

**Arlington Public Schools  
2015 Site Based Survey  
Parents**

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**Wakefield HS**

**Arlington Public Schools in Arlington**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid A (outstanding)	78	38.0	38.0	38.0
B (very good)	111	54.1	54.1	92.2
C (average)	13	6.3	6.3	98.5
D (poor)	1	.5	.5	99.0
F (failing)	2	1.0	1.0	100.0
Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**My child's school.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid A (outstanding)	69	33.7	33.8	33.8
B (very good)	108	52.7	52.9	86.8
C (average)	20	9.8	9.8	96.6
D (poor)	2	1.0	1.0	97.5
F (failing)	5	2.4	2.5	100.0
Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing System	1	.5		
Total	205	100.0		

**The principal of my child's school.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid A (outstanding)	95	46.3	46.6	46.6
B (very good)	79	38.5	38.7	85.3
C (average)	22	10.7	10.8	96.1
D (poor)	2	1.0	1.0	97.1
F (failing)	6	2.9	2.9	100.0
Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing System	1	.5		
Total	205	100.0		

**The teachers at my child's school.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
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	A (outstanding)	65	31.7	32.2	32.2
Valid	B (very good)	101	49.3	50.0	82.2
	C (average)	36	17.6	17.8	100.0
	Total	202	98.5	100.0	
Missing	System	3	1.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child's teachers maintain consistent and high expectations for my child.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	93	45.4	45.6	45.6
	Somewhat agree	83	40.5	40.7	86.3
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	10	4.9	4.9	91.2
	Somewhat disagree	13	6.3	6.4	97.5
	I don't know	5	2.4	2.5	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child is experiencing school-related stress.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	42	20.5	20.7	20.7
	Somewhat agree	76	37.1	37.4	58.1
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	27	13.2	13.3	71.4
	Somewhat disagree	18	8.8	8.9	80.3
	Strongly disagree	35	17.1	17.2	97.5
	I don't know	5	2.4	2.5	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child likes to go to school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	90	43.9	44.3	44.3
	Somewhat agree	70	34.1	34.5	78.8
	Neither agree nor disagree	14	6.8	6.9	85.7

Valid	Somewhat disagree	23	11.2	11.3	97.0
	Strongly disagree	5	2.4	2.5	99.5
	I don't know	1	.5	.5	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child is worried about bullying in the school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	9	4.4	4.4	4.4
	Somewhat agree	22	10.7	10.8	15.2
	Neither agree nor disagree	39	19.0	19.1	34.3
Valid	Somewhat disagree	25	12.2	12.3	46.6
	Strongly disagree	97	47.3	47.5	94.1
	I don't know	12	5.9	5.9	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**I ne teachers give adequate feedback to parents about their child's classroom performance**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	66	32.2	32.4	32.4
	Somewhat agree	57	27.8	27.9	60.3
	Neither agree nor disagree	32	15.6	15.7	76.0
Valid	Somewhat disagree	28	13.7	13.7	89.7
	Strongly disagree	14	6.8	6.9	96.6
	I don't know	7	3.4	3.4	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child feels safe at school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	120	58.5	59.1	59.1
	Somewhat agree	70	34.1	34.5	93.6

Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	6	2.9	3.0	96.6
	Somewhat disagree	4	2.0	2.0	98.5
	Strongly disagree	1	.5	.5	99.0
	I don't know	2	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
Total		205	100.0		

**I feel welcomed at my child's school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	116	56.6	57.1	57.1
	Somewhat agree	67	32.7	33.0	90.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	12	5.9	5.9	96.1
	Somewhat disagree	5	2.4	2.5	98.5
	I don't know	3	1.5	1.5	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
Total		205	100.0		

**In your opinion, how challenging is the overall level of instruction your child is receiving?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very challenging	63	30.7	30.7	30.7
	Somewhat challenging	98	47.8	47.8	78.5
	Just a little bit challenging	27	13.2	13.2	91.7
	Not at all challenging	8	3.9	3.9	95.6
	I don't know	9	4.4	4.4	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**How do you feel about the amount of time your child spends on homework?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	My child spends too much of his or her after-school time on homework	36	17.6	17.6	17.6

Valid	My child spends an appropriate amount of his or her after-school time on homework	124	60.5	60.5	78.0
	My child spends too little of his or her after-school time on homework	39	19.0	19.0	97.1
	I don't know	6	2.9	2.9	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

Please rate your level of satisfaction with the overall quality of instruction that your child is receiving

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very satisfied	85	41.5	41.7	41.7
	Somewhat satisfied	107	52.2	52.5	94.1
	Somewhat dissatisfied	9	4.4	4.4	98.5
	Very dissatisfied	1	.5	.5	99.0
	I don't know	2	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

The principal is responsive to the concerns of parents and the community.

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	104	50.7	50.7	50.7
	Somewhat agree	59	28.8	28.8	79.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	14	6.8	6.8	86.3
	Somewhat disagree	6	2.9	2.9	89.3
	Strongly disagree	3	1.5	1.5	90.7
	I don't know	19	9.3	9.3	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

I collaborate with the staff at my child's school to continue my child's development at home as well as at school

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	67	32.7	32.8	32.8
	Somewhat agree	65	31.7	31.9	64.7

Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	44	21.5	21.6	86.3
	Somewhat disagree	11	5.4	5.4	91.7
	Strongly disagree	9	4.4	4.4	96.1
	I don't know	8	3.9	3.9	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**APS encourages me to be an advocate for my child's education.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	74	36.1	36.3	36.3
	Somewhat agree	71	34.6	34.8	71.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	42	20.5	20.6	91.7
	Somewhat disagree	9	4.4	4.4	96.1
	Strongly disagree	2	1.0	1.0	97.1
	I don't know	6	2.9	2.9	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**I can easily access information regarding my child's school using the internet.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	106	51.7	52.0	52.0
	Somewhat agree	69	33.7	33.8	85.8
	Neither agree nor disagree	15	7.3	7.4	93.1
	Somewhat disagree	6	2.9	2.9	96.1
	Strongly disagree	3	1.5	1.5	97.5
	I don't know	5	2.4	2.5	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**APS has the technology to support both in- and out- of school learning for my child.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	106	51.7	52.0	52.0

	Somewhat agree	63	30.7	30.9	82.8
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	19	9.3	9.3	92.2
	Somewhat disagree	5	2.4	2.5	94.6
	Strongly disagree	3	1.5	1.5	96.1
	I don't know	8	3.9	3.9	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**I have an opportunity to provide input on policies, practices, and programs.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	51	24.9	24.9	24.9
	Somewhat agree	69	33.7	33.7	58.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	56	27.3	27.3	85.9
	Somewhat disagree	13	6.3	6.3	92.2
	Strongly disagree	3	1.5	1.5	93.7
	I don't know	13	6.3	6.3	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**I feel valued at my child's school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	71	34.6	34.8	34.8
	Somewhat agree	70	34.1	34.3	69.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	49	23.9	24.0	93.1
	Somewhat disagree	7	3.4	3.4	96.6
	Strongly disagree	1	.5	.5	97.1
	I don't know	6	2.9	2.9	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**There is an atmosphere of open communication at my child's school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	66	32.2	33.0	33.0

	Somewhat agree	96	46.8	48.0	81.0
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	18	8.8	9.0	90.0
	Somewhat disagree	11	5.4	5.5	95.5
	Strongly disagree	1	.5	.5	96.0
	I don't know	8	3.9	4.0	100.0
	Total	200	97.6	100.0	
Missing	System	5	2.4		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My child has enough information to complete his/her homework by himself/herself.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	95	46.3	46.6	46.6
	Somewhat agree	81	39.5	39.7	86.3
	Neither agree nor disagree	17	8.3	8.3	94.6
	Somewhat disagree	8	3.9	3.9	98.5
	I don't know	3	1.5	1.5	100.0
	Total	204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
	Total	205	100.0		

**my child's school does a good job of getting important school information to parents/guardians**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	92	44.9	44.9	44.9
	Somewhat agree	71	34.6	34.6	79.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	18	8.8	8.8	88.3
	Somewhat disagree	18	8.8	8.8	97.1
	Strongly disagree	2	1.0	1.0	98.0
	I don't know	4	2.0	2.0	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**my child's schoolwork develops life skills, such as teamwork, collaboration, time management, goal setting, community service and arts appreciation**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	72	35.1	35.8	35.8
	Somewhat agree	75	36.6	37.3	73.1



Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	25	12.2	12.4	85.6
	Somewhat disagree	16	7.8	8.0	93.5
	Strongly disagree	2	1.0	1.0	94.5
	I don't know	11	5.4	5.5	100.0
	Total	201	98.0	100.0	
Missing	System	4	2.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**My tax dollars are being well spent by the Arlington Public School System.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	73	35.6	36.3	36.3
	Somewhat agree	77	37.6	38.3	74.6
	Neither agree nor disagree	22	10.7	10.9	85.6
	Somewhat disagree	15	7.3	7.5	93.0
	Strongly disagree	4	2.0	2.0	95.0
	I don't know	10	4.9	5.0	100.0
	Total	201	98.0	100.0	
Missing	System	4	2.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**my PIA collaborates with the community to expand learning opportunities, community services, and civic participation**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	65	31.7	32.0	32.0
	Somewhat agree	57	27.8	28.1	60.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	32	15.6	15.8	75.9
	Somewhat disagree	10	4.9	4.9	80.8
	Strongly disagree	7	3.4	3.4	84.2
	I don't know	32	15.6	15.8	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**in your opinion, how respectful is your child's school of cultural differences? would you say**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very respectful	146	71.2	71.2	71.2

Valid	Somewhat respectful	43	21.0	21.0	92.2
	Not at all respectful	2	1.0	1.0	93.2
	I don't know	14	6.8	6.8	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**in your opinion, how respectful is your child's school of language differences? would you say**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very respectful	130	63.4	63.7	63.7
	Somewhat respectful	46	22.4	22.5	86.3
	Not at all respectful	1	.5	.5	86.8
	I don't know	27	13.2	13.2	100.0
Total		204	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
Total		205	100.0		

**in your opinion, how respectful is your child's school of racial or ethnic differences? would you say**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very respectful	150	73.2	73.2	73.2
	Somewhat respectful	37	18.0	18.0	91.2
	Not at all respectful	4	2.0	2.0	93.2
	I don't know	14	6.8	6.8	100.0
Total		205	100.0	100.0	

**I am aware of the healthy choices available for my student's snacks, meals, and beverages at school**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	49	23.9	24.1	24.1
	Somewhat agree	53	25.9	26.1	50.2
	Neither agree nor disagree	33	16.1	16.3	66.5
	Somewhat disagree	24	11.7	11.8	78.3
	Strongly disagree	13	6.3	6.4	84.7
	I don't know	31	15.1	15.3	100.0
Total		203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
Total		205	100.0		

**APS helps students live healthy lives through physical education, nutritious school lunches and limiting junk food on school property.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	40	19.5	19.7	19.7
	Somewhat agree	84	41.0	41.4	61.1
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	21	10.2	10.3	71.4
	Somewhat disagree	20	9.8	9.9	81.3
	Strongly disagree	14	6.8	6.9	88.2
	I don't know	24	11.7	11.8	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**The amount of time my student spends doing physical activities in school has...**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Increased from last year	32	15.6	15.6	15.6
Valid	Stayed about the same as last year	108	52.7	52.7	68.3
	Decreased from last year	39	19.0	19.0	87.3
	I don't know	26	12.7	12.7	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	

**Black and Hispanic students generally score lower on standardized tests than white students. In your opinion, how important do you think it is to close this academic gap for**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very important	131	63.9	64.5	64.5
	Somewhat important	22	10.7	10.8	75.4
Valid	Just a little bit important	15	7.3	7.4	82.8
	Not at all important	8	3.9	3.9	86.7
	I don't know	27	13.2	13.3	100.0
	Total	203	99.0	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.0		
	Total	205	100.0		

**Please indicate the grade level of your oldest child in this school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	7th grade	1	.5	.5	.5
	8th grade	2	1.0	1.0	1.5
	9th grade	66	32.2	32.2	33.7

Valid	10th grade	52	25.4	25.4	59.0
	11th grade	42	20.5	20.5	79.5
	12th grade	42	20.5	20.5	100.0
	Total	205	100.0	100.0	