



# DCPS STAKEHOLDER SURVEYS 2011

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## Question by Question Results – Hardy's Students

291 students (58% of eligible students) completed the survey at Hardy Middle 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	13%	55%	25%	8%
I am strongly supported within my school	16%	59%	20%	6%
I would recommend my school to other students	18%	40%	32%	10%
This school is a welcoming place for my family	15%	49%	25%	11%

What grade would you give... your school?	A	B	C	D	F
	8%	32%	38%	17%	5%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	17%	43%	20%	11%	10%
Everyone is expected to follow the school rules	27%	41%	18%	12%	2%
School entrances are always monitored	12%	32%	36%	14%	7%
Hallways, stairwells, bathrooms are empty of students during class periods	5%	10%	34%	46%	5%
School security devices (for example, cameras) work	34%	35%	6%	4%	20%
Security personnel at my school do a good job	26%	49%	12%	7%	6%
My school is orderly and in control	4%	20%	36%	34%	6%
My school is clean and well maintained	7%	26%	35%	28%	4%

How safe do you feel in the following places?	Very safe	Mostly safe	Somewhat safe	Not safe
Outside around the school	28%	40%	27%	6%
In the hallways and bathrooms of this school	35%	38%	18%	9%
In my classes	60%	34%	5%	1%

How often do students in your school...	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Don't know
Get into fights	48%	36%	11%	3%	1%
Have things stolen or damaged by other students	51%	34%	11%	4%	1%
Get made fun of for the way they look or talk	56%	22%	13%	4%	5%
See gang activity in school	12%	16%	21%	39%	12%

The principal at my school...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Makes the school run smoothly	5%	41%	39%	15%
Cares about students	20%	55%	19%	7%
Is available to talk to	14%	44%	31%	11%
Highlights student accomplishments regularly	16%	48%	25%	12%

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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<b>The adults working at my school...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Work hard and try to make the school work well	38%	53%	6%	3%
Care about students	32%	54%	11%	3%
Include at least one adult I can talk to if something is wrong	42%	43%	12%	3%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	25%	48%	22%	5%
Treat me with respect	33%	48%	15%	4%
Give me extra help when I need it	42%	47%	8%	3%
Treat all students fairly	26%	37%	28%	9%
Set high standards for students	45%	45%	7%	4%

<b>My teachers...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Inspire me to learn	36%	48%	12%	3%
Often connect what I'm learning to life outside the classroom	30%	48%	17%	5%
Encourage students to share ideas about things we're studying in class	31%	53%	12%	4%
Often require me to explain my answers	45%	49%	4%	1%
Often assign homework that helps me learn	40%	43%	14%	3%

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that...</b>	<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	29%	40%	23%	8%
In my classes, we often discuss different interpretations of things we read	32%	55%	11%	2%
My classes really make me think	30%	51%	16%	2%
When I am absent, the teacher gives me missed assignments	32%	38%	22%	7%

<b>How often do you have...</b>	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
Access to a working computer at school	56%	31%	12%	1%
Access to the internet at school	63%	27%	10%	1%
Access to a working printer at school	40%	34%	19%	7%

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
I try hard to do well in school	65%	33%	1%	1%
I know what I do well in school and what areas I need to work on	66%	30%	3%	1%
I ask for help from my teachers or others when I need it	50%	41%	8%	2%
I set goals and then work to achieve them	44%	46%	10%	1%
I respect the ways in which people are different	62%	35%	1%	1%
I get along well with other students	46%	42%	10%	2%
I am confident I will graduate from high school	79%	19%	1%	1%



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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I like school	25%	45%	19%	11%
I attend all my classes	73%	24%	2%	1%
I think doing well in school is important for my future	75%	22%	2%	2%
I can get help on schoolwork if I need it	61%	35%	1%	3%
My friends think it's important to work hard to get high grades	43%	46%	8%	3%

Gender	Male	Female
	45%	55%

Grade	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
	0%	36%	34%	30%	0%	0%	0%	0%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	60%	Native American	6%
Hispanic	13%	Asian/Pacific Islander	7%
White or Caucasian	14%	Other	5%

What languages does your family speak at home?			
English	83%	Chinese	1%
Spanish	12%	Amharic	1%
French	3%	Other	5%

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

Are you aware of the high school graduation requirements?	Yes	NA	No	NA

Are you on track towards high school graduation?	Yes	NA	No	NA
	Not Sure		NA	

What are your plans after high school?			
Continue school	NA	Join the military	NA
Get a job	NA	Other plans	NA
Not sure	NA		

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

Have you taken any college entrance tests?	SAT	NA	ACT	NA
	Other		NA	



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## Question by Question Results – Hardy's Parents

*31 parents (7% of eligible parents) completed the survey at Hardy Middle School*

How much you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
DCPS is on the right track for student achievement	10%	48%	23%	16%	3%
This school is on the right track for student achievement	27%	23%	20%	23%	7%

Overall, what grade would you give...	A	B	C	D	F	Don't know
this school?	16%	26%	23%	19%	10%	6%
DCPS?	3%	23%	35%	16%	19%	3%

Do you plan to keep your child(ren) in DCPS?	Yes	57%	If not, why?	Moving out of DC	0%
	No	23%		Unhappy with school system	29%
	Don't know	20%		Other	6%

Would you recommend that a friend send his or her child to this school?	Yes	41%	No	34%	Don't know	24%
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How satisfied you are with the following at this school:	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
Quality of instruction	30%	43%	23%	3%	0%
Academic progress of my child(ren)	20%	43%	27%	10%	0%
Physical condition of the classrooms	57%	40%	3%	0%	0%
Safety inside the school	27%	43%	10%	20%	0%
School's office staff	42%	52%	3%	3%	0%
Teachers	45%	39%	13%	3%	0%
School principal	10%	26%	19%	42%	3%
How the school communicates with parents	26%	32%	23%	19%	0%
How DCPS communicates with parents	16%	32%	32%	19%	0%
The level of parental engagement	16%	35%	29%	13%	6%

Which aspect of your child(ren)'s school is most important to you?			
Welcoming environment	0%	Academics/Student learning	61%
School's leadership/principal	29%	Teachers	7%
Safety	0%	Facility/building	0%
Location	0%	Other	4%

Do you know...	Yes	No
DCPS' policies on students' rights and responsibilities?	77%	23%
DCPS' policies on parents' rights and responsibilities?	77%	23%
How to volunteer at your child(ren)'s school?	74%	26%



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<b>How much you agree or disagree that...</b>	<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	23%	42%	26%	10%	0%
Teachers contact me with concerns	23%	35%	26%	6%	10%
I receive interpretations/translations when I need them	6%	13%	13%	0%	68%
The school does a good job identifying students who need additional support	10%	23%	16%	13%	39%
There is a good process to get students enrolled in additional services they need	6%	19%	13%	13%	48%
I have all of the information that I need to make the right decisions about my child(ren)'s education at DCPS	13%	45%	16%	16%	10%

<b>Please mark how much you agree or disagree that...</b>	<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	35%	42%	13%	10%	0%
School staff members are helpful in answering my questions	35%	45%	16%	3%	0%
This school applies discipline procedures fairly to all students	16%	26%	19%	23%	16%
This school makes student learning its #1 priority	20%	43%	27%	7%	3%
This school has high expectations for my child(ren)	20%	47%	20%	13%	0%
This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs	14%	34%	38%	10%	3%

<b>How satisfied are you with your interactions with the following departments/offices this year?</b>	<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	3%	7%	0%	3%	86%
Special education	10%	0%	0%	0%	90%
Student intervention	0%	10%	0%	14%	76%
Afterschool program	13%	23%	7%	3%	53%
Summer school	0%	7%	0%	7%	86%
Critical Response Team	0%	3%	3%	13%	80%

<b>What types of programs and workshops would you like the schools to provide for you as a parent/guardian?</b>			
Understanding the DC public school system	26%	Getting to know your community resources	35%
Job search strategies	10%	Computer literacy	23%
Parent/child classes (like Mommy and me)	26%	Effective discipline strategies	39%
Finance/dealing with money	19%	Stress management	29%
Understanding child development	39%	Other	13%
Parenting support groups	26%		



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How many of your children attend DCPS schools?	1	33%	2	57%	3	3%
	4	3%	5 or more	3%		

What grades are they in?	Pre-K/K	10%	3	0%	6	19%	9	3%
	1	10%	4	16%	7	39%	10	3%
	2	0%	5	19%	8	39%	11	3%
							12	6%

What is your relationship with these students?	Parent	94%	Grandparent	3%	Other family member	3%
	Guardian	3%	Aunt/Uncle	0%	Other	0%

Are any of your children currently receiving special education services?	Yes	13%	No	87%
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Are any of your children currently receiving English Language Learner (ELL) services?	Yes	0%	No	100%
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In your household, what languages are spoken?	English	94%	French	0%	Amharic	0%
	Spanish	0%	Chinese	0%	Other	10%

How would you describe your background?	Black/African American	58%	Native American	0%
	Hispanic or Latin American	0%	Asian/Pacific Islander	3%
	White or Caucasian	29%	Other	3%

What is your gender?	Male	20%	Female	80%
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What ward do you live in?	1	14%	3	24%	5	14%	7	21%
	2	10%	4	3%	6	3%	8	10%

In what ward(s) do your child(ren) go to school?	1	6%	3	35%	5	3%	7	6%
	2	52%	4	6%	6	3%	8	0%

What is the highest level of education you completed?			
Grades 1-8	0%	Some college/technical school	13%
Some high school	0%	College/technical school graduate	43%
High school graduate	0%	Post-graduate education	43%



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## Question by Question Results – Hardy's Staff

*21 staff (36% of eligible staff) completed the survey at Hardy Middle 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...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
The school district (DCPS) is on the right track for student achievement	5%	19%	43%	24%	10%
The central office effectively supports my school	5%	19%	33%	24%	19%
My school is on the right track for student achievement	0%	38%	29%	29%	5%
I am strongly supported within my school	14%	33%	38%	14%	0%

<b>If a friend of yours was looking for a school for his/her child, would you recommend your school?</b>	Yes	48%	No	52%
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How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
My school is a good place to work	10%	48%	33%	10%
I have adequate materials/equipment to do my work	19%	62%	14%	5%

How much do you agree or disagree that the adults working at your school...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Care about the students	25%	65%	10%	0%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	16%	37%	32%	16%
Take responsibility for improving their school	16%	47%	26%	11%
Pursue opportunities to grow professionally	16%	63%	16%	5%
Work hard to build trusting relationships with parents	25%	55%	5%	15%

How much do 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 safe at my school	32%	42%	21%	5%	0%
My school's discipline plan is implemented uniformly	0%	21%	42%	32%	5%
My school is orderly and in control	0%	21%	32%	42%	5%
School entrances are monitored consistently	0%	42%	37%	21%	0%
School security devices are consistently operational	0%	50%	28%	6%	17%
My school has effective discipline procedures in place	0%	21%	37%	42%	0%
Security personnel at my school are effective	11%	50%	17%	11%	11%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Classrooms in my school are in good physical condition	32%	68%	0%	0%
My school is clean	21%	58%	16%	5%
My school is well maintained	26%	53%	11%	11%



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## Question by Question Results – Hardy's Staff

<b>How satisfied are you with the following DCPS departments and support services...</b>	<i>Very satisfied</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Very dissatisfied</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
School district services overall	0%	55%	20%	20%	5%
Office of Special Education	0%	35%	15%	10%	40%
Office of Bilingual Education	0%	20%	0%	10%	70%
Office of the Chief Academic Officer	0%	20%	0%	5%	75%
Office of Professional Development	0%	45%	15%	10%	30%
Office of Youth Engagement	5%	15%	5%	10%	65%
Office of Family and Public Engagement	0%	10%	0%	10%	80%
Office of Data and Accountability	0%	20%	10%	10%	60%
Office of Human Capital	5%	10%	0%	5%	80%
Office of Human Resources	5%	50%	10%	10%	25%
Technology Support Services	20%	40%	5%	5%	30%
Facilities and Maintenance	5%	50%	0%	5%	40%
Summer School	0%	16%	5%	5%	74%
Afterschool Program	0%	35%	10%	10%	45%
Career and Technical Education	5%	20%	0%	10%	65%
School Security	5%	53%	5%	5%	32%
Nurses/School Health Services	25%	40%	0%	5%	30%

<b>Indicate your years of experience.</b>	<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?	42%	21%	5%	16%	16%
Including this year, how many years have you been working at DCPS?	28%	22%	6%	0%	44%

<b>Gender</b>	Male	17%	Female	83%
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<b>How would you describe yourself?</b>			
Black/African American	52%	Native American	0%
Hispanic	0%	Asian/Pacific Islander	10%
White or Caucasian	10%	Other	10%



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## Question by Question Results – Hardy'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.

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
My coworkers respect me	39%	56%	6%	0%
The administrators at this school respect me	35%	53%	12%	0%

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that the principal at your school...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Is an effective manager who makes the school run smoothly	6%	50%	38%	6%
Cares about the students	13%	69%	6%	13%
Encourages collaboration among school staff	0%	44%	44%	13%
Provides me feedback regularly	0%	53%	40%	7%
Treats all staff with respect	20%	73%	7%	0%
Is a leader I have confidence in	0%	67%	20%	13%

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

<b>Indicate how frequently you have access to the following technologies in school</b>	<i>Always</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
A working computer	100%	0%	0%	0%
The internet	94%	6%	0%	0%
A functional printer	88%	6%	6%	0%
A functional copy machine	44%	50%	6%	0%
A working phone	67%	0%	7%	27%

<b>Overall, what grade would you give your school</b>	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
	0%	24%	47%	12%	18%	0%



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## Question by Question Results – Hardy's Staff

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

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that the principal at your school...</b>	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Actively monitors the quality of teaching	0%	62%	38%	0%
Supports teachers' instructional needs	0%	46%	54%	0%

<b>How much do you agree or disagree that...</b>	<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	0%	38%	46%	15%
I have opportunities to learn best practices from other teachers in my school	23%	23%	31%	23%
I have clear measureable goals related to supporting student success	31%	46%	15%	8%
I don't have enough time in class to teacher the standards to mastery	23%	23%	46%	8%
My school effectively identifies the individual learning needs of all students including special education students and English language learners	0%	67%	25%	8%

<b>Select up to three areas in which you would like to have more professional development</b>			
Behavior management/conflict resolution	57%	Differentiating instruction	43%
Motivating students	29%	My content area	14%
Reteaching strategies	43%	Using data to inform instruction	21%
Using technology	21%	Working with children with special needs	36%
Classroom Management	7%	Other	7%