



DCPS STAKEHOLDER SURVEYS 2011

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Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Students 195 students (31% of eligible students) completed the survey at Coolidge High School

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My school is on the right track for student achievement	6%	51%	34%	9%
I am strongly supported within my school	11%	43%	36%	11%
I would recommend my school to other students	5%	39%	38%	18%
This school is a welcoming place for my family	4%	40%	41%	16%

What grade would you give... your school?	A	B	C	D	F
	4%	13%	39%	34%	10%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	10%	39%	28%	14%	9%
Everyone is expected to follow the school rules	15%	40%	24%	15%	5%
School entrances are always monitored	25%	51%	14%	7%	3%
Hallways, stairwells, bathrooms are empty of students during class periods	6%	23%	32%	33%	5%
School security devices (for example, cameras) work	21%	44%	14%	4%	17%
Security personnel at my school do a good job	14%	43%	23%	10%	9%
My school is orderly and in control	5%	20%	38%	32%	5%
My school is clean and well maintained	5%	18%	31%	44%	3%

How safe do you feel in the following places?	Very safe	Mostly safe	Somewhat safe	Not safe
Outside around the school	14%	23%	44%	19%
In the hallways and bathrooms of this school	23%	36%	33%	8%
In my classes	39%	36%	21%	5%

How often do students in your school...	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Don't know
Get into fights	56%	29%	8%	3%	3%
Have things stolen or damaged by other students	42%	34%	16%	2%	6%
Get made fun of for the way they look or talk	43%	22%	21%	7%	7%
See gang activity in school	41%	28%	18%	6%	7%

The principal at my school...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Makes the school run smoothly	8%	30%	39%	23%
Cares about students	12%	45%	24%	19%
Is available to talk to	7%	33%	32%	28%
Highlights student accomplishments regularly	13%	41%	27%	19%

Note: Percentages in this report may differ from your school's summary report because "Don't know" responses were excluded from the summary report.



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The adults working at my school...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Work hard and try to make the school work well	18%	62%	16%	4%
Care about students	15%	65%	17%	3%
Include at least one adult I can talk to if something is wrong	29%	53%	13%	5%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	11%	51%	33%	5%
Treat me with respect	21%	58%	15%	6%
Give me extra help when I need it	20%	58%	19%	3%
Treat all students fairly	9%	44%	34%	13%
Set high standards for students	17%	49%	27%	6%

My teachers...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Inspire me to learn	24%	52%	19%	5%
Often connect what I'm learning to life outside the classroom	14%	51%	30%	6%
Encourage students to share ideas about things we're studying in class	12%	61%	20%	6%
Often require me to explain my answers	15%	63%	19%	3%
Often assign homework that helps me learn	13%	56%	21%	10%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
We have enough teaching materials (like books, photocopies and calculators) for all students	6%	27%	35%	31%
In my classes, we often discuss different interpretations of things we read	12%	60%	20%	9%
My classes really make me think	12%	45%	34%	9%
When I am absent, the teacher gives me missed assignments	19%	39%	29%	13%

How often do you have...	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
Access to a working computer at school	20%	39%	31%	10%
Access to the internet at school	25%	39%	26%	10%
Access to a working printer at school	23%	37%	28%	12%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
I try hard to do well in school	44%	50%	3%	2%
I know what I do well in school and what areas I need to work on	52%	43%	3%	2%
I ask for help from my teachers or others when I need it	40%	50%	8%	3%
I set goals and then work to achieve them	41%	46%	11%	2%
I respect the ways in which people are different	49%	42%	7%	2%
I get along well with other students	36%	50%	11%	3%
I am confident I will graduate from high school	66%	29%	3%	2%



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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I like school	24%	38%	24%	14%
I attend all my classes	45%	42%	11%	2%
I think doing well in school is important for my future	62%	31%	4%	3%
I can get help on schoolwork if I need it	40%	48%	9%	4%
My friends think it's important to work hard to get high grades	33%	45%	15%	8%

Gender	Male	Female
	46%	54%

Grade	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
	0%	0%	0%	0%	27%	22%	35%	16%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	81%	Native American	3%
Hispanic	12%	Asian/Pacific Islander	2%
White or Caucasian	2%	Other	5%

What languages does your family speak at home?			
English	87%	Chinese	2%
Spanish	13%	Amharic	2%
French	3%	Other	4%

The following questions are applicable for students in 9th through 12th grade only.

Are you aware of the high school graduation requirements?	Yes	No
	83%	17%

Are you on track towards high school graduation?	Yes	No
	80%	5%
	Not Sure	16%

What are your plans after high school?			
Continue school	67%	Join the military	3%
Get a job	23%	Other plans	5%
Not sure	6%		

Have you taken any preparation courses to help you prepare for taking college entrance tests like the ACT or SAT?	Yes	No
	43%	57%

Have you taken any college entrance tests?	SAT	ACT
	31%	9%
	Other	9%



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Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Parents *10 parents (2% of eligible parents) completed the survey at Coolidge High School*

How much you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
DCPS is on the right track for student achievement	0%	80%	0%	10%	10%
This school is on the right track for student achievement	20%	70%	0%	10%	0%

Overall, what grade would you give...	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
this school?	10%	40%	30%	10%	10%	0%
DCPS?	0%	40%	40%	10%	10%	0%

Do you plan to keep your child(ren) in DCPS?	Yes	40%	If not, why?	Moving out of DC	20%
	No	30%		Unhappy with school system	20%
	Don't know	30%		Other	0%

Would you recommend that a friend send his or her child to this school?	Yes	44%	No	44%	Don't know	11%
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How satisfied you are with the following at this school:	<i>Very satisfied</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Very dissatisfied</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Quality of instruction	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Academic progress of my child(ren)	20%	60%	10%	10%	0%
Physical condition of the classrooms	0%	60%	10%	30%	0%
Safety inside the school	10%	60%	10%	10%	10%
School's office staff	11%	67%	11%	11%	0%
Teachers	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
School principal	33%	33%	0%	22%	11%
How the school communicates with parents	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
How DCPS communicates with parents	0%	60%	20%	20%	0%
The level of parental engagement	10%	50%	10%	10%	20%

Which aspect of your child(ren)'s school is most important to you?			
Welcoming environment	NA	Academics/Student learning	NA
School's leadership/principal	NA	Teachers	NA
Safety	NA	Facility/building	NA
Location	NA	Other	NA

Do you know...	Yes	No
DCPS' policies on students' rights and responsibilities?	NA	NA
DCPS' policies on parents' rights and responsibilities?	90%	10%
How to volunteer at your child(ren)'s school?	NA	NA



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How much you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Don't know/ Not applicable</i>
This school keeps me regularly informed of my child(ren)'s progress	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Teachers contact me with concerns	20%	40%	30%	10%	0%
I receive interpretations/translations when I need them	10%	20%	0%	10%	60%
The school does a good job identifying students who need additional support	10%	30%	20%	10%	30%
There is a good process to get students enrolled in additional services they need	20%	40%	0%	10%	30%
I have all of the information that I need to make the right decisions about my child(ren)'s education at DCPS	20%	30%	40%	10%	0%

Please mark how much you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
I feel welcome at this school	30%	50%	10%	10%	0%
School staff members are helpful in answering my questions	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
This school applies discipline procedures fairly to all students	20%	40%	20%	20%	0%
This school makes student learning its #1 priority	30%	40%	10%	10%	10%
This school has high expectations for my child(ren)	30%	40%	10%	10%	10%
This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

How satisfied are you with your interactions with the following departments/offices this year?	<i>Very satisfied</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Very dissatisfied</i>	<i>I did not interact with this dept/office</i>
Bilingual education	0%	40%	0%	0%	60%
Special education	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Student intervention	0%	40%	10%	20%	30%
Afterschool program	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Summer school	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Critical Response Team	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

What types of programs and workshops would you like the schools to provide for you as a parent/guardian?			
Understanding the DC public school system	20%	Getting to know your community resources	40%
Job search strategies	50%	Computer literacy	50%
Parent/child classes (like Mommy and me)	10%	Effective discipline strategies	40%
Finance/dealing with money	40%	Stress management	50%
Understanding child development	10%	Other	10%
Parenting support groups	10%		



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How many of your children attend DCPS schools?	1	NA	2	NA	3	NA
	4	NA	5 or more	NA		

What grades are they in?	Pre-K/K	0%	3	0%	6	0%	9	50%
	1	0%	4	10%	7	0%	10	10%
	2	10%	5	0%	8	0%	11	20%
							12	10%

What is your relationship with these students?	Parent	70%	Grandparent	20%	Other family member	0%
	Guardian	10%	Aunt/Uncle	0%	Other	0%

Are any of your children currently receiving special education services?	Yes	NA	No	NA
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Are any of your children currently receiving English Language Learner (ELL) services?	Yes	NA	No	NA
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In your household, what languages are spoken?	English	80%	French	0%	Amharic	0%
	Spanish	0%	Chinese	0%	Other	0%

How would you describe your background?	Black/African American	80%	Native American	0%
	Hispanic or Latin American	0%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
	White or Caucasian	0%	Other	0%

What is your gender?	Male	NA	Female	NA
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What ward do you live in?	1	NA	3	NA	5	NA	7	NA
	2	NA	4	NA	6	NA	8	NA

In what ward(s) do your child(ren) go to school?	1	0%	3	0%	5	10%	7	0%
	2	0%	4	80%	6	0%	8	0%

What is the highest level of education you completed?			
Grades 1-8	NA	Some college/technical school	NA
Some high school	NA	College/technical school graduate	NA
High school graduate	NA	Post-graduate education	NA



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Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Staff

79 staff (81% of eligible staff) completed the survey at Coolidge High School

The following questions appeared on the teacher, administrator and staff surveys. The responses below reflect the combined responses of teachers, administrators and staff at your school.

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
The school district (DCPS) is on the right track for student achievement	3%	51%	22%	19%	5%
The central office effectively supports my school	12%	41%	19%	13%	15%
My school is on the right track for student achievement	26%	47%	25%	3%	0%
I am strongly supported within my school	33%	36%	23%	7%	1%

If a friend of yours was looking for a school for his/her child, would you recommend your school?	Yes	47%	No	53%
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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My school is a good place to work	33%	46%	17%	4%
I have adequate materials/equipment to do my work	29%	36%	21%	14%

How much do you agree or disagree that the adults working at your school...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Care about the students	34%	60%	6%	0%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	26%	46%	21%	8%
Take responsibility for improving their school	27%	54%	14%	5%
Pursue opportunities to grow professionally	31%	44%	18%	6%
Work hard to build trusting relationships with parents	29%	53%	13%	5%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	34%	52%	10%	3%	1%
My school's discipline plan is implemented uniformly	26%	30%	30%	13%	1%
My school is orderly and in control	22%	38%	29%	12%	0%
School entrances are monitored consistently	36%	53%	5%	4%	3%
School security devices are consistently operational	36%	42%	11%	5%	7%
My school has effective discipline procedures in place	29%	29%	32%	8%	3%
Security personnel at my school are effective	31%	45%	21%	1%	1%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Classrooms in my school are in good physical condition	22%	49%	22%	6%
My school is clean	23%	51%	21%	5%
My school is well maintained	26%	52%	19%	3%



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Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Staff

How satisfied are you with the following DCPS departments and support services...	<i>Very satisfied</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Very dissatisfied</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
School district services overall	1%	47%	25%	5%	21%
Office of Special Education	4%	46%	14%	5%	30%
Office of Bilingual Education	3%	43%	12%	3%	39%
Office of the Chief Academic Officer	1%	39%	12%	3%	45%
Office of Professional Development	4%	41%	18%	11%	26%
Office of Youth Engagement	0%	42%	11%	8%	39%
Office of Family and Public Engagement	3%	36%	7%	7%	48%
Office of Data and Accountability	3%	34%	8%	9%	46%
Office of Human Capital	1%	32%	7%	11%	50%
Office of Human Resources	5%	51%	17%	7%	20%
Technology Support Services	5%	57%	9%	4%	24%
Facilities and Maintenance	8%	49%	13%	4%	26%
Summer School	3%	47%	11%	9%	30%
Afterschool Program	4%	51%	9%	12%	24%
Career and Technical Education	0%	39%	11%	9%	41%
School Security	12%	59%	20%	1%	8%
Nurses/School Health Services	19%	57%	7%	1%	16%

Indicate your years of experience.	<i>This is my first year</i>	<i>2-3 years</i>	<i>4-5 years</i>	<i>6-10 years</i>	<i>More than 10 years</i>
Including this year, how many years have you been working at this school?	14%	43%	14%	7%	23%
Including this year, how many years have you been working at DCPS?	7%	32%	15%	11%	35%

Gender	Male	53%	Female	47%
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How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	72%	Native American	0%
Hispanic	5%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
White or Caucasian	8%	Other	5%



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Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Staff

The following questions appeared on the **teacher and staff surveys**. The responses below reflect the combined responses of teachers and staff at your school.

How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
My coworkers respect me	49%	47%	3%	1%
The administrators at this school respect me	44%	35%	18%	3%

How much do you agree or disagree that the principal at your school...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Is an effective manager who makes the school run smoothly	36%	32%	26%	7%
Cares about the students	36%	44%	14%	7%
Encourages collaboration among school staff	31%	44%	21%	4%
Provides me feedback regularly	26%	27%	33%	14%
Treats all staff with respect	2733%	26%	33%	14%
Is a leader I have confidence in	34%	32%	21%	14%

The following questions appeared on the **teacher and administrator survey**. The responses below reflect the responses of teachers and administrators at your school.

Indicate how frequently you have access to the following technologies in school	<i>Always</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
A working computer	78%	14%	8%	0%
The internet	89%	11%	0%	0%
A functional printer	60%	23%	11%	6%
A functional copy machine	66%	26%	3%	6%
A working phone	86%	11%	0%	3%

Overall, what grade would you give your school	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
	3%	38%	38%	19%	3%	0%



Question by Question Results – Coolidge's Staff

The following questions appeared on the **teacher survey only**. The responses below reflect the responses of teachers at your school.

How much do you agree or disagree that the principal at your school...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Actively monitors the quality of teaching	16%	47%	25%	13%
Supports teachers' instructional needs	9%	44%	38%	9%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
There is a pervasive culture of continuous professional development focused on teaching and learning at my school	16%	26%	48%	10%
I have opportunities to learn best practices from other teachers in my school	13%	48%	35%	3%
I have clear measureable goals related to supporting student success	13%	39%	42%	6%
I don't have enough time in class to teacher the standards to mastery	23%	39%	39%	0%
My school effectively identifies the individual learning needs of all students including special education students and English language learners	10%	35%	35%	19%

Select up to three areas in which you would like to have more professional development			
Behavior management/conflict resolution	24%	Differentiating instruction	42%
Motivating students	36%	My content area	36%
Reteaching strategies	39%	Using data to inform instruction	21%
Using technology	39%	Working with children with special needs	33%
Classroom Management	3%	Other	6%