

AISD Family Learning Preference Survey Results Summary: September 2020

Background

The AISD Family Learning Preference survey was sent to all families for which we had a working email and a link to the survey was also promoted by the Department of Communications and Community Engagement through emails to families, posts on social media, and on the main AISD webpage. The survey was offered in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Arabic, Kinyarwanda, Dari, Swahili, and Pashto and was available for participation between September 10th and September 25th. Families were asked to respond to the survey once for each child they had enrolled in AISD in the 2020-2021 school year. Families responded on behalf of over 54,000 students (N= 54,294) out of a possible 76,397 students for about a 71% response rate for the survey. Families were asked which instructional model they planned for their student to participate in from the options remote off-campus learning and on-campus learning, with a third, hybrid learning option available to students at the high school level. For those who indicated a preference of on-campus learning, follow-up questions were also asked about how students would arrive to and leave from campus, as well as if they planned to eat AISD provided breakfast and lunch while on campus to help with planning.

Findings

Overall, about 57% of responses for students at the elementary level indicated that families plan to keep their student engaged in remote off-campus learning beginning October 5th. Conversely, about 43% of responses for students at the elementary level indicated that families plan to send their student to school for on-campus learning beginning October 5th. At the middle school level, about 73% of responses indicated that families chose for their student to participate in remote off-campus learning, while 27% of responses indicated that families chose for their student to participate in on-campus learning beginning October 5th. Lastly, at the high school level, about 76% of responses indicated that families chose remote off-campus learning for their student, 15% of responses indicated that families chose on-campus learning for their student, and 9% of responses indicated that families chose the hybrid option for their student.

For those families that indicated that their student would be learning on-campus, most plan for their student to get dropped off at school (64%) and picked up from school (61%) by a family member or friend. Additionally, most families who chose on-campus learning indicated that their student would eat the AISD provided breakfast on campus (53%), and even more indicated that their student would eat the AISD provided lunch on campus (65%).

Comprehensive AISD Family Learning Preference Survey results can be accessed by (a) going to <https://www.austinisd.org/dre>, (b) selecting “INTERACTIVE REPORTS” and (c) selecting “AISD Family Learning Preference Survey” from the interactive reports list in the upper left-hand corner of the page.

