

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

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**Arlington Science Focus ES**

**Arlington Public Schools in Arlington**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A (outstanding)	87	48.3	48.3
	B (very good)	89	49.4	97.8
	C (average)	3	1.7	99.4
	D (poor)	1	.6	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0

**My child's school.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A (outstanding)	106	58.9	58.9
	B (very good)	57	31.7	90.6
	C (average)	2	1.1	91.7
	D (poor)	2	1.1	92.8
	F (failing)	13	7.2	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A (outstanding)	101	56.1	56.1
	B (very good)	53	29.4	85.6
	C (average)	11	6.1	91.7
	F (failing)	15	8.3	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A (outstanding)	98	54.4	54.4
	B (very good)	60	33.3	87.8
	C (average)	10	5.6	93.3
	D (poor)	2	1.1	94.4
	F (failing)	10	5.6	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	116	64.4	65.9	65.9
	Somewhat agree	49	27.2	27.8	93.8
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	3	1.7	1.7	95.5
	Somewhat disagree	5	2.8	2.8	98.3
	Strongly disagree	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
	Total	176	97.8	100.0	
Missing	System	4	2.2		
	Total	180	100.0		

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	23	12.8	12.9	12.9
	Somewhat agree	53	29.4	29.8	42.7
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	16	8.9	9.0	51.7
	Somewhat disagree	27	15.0	15.2	66.9
	Strongly disagree	46	25.6	25.8	92.7
	I don't know	13	7.2	7.3	100.0
	Total	178	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
	Total	180	100.0		

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	95	52.8	52.8	52.8
	Somewhat agree	56	31.1	31.1	83.9
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	7	3.9	3.9	87.8
	Somewhat disagree	8	4.4	4.4	92.2
	Strongly disagree	3	1.7	1.7	93.9
	I don't know	11	6.1	6.1	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	8	4.4	4.5	4.5

	Somewhat agree	16	8.9	9.0	13.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	36	20.0	20.2	33.7
Valid	Somewhat disagree	28	15.6	15.7	49.4
	Strongly disagree	79	43.9	44.4	93.8
	I don't know	11	6.1	6.2	100.0
	Total	178	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
	Total	180	100.0		

**The teachers give adequate feedback to parents about their child's classroom performance.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	76	42.2	42.2	42.2
	Somewhat agree	74	41.1	41.1	83.3
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	13	7.2	7.2	90.6
	Somewhat disagree	11	6.1	6.1	96.7
	Strongly disagree	6	3.3	3.3	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

**My child feels safe at school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	147	81.7	81.7	81.7
	Somewhat agree	25	13.9	13.9	95.6
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	4	2.2	2.2	97.8
	Somewhat disagree	1	.6	.6	98.3
	Strongly disagree	1	.6	.6	98.9
	I don't know	2	1.1	1.1	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	127	70.6	70.6	70.6
	Somewhat agree	35	19.4	19.4	90.0
Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	7	3.9	3.9	93.9
	Somewhat disagree	2	1.1	1.1	95.0

Strongly disagree	6	3.3	3.3	98.3
I don't know	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Very challenging	67	37.2	37.2	37.2
Somewhat challenging	82	45.6	45.6	82.8
Just a little bit challenging	23	12.8	12.8	95.6
Not at all challenging	5	2.8	2.8	98.3
I don't know	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
Total	180	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	56	31.1	31.1	31.1
My child spends an appropriate amount of his or her after-school time on homework	113	62.8	62.8	93.9
My child spends too little of his or her after-school time on homework	7	3.9	3.9	97.8
I don't know	4	2.2	2.2	100.0
Total	180	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
Very satisfied	127	70.6	70.6	70.6
Somewhat satisfied	45	25.0	25.0	95.6
Somewhat dissatisfied	6	3.3	3.3	98.9
Very dissatisfied	1	.6	.6	99.4
I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Strongly agree	100	55.6	55.6	55.6
Somewhat agree	44	24.4	24.4	80.0
Neither agree nor disagree	6	3.3	3.3	83.3
Somewhat disagree	12	6.7	6.7	90.0
Strongly disagree	5	2.8	2.8	92.8
I don't know	13	7.2	7.2	100.0
Total	180	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	78	43.3	43.3	43.3
Somewhat agree	84	46.7	46.7	90.0
Neither agree nor disagree	10	5.6	5.6	95.6
Somewhat disagree	4	2.2	2.2	97.8
Strongly disagree	2	1.1	1.1	98.9
I don't know	2	1.1	1.1	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Strongly agree	71	39.4	39.4	39.4
Somewhat agree	64	35.6	35.6	75.0
Neither agree nor disagree	25	13.9	13.9	88.9
Somewhat disagree	8	4.4	4.4	93.3
Strongly disagree	6	3.3	3.3	96.7
I don't know	6	3.3	3.3	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Strongly agree	69	38.3	38.8	38.8
Somewhat agree	69	38.3	38.8	77.5
Neither agree nor disagree	19	10.6	10.7	88.2

Valid	Somewhat disagree	12	6.7	6.7	94.9
	Strongly disagree	7	3.9	3.9	98.9
	I don't know	2	1.1	1.1	100.0
	Total	178	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
	Total	180	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	73	40.6	40.6	40.6
	Somewhat agree	61	33.9	33.9	74.4
	Neither agree nor disagree	21	11.7	11.7	86.1
Valid	Somewhat disagree	9	5.0	5.0	91.1
	Strongly disagree	6	3.3	3.3	94.4
	I don't know	10	5.6	5.6	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	38	21.1	21.2	21.2
	Somewhat agree	61	33.9	34.1	55.3
	Neither agree nor disagree	36	20.0	20.1	75.4
Valid	Somewhat disagree	14	7.8	7.8	83.2
	Strongly disagree	15	8.3	8.4	91.6
	I don't know	15	8.3	8.4	100.0
	Total	179	99.4	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.6		
	Total	180	100.0		

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Strongly agree	79	43.9	43.9	43.9
	Somewhat agree	56	31.1	31.1	75.0
	Neither agree nor disagree	25	13.9	13.9	88.9
Valid	Somewhat disagree	10	5.6	5.6	94.4
	Strongly disagree	7	3.9	3.9	98.3

I don't know	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Strongly agree	80	44.4	44.7	44.7
Somewhat agree	60	33.3	33.5	78.2
Neither agree nor disagree	15	8.3	8.4	86.6
Somewhat disagree	11	6.1	6.1	92.7
Strongly disagree	10	5.6	5.6	98.3
I don't know	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
Total	179	99.4	100.0	
Missing System	1	.6		
Total	180	100.0		

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Strongly agree	90	50.0	50.0	50.0
Somewhat agree	62	34.4	34.4	84.4
Neither agree nor disagree	12	6.7	6.7	91.1
Somewhat disagree	11	6.1	6.1	97.2
Strongly disagree	5	2.8	2.8	100.0
Total	180	100.0	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	124	68.9	68.9	68.9
Somewhat agree	42	23.3	23.3	92.2
Neither agree nor disagree	6	3.3	3.3	95.6
Somewhat disagree	8	4.4	4.4	100.0
Total	180	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
Valid Strongly agree	86	47.8	47.8	47.8
Somewhat agree	61	33.9	33.9	81.7

Valid	Neither agree nor disagree	19	10.6	10.6	92.2
	Somewhat disagree	10	5.6	5.6	97.8
	Strongly disagree	3	1.7	1.7	99.4
	I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	98	54.4	54.7	54.7
	Somewhat agree	52	28.9	29.1	83.8
	Neither agree nor disagree	17	9.4	9.5	93.3
	Somewhat disagree	6	3.3	3.4	96.6
	Strongly disagree	3	1.7	1.7	98.3
	I don't know	3	1.7	1.7	100.0
	Total	179	99.4	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.6		
	Total	180	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	53	29.4	29.4	29.4
	Somewhat agree	66	36.7	36.7	66.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	35	19.4	19.4	85.6
	Somewhat disagree	6	3.3	3.3	88.9
	Strongly disagree	3	1.7	1.7	90.6
	I don't know	17	9.4	9.4	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	100.0	

**In your opinion, how respectful is your child's school of cultural differences? Would you say...**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very respectful	137	76.1	76.1	76.1
	Somewhat respectful	32	17.8	17.8	93.9
	Not at all respectful	4	2.2	2.2	96.1
	I don't know	7	3.9	3.9	100.0
	Total	180	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	108	60.0	60.0	60.0
	Somewhat respectful	27	15.0	15.0	75.0
	Not at all respectful	2	1.1	1.1	76.1
	I don't know	43	23.9	23.9	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	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	133	73.9	73.9	73.9
	Somewhat respectful	31	17.2	17.2	91.1
	Not at all respectful	4	2.2	2.2	93.3
	I don't know	12	6.7	6.7	100.0
	Total	180	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	57	31.7	31.7	31.7
	Somewhat agree	60	33.3	33.3	65.0
	Neither agree nor disagree	24	13.3	13.3	78.3
	Somewhat disagree	15	8.3	8.3	86.7
	Strongly disagree	6	3.3	3.3	90.0
	I don't know	18	10.0	10.0	100.0
	Total	180	100.0	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	
Valid	Strongly agree	67	37.2	37.4	37.4
	Somewhat agree	57	31.7	31.8	69.3
	Neither agree nor disagree	19	10.6	10.6	79.9
	Somewhat disagree	16	8.9	8.9	88.8
	Strongly disagree	8	4.4	4.5	93.3
	I don't know	12	6.7	6.7	100.0
	Total	179	99.4	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.6		

Total	180	100.0		
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**The amount of time my student spends doing physical activities in school has...**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Increased from last year	19	10.6	10.6	10.6
Valid Stayed about the same as last year	97	53.9	53.9	64.4
Valid Decreased from last year	24	13.3	13.3	77.8
Valid I don't know	40	22.2	22.2	100.0
Total	180	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 these groups of students?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very important	100	55.6	56.2	56.2
Valid Somewhat important	36	20.0	20.2	76.4
Valid Just a little bit important	14	7.8	7.9	84.3
Valid Not at all important	5	2.8	2.8	87.1
Valid I don't know	23	12.8	12.9	100.0
Total	178	98.9	100.0	
Missing System	2	1.1		
Total	180	100.0		

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Pre-kindergarten	5	2.8	2.8	2.8
Valid Kindergarten	24	13.3	13.3	16.1
Valid 1st grade	31	17.2	17.2	33.3
Valid 2nd grade	27	15.0	15.0	48.3
Valid 3rd grade	25	13.9	13.9	62.2
Valid 4th grade	33	18.3	18.3	80.6
Valid 5th grade	26	14.4	14.4	95.0
Valid 6th grade	2	1.1	1.1	96.1
Valid 8th grade	1	.6	.6	96.7
Valid 10th grade	2	1.1	1.1	97.8
Valid 12th grade	4	2.2	2.2	100.0
Total	180	100.0	100.0	