

2013-2014 AISD Parent Survey Alternative Learning Center

Strong relationships among staff, students, and parents are critical to student success. These survey results provide campuses with feedback on how parents feel about their treatment by school staff, the school's educational environment, and various school-based opportunities parents would like for their children. The following report contains the results of the 2013-2014 Parent Survey for Austin Independent School District (AISD) for Alternative Learning Center (ALC). The district report can be found at: www.austinisd.org/dre.

Demographic Information

Table 1. Number of respondents for Alternative Learning Center, 2013-2014		
	ALC	All High Schools
# of surveys returned	25	2,129
# of students	137	21,023
% of students represented	18	10

Table 3. Distribution of respondents relative to ALC's population, 2013-2014		
Grade	% of respondents	% school population
6th	12	9
7th	28	9
8th	16	23
9th	16	22
10th	16	18
11th	4	13
12th	4	6

students by ethnicity and race, 2013-2014		
	% of respondents	% school population
Ethnicity Hispanic/Latin	o 68	67
Race American Indi Alaskan Nativo	•	18
Asian	8	2
Black/African American	24	29
Native Hawai Other Pacific Islander	iian/ 8	1
White	28	58

Table 2. Distribution of respondents and

Note. Students' grade and ethnicity were self-reported. Ethnicity and race designations allows respondents to first select his/her ethnicity (Hispanic/Latino or non-Hispanic/Latino) and one or more of five race values. Percentages may not equal 100%. Population data reflect enrollment as of the October 2013 PEIMS snapshot date.

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Item Results

School Staff	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
The principal		
treats me with courtesy and respect.	91	96
treats my child with courtesy and respect.	90	96
provides me with opportunities for two-way	88	94
communication (phone calls, meetings, emails, etc.)		
is leading the school in the right direction academically.	90	94
The assistant principal		
treats me with courtesy and respect.	90	96
treats my child with courtesy and respect.	89	95
provides me with opportunities for two-way	87	95
communication (phone calls, meetings, emails, etc.)		
The teachers		
treat me with courtesy and respect.	94	97
treat my child with courtesy and respect.	89	95
have helped me to become more involved in my child's	82	91
education.		
value my input in academic decisions about my child.	88	93
provide me with opportunities for two-way	94	94
communication (phone calls, meetings, emails, etc.)		
have my child's best interest in mind when it comes to	94	94
academic achievement.		
provide my child with a high quality learning environment.	95	94

School Staff, cont.	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
The counselors		
treat me with courtesy and respect.	95	96
treat my child with courtesy and respect.	95	96
have helped me support my child's	95	94
education.		
value my input in academic decisions about	95	94
my child.		
provide me with opportunities for two-way	95	94
communication (phone calls, meetings,		
emails, etc.).		
The school staff (for example, secretary,		
bookkeeper, etc.)		
treat me with courtesy and respect	96	96
treat my child with courtesy and respect.	95	94

Information provided by school staff	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
School staff provide me with enough information about the following:		
School expectations about student learning	95	91
School expectations about student behavior	95	94
Positive feedback about my child	94	87
My child's academic performance	94	91
My child's behavior	95	90
My child's attendance	85	94
My child's preparedness for state academic tests	93	85
My child's high school graduation requirements	75	88

Information provided by school staff, cont.	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
School staff provide me with enough information about the following:		
After-school programs or activities for my child	69	87
Transitions to and from elementary, middle, and	88	88
high school		
Future career opportunities for my child	75	84
College admission requirements and financing	75	86
options for my child		
Additional academic services available to my	88	85
child (e.g., special education, bilingual/ESL,		
gifted and talented, career and technology)		

School characteristics	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
I receive information about my child or my child's school in my preferred language.	90	97
School staff use suggestions I make about my child's education.	78	90
My child's school offers convenient opportunities for me to be involved in my child's education.	83	90
The educational experience at my child's school is just as good or better than that at any other	100	91
AISD school.		
School staff encourage my child to study and learn.	100	93
My child's school is a safe learning environment.	100	94

School characteristics, cont.	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
I believe that my child likes to go to school.	82	92
My child is treated with respect by other	90	94
students.		
I know who to contact at my child's school if I	86	94
have a question or concern about my child's		
education.		
I feel comfortable contacting staff at my child's	95	93
school if I have a question or concern.		
When I contact school staff, I get a timely	94	91
response.		
My child's school offers enough creative learning	100	93
opportunities for my child.		
My child has adequate opportunities to learn	93	93
about healthy lifestyle choices at school.		
My child has adequate opportunities to learn	82	94
about other languages and cultures in classes or		
clubs at school.		
My child has adequate opportunity to use	94	94
technology at school.		
Our local community supports our school.	88	94
Our school works hard to engage the local	88	92
community.		

Superintendent	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
The Superintendent does a good job asking for input from parents.	83	84
The Superintendent does a good job	88	83
communicating with parents. The Superintendent does a good job	88	81
managing the district's budget and staffing needs.		
The Superintendent has made a positive impact on students' academic progress.	93	83

District office staff and district systems	% Agree/Strongly agree ALC 2013-2014	% Agree/Strongly agree All High Schools 2013-2014
Staff at the district's main offices are responsive to my needs.	89	87
Staff at the district's main offices treat me with courtesy and respect.	95	90
AISD's online Parent Cloud / Parent Connection / Gradespeed system helps me to monitor my	94	94
child's academic progress. The district's automated phone calls are a good source of information for me.	95	93
The district's website is a good source of information for me.	100	91