NYC School Survey
Citywide Results

July 2015
NYC School Survey participation remained high with nearly one million respondents.

Over 350,000 more constituents responded this year than in 2007 when the Survey was first administered.

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Students</th>
<th>Teachers</th>
<th>Total Respondents</th>
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<tr>
<td>2007</td>
<td>425,387</td>
<td>66,108</td>
<td>459,929</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>81%</td>
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Survey Response Rates

- Students: 65%, 78%, 80%, 82%, 83%, 82%, 83%, 81%, 81%
- Teachers: 61%, 73%, 76%, 82%, 81%, 83%, 81%, 81%
- Parents: 44%, 59%, 62%, 64%, 65%, 66%, 65%, 62%
- Total: 41%, 45%, 49%, 52%, 53%, 54%, 53%, 50%
Parent survey participation remained high across boroughs.

- Manhattan: 49%
- Bronx: 48%
- Brooklyn: 50%
- Queens: 50%
- Staten Island: 55%

Charter Schools: 55%

District 1-32 response rates represent parent response rates for community schools.
This year, the survey was revised to solicit feedback across the six elements of the **Framework for Great Schools**

- Based on robust research, the six elements of the Framework for Great Schools identify the areas that must improve to increase student achievement.
- By focusing attention and resources on what it takes for schools to function well, the Framework identifies the underlying strengths and weaknesses of a school and shows community members concrete ways to improve student achievement.
Examples of Framework Aligned Survey Questions

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<th>Survey Item</th>
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<td>Rigorous Instruction</td>
<td>&gt; I learn a lot from feedback on my work. (S)</td>
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<td>Supportive Environment</td>
<td>&gt; The teachers at this school notice when I am upset or having emotional difficulty. (S)</td>
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<td>Collaborative Teachers</td>
<td>&gt; Teachers in this school share/discuss students’ work with other teachers. (T)</td>
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<td>Effective School Leadership</td>
<td>&gt; The principal at this school sets high standards for student learning. (T)</td>
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<td>Strong Family-Community Ties</td>
<td>&gt; School staff encourage feedback from parents/guardians and the community. (P)</td>
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<td>Trust</td>
<td>&gt; Staff at this school work hard to build trusting relationships with parents/guardians like me. (P)</td>
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\( T = \text{teachers}, \ P = \text{parents}, \ S = \text{students} \)
Survey Results will also be incorporated into the 2014-15 School Quality Reports

- Building on changes from last year — the reports move beyond test scores, with increased emphasis on school practices and environment.
- Reports now align to the Framework to provide a clear picture of each school’s strengths and areas of growth in each element.
- Reports are designed to foster collaborative conversations about school improvement between school leaders and school communities.
Satisfaction was high across all six Framework elements and the three respondent groups.
Students expressed high levels of satisfaction in key areas

My school offers a wide enough variety of classes and activities to keep me interested in school.

I am safe in my classes.

I am safe in the hallways, bathrooms, and locker rooms at my school.

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>76%</td>
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Strongly Agree/Agree
Students were asked new survey questions that are aligned to the Framework for Great Schools.

In my classes, my teachers expect students to work hard. 95%

I learn a lot from feedback on my work. 84%

District 75 school data is not included here.
Parents continue to indicate high levels of satisfaction with schools

I am satisfied with the education my child has received this year.

I am satisfied with the response I get when I contact my child’s school with questions or concerns.

District 75 school data is not included here. *Somewhat satisfied was added as an answer choice in 2015.
Parents were asked new survey questions that are aligned to the Framework for Great Schools

- **School staff encourage feedback from parents/guardians and the community.**
  - **91%**

- **Staff at this school work hard to build trusting relationships with parents/guardians like me.**
  - **92%**

- **The principal at this school works to create a sense of community in the school.**
  - **91%**

- **My child’s teachers do their best to help my child learn.**
  - **95%**

*District 75 school data is not included here.*
Parents and students report that schools are doing a good job preparing students for college and career.

There is an adult who is helping me plan for my next steps after graduation (career planning, college selection and application process, financial aid process, etc.).

My child's school helps keep my child on track for college, career, and success in life after high school.

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<td>2013</td>
<td>75%</td>
<td>92%</td>
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*Somewhat agree was added as an answer choice to the parent question in 2015.

District 75 school data is not included here.
Order and discipline are maintained at my school. This school is kept clean.

Teachers continue to report high levels of satisfaction with the learning environment in their schools.

- 2012: 88%
- 2013: 90%
- 2014: 87%
- 2015: 90%

- 2012: 79%
- 2013: 82%
- 2014: 80%
- 2015: 85%

*Somewhat agree was added as an answer choice in 2015.
An increased number of teachers report looking forward to each working day at their schools and would recommend their schools to parents.

I usually look forward to each working day at my school.

- 2013: 85%
- 2014: 82%
- 2015: 85%

I would recommend my school to parents seeking a place for their child.

- 2013: 83%
- 2014: 81%
- 2015: 87%

*Somewhat agree was added as an answer choice in 2015.

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Teachers are satisfied with the quality of their professional development experiences

Professional development experiences this school year have been sustained and coherently focused, rather than short-term and unrelated.

Professional development experiences this school year have included opportunities to work productively with colleagues in my school.

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Teachers were asked new survey questions that are aligned to the Framework for Great Schools.

- **Teachers in this school share/discuss students’ work with other teachers.** 97%
- **The principal at this school sets high standards for student learning.** 93%
- **Teachers work closely with families to meet students' needs.** 95%
- **Adults at this school instill academic self-confidence in students.** 96%

District 75 school data is not included here.
Most parents are satisfied with the Schools Chancellor and the Panel for Education Policy

Satisfaction with the Schools Chancellor

- 2012: 64% Satisfied, 23% Dissatisfied, 0% Don't Know
- 2013: 72% Satisfied, 15% Dissatisfied, 0% Don't Know
- 2014: 71% Satisfied, 17% Dissatisfied, 0% Don't Know
- 2015: 75% Satisfied, 16% Dissatisfied, 0% Don't Know

Satisfaction with the Panel for Education Policy

- 2012: 69% Satisfied, 20% Dissatisfied, 11% Don't Know
- 2013: 74% Satisfied, 16% Dissatisfied, 10% Don't Know
- 2014: 73% Satisfied, 16% Dissatisfied, 10% Don't Know
- 2015: 76% Satisfied, 17% Dissatisfied, 6% Don't Know

In 2012, this question was asked as 4 separate questions. In order to do a longitudinal comparison, we have averaged the results across all categories for these years. District 75 school data is not included here.
Teacher Satisfaction with the Schools Chancellor and the Panel for Education Policy increased significantly this year.

Satisfaction with the Schools Chancellor

- 2012: 35%
- 2013: 46%
- 2014: 43%
- 2015: 21%

Satisfaction with the Panel for Education Policy

- 2012: 19%
- 2013: 27%
- 2014: 26%
- 2015: 21%

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For more information visit www.nycSchoolSurvey.org.

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