

## 2011-2012 AISD Parent Survey Eastside Memorial High School

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 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 2011-2012 Parent Survey for Austin Independent School District (AISD) for Eastside Memorial High School. The district report can be found at: <http://www.austinisd.org/dre/district-campus-surveys#parent>.

### Demographic Information

Table 1. Number of respondents for  
Eastside Memorial, 2011-2012

	Eastside Memorial	All High Schools
# of surveys returned	85	3,077
# of students	626	20,034
% of students represented	14%	15%

Table 2. Distribution of respondents relative to  
Eastside Memorial's population, 2011-2012

Grade	% of respondents	% school population
9th	31	29
10th	28	27
11th	27	25
12th	14	20

Table 3. Distribution of respondents and students by  
ethnicity and race, 2011-2012

	% of respondents	% school population
Hispanic/Latino	85	80
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	1
Asian	1	1
Black/African American	13	16
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	1	2

#### New Federal Standards for Collecting and Reporting Ethnicity and Race

Starting in 2010-2011, districts were required to report race and ethnicity using revised standards. The new standards require a person to first select his/her ethnicity (Hispanic/Latino or non-Hispanic/Latino) and one or more of five race values. Since more than one race value may be chosen, percentages might not add to 100.

Note. Students' grade and ethnicity were self-reported. Population data reflect enrollment as of the October 2011 PEIMS snapshot date.

## Item Results

Communication	Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012	Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012
<b>I receive information from school staff about my child's...</b>		
academic performance.	77	77
behavior.	83	70
attendance.	89	92
<b>I receive information about my child that is...</b>		
in my preferred language.	85	85
in my preferred method of communication (e.g., e-mail, phone, letter, face-to-face meeting).	100	81
<b>My preferred method of communication is...</b>		
e-mail.	0	66
phone.	67	20
letter.	0	5
face-to-face meeting.	33	9
<b>School staff clearly communicates their expectations for my child's...</b>		
learning.	67	78
behavior.	100	80
<b>School staff provide me with positive feedback about my child's...</b>		
academic performance.	100	71
behavior.	100	65
<b>AISD's online ParentConnection/Gradespeed system has helped me to monitor my child's progress.</b>	67	85

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<b>Superintendent and Central Office Staff</b>	<b>Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012</b>	<b>Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012</b>
<b>The Superintendent does a good job...</b>		
asking for input from parents.	33	35
communicating with parents.	na	53
managing the district's finance/budget and staffing needs.	na	52
<b>The Superintendent has made a positive impact on students' academic progress.</b>	na	38
<b>Staff at the district's main offices...</b>		
are responsive to my needs.	33	41
treat me with courtesy and respect.	33	49

<b>Equity</b>	<b>Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012</b>	<b>Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012</b>
<b>I am satisfied with the...</b>		
quality of my child's teacher(s).	100	86
condition of my child's school building.	100	76
technology available at my child's school.	100	74
learning materials (e.g., textbooks, classroom supplies, lab equipment) at my child's school.	100	69
<b>The educational experience at my child's school is just as good as or better than that at any other school in the district.</b>	100	75

<b>Safety and Access</b>	<b>Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012</b>	<b>Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012</b>
I believe that my child likes to go to school.	100	81
My child's school is a safe learning environment.	100	82
Typically, AISD bus transportation to and from my child's school is safe.	100	59
Typically, walking or biking to and from my child's school is safe.	100	43
Bullying at my child's school is a problem.	50	31

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Customer Service	Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012	Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012
<b>My child's teacher(s)...</b>		
has helped me support my child's education.	67	82
values my input in academic decisions about my child.	67	66
provides me with opportunities for two-way communication.	67	79
provides the extra effort to ensure that my child is successful.	67	68
is enthusiastic about teaching.	67	72
<b>School staff use the suggestions I make about my child's education.</b>	100	44
<b>School staff provide me with enough information about...</b>		
the process for handling complaints and concerns.	67	47
my child's preparedness for state assessments.	100	65
high school graduation requirements.	100	75
career opportunities for my child.	100	51
college admission requirements and financing options.	67	61
transitions to and from elementary, middle, and high school.	100	64
opportunities to volunteer.	67	67
when PTA meetings/events occur.	67	72
school events.	100	77
what occurred at school committee meetings.	33	52
<b>The following school staff treat me with courtesy and respect</b>		
principal	69	69
assistant principals	81	65
teachers	85	84
school office staff	82	82
counselors	79	78

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Customer Service	Percent Agree Eastside Memorial 2011-2012	Percent Agree All High Schools 2011-2012
<b>The counselor(s) at my child's school...</b>		
have helped me support my child's education.	67	67
value my input in decisions about my child.	67	59
<b>I am aware of opportunities to provide input at the district level.</b>	67	71
<b>My child's school offers convenient opportunities for me to be involved in my child's education.</b>	74	75
<b>I would be interested in my child having more opportunities to participate in...</b>		
academy or magnet programs.	100	53
an all girls' or all boys' school.	33	23
fine arts.	100	71
athletics.	100	65
community service.	100	89
technology.	100	80
dual language program other than Spanish.	100	52
<b>My child applies what he/she learned at school to areas outside of school.</b>	100	83

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## References

Fan, X. & Chen, M. (2001). Parental involvement and students' academic achievement: A meta-analysis. *Educational Psychology Review*, 13(1), 1-22.