

## Washoe County School District Parent Survey

In order to make all of the schools in Washoe County School District better, we'd like to know how you feel about your child or your children's school. Your opinions are very valuable to us and we thank you for your time to complete this survey.

1. My child's school tells me about my child's academic progress regularly.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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2. My child's school tells me about my child's attendance and behavior.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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3. At my child's school, teachers, faculty, and staff are available when I need them.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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4. My child's school tells me about changes in the school and its policies and rules.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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5. My child's school explains to me what the policies and rules mean, so that I can understand them.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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6. I know who to talk to if I have a question or concern about policy or rule changes.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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7. I am satisfied with the communication between the school and myself.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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8. My child's school gives me the chance to help make decisions that make the school better.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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9. My child's school respects and listens to all of the parents when decisions are made about the school and its policies.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
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10. I am satisfied with the way parents are included in decisions made about my child's school and its policies, educational practices, etc.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

11. I am satisfied with the way my child's school works with parents.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

12. My child's school gives me the chance to be involved in my child's learning and homework.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

13. My child's school works with parents to make my child's learning better.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

14. I am satisfied with the services provided to help me teach my child.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

15. My child's school works with parents to strengthen our family.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

16. I am satisfied with the services and information provided to help me be a better parent.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

17. My child's school works with parents to improve the school overall.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

18. I feel welcome at my child's school.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Neither Disagree nor Agree      Agree      Strongly Agree

19. From what sources do you get most of your information about school? Check all that apply:

Newsletter       Principal       Newspaper  
 Children       Other school staff       TV  
 Teachers       Friends       Other family members  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Who do you think your child's first teacher is?     Parent     Teacher     Other

21. Who is your child's most important teacher?    \_\_\_Parent    \_\_\_Teacher    \_\_\_Other
22. Is it better to wait and let the teacher teach your child how to read?    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
23. Is it better to wait and let the teacher teach your child how to write?    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
24. Is it better to wait and let the teacher teach your child how to do math?    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
25. In your opinion, does teaching your child at home help your child learn at school?
- No help            Little help            Don't Know            Some help            Yes, it helps
26. I volunteer at my child's school.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
27. Teachers have asked me to volunteer at my child's school.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
28. Other parents have asked me to volunteer at my child's school.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
29. My child's school provides me with information on how to be a better parent.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
30. My child's school offers workshops or classes on how to be a better parent.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
31. I've taken a workshop or class at my child's school on how to be a better parent.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
32. My child's school provides me with resources about other programs in the community that can help me be a better parent.    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No
33. I am the:    \_\_\_Mother    \_\_\_Father    \_\_\_Guardian of this child.
34. What grade is your child(ren) in? Check all that apply.
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|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| ___ Kindergarten          | ___ 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade | ___ 6 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ___ 1 <sup>st</sup> grade | ___ 4 <sup>th</sup> grade | ___ 7 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade | ___ 5 <sup>th</sup> grade | ___ 8 <sup>th</sup> grade |
35. What school(s) does your child(ren) attend? \_\_\_\_\_
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36. How long have you lived in Washoe County?
- 0 to 5 years            6 to 10 years            11 to 20 years            More than 20 years
37. What is your ethnic group?
- Asian/Pacific Islander            Black/African American            Hispanic or Latino
- Native American/Alaskan Native            White/Caucasian            Other

***Thank you for completing our survey!***

### Optional Information

Please complete if you are interested in volunteering or participating in a parent group.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in volunteering at your child's school?     Yes     No

If you would like to volunteer, how would you like to volunteer? Check all that apply.

- Clerical or administrative duties for the school or parent groups
- Helping in the classroom (reading aloud, working with students, etc.)
- Organizing a parent group or school event (open houses, cultural fairs, etc.)
- Supervising student events or field trips
- Participating on an advisory committee (on curriculum and textbooks, for example)
- Talking to students about careers or hobbies
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in attending a class or workshop on how parents can help their children learn?     Yes     No

If you checked "yes," please mark the types of classes or workshops you would like to participate in to learn ways to help your children learn.

- Helping with homework
- Improving skills like reading or math
- Testing programs and what they mean
- English as a second language
- Improving your child's self-image
- Building your own parenting skills
- Helping your child explore career choices
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_