	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
Discuss problems of specific students and arrange for help.	39	0.0	2.6	5.1	92.3	6297	4.0	12.5	13.9	69.6
Share what works in their classrooms.	39	0.0	2.6	12.8	84.6	6246	4.2	14.4	15.5	65.9
Spend time discussing student workplace and career learning opportunities.	40	22.5	42.5	15.0	20.0	6036	33.7	26.7	13.5	26.1

*Response categories are combined.

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Coordination With Other Staff

Please indicate how often teachers on your team/teachers in your grade level do the following activities. Teachers on my team/teachers in my grade...	This School					Statewide				
	Total	Never	%			Total	Never	%		
			A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*			A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
Coordinate instruction with dance, music, theater, and visual arts & design staff.	31	67.7	25.8	0.0	6.5	4605	49.7	32.0	8.8	9.5
Coordinate instruction with English Language Learner staff.	14	78.6	7.1	0.0	14.3	3763	41.0	22.2	10.3	26.5
Coordinate writing instruction in subjects other than English Language Arts.	34	23.5	32.4	20.6	23.5	5087	25.8	25.7	16.7	31.8
Coordinate instruction with Special Education staff.	38	5.3	10.5	7.9	76.3	5637	9.5	14.9	10.2	65.4
Coordinate instruction with staff from the library or media center.	36	25.0	61.1	8.3	5.6	5344	21.0	45.7	19.1	14.2
Coordinate instruction with Title 1 staff.	13	84.6	15.4	0.0	0.0	3543	43.0	16.4	10.6	30.0
Coordinate the kind and/or amount of homework that students receive.	35	14.3	17.1	11.4	57.1	5232	30.5	15.3	9.1	45.1
Coordinate with health education staff	34	70.6	17.6	0.0	11.8	5030	49.0	28.8	8.4	13.8

*Response categories are combined.

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Departmental Meetings

How often do you have departmental meetings at your school?

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Never	6	15.0	863	13.7
Less than Once a Month	2	5.0	810	12.8
Once a Month	27	67.5	2209	35.0
2-3 Times a Month	2	5.0	1175	18.6
Once a Week	1	2.5	1014	16.1
More than Once a Week	2	5.0	241	3.8
Total	40	100.0	6312	100.0

Educator Relationships

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about interaction of teachers on your team/teachers in your grade level. Teachers on my team/teachers in my grade...

	Total	This School %				Statewide %				
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Are able to communicate openly with each other.	41	0.0	2.4	46.3	51.2	6356	1.8	6.4	49.9	41.8
Believe that the educational practices they are being asked to implement are effective.	39	2.6	5.1	69.2	23.1	6276	5.0	21.5	57.2	16.4
Communicate openly with building administrators.	39	0.0	2.6	66.7	30.8	6296	4.7	16.6	53.4	25.3

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Teams and Advisories

	This School**		Statewide**	
	#	%	#	%
Are you part of a content team?	22	53.7	2321	35.7
Are you part of a grade level team?	25	61.0	2883	44.0
Do you serve as an advisor as part of your school's advisory program?	33	80.5	2565	42.6

The following questions are only asked of teachers who serve as an advisor as part of their school's advisory program.

As part of your teacher-led advisory program, please indicate which of the following activities you do: (Check all that apply.)	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Discuss academic problems or issues	31	93.9	2235	89.5
Discuss social relationships with other students	28	87.5	1861	75.8
Teach life and social skills	22	66.7	1816	72.7
Conduct activities to develop student self-confidence	32	97.0	1699	68.0
Orient students to school programs	24	72.7	1673	67.0
Provide career information and guidance	13	40.6	1511	61.5
Serve as a link between students and other teachers	13	40.6	1476	60.1
Use the guidance counselor(s) as a resource to help you advise a student	16	48.5	1284	51.4
Conduct activities to develop student leadership	26	78.8	1252	50.1
Provide college information and guidance	5	15.6	1220	49.7
Teach study skills	25	75.8	1135	45.5
Work on community or school service projects	23	69.7	1065	42.7
Use the period as extended work time for class assignments	2	6.3	949	38.7
Provide time for silent reading	0	0.0	757	30.8
Work with the counselor(s) and/or health staff to	8	24.2	737	29.5
Assign and discuss relevant readings	16	50.0	554	22.6
Other	2	6.3	347	14.1
Total	33*	--	2497*	--

**Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

*For "choose all that apply" items, the total may not equal the sum of response options, and the percentages may not total 100%.

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Student Engagement

For how many of the students in your class are the following statements true?	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them	Total	None of them	Some	Most	All of them
Students are interested in what I teach.	39	0.0	2.6	87.2	10.3	6015	0.3	22.0	66.0	11.8
Students are motivated to learn.	39	0.0	10.3	82.1	7.7	6055	0.5	32.6	58.2	8.6
Students have goals for themselves and their futures.	39	0.0	25.6	61.5	12.8	5985	1.4	41.8	49.1	7.8

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Library Access

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement about your school and its resources.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Students have sufficient access to the library/media center.	41	14.6	9.8	51.2	24.4	6139	10.2	22.3	50.3	17.3

School Safety

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel safe inside my school.	42	0.0	0.0	21.4	78.6	6456	1.4	4.5	40.4	53.7
I feel safe inside of my school's classrooms.	41	0.0	0.0	22.0	78.0	6459	1.2	3.4	40.1	55.4
I feel safe when I walk outside of my school.	41	0.0	0.0	14.6	85.4	6445	1.4	5.0	44.9	48.7

What do others say about School Safety?

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Student Violence - Physical Harm

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
During the past 12 months, has a student at this school hit, slapped, or physically harmed you or threatened you with physical harm?				
Yes	2	5.6	627	10.3
No	34	94.4	5448	89.7
Total	36	100.0	6075	100.0

The following questions are asked only of the teachers who were hit, slapped, physically harmed or threatened by a student in the past 12 months.

Did you report it to any of the following people?	This School*		Statewide*	
	#	%	#	%
Principal	-	-	490	82.4
Superintendent	-	-	39	8.4
Union representative	-	-	115	23.8
School security/Police	-	-	106	21.8
Other	-	-	163	54.3

Did you seek medical attention or counseling as a result of this?	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Yes	-	-	38	6.2
No	-	-	575	93.8
Total	-	-	613	100.0

*Indicates the number and percentage of respondents who answered affirmatively.

Discipline

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement.	Total	This School %			Statewide %					
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I find that the discipline policies and practices at this school are effective.	41	2.4	9.8	75.6	12.2	6052	9.0	25.0	47.4	18.6

What do others say about Violence?

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What do others say about Discipline?

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Student Relationships

For how many of the students in your class are the following statements true?	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None of them	Some	Most	All of them		None of them	Some	Most	All of them
Students let me know if they are having a problem at home.	40	0.0	72.5	22.5	5.0	5990	8.4	53.6	32.5	5.6
Students talk to me if they are having a problem with another student.	40	0.0	42.5	47.5	10.0	6077	2.1	29.9	52.0	16.0
Students talk to me if they are having a problem with their classes or schoolwork.	40	0.0	25.0	62.5	12.5	6038	1.3	28.8	56.4	13.6

Equity and Respect

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about the work climate in your school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Staff apply rules consistently for all students.	41	0.0	24.4	70.7	4.9	6185	6.5	24.2	55.1	14.1
Students treat teachers and staff with respect.	42	0.0	4.8	69.0	26.2	6211	5.5	20.2	61.0	13.4
Students treat each other with respect.	41	0.0	7.3	85.4	7.3	6212	5.4	25.3	61.6	7.7

What do others say about Relationships?

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What do others say about Respect?

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Student Respect

For how many of the students in your class is the following statement true?	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None of them	Some	Most	All of them		None of them	Some	Most	All of them
Students respect viewpoints different from their own.	39	0.0	17.9	71.8	10.3	5989	1.1	37.4	53.6	7.9

Professional Climate and Evaluation

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I can communicate comfortably with my principal.	41	0.0	4.9	51.2	43.9	6107	3.4	9.9	48.4	38.3
My performance evaluation process is fair.	41	9.8	19.5	58.5	12.2	5875	8.0	21.5	59.7	10.8
I receive timely feedback about my job performance.	42	2.4	9.5	73.8	14.3	5893	4.7	15.9	64.0	15.4
I have a good working relationship with my building administration.	42	0.0	2.4	54.8	42.9	6126	2.3	6.5	54.6	36.7
I have a good working relationship with teachers and other staff at my school.	42	0.0	0.0	38.1	61.9	6163	0.4	1.7	53.5	44.4

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Professional Climate

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about the work climate in your school.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The building administration is responsive to staff needs.	42	0.0	2.4	64.3	33.3	6205	5.5	14.9	54.5	25.0
The building administration stands up for staff.	41	2.4	7.3	53.7	36.6	6077	7.1	14.3	51.8	26.8
The principal treats all teachers fairly.	41	0.0	7.3	58.5	34.1	6161	6.3	13.3	49.6	30.9
Morale is good among staff in this school.	41	0.0	7.3	63.4	29.3	6174	15.9	26.9	42.2	15.0
Rules and policies affecting staff are clear.	41	2.4	2.4	75.6	19.5	6167	4.6	16.1	58.4	21.0
Staff take pride in this school.	42	0.0	0.0	47.6	52.4	6193	3.5	10.7	55.5	30.3

Workload

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I have a manageable workload.	42	0.0	14.3	71.4	14.3	6075	10.1	25.6	52.4	11.9

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Teacher Decision-Making

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree. Teachers on my team/teachers in my school have decision-making authority on...	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Determining the use of common planning time.	40	0.0	5.0	67.5	27.5	6268	12.3	28.1	47.1	12.5
Selecting professional development opportunities.	40	10.0	42.5	40.0	7.5	6298	13.6	32.6	44.7	9.1
Selecting/reassigning of team members.	41	63.4	31.7	4.9	0.0	6014	25.8	46.8	23.6	3.9
Setting student behavioral management policies.	42	2.4	28.6	64.3	4.8	6385	5.5	20.7	57.6	16.2
Setting student evaluation and assessment standards.	39	0.0	2.6	71.8	25.6	6341	5.9	23.0	56.8	14.3
Setting team or grade level goals.	40	0.0	0.0	72.5	27.5	6213	4.7	17.8	63.5	14.0

Vision and Input

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I know what administration expects from me.	42	0.0	0.0	57.1	42.9	6605	2.1	7.1	54.3	36.5
Teachers and administrators share a common vision about how to achieve the goals for this school.	42	0.0	0.0	69.0	31.0	6592	4.5	18.6	52.8	24.1
The building administration is open to my input about decisions that affect me.	42	0.0	7.1	59.5	33.3	6565	5.0	14.3	48.5	32.1

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Parent Involvement Strategies

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement about the work climate in your school.

Staff plan and implement strategies to increase parent involvement.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Staff plan and implement strategies to increase parent involvement.	40	0.0	47.5	40.0	12.5	6078	4.0	20.0	60.0	16.0

Parent Involvement

Please indicate how often the following practices occur in your classes.

I have a parent volunteer assist me.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*		Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
I have a parent volunteer assist me.	30	93.3	6.7	0.0	0.0	4726	65.3	18.5	4.5	11.7

*Response categories are combined.

What do others say about Parent Involvement?

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Parent-Teacher Communication

Other than through grade reports, how often do you interact** with the families of students regarding the following items?	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*	Total	Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
Class activities and content	39	12.8	35.9	17.9	33.3	5810	6.9	27.1	24.2	41.9
Information on assignments	39	12.8	28.2	5.1	53.8	5802	7.4	21.8	19.4	51.3
Make-up work for students who are absent	39	10.3	33.3	10.3	46.2	5676	8.0	21.1	15.8	55.2
Student academic performance	39	5.1	35.9	17.9	41.0	5850	3.3	26.7	26.2	43.7
Student accomplishments	39	7.7	56.4	12.8	23.1	5983	4.0	35.5	25.8	34.8
Student behavior problems	39	2.6	33.3	23.1	41.0	5962	2.9	26.7	20.8	49.6
Working with students on homework	39	20.5	28.2	10.3	41.0	5658	13.0	26.0	19.0	42.0

*Response categories are combined.

**By telephone, writing, email, text message, social networking site, parent portal, or face-to-face

Parent-Teacher Communication - Continued

Please indicate how often the following practice occurs in your classes.	This School %					Statewide %				
	Total	Never	Some-times	Usually	Always	Total	Never	Some-times	Usually	Always
I actively maintain two-way communication between home and school.	40	5.0	12.5	30.0	52.5	6080	1.6	13.7	29.9	54.9

What do others say about Parent-Teacher Communication?

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

Approximately what percentage of the parents/guardians of your students attend regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences?

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
0-20%	4	10.5	1382	25.4
21-40%	3	7.9	1228	22.6
41-60%	8	21.1	820	15.1
61-80%	14	36.8	765	14.1
81-100%	9	23.7	1248	22.9
Total	38	100.0	5443	100.0

Community Support

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement about the work climate in your school.

	Total	This School				Total	Statewide			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The community is supportive of the school and its programs.	39	0.0	30.8	56.4	12.8	6132	6.4	19.8	57.7	16.1

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School Facilities and Resources

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about your school and its resources.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The school has enough space for effective instruction given the current enrollment.	41	2.4	12.2	51.2	34.1	6292	10.0	25.2	46.5	18.3
The school is clean and well-maintained.	42	0.0	0.0	52.4	47.6	6319	8.7	20.3	49.5	21.6
My classroom is about the right temperature.	42	7.1	40.5	38.1	14.3	6258	13.1	29.0	48.9	9.1
The lights in my classroom are bright enough so students can do their work.	42	0.0	2.4	57.1	40.5	6233	1.6	4.6	69.4	24.4
Students in my classes need to share books.	42	38.1	35.7	19.0	7.1	5929	19.2	41.5	27.1	12.2
I have access to up-to-date instructional materials through the school or district.	39	17.9	30.8	38.5	12.8	6059	11.9	25.4	49.9	12.8

What do others say about Resources?

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Planning Time

On average, how long is your individual planning time (during the contracted length of the school day), in addition to your common team planning time?

	This School		Statewide	
	#	%	#	%
Less than a half hour	4	9.8	898	14.2
Half an hour to 45 minutes	24	58.5	2686	42.3
46 minutes to 60 minutes	11	26.8	2132	33.6
More than 60 minutes	2	4.9	630	9.9
Total	41	100.0	6346	100.0

Adequacy of Planning Time

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I have an adequate amount of planning time.	39	2.6	15.4	59.0	23.1	5869	15.2	30.3	46.3	8.1

Staff Development Frequency

Please indicate how often you participate in the following staff development activities.

	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*		Never	A few times a year	Monthly	Weekly/Daily*
Visits to other classrooms	39	41.0	41.0	7.7	10.3	6012	38.3	36.3	8.4	17.0
Exchanging resources/lesson plans with other teachers in the school	39	2.6	23.1	33.3	41.0	5980	9.9	23.9	20.7	45.4
Workshops provided by RIDE	39	46.2	53.8	0.0	0.0	5947	38.5	56.7	4.3	0.6
Workshops provided by the school district	40	12.5	85.0	2.5	0.0	6127	9.1	69.8	18.8	2.4
In-service activities provided by the school district	39	10.3	87.2	2.6	0.0	6033	10.4	70.8	15.8	2.9

*Response categories are combined.

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Desired Staff Development

For each of the educational practices listed below, indicate how much staff development you want and/or need.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None	A little	Some	A lot		None	A little	Some	A lot
Working with families to involve them in education	38	23.7	34.2	34.2	7.9	5756	18.1	28.1	37.5	16.2
Incorporating community resources into education	38	23.7	34.2	28.9	13.2	5707	13.8	26.5	40.4	19.2
Using developmentally appropriate instructional methods	37	27.0	18.9	37.8	16.2	5717	18.5	23.5	39.3	18.7
Making data-driven decisions	35	11.4	22.9	42.9	22.9	5779	16.1	22.5	41.9	19.5
Identifying and referring students in need of health and social services	37	21.6	40.5	29.7	8.1	5784	22.4	27.9	36.8	13.0
Using performance-based assessment practices (e.g., portfolios, exhibitions)	35	14.3	22.9	37.1	25.7	5645	19.7	26.5	39.1	14.7
Using technology as part of instruction	37	10.8	21.6	37.8	29.7	5839	9.5	19.8	38.9	31.8
Working with students at risk of dropping out or performing far below their ability	32	15.6	21.9	40.6	21.9	5377	13.3	22.0	39.3	25.4
Utilizing student recognition practices	34	35.3	32.4	32.4	0.0	5508	28.0	27.3	36.4	8.3
Completing additional preparation in your primary content area	37	24.3	37.8	29.7	8.1	5399	28.8	23.2	35.5	12.6
Managing the classroom and/or behavior	39	46.2	30.8	23.1	0.0	5796	29.8	28.9	29.7	11.6

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Desired Staff Development - Continued

For each of the educational practices listed below, indicate how much staff development you want and/or need.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		None	A little	Some	A lot		None	A little	Some	A lot
Working with English Language Learners (ELLs)	31	61.3	32.3	3.2	3.2	5181	28.6	28.1	29.7	13.5
Working within professional learning communities	38	47.4	15.8	34.2	2.6	5531	24.8	29.7	35.4	10.2
Assigning service learning	31	51.6	12.9	35.5	0.0	4665	32.4	22.6	32.0	13.0
Developing standards-based lesson plans	37	18.9	18.9	45.9	16.2	5651	18.6	21.5	41.2	18.7
Participating in interdisciplinary teaming	37	29.7	27.0	29.7	13.5	5478	21.4	21.1	40.0	17.5
Differentiating instruction	38	7.9	28.9	44.7	18.4	5777	13.5	21.3	40.7	24.5
Helping students develop reading skills	36	30.6	25.0	33.3	11.1	5627	15.1	22.2	39.5	23.2

External Support

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.	Total	This School %				Total	Statewide %			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I have adequate support from RIDE.	33	15.2	45.5	36.4	3.0	5197	21.2	41.2	34.5	3.1
I have adequate support from the school district.	37	0.0	10.8	70.3	18.9	5813	10.5	28.4	52.5	8.6