



DCPS STAKEHOLDER SURVEYS 2011

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Question by Question Results – Shaw's Students

145 students (79% of eligible students) completed the survey at Shaw MS @ Garnet-Patterson

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My school is on the right track for student achievement	11%	45%	35%	9%
I am strongly supported within my school	14%	49%	33%	4%
I would recommend my school to other students	17%	38%	32%	13%
This school is a welcoming place for my family	15%	32%	33%	21%

What grade would you give... your school?	A	B	C	D	F
	10%	23%	28%	23%	16%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	18%	32%	27%	11%	13%
Everyone is expected to follow the school rules	24%	34%	18%	16%	8%
School entrances are always monitored	33%	39%	15%	9%	5%
Hallways, stairwells, bathrooms are empty of students during class periods	5%	20%	36%	30%	8%
School security devices (for example, cameras) work	23%	36%	15%	9%	17%
Security personnel at my school do a good job	12%	34%	29%	18%	8%
My school is orderly and in control	4%	20%	45%	25%	5%
My school is clean and well maintained	7%	23%	32%	32%	6%

How safe do you feel in the following places?	Very safe	Mostly safe	Somewhat safe	Not safe
Outside around the school	20%	28%	43%	9%
In the hallways and bathrooms of this school	31%	39%	22%	8%
In my classes	44%	38%	16%	3%

How often do students in your school...	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Don't know
Get into fights	33%	47%	11%	6%	3%
Have things stolen or damaged by other students	29%	29%	21%	13%	8%
Get made fun of for the way they look or talk	43%	29%	13%	9%	6%
See gang activity in school	12%	21%	19%	35%	13%

The principal at my school...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Makes the school run smoothly	6%	30%	41%	22%
Cares about students	24%	42%	20%	14%
Is available to talk to	18%	29%	33%	19%
Highlights student accomplishments regularly	20%	40%	26%	15%

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	28%	46%	19%	6%
Care about students	22%	51%	23%	4%
Include at least one adult I can talk to if something is wrong	38%	46%	15%	1%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	11%	45%	36%	8%
Treat me with respect	27%	42%	23%	9%
Give me extra help when I need it	30%	43%	21%	6%
Treat all students fairly	17%	36%	30%	17%
Set high standards for students	29%	41%	22%	8%

My teachers...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Inspire me to learn	31%	51%	14%	4%
Often connect what I'm learning to life outside the classroom	21%	43%	26%	10%
Encourage students to share ideas about things we're studying in class	28%	45%	18%	9%
Often require me to explain my answers	37%	43%	15%	4%
Often assign homework that helps me learn	31%	34%	23%	12%

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	23%	34%	35%	8%
In my classes, we often discuss different interpretations of things we read	22%	46%	24%	8%
My classes really make me think	19%	45%	24%	12%
When I am absent, the teacher gives me missed assignments	26%	40%	24%	10%

How often do you have...	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
Access to a working computer at school	28%	41%	22%	9%
Access to the internet at school	24%	43%	22%	12%
Access to a working printer at school	18%	24%	20%	38%

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	49%	44%	7%	1%
I know what I do well in school and what areas I need to work on	45%	45%	8%	2%
I ask for help from my teachers or others when I need it	40%	45%	9%	6%
I set goals and then work to achieve them	30%	47%	19%	4%
I respect the ways in which people are different	37%	43%	17%	4%
I get along well with other students	25%	50%	17%	7%
I am confident I will graduate from high school	61%	28%	7%	4%



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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I like school	21%	39%	22%	19%
I attend all my classes	44%	43%	10%	2%
I think doing well in school is important for my future	56%	36%	5%	3%
I can get help on schoolwork if I need it	40%	49%	5%	7%
My friends think it's important to work hard to get high grades	28%	47%	20%	5%

Gender	Male	Female
	71%	29%

Grade	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
	1%	19%	41%	39%	1%	0%	0%	0%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	74%	Native American	6%
Hispanic	15%	Asian/Pacific Islander	3%
White or Caucasian	1%	Other	2%

What languages does your family speak at home?			
English	83%	Chinese	1%
Spanish	15%	Amharic	3%
French	2%	Other	1%

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 – Shaw's Parents 18 parents (11% of eligible parents) completed the survey at Shaw MS @ Garnet-Patterson

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	12%	59%	18%	0%	12%
This school is on the right track for student achievement	22%	56%	22%	0%	0%

Overall, what grade would you give...	A	B	C	D	F	Don't know
this school?	28%	56%	11%	0%	6%	0%
DCPS?	28%	33%	17%	17%	6%	0%

Do you plan to keep your child(ren) in DCPS?	Yes	72%	If not, why?	Moving out of DC	17%
	No	6%		Unhappy with school system	11%
	Don't know	22%		Other	6%

Would you recommend that a friend send his or her child to this school?	Yes	69%	No	19%	Don't know	13%
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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	11%	56%	17%	0%	17%
Academic progress of my child(ren)	17%	56%	11%	11%	6%
Physical condition of the classrooms	22%	39%	11%	11%	17%
Safety inside the school	12%	59%	12%	6%	12%
School's office staff	39%	39%	11%	6%	6%
Teachers	18%	59%	6%	12%	6%
School principal	33%	39%	0%	6%	22%
How the school communicates with parents	28%	50%	6%	0%	17%
How DCPS communicates with parents	24%	47%	12%	6%	12%
The level of parental engagement	6%	72%	6%	6%	11%

Which aspect of your child(ren)'s school is most important to you?			
Welcoming environment	9%	Academics/Student learning	64%
School's leadership/principal	0%	Teachers	18%
Safety	9%	Facility/building	0%
Location	0%	Other	0%

Do you know...	Yes	No
DCPS' policies on students' rights and responsibilities?	71%	29%
DCPS' policies on parents' rights and responsibilities?	59%	41%
How to volunteer at your child(ren)'s school?	53%	47%



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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	33%	28%	6%	17%	17%
Teachers contact me with concerns	50%	28%	6%	6%	11%
I receive interpretations/translations when I need them	11%	22%	17%	11%	39%
The school does a good job identifying students who need additional support	33%	44%	6%	6%	11%
There is a good process to get students enrolled in additional services they need	22%	50%	6%	11%	11%
I have all of the information that I need to make the right decisions about my child(ren)'s education at DCPS	39%	33%	6%	6%	17%

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	56%	28%	0%	6%	11%
School staff members are helpful in answering my questions	44%	33%	11%	0%	11%
This school applies discipline procedures fairly to all students	44%	28%	6%	6%	17%
This school makes student learning its #1 priority	33%	39%	0%	11%	17%
This school has high expectations for my child(ren)	33%	39%	6%	11%	11%
This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs	50%	22%	6%	6%	17%

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	22%	11%	0%	6%	61%
Special education	24%	29%	6%	12%	29%
Student intervention	28%	39%	6%	6%	22%
Afterschool program	22%	39%	11%	11%	17%
Summer school	18%	47%	0%	6%	29%
Critical Response Team	17%	17%	6%	6%	56%

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	39%	Getting to know your community resources	17%
Job search strategies	33%	Computer literacy	28%
Parent/child classes (like Mommy and me)	11%	Effective discipline strategies	6%
Finance/dealing with money	11%	Stress management	39%
Understanding child development	33%	Other	28%
Parenting support groups	22%		



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How many of your children attend DCPS schools?	1	50%	2	11%	3	6%
	4	33%	5 or more	0%		

What grades are they in?	Pre-K/K	6%	3	0%	6	28%	9	6%
	1	0%	4	6%	7	61%	10	0%
	2	0%	5	0%	8	61%	11	17%
							12	6%

What is your relationship with these students?	Parent	89%	Grandparent	11%	Other family member	0%
	Guardian	0%	Aunt/Uncle	0%	Other	6%

Are any of your children currently receiving special education services?	Yes	28%	No	72%
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Are any of your children currently receiving English Language Learner (ELL) services?	Yes	11%	No	89%
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In your household, what languages are spoken?	English	94%	French	0%	Amharic	0%
	Spanish	0%	Chinese	0%	Other	11%

How would you describe your background?	Black/African American	89%	Native American	6%
	Hispanic or Latin American	0%	Asian/Pacific Islander	6%
	White or Caucasian	0%	Other	6%

What is your gender?	Male	22%	Female	78%
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What ward do you live in?	1	17%	3	0%	5	22%	7	11%
	2	11%	4	39%	6	0%	8	0%

In what ward(s) do your child(ren) go to school?	1	33%	3	0%	5	11%	7	0%
	2	11%	4	22%	6	17%	8	0%

What is the highest level of education you completed?			
Grades 1-8	13%	Some college/technical school	25%
Some high school	19%	College/technical school graduate	0%
High school graduate	44%	Post-graduate education	0%



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Question by Question Results – Shaw's Staff

37 staff (67% of eligible staff) completed the survey at Shaw MS @ Garnet-Patterson

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%	46%	30%	19%	3%
The central office effectively supports my school	8%	24%	27%	24%	16%
My school is on the right track for student achievement	5%	30%	27%	35%	3%
I am strongly supported within my school	8%	35%	22%	35%	0%

If a friend of yours was looking for a school for his/her child, would you recommend your school?	Yes	24%	No	76%
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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	11%	30%	27%	32%
I have adequate materials/equipment to do my work	16%	49%	22%	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	38%	51%	5%	5%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	8%	30%	46%	16%
Take responsibility for improving their school	8%	43%	38%	11%
Pursue opportunities to grow professionally	8%	46%	35%	11%
Work hard to build trusting relationships with parents	24%	49%	22%	5%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I feel safe at my school	24%	57%	8%	8%	3%
My school's discipline plan is implemented uniformly	8%	24%	11%	54%	3%
My school is orderly and in control	14%	11%	33%	42%	0%
School entrances are monitored consistently	38%	43%	14%	3%	3%
School security devices are consistently operational	28%	58%	6%	0%	8%
My school has effective discipline procedures in place	11%	16%	24%	46%	3%
Security personnel at my school are effective	14%	46%	27%	11%	3%

How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Classrooms in my school are in good physical condition	11%	62%	24%	3%
My school is clean	22%	65%	8%	5%
My school is well maintained	24%	59%	14%	3%



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Question by Question Results – Shaw'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	6%	45%	27%	3%	18%
Office of Special Education	3%	50%	8%	6%	33%
Office of Bilingual Education	11%	31%	6%	0%	51%
Office of the Chief Academic Officer	3%	31%	6%	6%	54%
Office of Professional Development	11%	33%	6%	14%	36%
Office of Youth Engagement	3%	36%	8%	8%	44%
Office of Family and Public Engagement	6%	37%	3%	3%	51%
Office of Data and Accountability	6%	33%	17%	3%	42%
Office of Human Capital	0%	25%	11%	8%	56%
Office of Human Resources	8%	39%	31%	6%	17%
Technology Support Services	25%	53%	6%	0%	17%
Facilities and Maintenance	17%	46%	6%	0%	31%
Summer School	6%	25%	17%	6%	47%
Afterschool Program	26%	49%	3%	6%	17%
Career and Technical Education	0%	31%	3%	6%	60%
School Security	8%	53%	25%	11%	3%
Nurses/School Health Services	8%	56%	25%	6%	6%

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?	24%	53%	0%	12%	12%
Including this year, how many years have you been working at DCPS?	15%	39%	12%	15%	18%

Gender	Male	33%	Female	67%
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How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	57%	Native American	0%
Hispanic	8%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
White or Caucasian	35%	Other	5%



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Question by Question Results – Shaw'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	41%	47%	6%	6%
The administrators at this school respect me	9%	44%	16%	31%

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	3%	29%	32%	35%
Cares about the students	16%	47%	22%	16%
Encourages collaboration among school staff	6%	50%	31%	13%
Provides me feedback regularly	3%	31%	31%	34%
Treats all staff with respect	622%	34%	22%	38%
Is a leader I have confidence in	3%	29%	23%	45%

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	90%	10%	0%	0%
A functional printer	62%	38%	0%	0%
A functional copy machine	55%	41%	3%	0%
A working phone	79%	7%	4%	11%

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%	7%	34%	24%	31%	0%



Question by Question Results – Shaw'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	4%	30%	30%	35%
Supports teachers' instructional needs	9%	26%	26%	39%

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	0%	33%	29%	38%
I have opportunities to learn best practices from other teachers in my school	0%	52%	17%	30%
I have clear measureable goals related to supporting student success	30%	43%	17%	9%
I don't have enough time in class to teacher the standards to mastery	4%	25%	58%	13%
My school effectively identifies the individual learning needs of all students including special education students and English language learners	8%	42%	29%	21%

Select up to three areas in which you would like to have more professional development			
Behavior management/conflict resolution	38%	Differentiating instruction	38%
Motivating students	33%	My content area	29%
Reteaching strategies	25%	Using data to inform instruction	13%
Using technology	21%	Working with children with special needs	42%
Classroom Management	21%	Other	4%