



**WINTER 2016-2017  
PARENT SURVEY RESULTS**

**Cowan  
Group: (N = 235)**

***Effective Instructional Strategies***

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-4)
My student's ability to understand difficult text improved this year.	<b>235</b>	38.3% (90)	52.8% (124)	7.2% (17)	1.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	91.1%	1.7
My student is encouraged to be curious and to use his/her imagination in class(es).	<b>231</b>	40.3% (93)	47.6% (110)	10.4% (24)	1.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	87.9%	1.7
My student makes an effort to keep learning even when it is difficult.	<b>233</b>	33.0% (77)	50.2% (117)	13.3% (31)	3.0% (7)	0.4% (1)	83.3%	1.9
My student's writing skills improved this year.	<b>233</b>	38.6% (90)	50.6% (118)	7.3% (17)	3.4% (8)	0.0% (0)	89.3%	1.8
My student's speaking and oral communication skills improved this year.	<b>234</b>	35.0% (82)	55.6% (130)	8.1% (19)	1.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	90.6%	1.8
My student's skill at solving large or complex problems improved this year.	<b>233</b>	31.8% (74)	47.6% (111)	17.2% (40)	3.4% (8)	0.0% (0)	79.4%	1.9
My student's skills at using technology to research information has improved this year.	<b>232</b>	32.8% (76)	43.5% (101)	19.8% (46)	3.4% (8)	0.4% (1)	76.3%	2.0
My student's ability to work with other students on problems or projects improved this year.	<b>233</b>	27.0% (63)	47.2% (110)	24.9% (58)	0.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	74.2%	2.0
My student can support his/her judgments with reason and evidence.	<b>232</b>	28.0% (65)	58.6% (136)	11.6% (27)	1.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	86.6%	1.9
My student is encouraged to creatively share his/her knowledge and ideas in class(es).	<b>230</b>	36.1% (83)	56.5% (130)	5.7% (13)	1.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	92.6%	1.7

***Effective Communication***

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
I am well-informed about my child's progress in school.	<b>231</b>	53.7% (124)	41.1% (95)	3.9% (9)	1.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	94.8%	1.5
Concerns about my student's progress are communicated promptly to me.	<b>228</b>	42.5% (97)	47.8% (109)	8.3% (19)	1.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	90.4%	1.7
Online resources (Q parent portal, Naviance) help me monitor my student's progress in the classroom.	<b>223</b>	22.0% (49)	30.9% (69)	31.4% (70)	9.9% (22)	5.8% (13)	52.9%	2.5
My student's teachers are helpful when I come to school or call.	<b>228</b>	62.7% (143)	32.9% (75)	3.5% (8)	0.0% (0)	0.9% (2)	95.6%	1.4
Teachers promptly respond to my phone calls, messages, or e-mails.	<b>226</b>	66.4% (150)	29.6% (67)	3.5% (8)	0.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	96.0%	1.4
The office staff is helpful and welcoming when I come to school or call.	<b>226</b>	60.2% (136)	35.4% (80)	3.5% (8)	0.4% (1)	0.4% (1)	95.6%	1.5

**Effective Communication**

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
The principal and staff listen to my concerns about issues.	<b>224</b>	42.0% (94)	37.9% (85)	18.8% (42)	0.4% (1)	0.9% (2)	79.9%	1.8
The school and I are collaborating partners in promoting positive behavior for my student.	<b>225</b>	41.8% (94)	41.8% (94)	16.0% (36)	0.0% (0)	0.4% (1)	83.6%	1.8
Concerns about my student's safety are addressed in an appropriate and timely manner.	<b>227</b>	39.6% (90)	45.4% (103)	14.1% (32)	0.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	85.0%	1.8
I speak a language other than English and I receive general information from my student's school in my language.	<b>88</b>	45.5% (40)	35.2% (31)	11.4% (10)	6.8% (6)	1.1% (1)	80.7%	1.8
I speak a language other than English and I receive information about my student's performance in my language.	<b>84</b>	42.9% (36)	38.1% (32)	11.9% (10)	6.0% (5)	1.2% (1)	81.0%	1.8
Translated materials (or a translator) for my language are available when I come to school.	<b>83</b>	32.5% (27)	30.1% (25)	31.3% (26)	3.6% (3)	2.4% (2)	62.7%	2.1

**School Safety**

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
I feel the school is a safe place for my child.	<b>226</b>	53.5% (121)	43.8% (99)	2.2% (5)	0.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	97.3%	1.5

**Educational Experiences**

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
My student is motivated and engaged in what he/she is learning.	<b>232</b>	39.2% (91)	48.7% (113)	10.3% (24)	1.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	87.9%	1.7
The school is addressing my student's talents, gifts, or special needs.	<b>231</b>	31.2% (72)	43.3% (100)	19.0% (44)	4.8% (11)	1.7% (4)	74.5%	2.0
The school provides quality classes/activities that meet my student's interests and talents.	<b>232</b>	37.1% (86)	48.3% (112)	9.9% (23)	3.9% (9)	0.9% (2)	85.3%	1.8
My student is prepared for the next step of his/her educational experience.	<b>232</b>	37.5% (87)	50.9% (118)	7.3% (17)	4.3% (10)	0.0% (0)	88.4%	1.8

**Positive Character Traits**

	N	High	Moderate	Low
To what degree does your child take responsibility for HIS or HER OWN LEARNING?	<b>217</b>	60.8% (132)	34.6% (75)	4.6% (10)
To what degree does your child take responsibility for HIS or HER PHYSICAL WELL-BEING?	<b>216</b>	64.8% (140)	32.4% (70)	2.8% (6)
To what degree does your child take responsibility for HIS or HER OWN BEHAVIOR?	<b>219</b>	74.4% (163)	23.3% (51)	2.3% (5)

**Positive Character Traits***High=Most/all of the time Moderate=Some of the time Low=Rarely*

	N	High	Moderate	Low
To what degree does your child take responsibility for HIS or HER TREATMENT OF OTHERS?	<b>219</b>	68.5% (150)	29.2% (64)	2.3% (5)

**School Community**

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
My student feels like he/she is part of the school community.	<b>232</b>	42.7% (99)	50.0% (116)	6.5% (15)	0.4% (1)	0.4% (1)	92.7%	1.7
The school promotes academic success for all children.	<b>231</b>	44.2% (102)	45.0% (104)	7.8% (18)	1.7% (4)	1.3% (3)	89.2%	1.7
The school staff respects cultural, ethnic and gender differences.	<b>225</b>	42.7% (96)	42.2% (95)	15.1% (34)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	84.9%	1.7
The school has a climate that is positive, nurturing and caring.	<b>226</b>	49.6% (112)	45.6% (103)	4.4% (10)	0.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	95.1%	1.6

**Family Involvement**

	N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Pct Strongly Agree/ Agree	Mean (1-5)
This school clearly outlines the parent, student and school responsibilities in educating my child (e.g., School Compact).	<b>228</b>	47.4% (108)	45.6% (104)	6.1% (14)	0.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	93.0%	1.6
Teachers provide resources or ideas that help me support my student at home.	<b>228</b>	47.8% (109)	43.4% (99)	7.0% (16)	1.3% (3)	0.4% (1)	91.2%	1.6
The school keeps me well-informed about school activities.	<b>228</b>	52.2% (119)	41.2% (94)	6.1% (14)	0.4% (1)	0.0% (0)	93.4%	1.5
This school offers me opportunities to be involved in school and classroom activities.	<b>226</b>	61.9% (140)	35.0% (79)	3.1% (7)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	96.9%	1.4
This school actively seeks the input of parents before making important decisions.	<b>227</b>	35.7% (81)	41.0% (93)	22.5% (51)	0.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	76.7%	1.9
The school offers me opportunities to have a role in committees, PTA, SSC, ELAC, PTO, etc.	<b>226</b>	54.4% (123)	39.8% (90)	4.9% (11)	0.9% (2)	0.0% (0)	94.2%	1.5
I feel welcome to attend meetings where discussions and decisions occur about school programs and funding.	<b>228</b>	49.6% (113)	39.0% (89)	10.1% (23)	1.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	88.6%	1.6
I am invited to meetings where the school's academic performance is discussed.	<b>228</b>	41.2% (94)	37.7% (86)	17.5% (40)	3.5% (8)	0.0% (0)	78.9%	1.8
This school's Family Resource Center provides useful resources and services.	<b>222</b>	23.9% (53)	24.8% (55)	47.3% (105)	1.8% (4)	2.3% (5)	48.6%	2.3