



2023 Family Survey

Introduction

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this survey. Your feedback is essential in helping us shape the future of education in the District. This survey should take approximately 5-8 minutes to complete.

Goals

- Understanding the primary reason(s) a family chooses (or doesn't choose) a specific school.
- Understanding what is going well at their school and what could be improved (focused on resources and staffing).
- Understanding what success for their student means to the family.

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General Information & Demographics

Need help determining your ward? This link can help! [Click here!](#)

1. Which ward do you currently live in?

- Ward 1
- Ward 2
- Ward 3
- Ward 4
- Ward 5
- Ward 6
- Ward 7
- Ward 8

2. Select all that apply.

- I am a Student
- I am a Family Member, Parent, or Guardian
- I am a Residential Community Member
- I am a Parental Community Member
- I am a Community Leader
- I am a Civic Organization Member

* 3. **/My students(s) attend:** (Please select all that apply.)

- By-right, Neighborhood DCPS School (an in-boundary school, assigned based on a student's home address)
- Selective DCPS High School (a DCPS high school that has admissions requirements)
- Another DCPS School, Accessed Through the Lottery
- Public Charter School
- I Am Not Sure
- Not Applicable

4. **Race/Ethnicity:** (Please select all that apply.)

- American Indian/Alaskan
- Asian
- Black/African-American
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- Hispanic/Latino
- Two or More Races
- White
- Prefer Not to Answer

Other (please specify)

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School Staff Programs and Support

Only parents and community members with children attending school should respond in this section.

5. My student feels safe and loved in school, and has at least one trusted adult in the building that cares about them.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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6. My student's school is preparing him/her to graduate high school and move on to the next phase of their education.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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7. My students' school is preparing them for a high-skilled job.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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*** 8. What factors most influence your decision when selecting a school for your student?**
(Choose up to six.)

- Positive Academic Reputation
- Aligned Education Philosophy
- Close to Home
- Safe and Secure Environment
- Small Class Sizes
- Extracurricular Activities/Before and After School Programs
- Highly Qualified Teachers
- Variety of Curriculum Options
- Racially and/or Socioeconomically Diverse Student Population
- Effective Parent-Teacher Communication
- Comprehensive Special Education Services
- Positive School Culture and Values
- Favorable Standardized Test Scores
- Modern and Well-maintained Facilities
- Engaging Student Activities
- Access to Social/Emotional Support Services
- Recommendations from Trusted Sources
- Well Attended by Other Kids in Our Community



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In the upcoming section of this survey, you will be asked to prioritize the factors you have previously selected as the most important in your school selection process.

In each question, consider which factor mattered more to you when you most recently enrolled your student(s) in school.

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Factors Influencing School Selection: Close to Home

9. **Choose the factor that most influences your choice of schools.** (Select one in each pair.)

Close to Home <input type="radio"/>	Highly Qualified Teachers <input type="radio"/>
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



































School and Community Help

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10. Do you think it is important for your school to provide assistance in these areas? (Please select all that apply.)

- Temporary Housing
- Assisting with Getting Healthy Foods
- Before and After-school Childcare
- Babysitting Support Outside of School Hours
- Tools to Help Manage Your Money
- Connection to Medical Resources
- Keeping Kids and Families Safe
- Support in Times of Crisis
- Companions and Individuals for Conversation
- Positive Mental Health
- Jobs for Grown-ups
- Fun After-school and Summer Activities for Kids

11. **If your school was given more financial resources, how would you recommend they allocate the funds?** Rank options in order of importance from top to bottom. (Top being most important, bottom being least important).

 Fixing building issues	 
 Help for students without homes	 
 Professional development for teachers and staff	 
 Classes for grown-ups	 
 Providing opportunities for students to prepare for advanced education	 
 Help for students who learn differently	 
 Extra fun learning activities	 
 Helping students requiring additional care and attention	 
 Computers and tech for students	 
 Emotional and mental support for all	 
 Creating opportunities to develop workforce skills	 
 Provide opportunities for being absent (snow days, COVID-19, etc.)	 

12. **In my opinion, lower-performing schools should be given more financial resources than others.**

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. **Interested in learning more about our funding study?** Please provide the following information, and a team member will reach out.

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