

**Arlington Public Schools  
2013 Site Based Survey  
Parents**

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**Arlington Science Focus ES**

Please indicate the grade level of your oldest child in t...

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Kindergarten	25	15.6	15.6	15.6
	1st grade	22	13.8	13.8	29.4
	2nd grade	28	17.5	17.5	46.9
	3rd grade	26	16.3	16.3	63.1
	4th grade	24	15.0	15.0	78.1
	5th grade	29	18.1	18.1	96.3
	6th grade	1	.6	.6	96.9
	8th grade	1	.6	.6	97.5
	9th grade	3	1.9	1.9	99.4
	12th grade	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**Arlington Public Schools in Arlington.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A (outstanding)	55	34.4	34.4	34.4
	B (very good)	99	61.9	61.9	96.3
	C (average)	6	3.8	3.8	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**My child's school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	1	.6	.6	.6
	A (outstanding)	101	63.1	63.1	63.8
	B (very good)	48	30.0	30.0	93.8
	C (average)	8	5.0	5.0	98.8
	D (poor)	1	.6	.6	99.4
	F (failing)	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	1	.6	.6	.6
	A (outstanding)	112	70.0	70.0	70.6
	B (very good)	35	21.9	21.9	92.5
	C (average)	8	5.0	5.0	97.5
	D (poor)	2	1.3	1.3	98.8
	F (failing)	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	1	.6	.6	.6
	A (outstanding)	87	54.4	54.4	55.0
	B (very good)	59	36.9	36.9	91.9
	C (average)	11	6.9	6.9	98.8
	D (poor)	1	.6	.6	99.4
	F (failing)	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Strongly agree	100	62.5	62.5	62.5
Somewhat agree	39	24.4	24.4	86.9
Neither agree nor disagree	4	2.5	2.5	89.4
Somewhat disagree	4	2.5	2.5	91.9
Strongly disagree	2	1.3	1.3	93.1
Not asked	11	6.9	6.9	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Strongly agree	25	15.6	15.6	15.6
Somewhat agree	39	24.4	24.4	40.0
Neither agree nor disagree	24	15.0	15.0	55.0
Somewhat disagree	20	12.5	12.5	67.5
Strongly disagree	44	27.5	27.5	95.0
I don't know	8	5.0	5.0	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Strongly agree	92	57.5	57.5	57.5
Somewhat agree	49	30.6	30.6	88.1
Neither agree nor disagree	5	3.1	3.1	91.3
Somewhat disagree	12	7.5	7.5	98.8
Strongly disagree	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
	Somewhat agree	19	11.9	11.9	15.0
	Neither agree nor disagree	30	18.8	18.8	33.8
	Somewhat disagree	29	18.1	18.1	51.9
	Strongly disagree	67	41.9	41.9	93.8
	I don't know	10	6.3	6.3	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	72	45.0	45.0	45.0
	Somewhat agree	66	41.3	41.3	86.3
	Neither agree nor disagree	5	3.1	3.1	89.4
	Somewhat disagree	10	6.3	6.3	95.6
	Strongly disagree	7	4.4	4.4	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**My child feels safe at school.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	124	77.5	77.5	77.5
	Somewhat agree	32	20.0	20.0	97.5
	Strongly disagree	1	.6	.6	98.1
	I don't know	3	1.9	1.9	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly agree	114	71.3	71.3	71.3
	Somewhat agree	33	20.6	20.6	91.9
	Neither agree nor disagree	5	3.1	3.1	95.0
	Somewhat disagree	4	2.5	2.5	97.5
	Strongly disagree	4	2.5	2.5	100.0
	Total	160	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
Valid	Very challenging	52	32.5	32.5	32.5
	Somewhat challenging	81	50.6	50.6	83.1
	Just a little bit challenging	22	13.8	13.8	96.9
	Not at all challenging	4	2.5	2.5	99.4
	I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	1	.6	.6	.6
	My child spends too much of his or her after-school time on homework.	40	25.0	25.0	25.6
	My child spends an appropriate amount of his or her after-school time on homework.	103	64.4	64.4	90.0
	My child spends too little of his or her after-school time on homework.	14	8.8	8.8	98.8
	I don't know	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	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	101	63.1	63.1	63.1
	Somewhat satisfied	50	31.3	31.3	94.4
	Somewhat dissatisfied	6	3.8	3.8	98.1
	Very dissatisfied	2	1.3	1.3	99.4
	I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**Math.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
	Very satisfied	83	51.9	51.9	55.0
	Somewhat satisfied	55	34.4	34.4	89.4
	Somewhat dissatisfied	13	8.1	8.1	97.5
	Very dissatisfied	4	2.5	2.5	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**Science.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	6	3.8	3.8	3.8
	Very satisfied	117	73.1	73.1	76.9
	Somewhat satisfied	33	20.6	20.6	97.5
	Somewhat dissatisfied	3	1.9	1.9	99.4
	Very dissatisfied	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**Reading/Language arts.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	7	4.4	4.4	4.4
	Very satisfied	93	58.1	58.1	62.5
	Somewhat satisfied	50	31.3	31.3	93.8
	Somewhat dissatisfied	8	5.0	5.0	98.8
	Very dissatisfied	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**Social studies.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	6	3.8	3.8	3.8
	Very satisfied	91	56.9	56.9	60.6
	Somewhat satisfied	58	36.3	36.3	96.9
	Somewhat dissatisfied	4	2.5	2.5	99.4
	I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	98	61.3	61.3	63.8
	Somewhat agree	38	23.8	23.8	87.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	3	1.9	1.9	89.4
	Somewhat disagree	6	3.8	3.8	93.1
	Strongly disagree	5	3.1	3.1	96.3
	I don't know	6	3.8	3.8	100.0
	Total	160	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
Valid	No response	6	3.8	3.8	3.8
	Strongly agree	84	52.5	52.5	56.3
	Somewhat agree	53	33.1	33.1	89.4
	Neither agree nor disagree	12	7.5	7.5	96.9
	Somewhat disagree	1	.6	.6	97.5
	Strongly disagree	4	2.5	2.5	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	71	44.4	44.4	46.9
	Somewhat agree	53	33.1	33.1	80.0
	Neither agree nor disagree	20	12.5	12.5	92.5
	Somewhat disagree	4	2.5	2.5	95.0
	Strongly disagree	6	3.8	3.8	98.8
	I don't know	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
	Strongly agree	61	38.1	38.1	41.3
	Somewhat agree	44	27.5	27.5	68.8
	Neither agree nor disagree	18	11.3	11.3	80.0
	Somewhat disagree	11	6.9	6.9	86.9
	Strongly disagree	3	1.9	1.9	88.8
	I don't know	7	4.4	4.4	93.1
	Not asked	11	6.9	6.9	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid No response	7	4.4	4.4	4.4
Strongly agree	58	36.3	36.3	40.6
Somewhat agree	49	30.6	30.6	71.3
Neither agree nor disagree	26	16.3	16.3	87.5
Somewhat disagree	4	2.5	2.5	90.0
Strongly disagree	3	1.9	1.9	91.9
I don't know	13	8.1	8.1	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Strongly agree	46	28.8	28.8	31.3
Somewhat agree	52	32.5	32.5	63.8
Neither agree nor disagree	28	17.5	17.5	81.3
Somewhat disagree	12	7.5	7.5	88.8
Strongly disagree	10	6.3	6.3	95.0
I don't know	8	5.0	5.0	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	6	3.8	3.8	3.8
	Strongly agree	71	44.4	44.4	48.1
	Somewhat agree	48	30.0	30.0	78.1
	Neither agree nor disagree	21	13.1	13.1	91.3
	Somewhat disagree	5	3.1	3.1	94.4
	Strongly disagree	9	5.6	5.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	77	48.1	48.1	50.6
	Somewhat agree	56	35.0	35.0	85.6
	Neither agree nor disagree	9	5.6	5.6	91.3
	Somewhat disagree	6	3.8	3.8	95.0
	Strongly disagree	7	4.4	4.4	99.4
	I don't know	1	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	62	38.8	38.8	41.3
	Somewhat agree	63	39.4	39.4	80.6
	Neither agree nor disagree	15	9.4	9.4	90.0
	Somewhat disagree	12	7.5	7.5	97.5
	Strongly disagree	4	2.5	2.5	100.0
	Total	160	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	No response	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
	Strongly agree	93	58.1	58.1	61.3
	Somewhat agree	54	33.8	33.8	95.0
	Neither agree nor disagree	3	1.9	1.9	96.9
	Somewhat disagree	3	1.9	1.9	98.8
	Strongly disagree	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	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	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	72	45.0	45.0	47.5
	Somewhat agree	59	36.9	36.9	84.4
	Neither agree nor disagree	10	6.3	6.3	90.6
	Somewhat disagree	9	5.6	5.6	96.3
	Strongly disagree	4	2.5	2.5	98.8
	I don't know	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	74	46.3	46.3	48.8
	Somewhat agree	56	35.0	35.0	83.8
	Neither agree nor disagree	14	8.8	8.8	92.5
	Somewhat disagree	4	2.5	2.5	95.0
	Strongly disagree	2	1.3	1.3	96.3
	I don't know	6	3.8	3.8	100.0
	Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**My PTA collaborates with the community to expand learning opportunities, community services, and civic participation.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Strongly agree	70	43.8	43.8	46.3
	Somewhat agree	58	36.3	36.3	82.5
	Neither agree nor disagree	11	6.9	6.9	89.4
	Somewhat disagree	2	1.3	1.3	90.6
	Strongly disagree	3	1.9	1.9	92.5
	I don't know	12	7.5	7.5	100.0
	Total	160	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 No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Very respectful	119	74.4	74.4	76.9
Somewhat respectful	27	16.9	16.9	93.8
Not at all respectful	1	.6	.6	94.4
I don't know	9	5.6	5.6	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

**How respectful is your child's school of language differences? Would you say...**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Very respectful	101	63.1	63.1	65.6
Somewhat respectful	30	18.8	18.8	84.4
Not at all respectful	1	.6	.6	85.0
I don't know	24	15.0	15.0	100.0
Total	160	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 No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Very respectful	115	71.9	71.9	74.4
Somewhat respectful	25	15.6	15.6	90.0
Not at all respectful	1	.6	.6	90.6
I don't know	15	9.4	9.4	100.0
Total	160	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 No response	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
Strongly agree	66	41.3	41.3	44.4
Somewhat agree	52	32.5	32.5	76.9
Neither agree nor disagree	17	10.6	10.6	87.5
Somewhat disagree	10	6.3	6.3	93.8
Strongly disagree	2	1.3	1.3	95.0
I don't know	8	5.0	5.0	100.0
Total	160	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 No response	5	3.1	3.1	3.1
Strongly agree	62	38.8	38.8	41.9
Somewhat agree	58	36.3	36.3	78.1
Neither agree nor disagree	11	6.9	6.9	85.0
Somewhat disagree	16	10.0	10.0	95.0
Strongly disagree	5	3.1	3.1	98.1
I don't know	3	1.9	1.9	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid No response	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Increased from last year	23	14.4	14.4	16.9
Stayed about the same as last year	88	55.0	55.0	71.9
Decreased from last year	8	5.0	5.0	76.9
I don't know	37	23.1	23.1	100.0
Total	160	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 No response	8	5.0	5.0	5.0
Very important	81	50.6	50.6	55.6
Somewhat important	37	23.1	23.1	78.8
Just a little bit important	10	6.3	6.3	85.0
Not at all important	6	3.8	3.8	88.8
I don't know	18	11.3	11.3	100.0
Total	160	100.0	100.0	