



THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2008 Special Education District 75  
Parent Survey

**We want to know what YOU think about your child's school.** By filling out this survey, you can give your child's school important information about how it can improve your child's education. The results of your survey, along with the results of other parent, teacher, and student surveys from your school, will be reported and counted in your school's Progress Report next fall.

This survey is confidential. No one at your child's school will ever see your individual answers. Your answers will be combined with those of other parents at your child's school to provide information and help the school improve its learning environment. This survey is voluntary, but we hope you will answer as many questions as you can.

You can take this survey online at [schools.nyc.gov/surveys](http://schools.nyc.gov/surveys). Click on Parent Survey and follow the instructions to log in, using the code that appears just above the barcode at the top of this page. If you prefer to use this survey form, please return your completed survey by April 18, 2008. Use the pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided with your survey package or mail to: NYCDOE SURVEYS, PO Box 207915, San Antonio, TX 78220.

If you have more than one child in the same school ... please fill out just **one survey about your oldest child**.

If you have children in two or more New York City schools ... please fill out **one separate survey for each school**.

For more information, visit [schools.nyc.gov/surveys](http://schools.nyc.gov/surveys). To ask questions, or to request this survey in another language, call 311.

Please fill in marks using black ink or pencil like this: ● Not like this: ✗ ○ ⊙ ⊕

1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your child's school?	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Does Not Apply
a. I feel welcome in my child's school.	<input type="radio"/>				
b. I am satisfied with the response I get when I contact my child's school with questions or concerns.	<input type="radio"/>				
c. If my child has a medical problem, appropriate action is taken.	<input type="radio"/>				
d. My child's school provides for my child's dietary and feeding needs.	<input type="radio"/>				
e. My child's school makes it easy for parents to attend meetings by holding them at different times of day or at different locations, providing an interpreter, or in other ways.	<input type="radio"/>				
f. The school lets me know about my child's progress through Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings, progress reports and report cards, behavior sheets, phone calls, communication notebooks, or in other ways.	<input type="radio"/>				

  

2. How often during this school year have you received information:	More than once a month	About once a month	Once every few months	Once or twice this school year	Never
a. about what your child is learning in school?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. about services for your child or for you, such as classes or related services workshops you can take to help your child?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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<b>3. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
a. My child's school offers opportunities for parents to speak with school personnel to explore the positive behavior supports and behavior management skills appropriate for each child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. My child's school offers opportunities for transition planning and connection to adult services agencies.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. My child's school communicates effectively to ensure a smooth transition between school year and summer session.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. <b>Answer this question only if your child's IEP mandates Related Services (physical, speech, occupational, vision, or hearing therapy):</b> If my child's school cannot provide the Related Services mandated on my child's IEP, the school informs me in a timely manner.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. <b>Answer this question only if your child's IEP mandates use of assistive and adaptive technologies or communication devices:</b> My child's school offers parent training on personal use of assistive and adaptive technologies or communication devices.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>4. How often <u>during this school year</u> have you:</b>	<b>More than once a month</b>	<b>About once a month</b>	<b>Once every few months</b>	<b>Once or twice this school year</b>	<b>Never</b>
a. talked with a teacher, paraprofessional, counselor, related services provider or other adult at your child's school to share with them important information about your child?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. talked to a teacher, paraprofessional, counselor, related services provider or other adult at your child's school about how to help your child learn?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. been invited to a workshop, program, performance, or other event at your child's school?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

- 5. What are the best ways for your child's school to get you information about your child's education? (Mark as few or as many as apply.)**
- Mail
  - Paper sent home with your child
  - Phone
  - Parent-Teacher Conferences
  - Parent Association, Parent Teacher Association, or similar meetings
  - E-mail
  - School Website
  - Communication Notebook
  - Other Parents
  - School Staff (Parent Coordinator, Paraprofessionals, Guidance Counselor)
  - IEP Meetings
  - School Bulletin Board
  - Citywide Council on Special Education
  - Community Organizations

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<b>6. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
a. My child's school has high and appropriate expectations for my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. My child's school works to achieve the goals on my child's IEP.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. My child's teachers, therapists, and other school staff give helpful feedback on homework, classwork, therapies and assessments.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. My child is learning what he or she needs to know to succeed in later grades, after graduating from high school, or after age 21.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. My child's school works with me to help my child transition smoothly to the next level.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. My child's school provides instruction that enables my child to reach his or her potential.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. The pace of my child's instruction meets my child's needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. My child's school provides appropriate opportunities for inclusion in general education activities, where mandated by my child's IEP.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

- 7. My child participates in the following courses or activities. (Please mark all that apply.)**
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| <input type="radio"/> Art                        | <input type="radio"/> Music  | <input type="radio"/> Dance                    | <input type="radio"/> Theater    | <input type="radio"/> Foreign Language           |
| <input type="radio"/> Activities of Daily Living | <input type="radio"/> Shop / Industrial Arts   | <input type="radio"/> Vocational Training      | <input type="radio"/> Work/Study | <input type="radio"/> Health, Physical Education |
| <input type="radio"/> Computer Skills/Technology | <input type="radio"/> Inclusion Activities (opportunities for my child to participate in activities with general education students) | <input type="radio"/> None of these activities | <input type="radio"/> Don't Know |  |

<b>8. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
a. My child's school offers a wide enough variety of activities and services (including related services and assistive and adaptive technologies where appropriate) to help improve life outcomes for my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. My child's teachers, therapists, counselors, Related Service providers (if applicable) and I work as a team.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

- 9. Which of the following improvements would you most like your school to make? (Choose ONE)**
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| <input type="radio"/> More effective school leadership  | <input type="radio"/> More hands-on learning      | <input type="radio"/> More or better enrichment programs | <input type="radio"/> More or better arts programs               | <input type="radio"/> More challenging courses                    |
| <input type="radio"/> Better communication with parents | <input type="radio"/> More teacher training       | <input type="radio"/> More Life Skills preparation       | <input type="radio"/> More preparation for state tests           | <input type="radio"/> Less preparation for state tests            |
| <input type="radio"/> Improved related services         | <input type="radio"/> More or better job training | <input type="radio"/> More parent learning opportunities | <input type="radio"/> More or better programs to manage behavior | <input type="radio"/> More or better reading instruction programs |

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<b>10. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
a. My child is safe at school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. My child's school is clean.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Positive behavior supports are used appropriately at my child's school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. The presence and actions of School Safety Agents (security officers) help to promote a safe and respectful learning environment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. School staff treat my child with respect.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. School nurses effectively care for my child's health needs, as required by my child's IEP.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>11. How often do you think the following problems occur at your child's school?</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>Once in a While</b>	<b>Fairly Often</b>	<b>Very Often</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
a. Student-to-student incidents occur.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. There is racial or cultural bias by school staff.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. There is conflict at my child's school based on race, culture, religion, sexual orientation, gender, or disability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Students use alcohol or illegal drugs during school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. There is gang activity in my child's school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>12. How satisfied are you with the following things about your child's school?</b>	<b>Very Satisfied</b>	<b>Satisfied</b>	<b>Unsatisfied</b>	<b>Very Unsatisfied</b>
a. The overall quality of your child's teacher(s), paraprofessionals, therapist(s), counselors, and other school staff.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. The level of assistance your child receives when he or she needs extra help.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. How well your child's school communicates with you.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Your opportunities to be involved in your child's education.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. The educational planning and IEP development process.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. The education and services your child has received this year.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>