Top 5 Most Helpful Ways for Schools to Engage with Parents/Families

1. Provide parents with multiple measures on how their child is doing academically - 79% ex/very helpful, 40% done
2. Respond within 48 hrs of when parents/families submit questions/comments - 74% ex/very helpful, 36% done
3. Provide accommodations to allow parents/families w/ disabilities to access info...engage with the school - 71% ex/very helpful, 30% done
4. Provide training for teachers/staff on how to eliminate bias in how they engage w/ parents/families - 71% ex/very helpful, 14% done
5. Give teachers dedicated time in their day to communicate with students’ families - 69% ex/very helpful, 21% done

How Welcoming is the School Environment

- Very Welcoming (4 to 5) - 42%
- Somewhat Welcoming (2 to 3) - 38%
- Neutral/Unwelcoming (1 to 5) - 21%

Agree/Disagree Statements (% Strongly/Somewhat Agree)

- I feel like the teachers, faculty, and staff at my child’s school respect me - 78%
- When I share feedback or concerns with my child’s school, I feel like my input is heard and listened to - 69%

48% rate last year’s parent-teacher conferences as excellent or very good

57% say their child’s school makes it easy to share thoughts with school administration

64% say their child’s school makes it easy to share thoughts with teachers

44% are very confident they know who to ask or how to find information from their child’s school

% Rates Their Child’s School as Excellent

- Communicating w/ me in ways I can access easily - 21%
- Providing academic updates to see if child on grade level - 24%
- Being responsive to my questions/concerns - 20%
- Helping me get to know school staff - 16%

The teachers at my school could do a better job giving parents/families honest feedback about their children

50% agree

My child’s school relies too much on technology like apps, texting, and mass e-mails to communicate with me

49% agree