2007-2008 AISD PARENT SURVEY RESULTS

SIMS ELEMENTARY 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?

	Sims	District EL	District MS	District HS
# of Parents Responding	119	12,493	1,831	1,731
# of Students	425	45,993	16,115	19,522
Ratio of Parent Respondents to Students	**28%**	*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 Sims Parent Respondents	% of Students in Sims Population
African American	36%	45%
Asian	0%	0%
Hispanic	57%	55%
Native American	0%	0%
White	0%	1%

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 Sims Parent Respondents	% of Students in Sims Population
EC	0%	1%
PK	8%	13%
K	23%	13%
1st	24%	14%
2nd	13%	18%
3rd	11%	16%
4th	10%	11%
5th	5%	14%
6th	0%	0%

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

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 SIMS EL

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.

	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	4%	1%	2%
Disagree	9%	2%	2%
Agree	28%	34%	33%
Strongly Agree	59%	63%	63%

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

	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	3%	1%	1%
Disagree	11%	1%	2%
Agree	23%	36%	36%
Strongly Agree	64%	62%	61%

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

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	4%	3%	1%	1%
Disagree	1%	9%	2%	3%
Agree	26%	28%	37%	41%
Strongly Agree	70%	60%	61%	54%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	1%
Disagree	3%	3%
Agree	40%	39%
Strongly Agree	58%	57%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	2%
Agree	43%	36%
Strongly Agree	56%	61%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	2%
Disagree	5%	6%
Agree	46%	52%
Strongly Agree	49%	41%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	2%	2%
Disagree	8%	10%
Agree	45%	50%
Strongly Agree	45%	38%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	3%
Agree	41%	39%
Strongly Agree	58%	57%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	1%
Disagree	2%	3%
Agree	41%	42%
Strongly Agree	58%	54%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All HS 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	1%
Disagree	2%	5%
Agree	49%	44%
Strongly Agree	50%	51%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	1%	2%
Disagree	5%	7%
Agree	46%	45%
Strongly Agree	48%	46%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	2%
Disagree	9%	10%
Agree	47%	45%
Strongly Agree	44%	43%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	3%	2%
Disagree	6%	8%
Agree	46%	49%
Strongly Agree	46%	42%

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

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	7%	3%	2%	1%
Disagree	3%	9%	2%	3%
Agree	23%	30%	45%	43%
Strongly Agree	68%	58%	52%	53%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	10%
Disagree	5%	18%
Agree	50%	42%
Strongly Agree	45%	31%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	0%	11%
Disagree	5%	18%
Agree	51%	40%
Strongly Agree	43%	31%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Strongly Disagree	3%	5%
Disagree	3%	10%
Agree	48%	53%
Strongly Agree	45%	32%

21. The Principal…

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Treats me with courtesy and respect.				
Strongly Disagree	4%	4%	0%	2%
Disagree	0%	9%	3%	2%
Agree	27%	35%	41%	40%
Strongly Agree	69%	52%	55%	56%
Has helped me to become more involved in my child's education.				
Strongly Disagree	6%	3%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	8%	6%	7%
Agree	38%	45%	40%	46%
Strongly Agree	55%	43%	54%	45%
Values my input in academic decisions about my child.				
Strongly Disagree	4%	6%	0%	3%
Disagree	0%	7%	7%	5%
Agree	36%	39%	44%	47%
Strongly Agree	60%	48%	50%	46%
Provides me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)				
Strongly Disagree	4%	3%	1%	2%
Disagree	2%	10%	4%	5%
Agree	34%	36%	42%	43%
Strongly Agree	60%	51%	53%	50%

22. Assistant Principals…

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Treat me with courtesy and respect.				
Strongly Disagree	3%	4%	0%	2%
Disagree	0%	11%	3%	2%
Agree	28%	36%	42%	44%
Strongly Agree	69%	49%	55%	52%
Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.				
Strongly Disagree	5%	3%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	10%	6%	6%
Agree	38%	42%	43%	48%
Strongly Agree	57%	45%	51%	44%
Value my input in academic decisions about my child.				
Strongly Disagree	2%	6%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	9%	5%	5%
Agree	38%	40%	44%	49%
Strongly Agree	59%	45%	51%	44%
Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)				
Strongly Disagree	2%	2%	1%	2%
Disagree	1%	14%	5%	5%
Agree	32%	38%	45%	46%
Strongly Agree	65%	46%	49%	47%

23. Teachers…

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Treat me with courtesy and respect.				
Strongly Disagree	3%	6%	0%	1%
Disagree	0%	8%	3%	1%
Agree	23%	26%	36%	31%
Strongly Agree	75%	61%	61%	67%
Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.				
Strongly Disagree	2%	4%	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	7%	3%	3%
Agree	29%	31%	34%	34%
Strongly Agree	68%	59%	63%	63%
Value my input in academic decisions about my child.				
Strongly Disagree	1%	5%	0%	1%
Disagree	0%	8%	5%	2%
Agree	30%	28%	32%	35%
Strongly Agree	69%	59%	63%	62%
Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)				
Strongly Disagree	3%	3%	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	10%	4%	2%
Agree	24%	33%	31%	32%
Strongly Agree	72%	54%	65%	64%

24. Office Staff…

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Treat me with courtesy and respect.				
Strongly Disagree	2%	5%	1%	1%
Disagree	1%	8%	3%	2%
Agree	35%	35%	43%	44%
Strongly Agree	72%	52%	53%	52%
Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.				
Strongly Disagree	2%	3%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	10%	5%	5%
Agree	38%	43%	44%	47%
Strongly Agree	58%	43%	50%	46%
Value my input in academic decisions about my child.				
Strongly Disagree	0%	5%	1%	2%
Disagree	1%	7%	6%	5%
Agree	40%	35%	43%	47%
Strongly Agree	59%	53%	50%	46%
Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)				
Strongly Disagree	2%	3%	1%	2%
Disagree	1%	12%	5%	4%
Agree	33%	35%	40%	46%
Strongly Agree	64%	50%	54%	47%

25. Counselor(s)…

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Treat me with courtesy and respect.				
Strongly Disagree	2%	4%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	11%	3%	3%
Agree	25%	34%	43%	42%
Strongly Agree	71%	52%	54%	53%
Have helped me to become more involved in my child's education.				
Strongly Disagree	5%	5%	0%	2%
Disagree	1%	11%	4%	7%
Agree	36%	41%	45%	45%
Strongly Agree	44%	44%	51%	46%
Value my input in academic decisions about my child.				
Strongly Disagree	3%	5%	0%	2%
Disagree	0%	8%	4%	6%
Agree	42%	41%	42%	45%
Strongly Agree	56%	45%	54%	46%
Provide me with opportunities for 2-way communication (phone calls, meetings, email, etc.)				
Strongly Disagree	5%	4%	1%	2%
Disagree	1%	11%	6%	5%
Agree	35%	44%	40%	44%
Strongly Agree	60%	42%	53%	49%

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

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Student behavior expectations				
Strongly Disagree	5%	3%	0%	1%
Disagree	0%	10%	3%	2%
Agree	31%	28%	43%	44%
Strongly Agree	64%	60%	54%	53%
Parent involvement policy				
Strongly Disagree	7%	3%	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	11%	3%	3%
Agree	32%	30%	41%	46%
Strongly Agree	60%	56%	56%	50%
Process for handling complaints and concerns				
Strongly Disagree	8%	3%	0%	3%
Disagree	1%	10%	5%	6%
Agree	30%	34%	41%	4%
Strongly Agree	61%	54%	54%	46%

27. School staff provide me with enough information about:

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
My child's academic progress				
Strongly Disagree	5%	4%	0%	1%
Disagree	0%	8%	4%	3%
Agree	22%	28%	35%	41%
Strongly Agree	73%	60%	61%	55%
My child's academic plans and goals				
Strongly Disagree	8%	3%	0%	1%
Disagree	1%	10%	4%	6%
Agree	29%	35%	38%	44%
Strongly Agree	62%	51%	58%	49%
My child's preparedness for TAKS				
Strongly Disagree	8%	5%	1%	2%
Disagree	0%	7%	8%	5%
Agree	28%	33%	36%	45%
Strongly Agree	64%	55%	56%	48%
My child's risk of failing a grade				
Strongly Disagree	9%	6%	1%	2%
Disagree	0%	9%	7%	6%
Agree	24%	29%	37%	44%
Strongly Agree	67%	57%	55%	47%
My child's behavior				
Strongly Disagree	5%	4%	1%	1%
Disagree	0%	10%	3%	3%
Agree	24%	28%	35%	42%
Strongly Agree	71%	58%	60%	55%

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

	Sims 2005-06	Sims 2006-07	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
High school graduation requirements				
Strongly Disagree		9%	1%	4%
Disagree		13%	14%	13%
Agree		42%	35%	45%
Strongly Agree		36%	49%	38%
Personal Graduation Plans (PGPs)				
Strongly Disagree		9%	3%	6%
Disagree		15%	13%	13%
Agree		42%	38%	54%
Strongly Agree		33%	48%	27%
Financial Aid and Scholarships				
Strongly Disagree		7%	4%	5%
Disagree		18%	13%	16%
Agree		41%	38%	45%
Strongly Agree		34%	45%	35%
College admission requirements				
Strongly Disagree		8%	5%	6%
Disagree		18%	11%	17%
Agree		44%	38%	43%
Strongly Agree		30%	46%	34%
Career opportunities				
Strongly Disagree		8%	5%	6%
Disagree		18%	11%	18%
Agree		41%	38%	43%
Strongly Agree		33%	46%	33%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
Availability of tutoring		
Counselors	6%	6%
Office Staff	11%	9%
Teachers	44%	4%
Parent Support Specialists	12%	11%
Parent/family involvement opportunities (e.g., PTA, Campus Advisory Council, school events)		
Counselors	7%	6%
Office Staff	13%	15%
Teachers	23%	36%
Parent Support Specialists	26%	24%
Parent/family resources (e.g., parenting or literacy classes, School-to-Community staff, Parent Support staff)		
Counselors	7%	8%
Office Staff	13%	10%
Teachers	23%	27%
Parent Support Specialists	26%	25%

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

	Sims 2007-08	All ES 2007-08
General school meetings (e.g., open house, Back to School Night, Choice Sheet Night, etc.)	48%	59%
Regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences	72%	75%
School leadership opportunities (e.g., Campus Advisory Council, event committees, etc.)	13%	14%
Parent-Teacher Associates (PTA)/Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA)	23%	31%
Sports or other performance events	39%	36%
Academic events (e.g., science fairs, debate competitions, etc.)	39%	33%
Other special events or conferences (e.g., workshops, Family Night, Learning Walks, etc.)	36%	40%
District-wide events (e.g., La Feria Educativa, Back-to-School Bash, Family Technology Week, etc.)	28%	20%