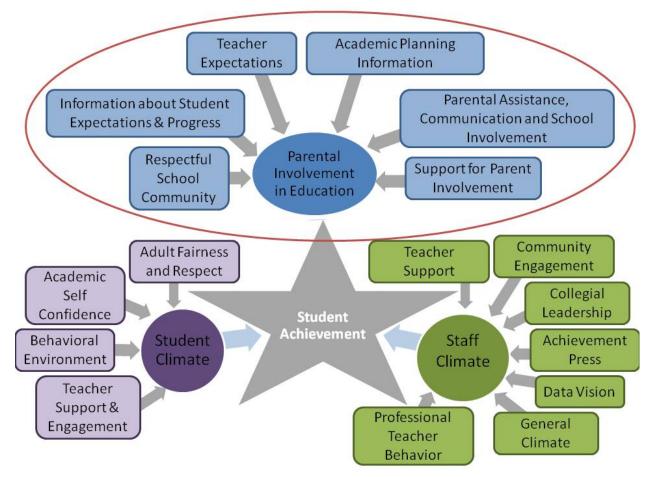


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Strong relationships among staff, students, and parents are critical to student success. In particular, parent involvement in education is associated with a high level of student achievement (for a meta-analysis see Fan & Chen, 2001). These survey results provide campuses with feedback about how parents feel about their treatment by school staff, and the school's educational environment, and how parents describe their child's education. The following report contains the results of the 2009-2010 Parent Survey for Austin Independent School District (AISD); longitudinal data are provided where applicable.

The image below displays factors that are known to be related to student academic growth. In this report, we focus on the role of parents (circled in red), which has been measured with six survey subscales: Respectful School Community; Information about Student Expectations and Progress; Academic Planning Information; Teacher Expectations; Support for Parental Involvement; and Parental Assistance, Communication and School Involvement.



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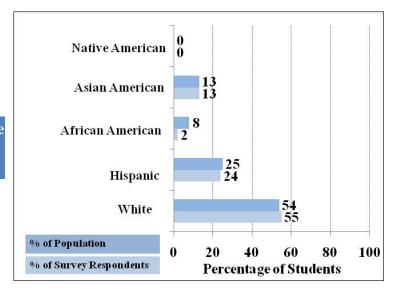


In Spring 2009, 168 parents returned surveys for Davis, representing 24% of students from Davis (compared to the district Elementary School response, 34%). Figure 1 represents the percentage of respondents with children at Davis from each ethnic group. The tables below show the total number of surveys Davis parents returned in 2009-2010, and the percentage of responses and students at Davis represented by each grade.

Number of Respondents Davis		
# of surveys returned	168	
# of students	703	
% of students represented	24	

% of students represented by grade					
grade	% of respondents	% School population			
PK	11	8			
K	19	18			
1st	18	16			
2nd	13	15			
3rd	10	16			
4th	16	15			
5th	13	13			
6th	n/a	n/a			

Figure 1. Percentage of Respondents and Students by Ethnicity for Davis, 2009-2010



Survey results for Davis Elementary School for the 2009-2010 school year are presented on the next page. Please note the green and red text boxes that highlight specific areas in which Davis excels, as well as areas in which Davis can improve. The following websites contain resources and tips on how to improve areas measured with the parent survey.

The US Department of Education: http://www.dww.ed.gov/
The National Center for Parental Involvement in Education: http://www.ncpie.org
The Harvard Family Research Project: http://www.hfrp.org/

The appendix provides more detailed information regarding Davis's parent survey results from 2007-2008 through 2009-2010. Please review the individual items on each subscale with particular attention to how Davis's average ratings have changed or remained consistent over time. Please note that some subscales have changed from previous years, making longitudinal comparisons inappropriate for some items and subscales. For items and subscales where longitudinal data are available, statistically meaningful changes are flagged with up or down arrows. Please share the results of this report with all campus staff and your Campus Advisory Council to inform campus improvement planning.



The graph below depicts Davis's parent survey ratings over time, as well as parent survey ratings across all Elementary Schools in 2009-2010. Scores over 3.0 are desirable, as indicated by the red dashed line in the graph below. The first step in improving these characteristics is to examine the score for each area (Figure 2).

4.0 3.7 3.6 3.6 3.6 3.4 3.5 3.43.4 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 Support for Parental Respectful Student Academic Teacher **Parental** Assistancein School Expectations Planning Expectations Involvement Education Community & Progress Information

Figure 2. Parent Survey Subscales for Davis and all Elementary Schools, 2009-2010

Note. The light blue bars represent 2009-2010 data for Davis and the dark blue bars represent 2009-2010 data for all Elementary Schools.

Davis's highest score on the 2009-2010 Parent Survey was Teacher Expectations. This measure was new to the 2009-2010 survey and is designed to measure expectations parents believe that teachers have for their children. Research shows that teacher expectations relate to academic achievement. We encourage your campus to continue fostering a positive learning environment with rigorous teacher expectations for all students.

Davis's lowest score on the 2009-2010 Parent Survey was Parental Assistance, Communication, and School Involvement, which measures the extent to which parents spend with their child on school-related activities. Parental involvement contributes positively to academic achievement. For resources on how to improve parental involvement, please visit The Harvard Family Research Project: http://www.hfrp.org/complementay-learning

Respectful School Community		Davis		All Elementary
respectal school communey	2007-08	2008-09		Schools Schools
4. School staff provide me with positive feedback				
about my child.	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.5
5. School staff treat my child with courtesy and				
respect.	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5
6. I feel welcome in my child's classroom.	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6
16. My child's school is a safe learning environment.	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5
17a. My child's school principal treats me with				
courtesy and respect.	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.5
18a. The school assistant principal(s) treat me with				
courtesy and respect.	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5
19a.My child's teacher(s) treat me with courtesy and				
respect.	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.6
20a. My child's counselor(s) treat me with courtesy and		1		
respect.	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.5
21a. Office staff treat me with courtesy and respect.	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5
23h. School staff provided me with enough information				
about handling complaints and concerns.	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.3
Respectful School Community subscale	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.5

Note: Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Information About Student Expectations	Davis		All Elementary	
and Progress	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Schools
My child's school staff clearly communicate their expectations for				
8. My child's learning.	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5
9. My child's behavior.	n/a	3.7	3.6	3.5
School staff provide me with enough information about my child's				
22a. Academic progress.	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.5
22b. Preparedness for TAKS.	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.5
22c. Risk of failing a grade.	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.4
22d. Availability of tutoring.	n/a	3.5	3.3	3.4
23a. Behavior.	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5
23b. Attendance	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.5
Expectations and Progress subscale	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.5

Note: Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

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Academic Planning Information	2007-08	Davis 2008-09	2009-10	All Elementary Schools
School staff provide me with enough				
information about				
23c. After school programs	n/a	3.5	3.5	3.5
23d. Transitions to and from elementary, middle,				
and high school.	n/a	3.6	3.5	3.3
22e. High school graduation requirements.	3.1	3.4	3.3	3.3
23e. Career opportunities for my child.	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3
23f. College admission requirements and				
financing options.	n/a	n/a	3.2	3.2
Academic Planning and Information subscale	n/a	n/a	3.4	3.4

Note: Response options range from 1(strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Teacher Expectations	Davis 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
11. My child's teachers believe my child can do well in		
school.	3.7	3.6
12. My child's teachers believe my child can learn new		
things.	3.8	3.6
13. My child's teachers encourage my child to stick with		
problems until he/she can solve them.	3.6	3.5
Teacher Expectations subscale	3.7	3.6

Note: These items were new to the 2009-2010 Parent Survey and were designed to measure teacher's expectations for their students. Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Knowledge about child's experiences at school	Davis 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
11. I believe my child likes to go to school.15. AISD's online ParentConnection system has helped me	3.6	3.6
to monitor my child's progress.	3.3	3.3

Note: These items were new to the 2009-2010 Parent Survey. Response options range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

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Support for Parental Involvement	2007-08	Davis 2008-09	E 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
7. My child's school staff use the suggestions that I make about my child's education.	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.4
14. My child's teachers make it easy for me to be involved with my child's education.	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.5
17b. My child's principal provides me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.4
18b. My child's assistant principal(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.4
19b. My child's teacher(s) have helped me become more involved in my child's education.	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.6
19c. My child's teacher(s) value my input in academic decisions about my child.	3.6	3.8	3.6	3.6
19d. My child'steacher(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6
20b. My child's counselor(s) have helped me become more involved in my child's education.	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.4
20c. My child's counselor(s) value my input in academic decisions about my child.	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.4
20d. My child's counselor(s) provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.).	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.4
23g. School staff provide me with enough information about opportunities to be involved.	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.4
Support for Parental Involvement subscale	n/a	n/a	3.6	3.5

Note: Items range from 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree) with a response of at least 3.0 desirable. With the addition of items 14 and 23g in 2009-2010, subscale comparisons across years are no longer possible.

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Parental Assistance, Communication, and School Involvement	Davis 2009-10	All Elementary Schools
24. Talk with my child about his/her school day.	4.0	3.9
25. Supervise my child's homework.	3.8	3.9
26. Help my child study for tests.	3.5	3.7
27. Talk with other parents about my child's school.	3.3	3.0
28. Communicate with my child's teachers (e.g., telephone,		
email, notes, in person).	3.5	3.4
29. Volunteer at my child's school.	3.0	2.5
30. Attend PTA/CAC meetings.	2.0	2.5
31. Attend regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences.	3.8	3.7
32. Attend annual meetings about my child's academic plans.	3.4	3.3
33. Visit my child's school (e.g., for lunch, walk them to class,		
observe).	3.4	3.3
34. Attend performance events and/or sports events at my		
child's school.	3.4	3.3
Parental Involvement subscale	3.4	3.3

Note: These items were new to the 2009-2010 parent survey and are designed to measure the degree of parental involvement on your campus. Response options range from 1 (never) to 4 (often). It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

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