



DCPS STAKEHOLDER SURVEYS 2011

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Question by Question Results – Hart's Students

348 students (86% of eligible students) completed the survey at Hart 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	14%	61%	22%	3%
I am strongly supported within my school	20%	59%	19%	1%
I would recommend my school to other students	13%	49%	29%	9%
This school is a welcoming place for my family	14%	43%	33%	10%

What grade would you give... your school?	A	B	C	D	F
	11%	29%	37%	17%	6%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	19%	43%	21%	8%	9%
Everyone is expected to follow the school rules	35%	41%	16%	5%	3%
School entrances are always monitored	37%	42%	13%	2%	6%
Hallways, stairwells, bathrooms are empty of students during class periods	9%	22%	37%	26%	6%
School security devices (for example, cameras) work	41%	40%	7%	4%	9%
Security personnel at my school do a good job	28%	45%	14%	5%	7%
My school is orderly and in control	8%	33%	36%	17%	7%
My school is clean and well maintained	9%	35%	30%	20%	6%

How safe do you feel in the following places?	Very safe	Mostly safe	Somewhat safe	Not safe
Outside around the school	19%	29%	38%	14%
In the hallways and bathrooms of this school	29%	35%	28%	8%
In my classes	52%	34%	11%	3%

How often do students in your school...	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Don't know
Get into fights	44%	39%	13%	2%	2%
Have things stolen or damaged by other students	22%	30%	29%	10%	10%
Get made fun of for the way they look or talk	52%	24%	11%	9%	4%
See gang activity in school	18%	23%	25%	24%	10%

The principal at my school...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Makes the school run smoothly	30%	53%	14%	2%
Cares about students	55%	37%	5%	3%
Is available to talk to	41%	45%	11%	4%
Highlights student accomplishments regularly	43%	46%	7%	3%

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	37%	51%	10%	2%
Care about students	32%	50%	15%	3%
Include at least one adult I can talk to if something is wrong	48%	42%	9%	2%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	23%	54%	18%	5%
Treat me with respect	29%	51%	16%	4%
Give me extra help when I need it	35%	49%	11%	5%
Treat all students fairly	22%	38%	32%	9%
Set high standards for students	40%	45%	10%	4%

My teachers...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Inspire me to learn	45%	46%	7%	2%
Often connect what I'm learning to life outside the classroom	29%	52%	16%	3%
Encourage students to share ideas about things we're studying in class	30%	56%	13%	1%
Often require me to explain my answers	42%	49%	7%	2%
Often assign homework that helps me learn	39%	49%	9%	3%

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	26%	42%	26%	6%
In my classes, we often discuss different interpretations of things we read	26%	60%	13%	2%
My classes really make me think	25%	54%	18%	3%
When I am absent, the teacher gives me missed assignments	25%	42%	26%	8%

How often do you have...	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
Access to a working computer at school	37%	44%	15%	5%
Access to the internet at school	35%	43%	15%	8%
Access to a working printer at school	23%	27%	25%	24%

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	60%	36%	2%	1%
I know what I do well in school and what areas I need to work on	55%	42%	3%	1%
I ask for help from my teachers or others when I need it	45%	48%	6%	2%
I set goals and then work to achieve them	39%	49%	9%	3%
I respect the ways in which people are different	37%	53%	8%	2%
I get along well with other students	33%	46%	15%	5%
I am confident I will graduate from high school	65%	30%	2%	2%



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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I like school	27%	44%	17%	13%
I attend all my classes	56%	36%	7%	1%
I think doing well in school is important for my future	67%	29%	3%	1%
I can get help on schoolwork if I need it	53%	40%	4%	2%
My friends think it's important to work hard to get high grades	31%	47%	17%	5%

Gender	Male	Female
	49%	51%

Grade	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
	0%	0%	49%	51%	0%	0%	0%	0%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	91%	Native American	3%
Hispanic	3%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
White or Caucasian	3%	Other	1%

What languages does your family speak at home?			
English	94%	Chinese	1%
Spanish	3%	Amharic	1%
French	0%	Other	0%

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 – Hart's Parents *31 parents (8% of eligible parents) completed the survey at Hart Middle 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	21%	55%	14%	0%	10%
This school is on the right track for student achievement	33%	43%	17%	0%	7%

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?	30%	33%	17%	7%	3%	10%
DCPS?	11%	33%	22%	19%	7%	7%

Do you plan to keep your child(ren) in DCPS?	Yes	57%	If not, why?	Moving out of DC	3%
	No	7%		Unhappy with school system	16%
	Don't know	37%		Other	6%

Would you recommend that a friend send his or her child to this school?	Yes	64%	No	18%	Don't know	18%
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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	35%	48%	6%	0%	10%
Academic progress of my child(ren)	32%	45%	13%	3%	6%
Physical condition of the classrooms	19%	61%	16%	0%	3%
Safety inside the school	30%	50%	7%	10%	3%
School's office staff	31%	59%	3%	3%	3%
Teachers	26%	61%	6%	3%	3%
School principal	55%	39%	3%	0%	3%
How the school communicates with parents	39%	42%	13%	0%	6%
How DCPS communicates with parents	31%	41%	21%	0%	7%
The level of parental engagement	33%	37%	13%	10%	7%

Which aspect of your child(ren)'s school is most important to you?			
Welcoming environment	0%	Academics/Student learning	55%
School's leadership/principal	9%	Teachers	14%
Safety	14%	Facility/building	0%
Location	0%	Other	9%

Do you know...	Yes	No
DCPS' policies on students' rights and responsibilities?	81%	19%
DCPS' policies on parents' rights and responsibilities?	81%	19%
How to volunteer at your child(ren)'s school?	77%	23%



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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	52%	35%	10%	3%	0%
Teachers contact me with concerns	34%	45%	14%	7%	0%
I receive interpretations/translations when I need them	24%	34%	7%	7%	28%
The school does a good job identifying students who need additional support	33%	37%	3%	7%	20%
There is a good process to get students enrolled in additional services they need	35%	29%	13%	6%	16%
I have all of the information that I need to make the right decisions about my child(ren)'s education at DCPS	29%	48%	10%	10%	3%

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	52%	45%	0%	3%	0%
School staff members are helpful in answering my questions	39%	55%	3%	3%	0%
This school applies discipline procedures fairly to all students	32%	45%	3%	6%	13%
This school makes student learning its #1 priority	45%	35%	3%	6%	10%
This school has high expectations for my child(ren)	48%	32%	6%	6%	6%
This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs	42%	39%	3%	10%	6%

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	14%	21%	0%	3%	62%
Special education	13%	26%	0%	3%	58%
Student intervention	17%	27%	3%	7%	47%
Afterschool program	20%	40%	0%	0%	40%
Summer school	7%	30%	3%	0%	60%
Critical Response Team	13%	20%	3%	0%	63%

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	42%	Getting to know your community resources	39%
Job search strategies	48%	Computer literacy	35%
Parent/child classes (like Mommy and me)	48%	Effective discipline strategies	35%
Finance/dealing with money	35%	Stress management	42%
Understanding child development	48%	Other	3%
Parenting support groups	42%		



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How many of your children attend DCPS schools?	1	37%	2	33%	3	17%
	4	3%	5 or more	10%		

What grades are they in?	Pre-K/K	16%	3	0%	6	10%	9	0%
	1	3%	4	3%	7	45%	10	10%
	2	6%	5	13%	8	55%	11	23%
							12	3%

What is your relationship with these students?	Parent	90%	Grandparent	16%	Other family member	0%
	Guardian	6%	Aunt/Uncle	0%	Other	0%

Are any of your children currently receiving special education services?	Yes	29%	No	71%
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Are any of your children currently receiving English Language Learner (ELL) services?	Yes	10%	No	90%
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In your household, what languages are spoken?	English	97%	French	0%	Amharic	0%
	Spanish	3%	Chinese	0%	Other	0%

How would you describe your background?	Black/African American	100%	Native American	3%
	Hispanic or Latin American	0%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
	White or Caucasian	3%	Other	0%

What is your gender?	Male	7%	Female	93%
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What ward do you live in?	1	0%	3	0%	5	0%	7	7%
	2	0%	4	0%	6	0%	8	93%

In what ward(s) do your child(ren) go to school?	1	0%	3	0%	5	3%	7	0%
	2	0%	4	3%	6	6%	8	97%

What is the highest level of education you completed?			
Grades 1-8	7%	Some college/technical school	41%
Some high school	17%	College/technical school graduate	7%
High school graduate	28%	Post-graduate education	0%



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Question by Question Results – Hart's Staff

46 staff (63% of eligible staff) completed the survey at Hart 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	11%	57%	17%	13%	2%
The central office effectively supports my school	7%	48%	22%	11%	13%
My school is on the right track for student achievement	30%	48%	13%	7%	2%
I am strongly supported within my school	35%	46%	15%	2%	2%

If a friend of yours was looking for a school for his/her child, would you recommend your school?	Yes	46%	No	54%
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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	37%	50%	11%	2%
I have adequate materials/equipment to do my work	26%	39%	26%	9%

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	57%	39%	4%	0%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	35%	52%	11%	2%
Take responsibility for improving their school	35%	48%	15%	2%
Pursue opportunities to grow professionally	26%	54%	20%	0%
Work hard to build trusting relationships with parents	43%	37%	20%	0%

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	40%	56%	4%	0%	0%
My school's discipline plan is implemented uniformly	16%	47%	22%	16%	0%
My school is orderly and in control	13%	47%	33%	7%	0%
School entrances are monitored consistently	44%	49%	4%	0%	2%
School security devices are consistently operational	38%	47%	9%	2%	4%
My school has effective discipline procedures in place	16%	47%	27%	9%	2%
Security personnel at my school are effective	27%	62%	4%	4%	2%

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	11%	40%	42%	7%
My school is clean	27%	56%	13%	4%
My school is well maintained	29%	53%	13%	4%



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Question by Question Results – Hart'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	2%	43%	27%	9%	18%
Office of Special Education	2%	27%	33%	7%	31%
Office of Bilingual Education	2%	15%	0%	0%	83%
Office of the Chief Academic Officer	2%	20%	7%	4%	67%
Office of Professional Development	13%	46%	4%	2%	35%
Office of Youth Engagement	7%	30%	9%	4%	50%
Office of Family and Public Engagement	7%	22%	7%	7%	59%
Office of Data and Accountability	11%	20%	4%	2%	63%
Office of Human Capital	7%	18%	2%	2%	71%
Office of Human Resources	11%	54%	13%	2%	20%
Technology Support Services	17%	37%	2%	7%	37%
Facilities and Maintenance	13%	40%	7%	4%	36%
Summer School	7%	17%	17%	7%	52%
Afterschool Program	9%	52%	11%	2%	26%
Career and Technical Education	4%	11%	4%	7%	74%
School Security	17%	63%	7%	0%	13%
Nurses/School Health Services	20%	59%	7%	0%	14%

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?	9%	70%	2%	4%	15%
Including this year, how many years have you been working at DCPS?	7%	39%	9%	17%	28%

Gender	Male	26%	Female	74%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	67%	Native American	2%
Hispanic	2%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
White or Caucasian	17%	Other	9%



Question by Question Results – Hart'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	63%	35%	3%	0%
The administrators at this school respect me	55%	43%	3%	0%

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	61%	29%	8%	3%
Cares about the students	79%	18%	3%	0%
Encourages collaboration among school staff	67%	23%	8%	3%
Provides me feedback regularly	33%	36%	23%	8%
Treats all staff with respect	62%	31%	8%	0%
Is a leader I have confidence in	74%	13%	8%	5%

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	97%	3%	0%	0%
The internet	84%	16%	0%	0%
A functional printer	77%	23%	0%	0%
A functional copy machine	81%	19%	0%	0%
A working phone	77%	16%	3%	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>
	9%	38%	28%	19%	6%	0%



Question by Question Results – Hart'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	64%	24%	12%	0%
Supports teachers' instructional needs	36%	44%	16%	4%

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	24%	48%	24%	4%
I have opportunities to learn best practices from other teachers in my school	8%	60%	28%	4%
I have clear measureable goals related to supporting student success	4%	84%	12%	0%
I don't have enough time in class to teacher the standards to mastery	8%	24%	64%	4%
My school effectively identifies the individual learning needs of all students including special education students and English language learners	4%	40%	48%	8%

Select up to three areas in which you would like to have more professional development			
Behavior management/conflict resolution	27%	Differentiating instruction	46%
Motivating students	42%	My content area	23%
Reteaching strategies	27%	Using data to inform instruction	27%
Using technology	35%	Working with children with special needs	42%
Classroom Management	15%	Other	8%