

# Sample High School Parent Survey 2008 - 2009

## Demographics

### Q1 What is your ethnicity?

2.4% *American Indian/ Alaskan Native*

2.4% *Asian*

2.4% *African American*

0.0% *East Indian*

14.3% *Hispanic/Latino*

0.0% *Pacific Islander*

64.3% *White (not of Hispanic origin)*

7.1% *Decline not to state*

7.1% *Ethnicity not mentioned here*

■ *What is your ethnicity?* 100.0%

### Q2 How many children do you have attending Sample High School for the 2008 - 09 school year?

76.2% <sup>1</sup>

21.4% <sup>2</sup>

0.0% <sup>3</sup>

2.4% *More than 3*

### Q3 Which languages are spoken at home? (Mark all that apply.)

95.2% *English*

0.0% *Punjabi*

0.0% *Russian*

4.8% *Spanish*

0.0% *Ukrainian*

14.3% *Other*

■ *What are the other languages spoken at home?* 100.0%

# Demographics

**Q4** What is your education level? At least one adult in our household has:

- 0.0% *Not a high school graduate*
- 7.1% *High school graduate*
- 28.6% *Some college*
- 47.6% *College graduate*
- 16.7% *Grad school*
- 0.0% *Decline to state*

**Q5** What is your expectation for your child after graduation?

- 54.8% *Four-year college or university*
- 26.2% *Two-year college, then transfer to a four-year college*
- 7.1% *Two-year college, trade, or vocational school*
- 2.4% *Directly to work*
- 0.0% *Military*
- 9.5% *Undecided/Other*

**Q6** An adult in our family is involved with: (mark all that apply)

- 21.4% *Sample High School's Athletic Boosters*
- 0.0% *Sample High School's Music Boosters*
- 21.4% *Sample High School's Parents' Club*
- 0.0% *Sample High School's English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC)*
- 2.4% *Sample High School's Site Council*
- 0.0% *Sample High School Alumni Association*
- 4.8% *Sample's Athletic Boosters Organization*

# Parent-Student Relationships

**Q7** For the following questions, please indicate how you feel.

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>
Q7a	I regularly communicate with my child about his/her experiences at school.	88.1%	9.5%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Q7b	I expect my child to do homework	95.2%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Q7c	My child feels safe at Sample High School.	35.7%	50.0%	9.5%	2.4%	2.4%

## School function, purpose, and goals

**Q8** For the following questions, please indicate how you feel.

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Disagree Strongly</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
Q8a	The attendance monitoring system (recorded phone calls) is helpful.	61.9%	31.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.1%
Q8b	The discipline policy is fair in both content and application.	26.2%	31.0%	4.8%	9.5%	26.2%
Q8c	Students and parents receive useful, clear, and timely information from the school.	31.0%	40.5%	19.0%	7.1%	2.4%
Q8d	Adequate translations of written material and interpreters at meetings are available as necessary.	23.8%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	59.5%
Q8e	I am aware of Sample High School's Mission Statement.	28.6%	28.6%	26.2%	9.5%	7.1%
Q8f	I am aware of Sample High School's Vision Statements.	26.2%	31.0%	23.8%	9.5%	9.5%
Q8g	I am aware of the ESLRs (Expected Schoolwide Learning Results).	19.0%	38.1%	23.8%	7.1%	11.9%

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**Q9** How do you receive information about Sample High School:  
(select all that apply)

76.2% *Website*

54.8% *Phone system*

69.0% *Newsletter*

9.5% *Electronic marquee*

81.0% *From my child*

**Q10** I wish I received more information about:  
(select all that apply)

38.1% *School events and activities*

31.0% *My child's academic progress*

42.9% *Planning for career or attending college after graduation*

0.0% *My child's attendance (Please call the Attendance Office at 555-5555 if you would like more information.)*

4.8% *My child's discipline record*

*If you would like information about something else, please tell us what you would like to know.* 11.9%

**Q11 How useful is the phone notification system that calls home for daily student absences and reminders for events (i.e., Back to School Night, STAR testing, etc.)?**

- 57.1% *Very useful*
- 31.0% *Useful*
- 7.1% *Somewhat Useful*
- 2.4% *Not useful*
- 2.4% *No Opinion*

## School perceptions and interactions

**Q12 Please evaluate each statement.**

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Not Applicable</i>
Q12a	The discipline policy is fair and consistent.	11.9%	38.1%	11.9%	2.4%	35.7%
Q12b	The students in classes are usually well behaved.	9.5%	42.9%	19.0%	2.4%	23.8%
Q12c	Cultural, ethnic, and social difference are respected and valued at SHS.	23.8%	42.9%	2.4%	2.4%	28.6%
Q12d	SHS provides a safe and secure place for students to learn.	26.2%	64.3%	2.4%	2.4%	4.8%
Q12e	Facilities are cleaned and well maintained.	19.0%	50.0%	21.4%	4.8%	4.8%
Q12f	The cafeteria provides food choices that students like.	11.9%	50.0%	11.9%	7.1%	16.7%

## Interactions with Teachers, Administrators, or Staff

**Q13 Please evaluate each statement.**

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Not Applicable</i>
Q13a	The teachers, administrators, and staff treat students fairly and with respect.	28.6%	52.4%	14.3%	2.4%	2.4%
Q13b	Teachers are available during non-class time to answer questions or to assist students with their studies.	28.6%	61.9%	9.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Q13c	Teachers are responsive to me when I call to ask questions or seek help.	42.9%	40.5%	9.5%	4.8%	2.4%

## Working with Counselors

### Q14 Please evaluate each statement.

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Not Applicable</i>
Q14a	The guidance counselors are available to answer my questions and listen to my concerns.	31.0%	50.0%	2.4%	4.8%	11.9%
Q14b	My student has reviewed a four-year academic plan with his/her counselor.	33.3%	35.7%	14.3%	4.8%	9.5%
Q14c	I would like to meet with my student's counselor to create a four-year academic plan.	28.6%	21.4%	16.7%	2.4%	28.6%
Q14d	I understand how to read a high school transcript.	73.8%	19.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Q14e	I know what the UC/CSU a-g certified course list is.	64.3%	23.8%	4.8%	2.4%	0.0%

## Opportunities for student involvement on campus

### Q15 Please evaluate each statement.

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Not Applicable</i>
Q15a	SHS offers students a wide variety of extra-curricular clubs, sports, events, and activities.	40.5%	50.0%	2.4%	0.0%	7.1%
Q15b	I am well informed about the student activities and events at SHS.	31.0%	31.0%	26.2%	0.0%	11.9%
Q15c	Students are proud to attend SHS.	40.5%	42.9%	7.1%	2.4%	7.1%

## Academic opportunities or resources

### Q16 Please evaluate each statement.

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Don't know</i>
Q16a	I feel that the school curriculum and classroom activities are challenging.	28.6%	52.4%	11.9%	0.0%	4.8%
Q16b	The classrooms are adequately equipped and conducive to learning.	19.0%	59.5%	9.5%	0.0%	11.9%
Q16c	Students have adequate academic resources (textbooks, handouts, other instructional materials).	21.4%	66.7%	7.1%	2.4%	2.4%
Q16d	Students are aware of the California Content Standards that are being taught in each class.	14.3%	50.0%	14.3%	2.4%	19.0%
Q16e	I am aware of the California Content Standards that are being taught in each class.	14.3%	54.8%	21.4%	2.4%	7.1%

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<b>Q17 Please evaluate each statement.</b>		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Don't know</i>
Q17a	I am aware of the support systems available at SHS - tutorial, advisory, after school program, etc.	35.7%	45.2%	11.9%	7.1%	0.0%
Q17b	The school library is a resource students use to expand what they learn in the classroom.	21.4%	42.9%	14.3%	4.8%	16.7%
Q17c	SHS provides opportunities for students to use technology and prepares students for the technological demands of society.	21.4%	38.1%	14.3%	0.0%	26.2%
Q17d	Overall, teachers give homework that is meaningful and allows students to practice what they have learned in class.	14.3%	71.4%	9.5%	0.0%	4.8%
Q17e	Sample teachers have high expectations for academic achievement of all students.	23.8%	52.4%	9.5%	2.4%	11.9%
Q17f	Sample High School provides opportunities for students to interact with technology and prepares students for the technological demands of society.	16.7%	52.4%	9.5%	0.0%	21.4%

## School academics

<b>Q18 Please evaluate each statement.</b>		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Disagree Strongly</i>	<i>No Opinion/ Does Not Apply</i>
Q18a	The curriculum in general supports my educational goals for my student.	28.6%	59.5%	7.1%	0.0%	4.8%
Q18b	The academic level is challenging and appropriate for my student.	26.2%	57.1%	14.3%	0.0%	2.4%
Q18c	I am satisfied with the quality of teacher instruction.	26.2%	57.1%	11.9%	0.0%	4.8%
Q18d	My parent - teacher relationship meets my expectation.	28.6%	45.2%	11.9%	7.1%	7.1%
Q18e	The school adequately informs my family of my student's options after high school.	23.8%	33.3%	31.0%	4.8%	7.1%
Q18f	The amount of homework is grade level appropriate.	21.4%	66.7%	9.5%	0.0%	2.4%
Q18g	There are adequate means for me to be involved in my student's school experience.	23.8%	57.1%	9.5%	2.4%	7.1%

## Opinions on academic courses

**Q19 For the following questions, please indicate how you feel.**

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>
Q19a	The English courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child	28.6%	45.2%	9.5%	0.0%	16.7%
Q19b	The History/Social Science courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	23.8%	52.4%	2.4%	0.0%	21.4%
Q19c	The Math courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	26.2%	54.8%	9.5%	0.0%	9.5%
Q19d	The Science courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	31.0%	52.4%	2.4%	0.0%	11.9%
Q19e	The Foreign Language courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	23.8%	42.9%	7.1%	2.4%	23.8%

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**Q20 For the following questions, please indicate how you feel.**

		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
Q20a	The Visual and Performing Arts courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	28.6%	42.9%	14.3%	0.0%	14.3%
Q20b	The Special Education courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	14.3%	4.8%	2.4%	2.4%	76.2%
Q20c	The Physical Education courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	21.4%	42.9%	11.9%	0.0%	23.8%
Q20d	The Elective courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child.	26.2%	40.5%	19.0%	0.0%	14.3%
Q20e	The Advanced Placement (AP) courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child	23.8%	26.2%	9.5%	0.0%	40.5%
Q20f	The AVID courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child	9.5%	7.1%	7.1%	0.0%	76.2%
Q20g	The English Learner Development (ELD) courses offered at Sample High School adequately meet the academic needs of my child	9.5%	2.4%	4.8%	2.4%	81.0%

## Campus Setting and Relationships

<b>Q21</b>	<b>For the following questions, please indicate how you feel.</b>	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>
Q21a	The teachers, administrators, and staff treat students with respect.	28.6%	45.2%	16.7%	2.4%	7.1%
Q21b	On average, class sizes are reasonable.	11.9%	57.1%	21.4%	2.4%	7.1%
Q21c	The classrooms are adequately equipped and conducive to learning	16.7%	57.1%	14.3%	0.0%	11.9%
Q21d	Sample High School fosters self-confidence and creativity in students	19.0%	45.2%	16.7%	4.8%	14.3%
Q21e	Sample High School provides guidance and support in helping students to be successful in academic, career, and life choices.	28.6%	40.5%	11.9%	7.1%	11.9%

## Overall rating and final comments

**Q22**      **My overall rating of SHS is:**

- 31.0% *A*
- 50.0% *B*
- 14.3% *C*
- 4.8% *D*
- 0.0% *F*

**Q23**      **Please share any comments you have about Sample High School.**

42.9%