



## 2007-2008 AISD PARENT SURVEY RESULTS

### LAMAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

The following report contains the results of the 2007-2008 AISD Parent Survey for your campus and all AISD schools at your level. The first section of this report provides a comparison of the campus demographics and the demographics reported by parents who responded to the survey from your campus. The next section describes the percentages of parents selecting specific responses for each survey item, and the final section indicates the actual number of parents who selected each response option. Campus survey results should be examined for areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. Results for all AISD schools at your level and longitudinal results for your campus are presented to provide references for comparison.

#### How many parents responded to the survey in 2007-2008, and how does this compare to the number of students in the population?

	Lamar	District EL	District MS	District HS
# of Parents Responding	96	12,493	1,831	1,731
# of Students	726	45,993	16,115	19,522
Ratio of Parent Respondents to Students	13%	27%	11%	9%

Note: Student population data are based on May enrollment in the district, and may differ from the official AEIS report.

#### What did parents report as their child's ethnicity, and how does this compare to the ethnic distribution of the student population?

	% of Students, as Reported by Lamar Parent Respondents	% of Students in Lamar Population
African American	10%	14%
Asian	4%	3%
Hispanic	26%	40%
Native American	2%	1%
White	52%	42%

Note: Some parents chose not to report their child's ethnicity; thus, percentages may not sum to 100%.

#### What did parents report as their child's grade, and how does this compare to the grade level distribution of the student population?

Grade	% of Students, as Reported by Lamar Parent Respondents	% of Students in Lamar Population
6 <sup>th</sup>	40%	31%
7 <sup>th</sup>	33%	35%
8 <sup>th</sup>	26%	34%

Note: Some parents chose not to report their child's grade level; thus, percentages may not sum to 100%.

## USING THE RESULTS OF THE AISD PARENT SURVEY

Please examine your results to determine areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. Areas of strength can be identified by large percentages of parents who “Strongly Agree” or “Agree” with a statement. Opportunities for improvement can be identified by large percentages of parents who “Disagree” or “Strongly Disagree” with a statement. In addition, please look for patterns in which one staff category consistently receives more positive or negative responses than other staff categories. This will help you to identify opportunities for praise and areas in which training may be necessary. If your campus percentages are very different from those reported by parents district-wide, please consider potential reasons for discrepancies.

It is important to look at the responses from year to year to determine whether there are any areas in which percentages have changed by more than a few points. Keep in mind that when response rates are low, the percentages may appear to fluctuate more without necessarily signaling a serious shift in perception. Please consider how representative your parent respondents are of the students in your school. Also, think about any changes in campus policies and practices that may have resulted in positive or negative changes. How can campus staff continue to support the positive changes? How might your staff address any undesirable changes that may have occurred? Because parental perceptions of treatment by school personnel are based on interactions with a variety of school staff, representatives from all areas should be included in discussions regarding school planning and improvement processes.

### ITEM RESULTS FOR LAMAR MS

Each survey item is presented below in a table containing your school’s longitudinal results (when available) and this year’s results for all campuses at your level.

4. School staff provide me with information in my home language.

	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	6%	0%	3%
Disagree	3%	4%	4%
Agree	30%	48%	41%
Strongly Agree	62%	48%	52%

5. I regularly help my child with school projects and homework.

	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	4%	3%	2%
Disagree	6%	10%	9%
Agree	31%	48%	50%
Strongly Agree	60%	39%	39%

6. School staff provide me with positive feedback about my child.

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	8%	6%	1%	4%
Disagree	7%	9%	11%	10%
Agree	58%	38%	58%	53%
Strongly Agree	27%	47%	30%	32%

7. School staff treat my child with courtesy and respect.

	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	3%
Disagree	6%	7%
Agree	63%	54%
Strongly Agree	31%	35%

8. I feel welcome in my child's classroom.

	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	1%	4%
Disagree	15%	10%
Agree	58%	56%
Strongly Agree	26%	30%

9. My child's school uses the suggestions that I make about my child's education.

	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	5%	5%
Disagree	13%	13%
Agree	67%	59%
Strongly Agree	16%	24%

10. I have encouraged school staff to maintain high academic standards.

	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	3%	4%
Disagree	14%	12%
Agree	56%	54%
Strongly Agree	27%	31%

11. I believe that my child is getting a good education.

	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	1%	3%
Disagree	5%	6%
Agree	62%	51%
Strongly Agree	32%	40%

12. My child's school clearly communicates its expectations for my child's learning.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	3%	3%
<b>Disagree</b>	14%	10%
<b>Agree</b>	59%	53%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	24%	34%

13. My child's school provides opportunities for me to learn how to help my child succeed in school.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	5%	5%
<b>Disagree</b>	13%	14%
<b>Agree</b>	58%	53%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	25%	29%

14. I know where to get information about my school's ratings.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	1%	3%
<b>Disagree</b>	6%	11%
<b>Agree</b>	54%	50%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	39%	35%

15. I have discussed future college/career plans with my child.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	0%	2%
<b>Disagree</b>	4%	5%
<b>Agree</b>	45%	44%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	51%	49%

16. I know how to help my child pursue college and career goals.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	2%	3%
<b>Disagree</b>	7%	8%
<b>Agree</b>	44%	48%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	47%	41%

17. My child's school is a safe learning environment.

	<b>Lamar 2005-06</b>	<b>Lamar 2006-07</b>	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	3%	3%	2%	3%
<b>Disagree</b>	8%	7%	13%	10%
<b>Agree</b>	57%	40%	60%	56%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	33%	50%	25%	31%

18. A portion of a principal's salary should be related to the performance of his/her students on more than one assessment.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	12%	14%
<b>Disagree</b>	21%	19%
<b>Agree</b>	41%	41%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	26%	27%

19. A portion of a teacher's salary should be related to the performance of his/her students on more than one assessment.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	10%	15%
<b>Disagree</b>	21%	20%
<b>Agree</b>	40%	39%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	29%	26%

20. I think AISD's transfer policies are satisfactory.

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	8%	10%
<b>Disagree</b>	16%	15%
<b>Agree</b>	59%	55%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	16%	20%

21. The Principal...

	<b>Lamar 2005-06</b>	<b>Lamar 2006-07</b>	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Treats me with courtesy and respect.</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	8%	6%	1%	4%
<b>Disagree</b>	6%	2%	4%	4%
<b>Agree</b>	42%	35%	51%	50%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	44%	57%	45%	42%
<b>Has helped me to become more involved in my child's education.</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	14%	8%	7%	6%
<b>Disagree</b>	7%	10%	19%	16%
<b>Agree</b>	59%	51%	49%	49%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	20%	32%	26%	29%
<b>Values my input in academic decisions about my child.</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	17%	6%	7%	6%
<b>Disagree</b>	6%	2%	9%	10%
<b>Agree</b>	54%	47%	55%	52%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	23%	45%	28%	32%
<b>Provides me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	10%	4%	3%	6%
<b>Disagree</b>	3%	9%	10%	9%
<b>Agree</b>	52%	43%	57%	51%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	36%	43%	30%	34%

22. Assistant Principals...

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>Treat me with courtesy and respect.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	8%	4%	1%	4%
Disagree	8%	3%	3%	6%
Agree	44%	37%	62%	53%
Strongly Agree	41%	56%	34%	38%
<b>Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	12%	5%	6%	5%
Disagree	7%	13%	19%	15%
Agree	57%	49%	49%	51%
Strongly Agree	25%	34%	26%	29%
<b>Value my input in academic decisions about my child.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	17%	4%	5%	5%
Disagree	2%	3%	10%	10%
Agree	56%	49%	54%	55%
Strongly Agree	26%	45%	31%	30%
<b>Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)</b>				
Strongly Disagree	9%	4%	4%	5%
Disagree	5%	9%	9%	10%
Agree	48%	48%	59%	53%
Strongly Agree	38%	39%	28%	33%

23. Teachers...

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>Treat me with courtesy and respect.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	4%	5%	0%	2%
Disagree	8%	4%	2%	3%
Agree	44%	37%	57%	52%
Strongly Agree	45%	54%	41%	44%
<b>Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	7%	3%	1%	2%
Disagree	8%	8%	8%	10%
Agree	47%	41%	59%	54%
Strongly Agree	39%	48%	31%	34%
<b>Value my input in academic decisions about my child.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	7%	3%	1%	3%
Disagree	7%	6%	11%	8%
Agree	50%	44%	57%	55%
Strongly Agree	36%	48%	31%	34%
<b>Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)</b>				
Strongly Disagree	5%	6%	0%	3%
Disagree	6%	5%	7%	7%
Agree	48%	45%	58%	51%
Strongly Agree	41%	45%	36%	40%

## 24. Office Staff...

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>Treat me with courtesy and respect.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	2%	5%	0%	3%
Disagree	15%	4%	5%	4%
Agree	36%	36%	57%	51%
Strongly Agree	42%	56%	37%	42%
<b>Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	11%	2%	1%	4%
Disagree	16%	15%	17%	10%
Agree	55%	37%	51%	52%
Strongly Agree	18%	45%	29%	34%
<b>Value my input in academic decisions about my child.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	17%	3%	3%	4%
Disagree	13%	9%	17%	8%
Agree	51%	44%	52%	52%
Strongly Agree	19%	45%	28%	36%
<b>Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)</b>				
Strongly Disagree	7%	4%	1%	4%
Disagree	10%	9%	10%	9%
Agree	49%	42%	57%	51%
Strongly Agree	34%	46%	31%	36%

## 25. Counselor(s)...

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>Treat me with courtesy and respect.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	4%	5%	0%	3%
Disagree	3%	3%	4%	6%
Agree	44%	33%	47%	54%
Strongly Agree	49%	59%	49%	38%
<b>Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	8%	2%	5%	6%
Disagree	10%	8%	5%	15%
Agree	55%	43%	46%	50%
Strongly Agree	47%	47%	44%	30%
<b>Value my input in academic decisions about my child.</b>				
Strongly Disagree	8%	3%	3%	6%
Disagree	11%	1%	10%	12%
Agree	50%	43%	42%	51%
Strongly Agree	32%	53%	45%	31%
<b>Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)</b>				
Strongly Disagree	7%	4%	3%	5%
Disagree	5%	6%	3%	9%
Agree	49%	39%	48%	52%
Strongly Agree	39%	51%	48%	35%

26. School staff provide me with enough information about the following school and district policies:

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>Student behavior expectations</b>				
Strongly Disagree	1%	3%	1%	2%
Disagree	5%	5%	8%	4%
Agree	52%	42%	46%	53%
Strongly Agree	42%	50%	46%	41%
<b>Parent involvement policy</b>				
Strongly Disagree	3%	3%	1%	3%
Disagree	13%	10%	13%	10%
Agree	47%	46%	46%	53%
Strongly Agree	37%	41%	40%	34%
<b>Process for handling complaints and concerns</b>				
Strongly Disagree	7%	5%	6%	5%
Disagree	15%	16%	12%	12%
Agree	45%	38%	48%	52%
Strongly Agree	33%	40%	34%	31%

27. School staff provide me with enough information about:

	Lamar 2005-06	Lamar 2006-07	Lamar 2007-08	All MS 2007-08
<b>My child's academic progress</b>				
Strongly Disagree	4%	4%	2%	3%
Disagree	5%	13%	9%	7%
Agree	49%	34%	55%	52%
Strongly Agree	42%	49%	34%	39%
<b>My child's academic plans and goals</b>				
Strongly Disagree	16%	7%	2%	4%
Disagree	16%	25%	23%	17%
Agree	43%	33%	51%	50%
Strongly Agree	25%	36%	24%	29%
<b>My child's preparedness for TAKS</b>				
Strongly Disagree	11%	5%	2%	4%
Disagree	14%	24%	16%	15%
Agree	47%	34%	53%	52%
Strongly Agree	29%	37%	29%	29%
<b>My child's risk of failing a grade</b>				
Strongly Disagree	10%	4%	4%	3%
Disagree	8%	13%	10%	10%
Agree	51%	39%	51%	53%
Strongly Agree	32%	44%	36%	34%
<b>My child's behavior</b>				
Strongly Disagree	8%	6%	2%	3%
Disagree	4%	7%	9%	8%
Agree	57%	39%	57%	56%
Strongly Agree	31%	48%	32%	33%



27 (continued). School staff provide me with enough information about:

	<b>Lamar 2005-06</b>	<b>Lamar 2006-07</b>	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>High school graduation requirements</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	13%	15%	6%	9%
<b>Disagree</b>	32%	21%	30%	19%
<b>Agree</b>	30%	37%	39%	47%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	26%	27%	24%	24%
<b>Personal Graduation Plans (PGPs)</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	13%	22%	8%	12%
<b>Disagree</b>	36%	20%	39%	26%
<b>Agree</b>	36%	41%	31%	42%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	16%	17%	22%	20%
<b>Financial Aid and Scholarships</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	17%	23%	9%	14%
<b>Disagree</b>	30%	23%	29%	29%
<b>Agree</b>	33%	40%	38%	38%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	20%	14%	24%	19%
<b>College admission requirements</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	19%	24%	11%	14%
<b>Disagree</b>	35%	24%	27%	29%
<b>Agree</b>	33%	36%	36%	38%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	14%	17%	25%	19%
<b>Career opportunities</b>				
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	18%	22%	11%	13%
<b>Disagree</b>	34%	22%	24%	26%
<b>Agree</b>	32%	41%	41%	41%
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	16%	15%	24%	21%

28. Which of these school staff provide you with information about the following opportunities?

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>Availability of tutoring</b>		
<b>Counselors</b>	18%	8%
<b>Office Staff</b>	8%	7%
<b>Teachers</b>	45%	50%
<b>Parent Support Specialists</b>	6%	16%
<b>Parent/family involvement opportunities (e.g., PTA, Campus Advisory Council, school events)</b>		
<b>Counselors</b>	7%	6%
<b>Office Staff</b>	19%	15%
<b>Teachers</b>	15%	18%
<b>Parent Support Specialists</b>	21%	28%
<b>Parent/family resources (e.g., parenting or literacy classes, School-to-Community staff, Parent Support staff)</b>		
<b>Counselors</b>	7%	9%
<b>Office Staff</b>	19%	9%
<b>Teachers</b>	15%	27%
<b>Parent Support Specialists</b>	21%	26%

29. In which of the following activities do you participate?

	<b>Lamar 2007-08</b>	<b>All MS 2007-08</b>
<b>General school meetings (e.g., open house, Back to School Night, Choice Sheet Night, etc.)</b>	76%	65%
<b>Regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences</b>	91%	54%
<b>School leadership opportunities (e.g., Campus Advisory Council, event committees, etc.)</b>	9%	14%
<b>Parent-Teacher Associates (PTA)/Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA)</b>	21%	28%
<b>Sports or other performance events</b>	40%	36%
<b>Academic events (e.g., science fairs, debate competitions, etc.)</b>	46%	39%
<b>Other special events or conferences (e.g., workshops, Family Night, Learning Walks, etc.)</b>	36%	36%
<b>District-wide events (e.g., La Feria Educativa, Back-to-School Bash, Family Technology Week, etc.)</b>	11%	21%