



DCPS STAKEHOLDER SURVEYS 2011

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Question by Question Results – Dunbar Pre-Engineering's Students *59 students (55% of eligible students) completed the survey at Dunbar Pre-Engineering*

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 on the right track for student achievement	5%	58%	29%	8%
I am strongly supported within my school	3%	61%	29%	7%
I would recommend my school to other students	2%	34%	49%	15%
This school is a welcoming place for my family	4%	21%	58%	18%

What grade would you give... your school?	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>F</i>
	2%	5%	39%	44%	11%

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	7%	36%	36%	16%	5%
Everyone is expected to follow the school rules	8%	56%	12%	15%	8%
School entrances are always monitored	21%	65%	9%	2%	4%
Hallways, stairwells, bathrooms are empty of students during class periods	2%	24%	45%	28%	2%
School security devices (for example, cameras) work	14%	47%	19%	2%	18%
Security personnel at my school do a good job	7%	54%	21%	14%	4%
My school is orderly and in control	0%	21%	48%	31%	0%
My school is clean and well maintained	0%	12%	42%	44%	2%

How safe do you feel in the following places?	<i>Very safe</i>	<i>Mostly safe</i>	<i>Somewhat safe</i>	<i>Not safe</i>
Outside around the school	8%	20%	51%	20%
In the hallways and bathrooms of this school	15%	44%	34%	7%
In my classes	39%	39%	19%	3%

How often do students in your school...	<i>Often</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Get into fights	47%	40%	10%	3%	0%
Have things stolen or damaged by other students	47%	36%	9%	5%	3%
Get made fun of for the way they look or talk	51%	14%	25%	8%	2%
See gang activity in school	20%	32%	25%	17%	5%

The principal at my school...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Makes the school run smoothly	17%	68%	12%	3%
Cares about students	37%	53%	5%	5%
Is available to talk to	29%	53%	8%	10%
Highlights student accomplishments regularly	24%	47%	21%	9%

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	5%	64%	27%	3%
Care about students	8%	58%	31%	3%
Include at least one adult I can talk to if something is wrong	34%	46%	15%	5%
Help maintain discipline in the entire school	7%	58%	25%	10%
Treat me with respect	14%	71%	12%	3%
Give me extra help when I need it	15%	71%	12%	2%
Treat all students fairly	5%	36%	45%	14%
Set high standards for students	12%	59%	19%	10%

My teachers...	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
Inspire me to learn	17%	59%	22%	2%
Often connect what I'm learning to life outside the classroom	10%	55%	33%	2%
Encourage students to share ideas about things we're studying in class	14%	67%	18%	2%
Often require me to explain my answers	21%	64%	16%	0%
Often assign homework that helps me learn	9%	47%	37%	7%

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	5%	26%	48%	21%
In my classes, we often discuss different interpretations of things we read	11%	68%	18%	4%
My classes really make me think	11%	47%	39%	4%
When I am absent, the teacher gives me missed assignments	16%	45%	24%	15%

How often do you have...	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Never</i>
Access to a working computer at school	41%	37%	20%	2%
Access to the internet at school	29%	45%	23%	4%
Access to a working printer at school	38%	34%	25%	4%

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	55%	41%	4%	0%
I know what I do well in school and what areas I need to work on	48%	52%	0%	0%
I ask for help from my teachers or others when I need it	46%	50%	4%	0%
I set goals and then work to achieve them	45%	49%	5%	0%
I respect the ways in which people are different	36%	56%	5%	2%
I get along well with other students	35%	58%	7%	0%
I am confident I will graduate from high school	68%	30%	2%	0%



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How much do you agree or disagree that...	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I like school	15%	55%	19%	11%
I attend all my classes	35%	56%	9%	0%
I think doing well in school is important for my future	65%	33%	2%	0%
I can get help on schoolwork if I need it	45%	47%	7%	0%
My friends think it's important to work hard to get high grades	36%	49%	9%	5%

Gender	Male	Female
	44%	56%

Grade	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
	0%	0%	0%	0%	22%	38%	14%	26%

How would you describe yourself?			
Black/African American	76%	Native American	3%
Hispanic	3%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
White or Caucasian	0%	Other	2%

What languages does your family speak at home?			
English	80%	Chinese	0%
Spanish	10%	Amharic	0%
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	No
	98%	2%

Are you on track towards high school graduation?	Yes	No
	92%	0%
	Not Sure 8%	

What are your plans after high school?			
Continue school	80%	Join the military	0%
Get a job	10%	Other plans	8%
Not sure	3%		

Have you taken any preparation courses to help you prepare for taking college entrance tests like the ACT or SAT?	Yes	No
	53%	47%

Have you taken any college entrance tests?	SAT	ACT
	34%	12%
	Other 8%	



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Question by Question Results – Dunbar Pre-Engineering's Parents *11 parents (11% of eligible parents) completed the survey at Dunbar Pre-Engineering*

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%	55%	27%	0%	18%
This school is on the right track for student achievement	0%	40%	30%	10%	20%

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?	0%	0%	55%	36%	9%	0%
DCPS?	0%	18%	45%	18%	18%	0%

Do you plan to keep your child(ren) in DCPS?	Yes	80%	If not, why?	Moving out of DC	0%
	No	0%		Unhappy with school system	9%
	Don't know	20%		Other	9%

Would you recommend that a friend send his or her child to this school?	Yes	30%	No	50%	Don't know	20%
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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	0%	73%	18%	9%	0%
Academic progress of my child(ren)	18%	45%	27%	9%	0%
Physical condition of the classrooms	0%	40%	30%	20%	10%
Safety inside the school	0%	36%	18%	36%	9%
School's office staff	0%	82%	0%	0%	18%
Teachers	0%	70%	30%	0%	0%
School principal	9%	73%	0%	0%	18%
How the school communicates with parents	9%	55%	27%	0%	9%
How DCPS communicates with parents	18%	55%	18%	0%	9%
The level of parental engagement	9%	9%	36%	0%	45%

Which aspect of your child(ren)'s school is most important to you?			
Welcoming environment	10%	Academics/Student learning	80%
School's leadership/principal	0%	Teachers	0%
Safety	0%	Facility/building	0%
Location	0%	Other	10%

Do you know...	Yes	No
DCPS' policies on students' rights and responsibilities?	73%	27%
DCPS' policies on parents' rights and responsibilities?	73%	27%
How to volunteer at your child(ren)'s school?	50%	50%



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This school keeps me regularly informed of my child(ren)'s progress	36%	45%	18%	0%	0%
Teachers contact me with concerns	27%	27%	45%	0%	0%
I receive interpretations/translations when I need them	0%	18%	27%	0%	55%
The school does a good job identifying students who need additional support	0%	20%	20%	0%	60%
There is a good process to get students enrolled in additional services they need	9%	18%	18%	0%	55%
I have all of the information that I need to make the right decisions about my child(ren)'s education at DCPS	0%	36%	36%	9%	18%

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	9%	82%	9%	0%	0%
School staff members are helpful in answering my questions	18%	73%	0%	0%	9%
This school applies discipline procedures fairly to all students	0%	45%	18%	0%	36%
This school makes student learning its #1 priority	0%	45%	27%	18%	9%
This school has high expectations for my child(ren)	0%	55%	18%	27%	0%
This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs	0%	45%	9%	27%	18%

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%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Special education	0%	0%	9%	0%	91%
Student intervention	0%	9%	0%	0%	91%
Afterschool program	9%	9%	9%	0%	73%
Summer school	0%	0%	9%	0%	91%
Critical Response Team	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%

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	55%	Getting to know your community resources	27%
Job search strategies	55%	Computer literacy	36%
Parent/child classes (like Mommy and me)	18%	Effective discipline strategies	36%
Finance/dealing with money	55%	Stress management	45%
Understanding child development	27%	Other	9%
Parenting support groups	18%		



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How many of your children attend DCPS schools?	1	45%	2	36%	3	0%
	4	18%	5 or more	0%		

What grades are they in?	Pre-K/K	0%	3	0%	6	0%	9	27%
	1	0%	4	0%	7	27%	10	27%
	2	9%	5	0%	8	9%	11	45%
							12	36%

What is your relationship with these students?	Parent	91%	Grandparent	0%	Other family member	9%
	Guardian	0%	Aunt/Uncle	0%	Other	0%

Are any of your children currently receiving special education services?	Yes	36%	No	64%
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Are any of your children currently receiving English Language Learner (ELL) services?	Yes	9%	No	91%
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In your household, what languages are spoken?	English	91%	French	0%	Amharic	0%
	Spanish	9%	Chinese	0%	Other	0%

How would you describe your background?	Black/African American	91%	Native American	0%
	Hispanic or Latin American	9%	Asian/Pacific Islander	0%
	White or Caucasian	0%	Other	0%

What is your gender?	Male	18%	Female	82%
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What ward do you live in?	1	0%	3	9%	5	27%	7	18%
	2	9%	4	18%	6	18%	8	0%

In what ward(s) do your child(ren) go to school?	1	0%	3	27%	5	36%	7	9%
	2	9%	4	9%	6	9%	8	0%

What is the highest level of education you completed?			
Grades 1-8	0%	Some college/technical school	60%
Some high school	10%	College/technical school graduate	20%
High school graduate	10%	Post-graduate education	0%



Question by Question Results – Dunbar Pre-Engineering's Staff

6 staff (75% of eligible staff) completed the survey at Dunbar Pre-Engineering

**Staff responses for Dunbar Pre-Engineering
were not collected or there were too few responses to report.**