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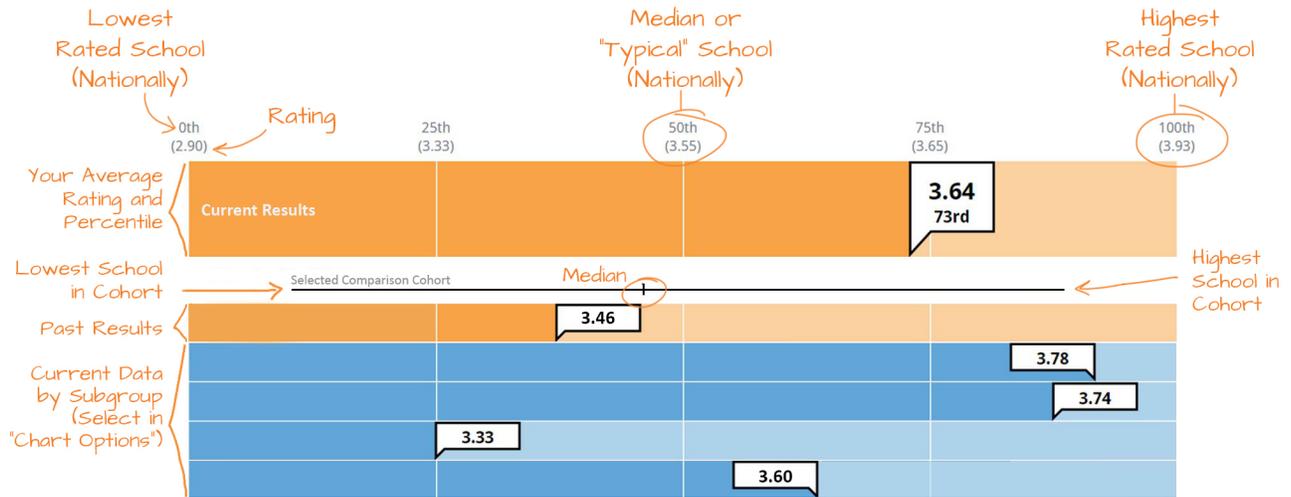
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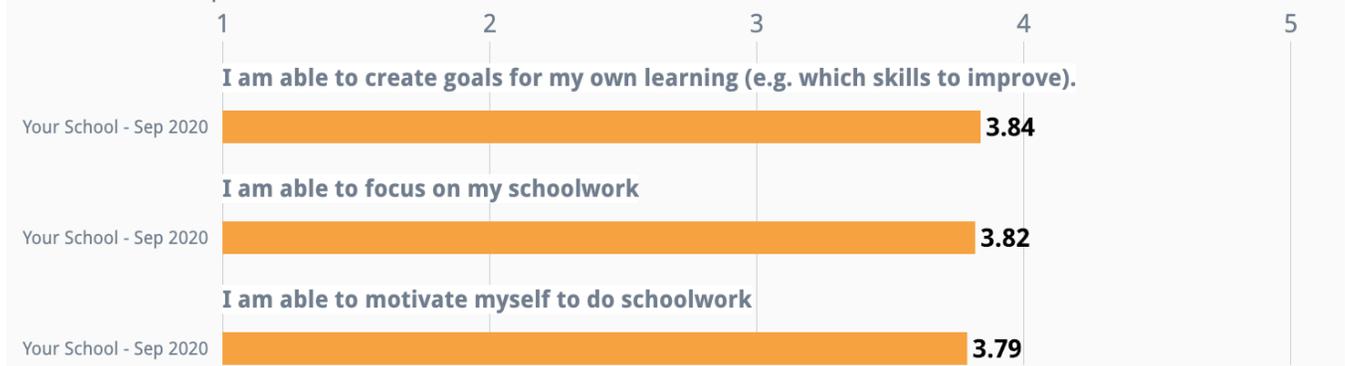
Percentile Charts



Average Ratings Bar Charts display an average score on a 1 to 5 scale.

1 = Strongly disagree 3 = Neither agree nor disagree 5 = Strongly agree

Your School - Sep 2020



Percent Positive Charts show the percentage of respondents that chose either a 4 or a 5. This chart type allows you to share data at a school/district level by maneuvering to the right hand side of the chart and clicking on any of the share icons.

Question	Your School - Sep 2020	Share
Discipline in this school is fair	55%	 
My classmates want to do well in school	67%	 
Adults from my school treat students with respect	80%	 
Students from my school treat adults with respect	58%	 

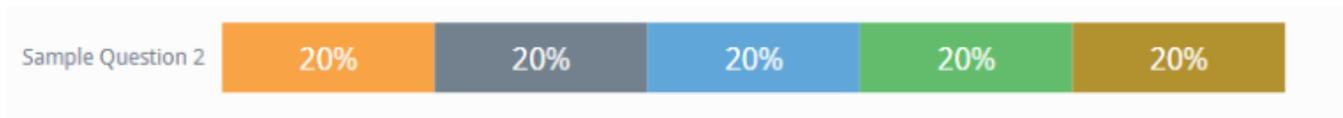
Response Distribution Charts show the proportion of respondents who chose each response option for questions on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is the most negative and 5 is the most positive response (known as a likert question). A variety of different response distributions can result in the same average rating, so this breakdown can help provide additional context.

For example, two very different response distributions could both have an average rating of '3'.

In sample question 1 below, the majority of respondents (70%) feel neutral about the question, with a handful of respondents having a more negative or more positive experience.



In sample question 2 below, there is a much greater variation in respondent experience.



Average Ratings bar charts, Percent Positives, and Response Distributions are repeated twice per survey item. Once with an overall result displaying the school's/district's scores with the ability to compare results to other schools in a same cohort. They are also shown as subgroup charts, where data can be disaggregated by demographics.

KEY RATINGS

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Key Measures	Average Rating	Percentile Rank
Distance Learning Rating of overall experience with distance learning.	4.09	
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Degree to which adults value people of different backgrounds.	4.09	

The additional topics section of the key ratings page are summary measures of any additional topics your school added to the survey. Given that they are separate datasets (with fewer schools and responses than the core topics), we display these measures in a separate chart.

*Your school is in this cohort (*School Reports only*).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Family members at SLMS were surveyed in November 2021 about their perceptions of their school in terms of Engagement, Relationships, Culture, School Safety, Resources, and Communication and Feedback.

In order to put feedback into context, this report compares SLMS family members' ratings to the ratings from family members at **226** other middle schools across the country.

Compared to other participating middle schools, SLMS's **highest rated themes** were:

- Culture
- Resources

and the **lowest rated themes** were:

- Communication & Feedback
- School Safety

Compared to other participating middle schools, SLMS's **highest rated question** within the key themes was:

- *My school runs smoothly.* (which is in the Culture theme)

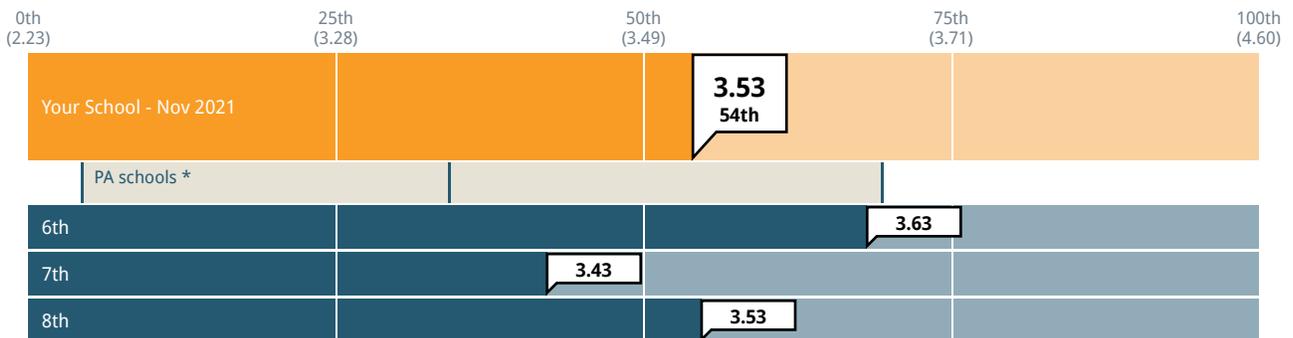
and the **lowest rated question** within the key themes was:

- *I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.* (which is in the Communication & Feedback theme)

This report represents feedback from **423** family members. **Based on the enrollment data provided, you had a 45% response rate.** Please refer to the Appendix section for more information about the demographics of the respondents.

Engagement Summary Measure

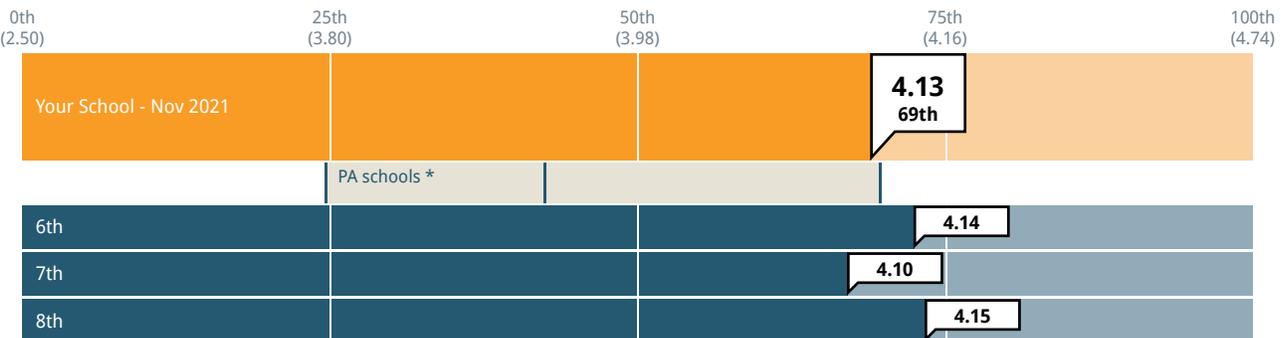
This summary measure describes the degree to which families are engaged in their school and empowered to influence decision making.



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Relationships Summary Measure

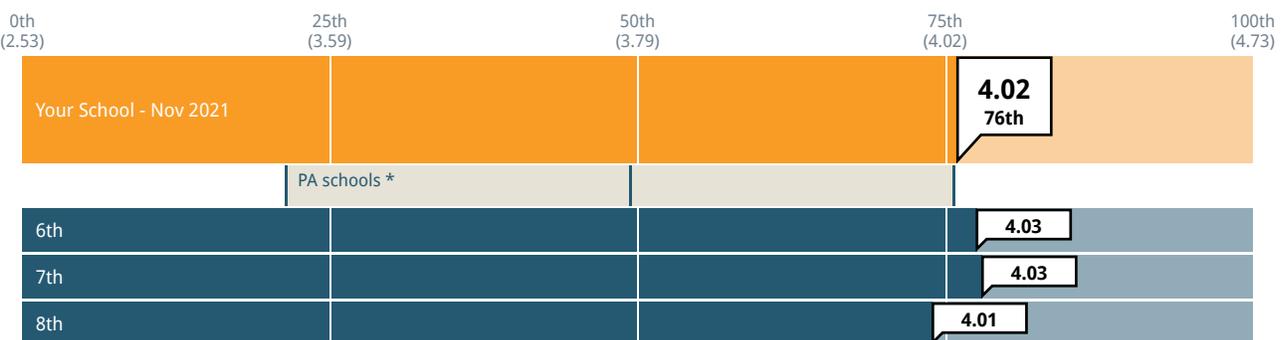
This summary measure describes the degree to which families experience positive relationships in their school based on respect, care and approachability.



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Culture Summary Measure

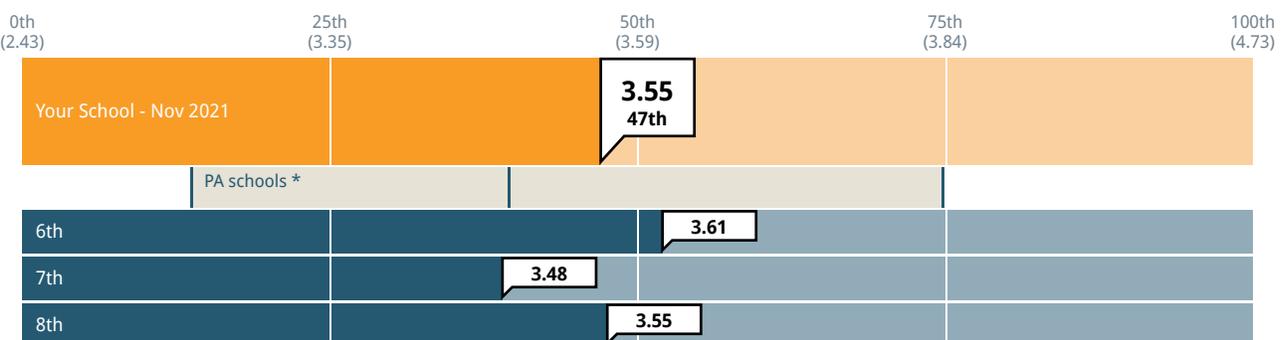
This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe their school fosters shared goals, respect, fairness, and diversity.



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Communication & Feedback Summary Measure

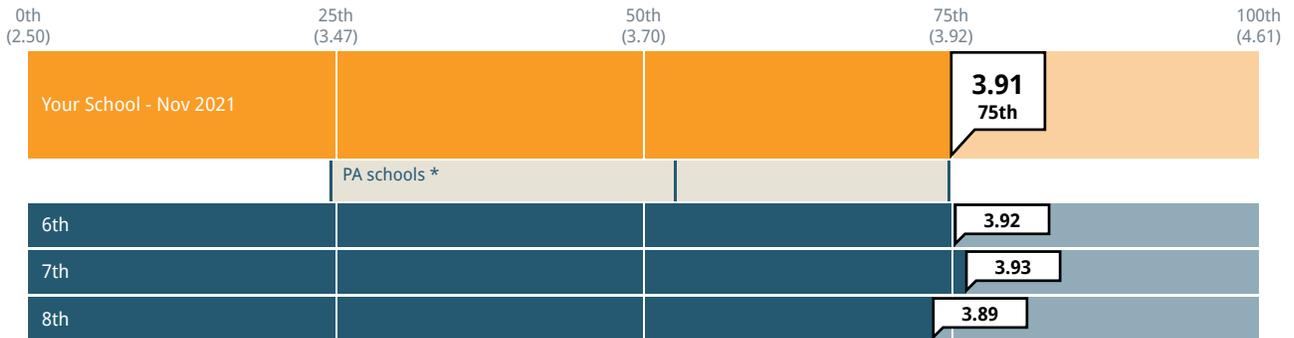
This summary measure describes the degree to which there are open and effective lines of communication between families and schools.



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Resources Summary Measure

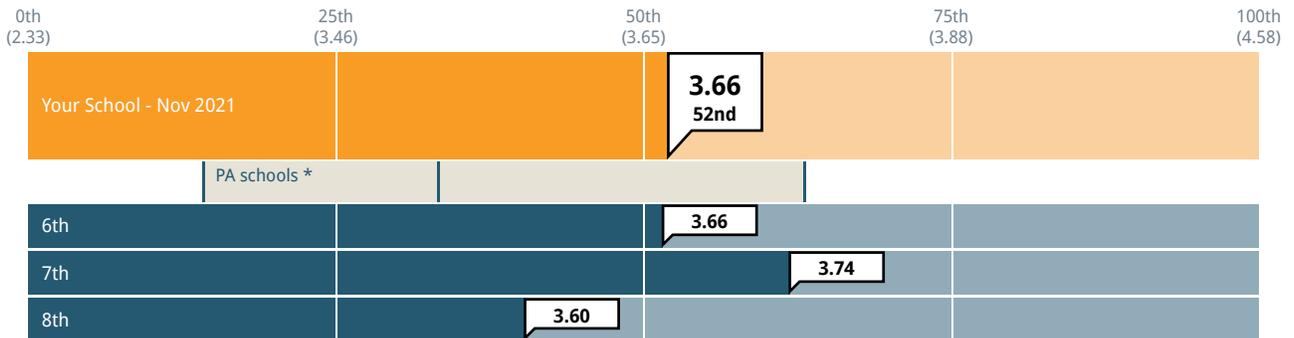
This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe that their school deploys the necessary resources to support students.



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

School Safety Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe that their school is a safe place for students.



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

*Your school is in this cohort (School Reports only).

Executive Summary Percent Positives

Executive Summary Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents whose average rating across the questions in the theme was greater than 3.5 out of 5 - Overall

Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Summary Measure	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
Engagement	52%	52%	43%
Relationships	83%	75%	78%
Culture	78%	65%	64%
Communication & Feedback	56%	60%	54%
Resources	72%	61%	59%
School Safety	57%	54%	43%

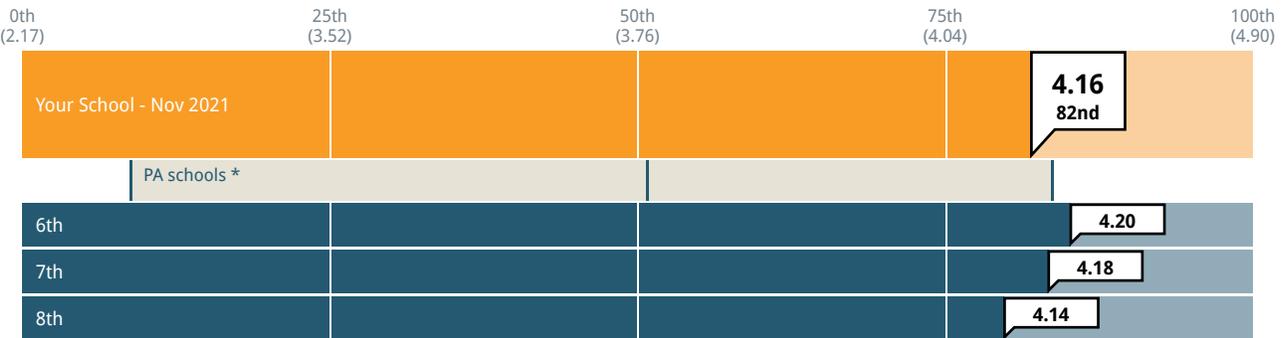
Executive Summary Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents whose average rating across the questions in the theme was greater than 3.5 out of 5 - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Summary Measure	6th	7th	8th	Other
Engagement	53%	50%	54%	N/A
Relationships	83%	87%	79%	N/A
Culture	76%	82%	78%	N/A
Communication & Feedback	57%	55%	56%	N/A
Resources	74%	75%	67%	N/A
School Safety	60%	59%	52%	N/A

GENERAL

I would recommend this school to parents seeking a school for their child.

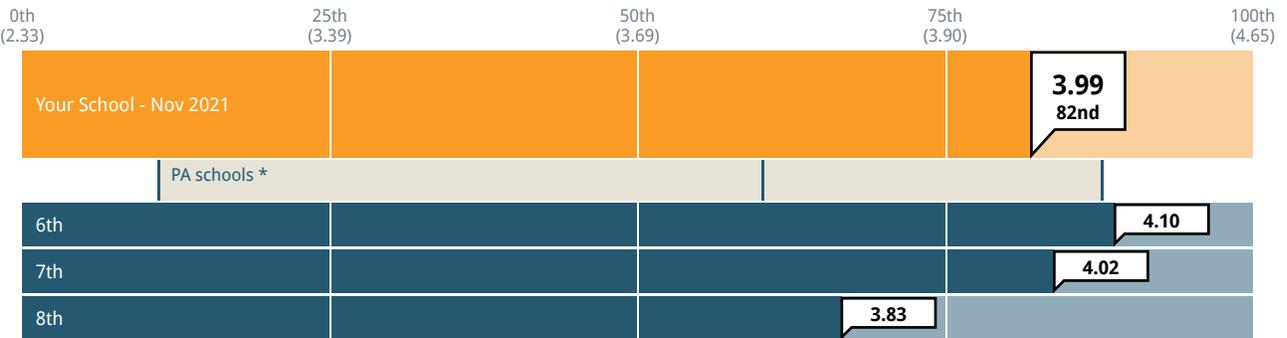
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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

My child is getting a high quality education at this school.

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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

General Percent Positives

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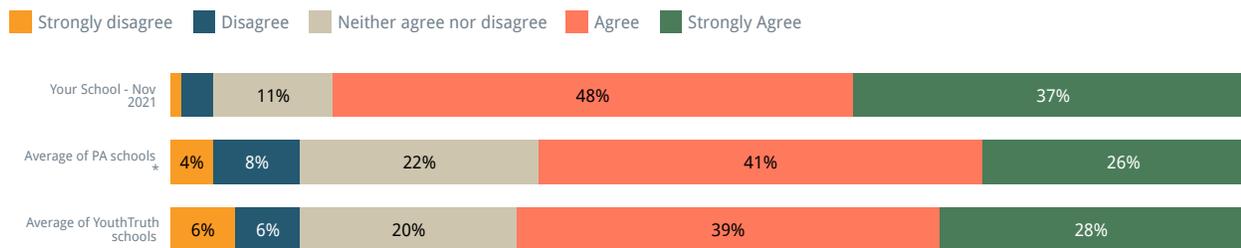
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
I would recommend my school to parents seeking a school for their child.	85%	68%	67%
My child is getting a high quality education at this school.	82%	64%	68%

General Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
I would recommend my school to parents seeking a school for their child.	86%	88%	83%	N/A
My child is getting a high quality education at this school.	85%	85%	76%	N/A

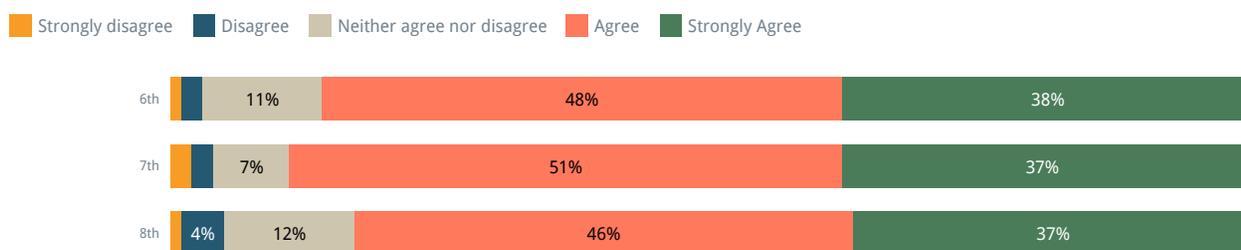
General Response Distributions

I would recommend this school to parents seeking a school for their child. - Overall



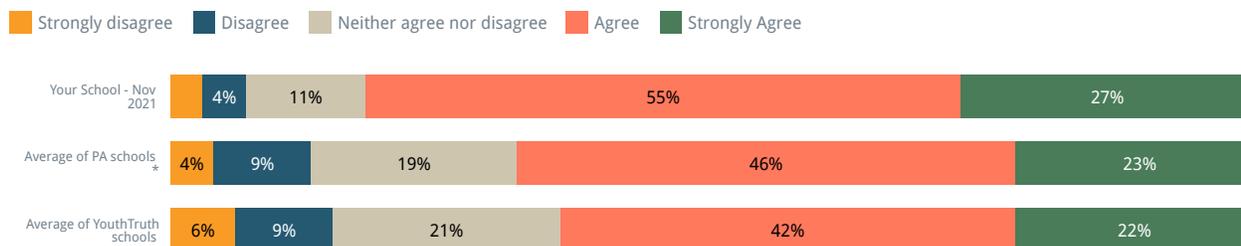
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I would recommend this school to parents seeking a school for their child. - Subgroup



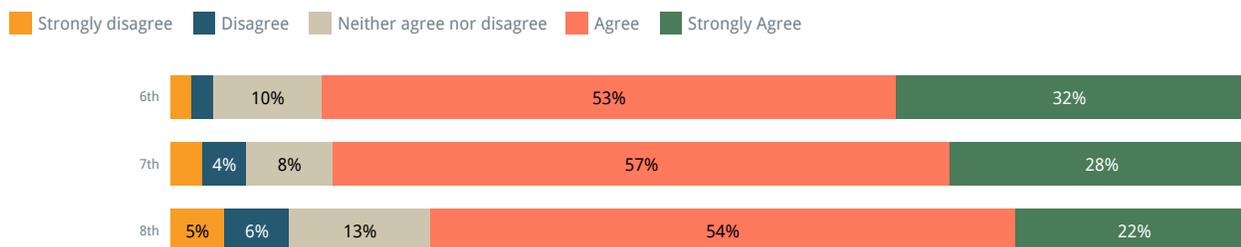
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My child is getting a high quality education at this school. - Overall



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My child is getting a high quality education at this school. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

ENGAGEMENT

Within the Engagement theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

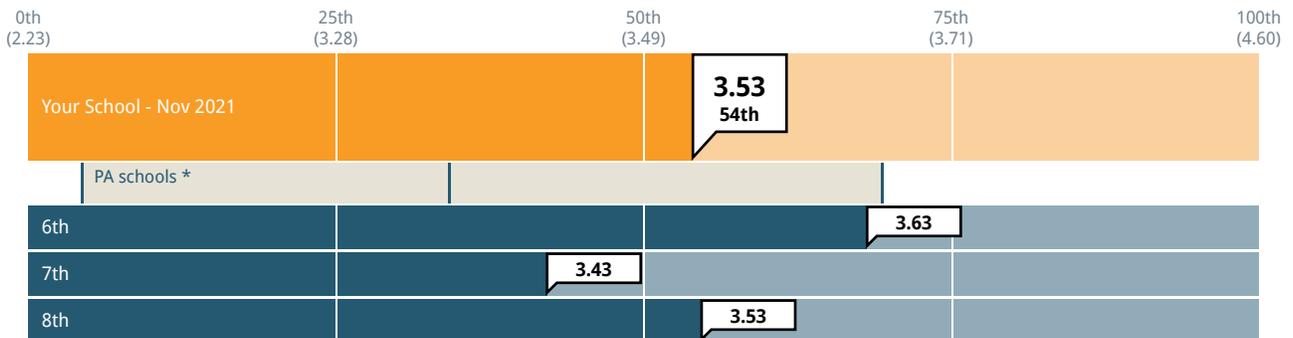
- *I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school.*

Here is the full list of questions in the Engagement theme:

- I feel engaged with my school.
- I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school.
- Parent/family members are included in planning school activities.
- I feel represented by parent/family groups (i.e. Parent-Teacher Association) at my school.
- I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school.

Engagement Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which families are engaged in their school and empowered to influence decision making.

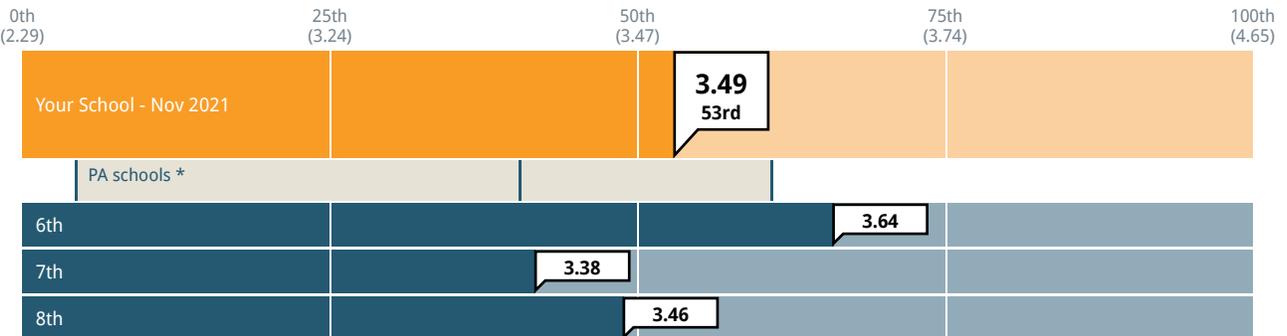


Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Engagement Percentile Charts

I feel engaged with my school.

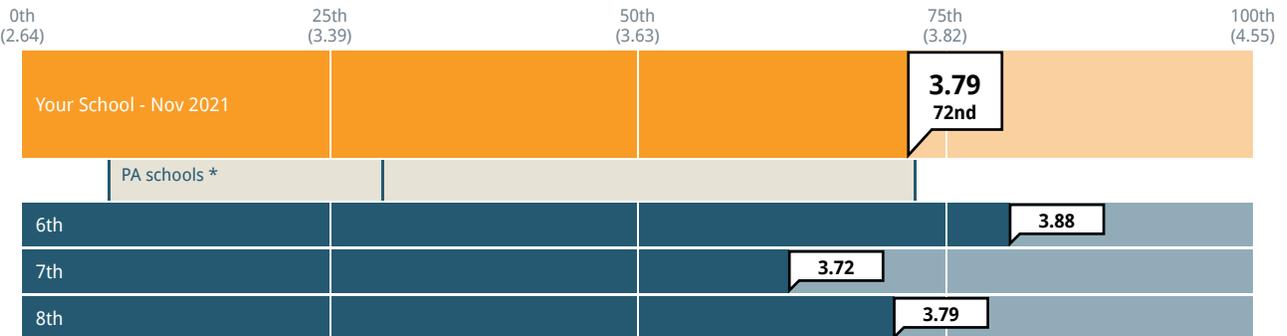
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I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school.

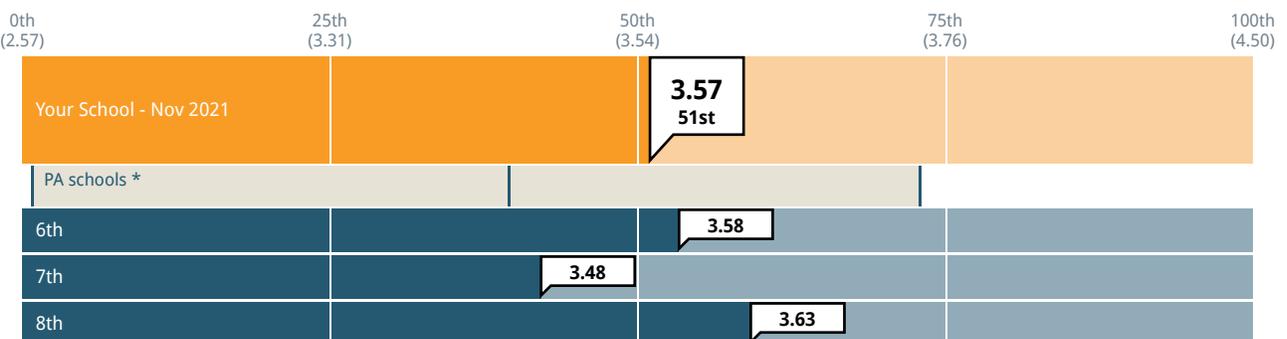
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Parent/family members are included in planning school activities.

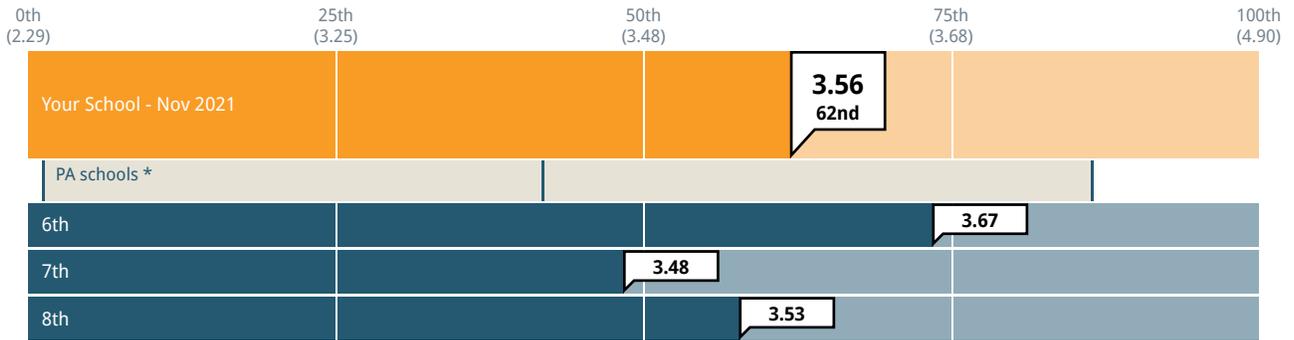
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I feel represented by parent/family groups (i.e. Parent-Teacher Association, School Site Councils, Advisory Councils, etc.) at my school.

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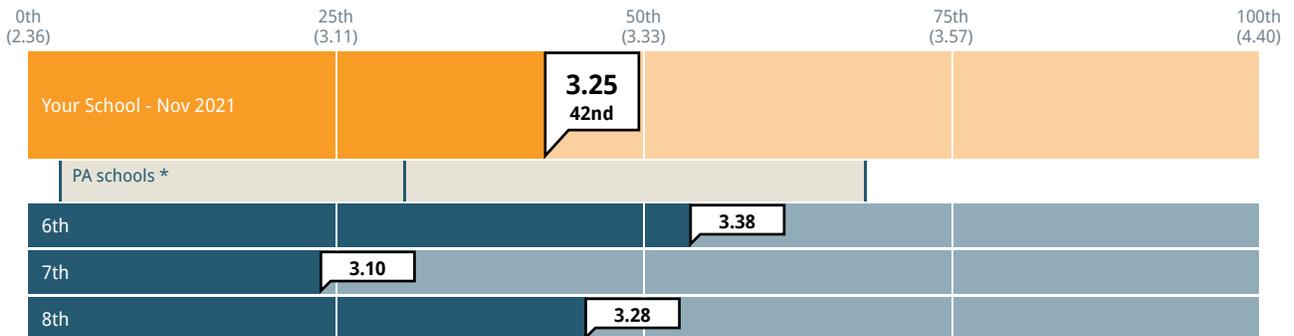


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The question below focuses specifically on **empowerment** as it relates to **engagement**.

I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school.

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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Engagement Percent Positives

Engagement Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

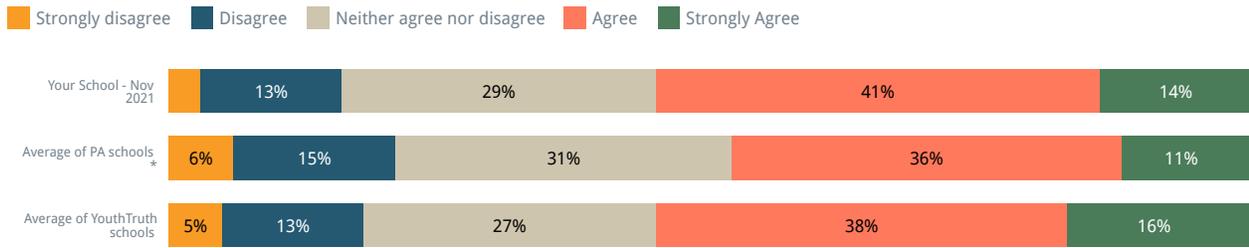
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
I feel engaged with my school.	55%	55%	47%
I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school.	69%	61%	55%
Parent/family members are included in planning school activities.	57%	56%	49%
I feel represented by parent/family groups (i.e. Parent-Teacher Association) at my school.	53%	50%	45%
I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school.	38%	45%	35%

Engagement Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
I feel engaged with my school.	61%	51%	53%	N/A
I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school.	71%	69%	67%	N/A
Parent/family members are included in planning school activities.	56%	56%	58%	N/A
I feel represented by parent/family groups (i.e. Parent-Teacher Association) at my school.	58%	49%	52%	N/A
I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school.	40%	33%	42%	N/A

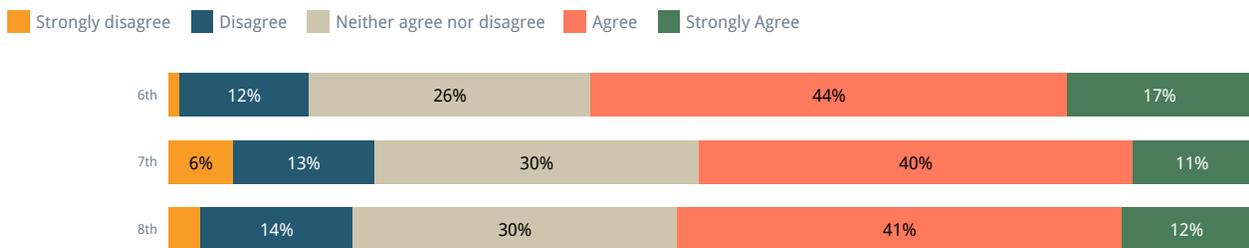
Engagement Response Distributions

I feel engaged with my school. - Overall



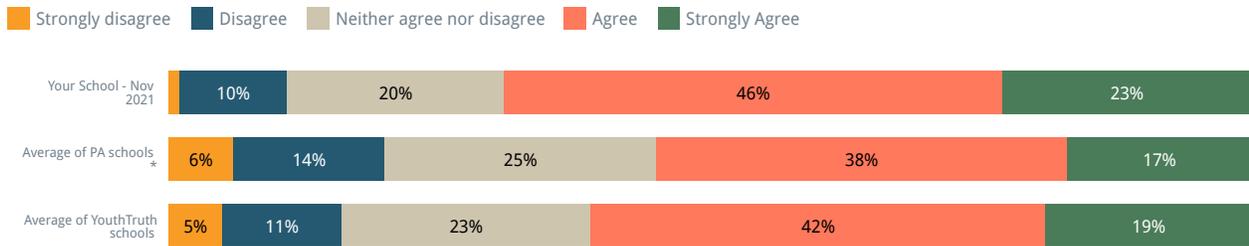
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I feel engaged with my school. - Subgroup



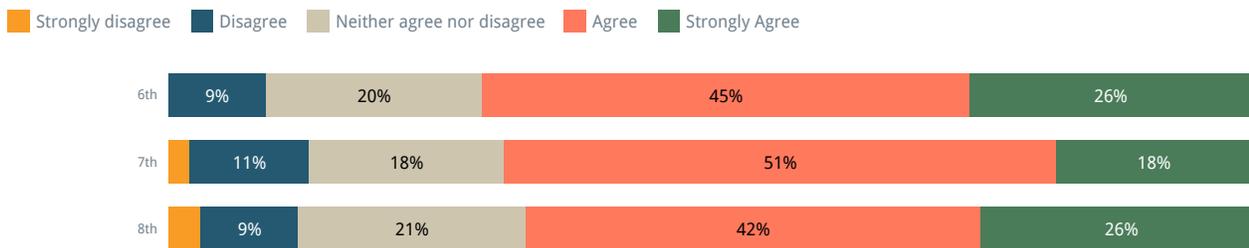
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I feel informed about important decisions regarding my school. - Overall



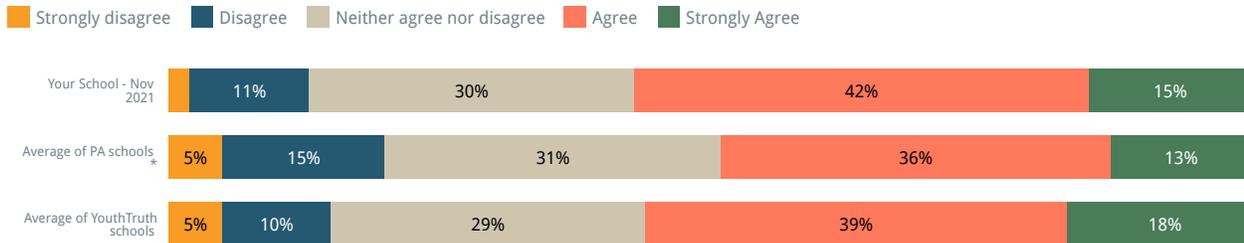
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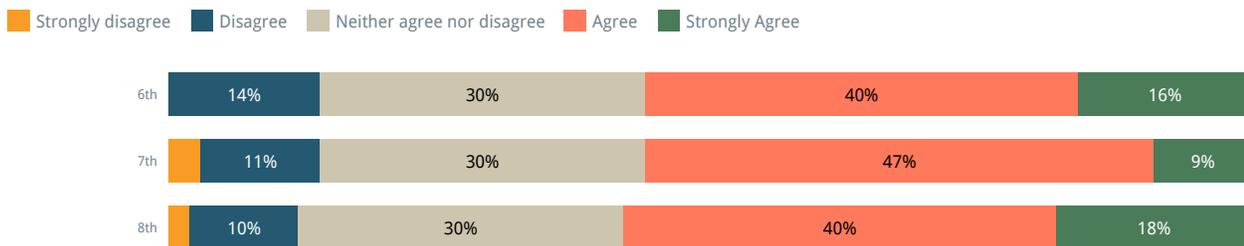
Subgroup: Student's grade level

Parent/family members are included in planning school activities. - Overall



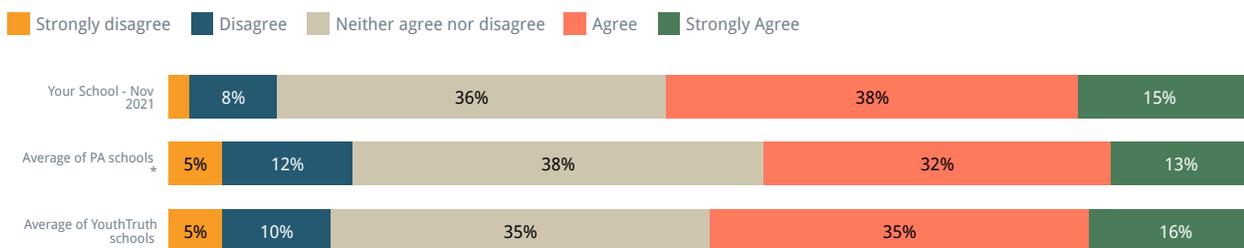
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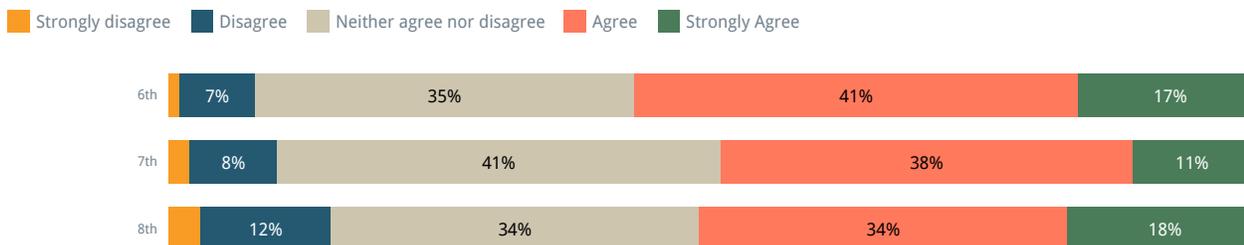
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I feel represented by parent/family groups (i.e. Parent-Teacher Association, School Site Councils, Advisory Councils, etc.) at my school. - Overall



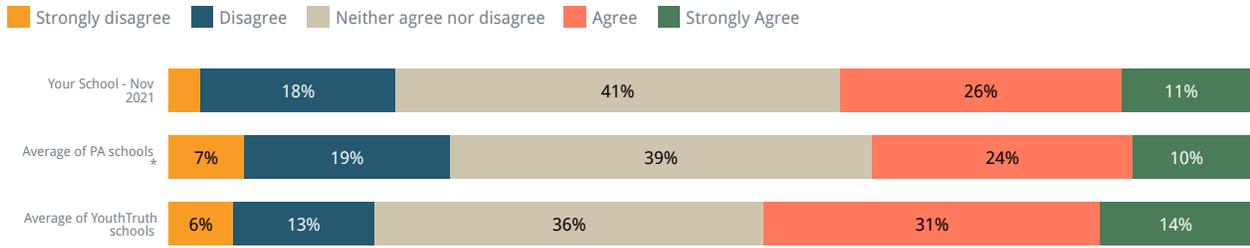
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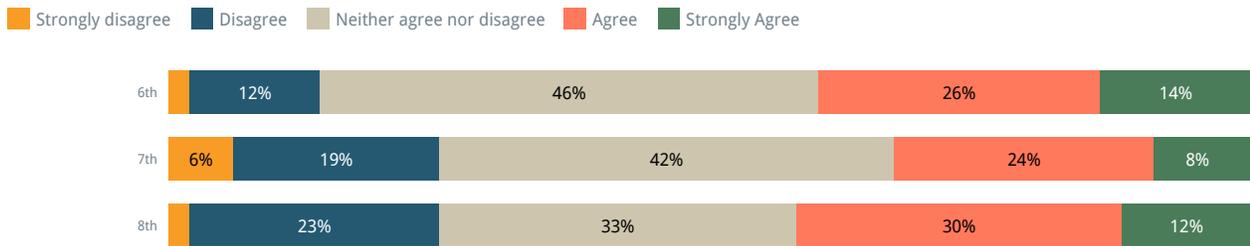
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school. - Overall



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

I feel empowered to play a meaningful role in decision-making at my school. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

RELATIONSHIPS

Within the Relationships theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

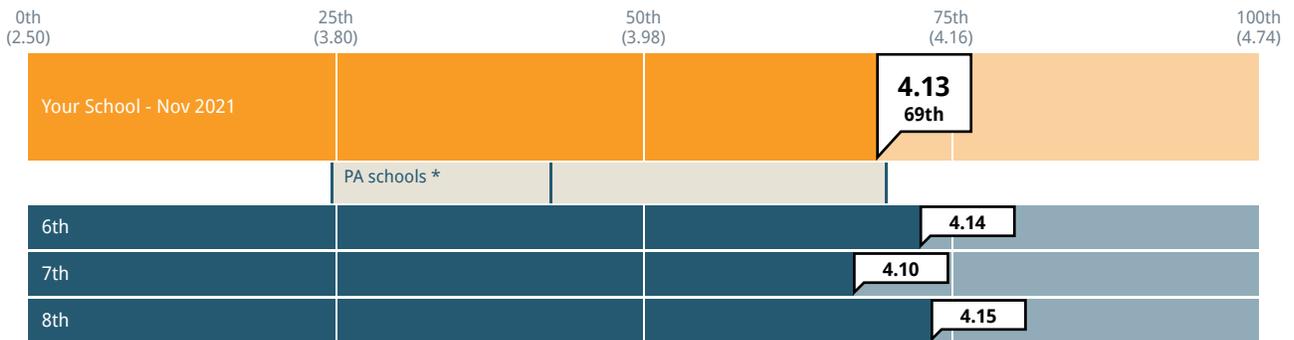
- *Teachers and students care about each other.*

Here is the full list of questions in the Relationships theme:

- Administrators treat families with respect.
- Teachers treat families with respect.
- Teachers and students care about each other.
- Families and teachers care about each other.
- I feel comfortable approaching the administration about my concerns.
- I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress.

Relationships Summary Measure

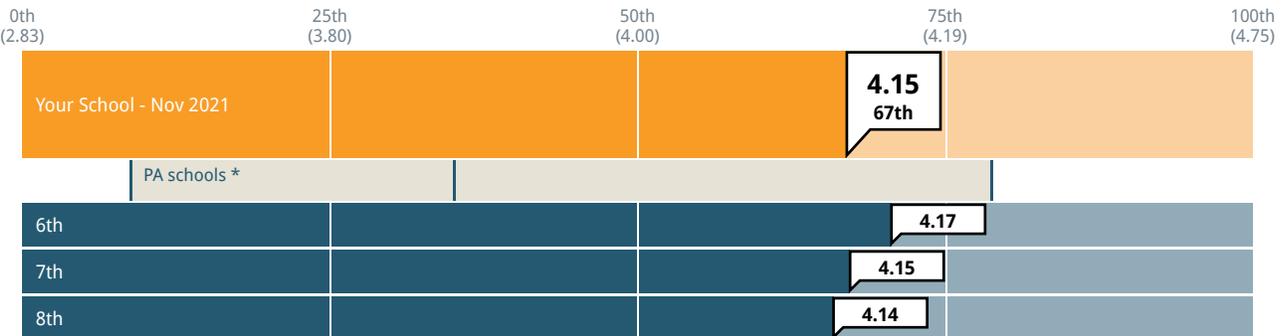
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Relationships Percentile Charts

School administrators treat families with respect.

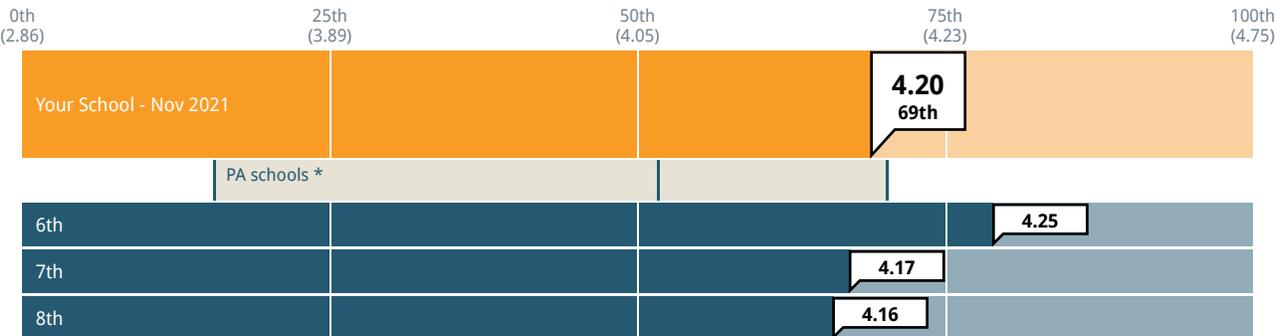
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Teachers treat families with respect.

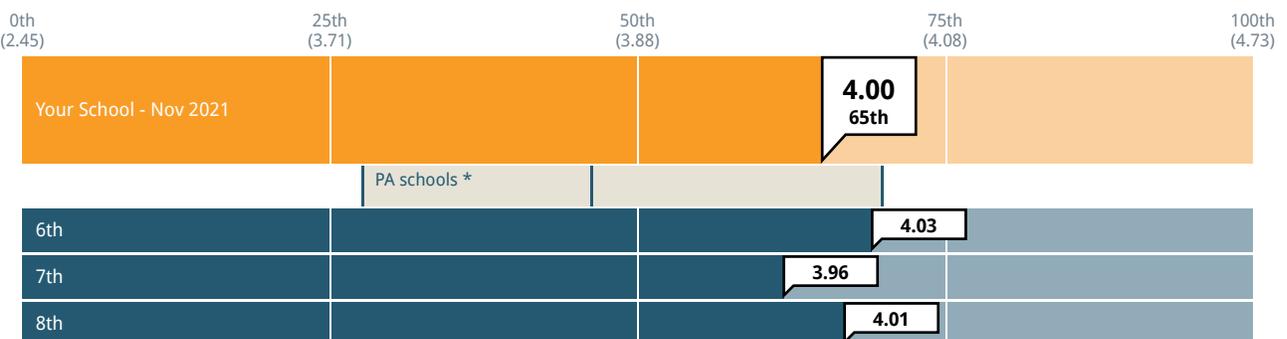
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Teachers and students care about each other.

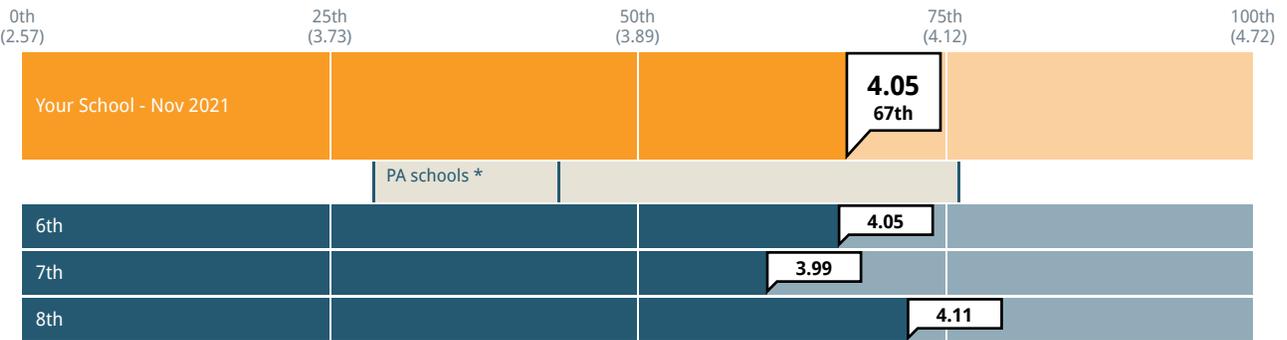
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Families and teachers care about each other.

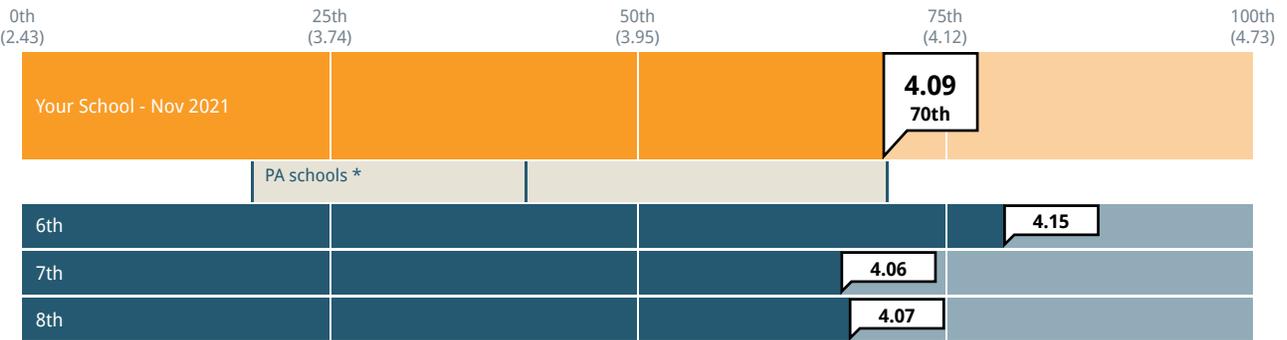
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I feel comfortable approaching the school administration about my concerns.

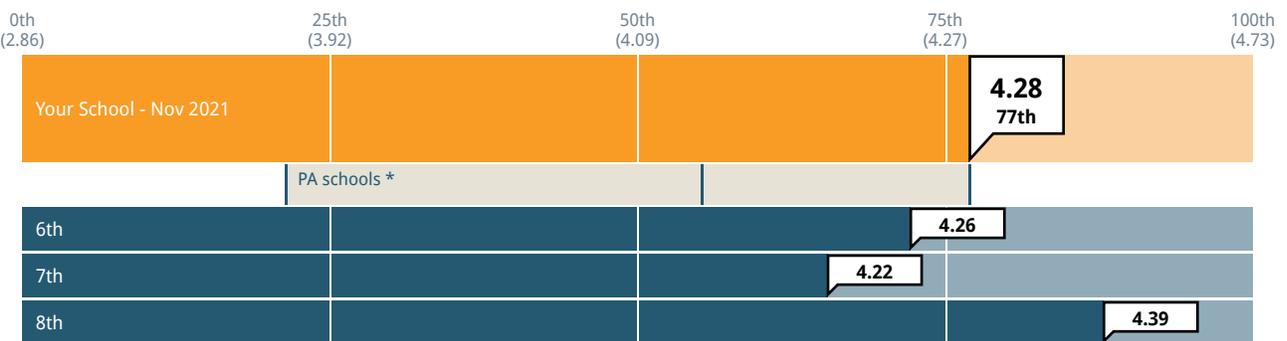
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I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress.

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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Relationships Percent Positives

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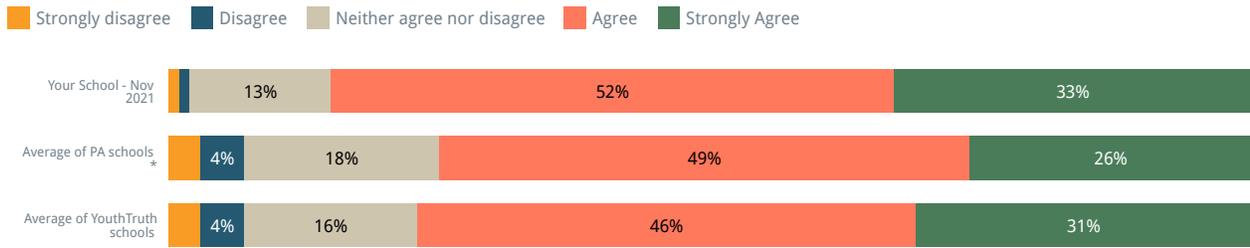
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
Administrators treat families with respect.	85%	78%	75%
Teachers treat families with respect.	89%	81%	82%
Teachers and students care about each other.	80%	73%	75%
Families and teachers care about each other.	81%	72%	74%
I feel comfortable approaching the administration about my concerns.	83%	76%	76%
I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress.	91%	83%	86%

Relationships Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
Administrators treat families with respect.	85%	88%	82%	N/A
Teachers treat families with respect.	91%	92%	85%	N/A
Teachers and students care about each other.	84%	80%	75%	N/A
Families and teachers care about each other.	79%	82%	81%	N/A
I feel comfortable approaching the administration about my concerns.	85%	86%	79%	N/A
I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress.	89%	93%	90%	N/A

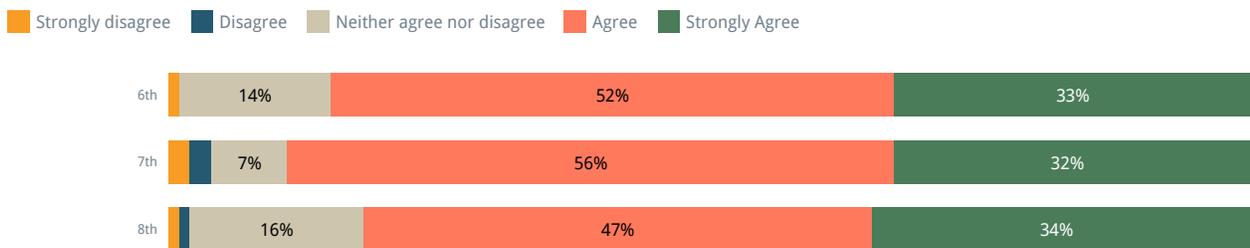
Relationships Response Distributions

School administrators treat families with respect. - Overall



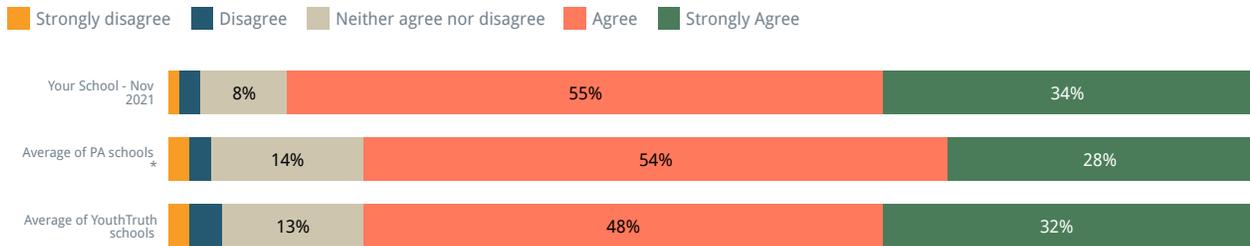
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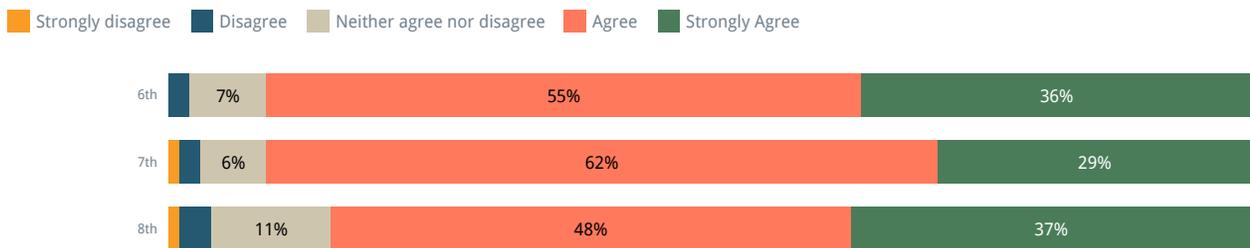
Subgroup: Student's grade level

Teachers treat families with respect. - Overall



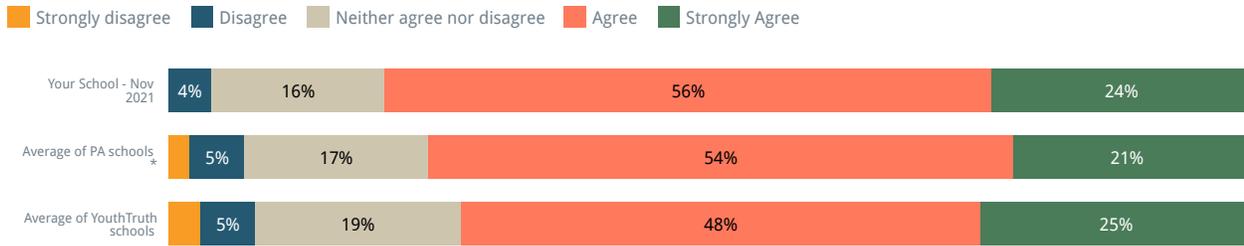
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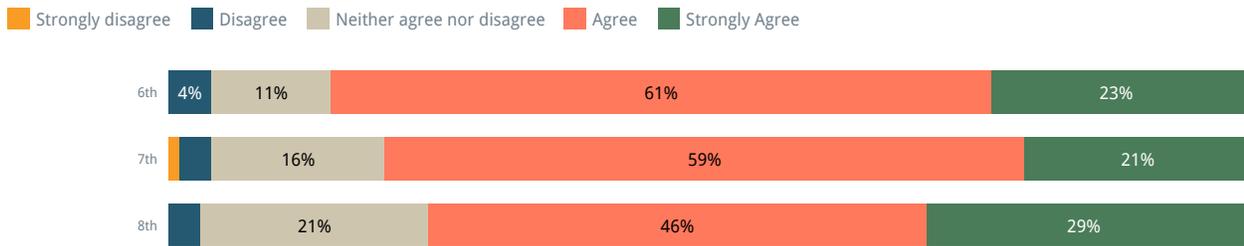
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Teachers and students care about each other. - Overall



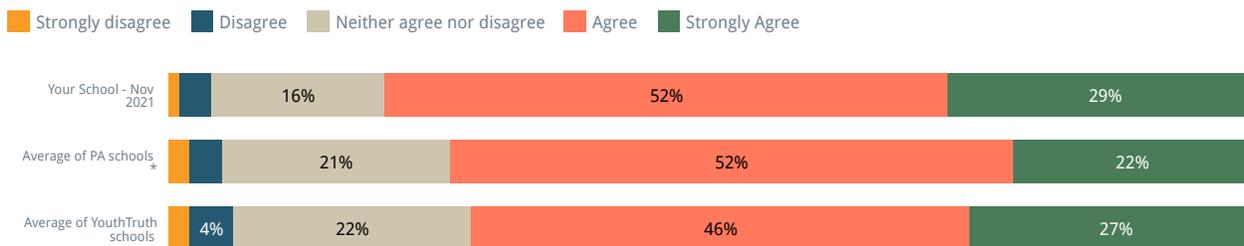
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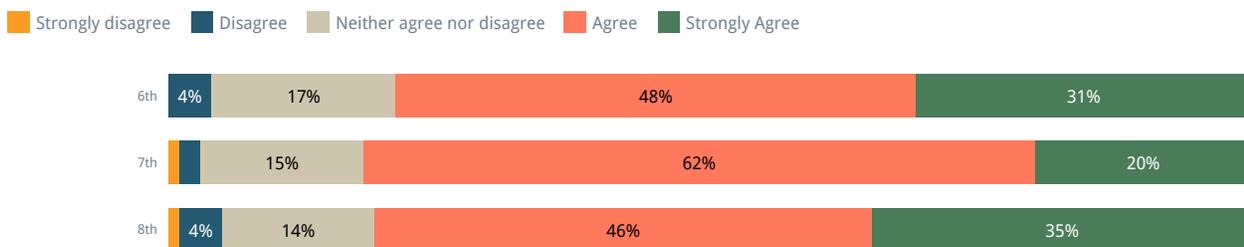
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Families and teachers care about each other. - Overall



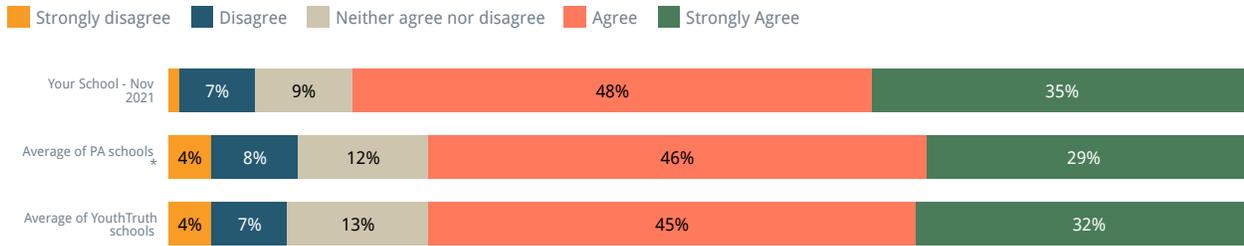
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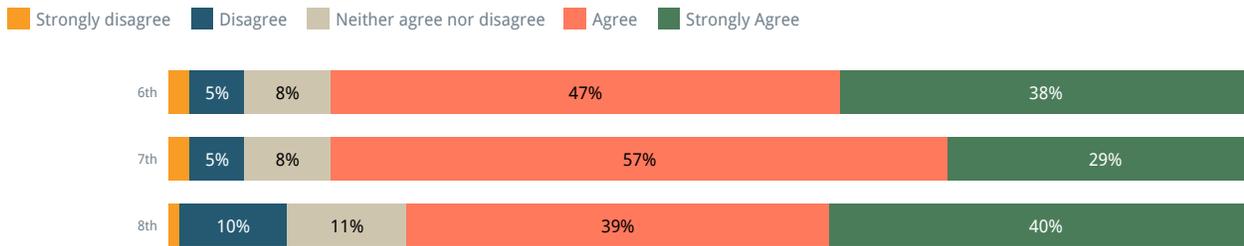
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I feel comfortable approaching the school administration about my concerns. - Overall



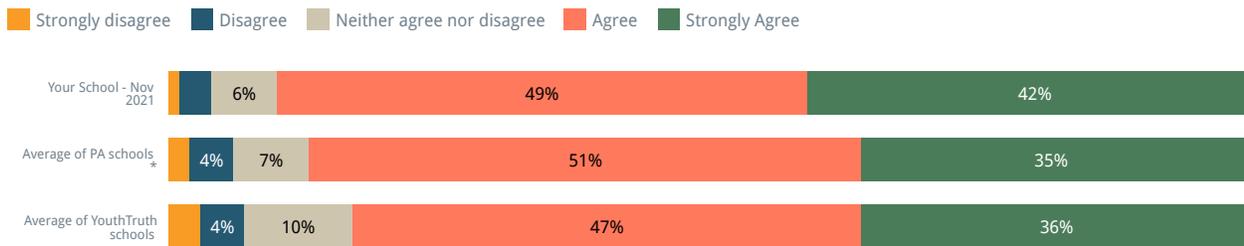
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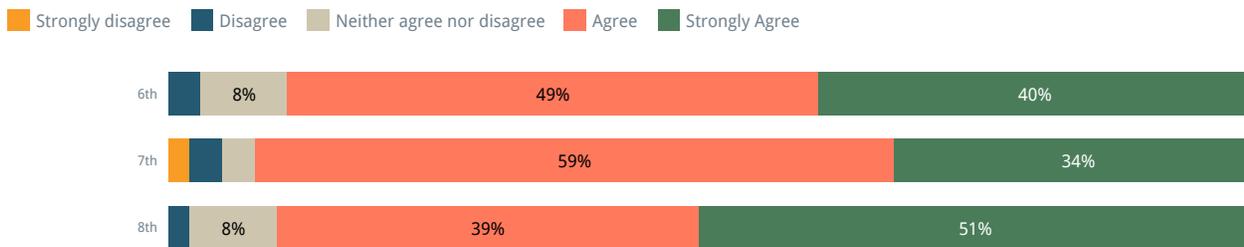
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress. - Overall



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I feel comfortable approaching teachers about my child's progress. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

CULTURE

Within the Culture theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *My school runs smoothly.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

- *My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently.*

Here is the full list of questions in the Culture theme:

- My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently.
- My school runs smoothly.
- I am proud of my school.
- My school creates a friendly environment.
- I believe in my school's mission.
- I feel valued by my school.

Here are the related questions in the culture theme:

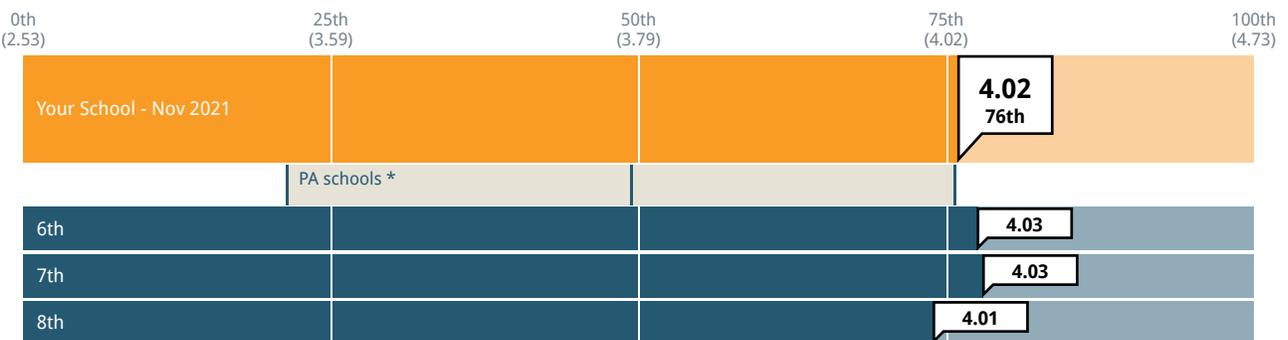
- Discipline in this school is fair.

In addition, families were asked about whether people of different backgrounds are respected by the school:

- My school respects people of different religions and faiths.
- My school respects people of different sexual orientations (e.g. gay, straight, bisexual, etc.).
- My school respects people of different learning abilities.
- My school respects people of different gender identities (e.g. men, women, people who identify in a different way).
- My school respects people of different incomes. (how much money someone makes).
- My school respects people of different races/ethnicities.
- My school respects people of different countries of origin.

Culture Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe their school fosters shared goals, respect, fairness, and diversity.

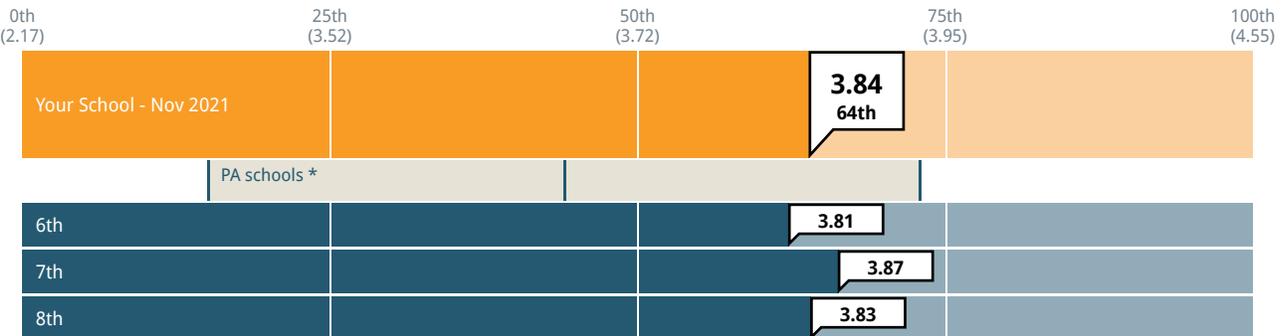


Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Culture Percentile Charts

My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently.

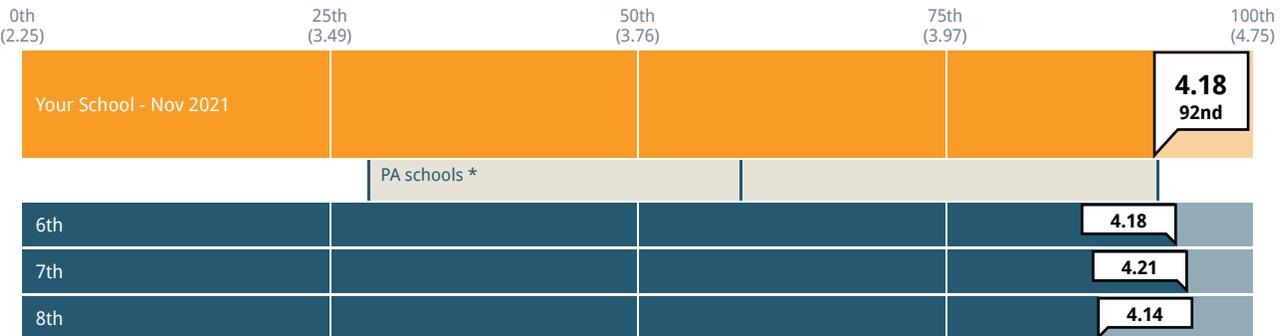
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My school runs smoothly.

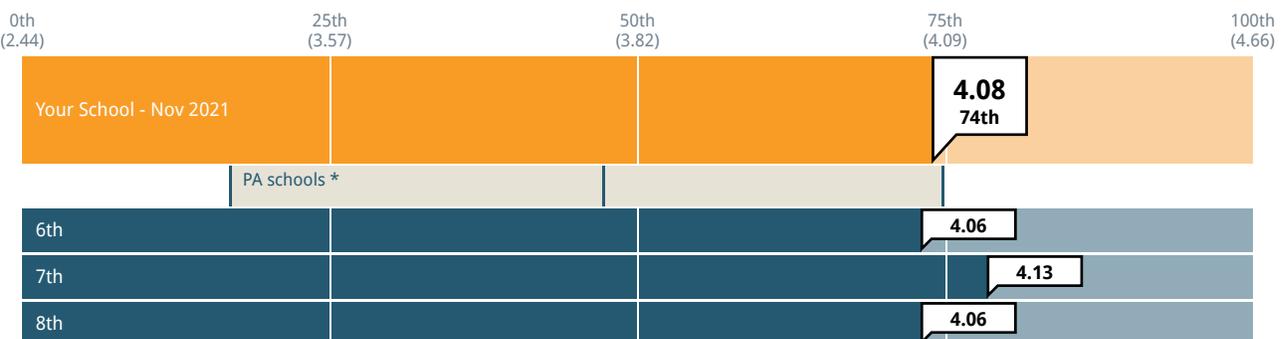
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I am proud of my school.

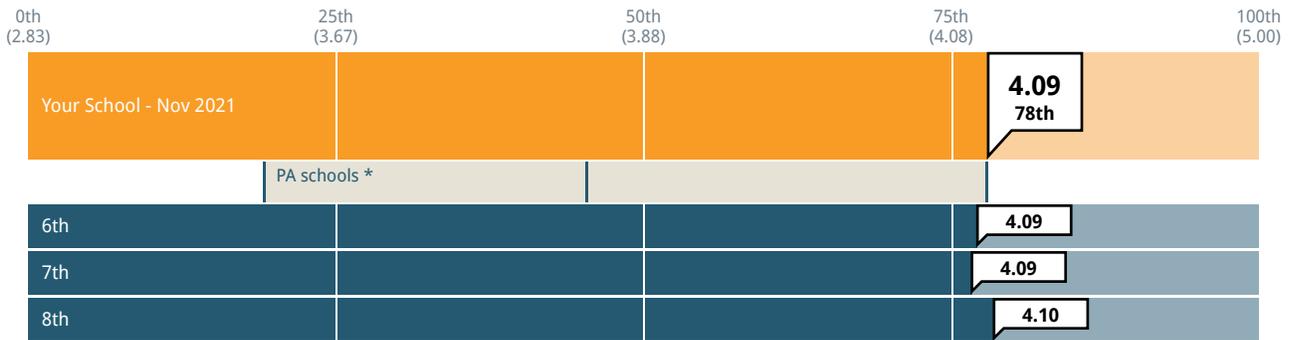
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My school creates a friendly environment.

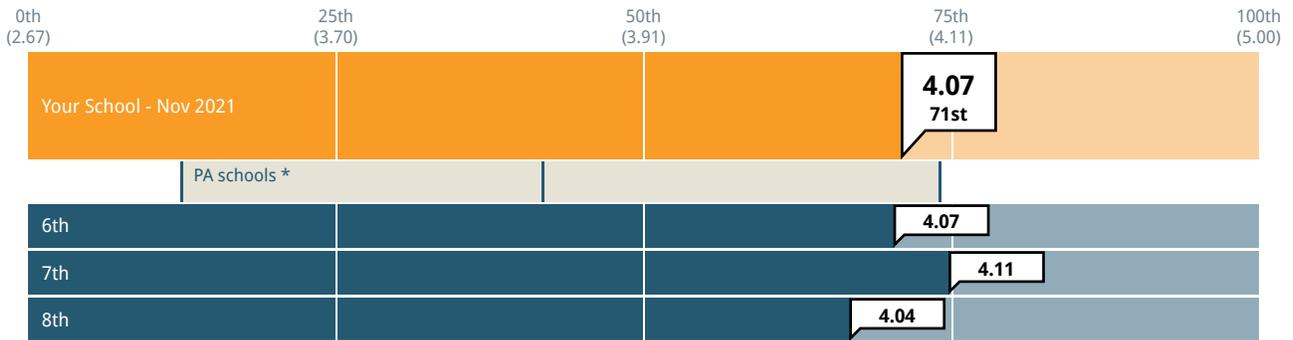
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I believe in my school's mission.

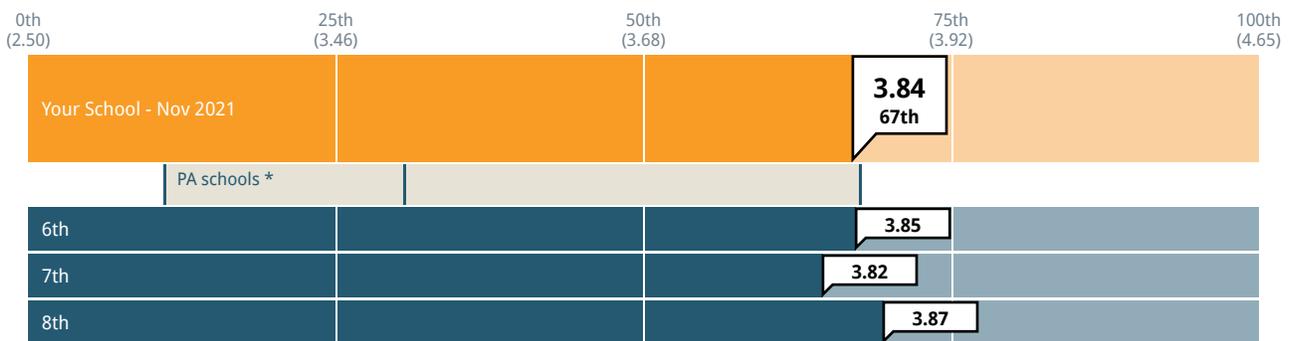
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I feel valued by my school.

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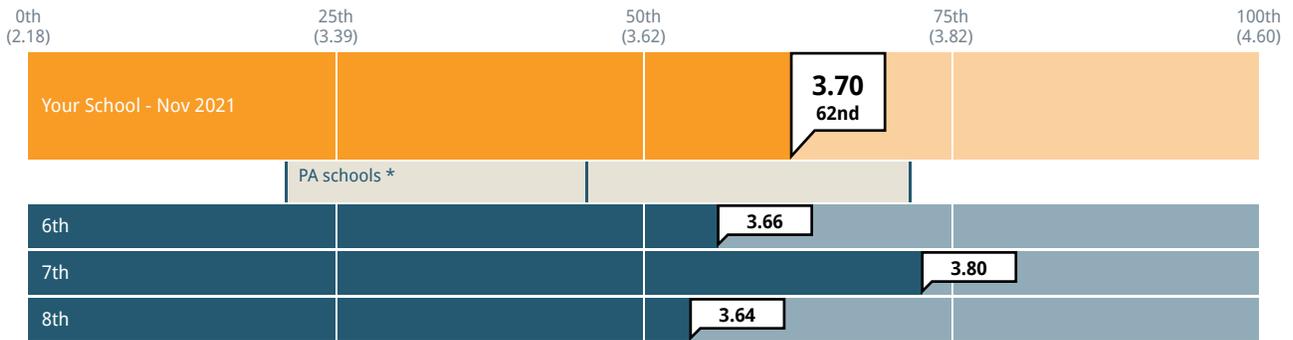


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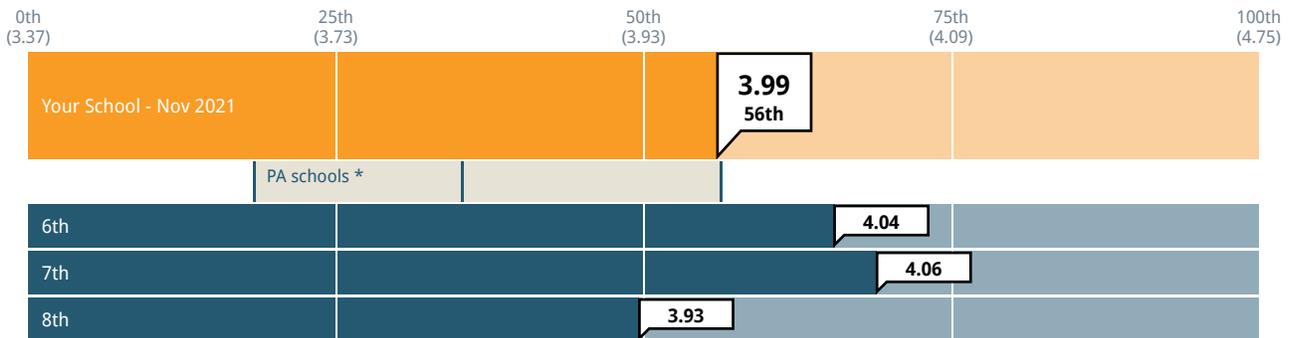
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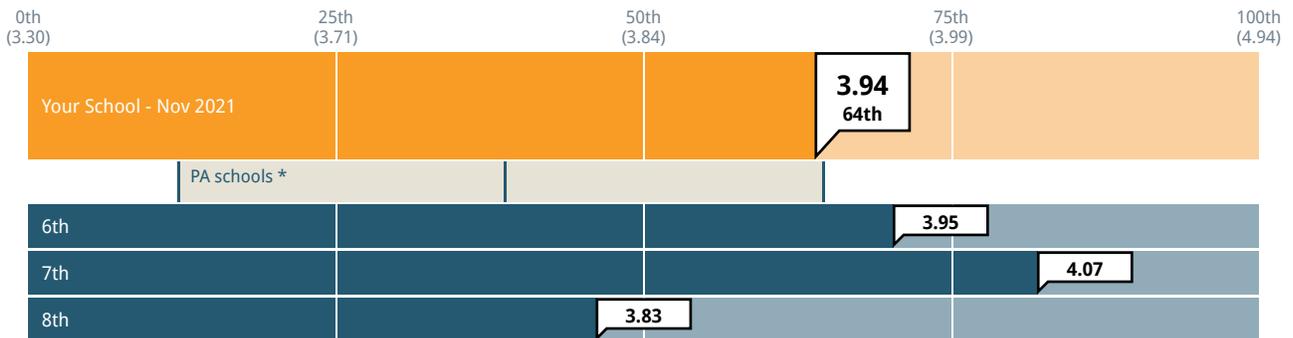
Different backgrounds question.

My school respects people of different: Religions or faiths.



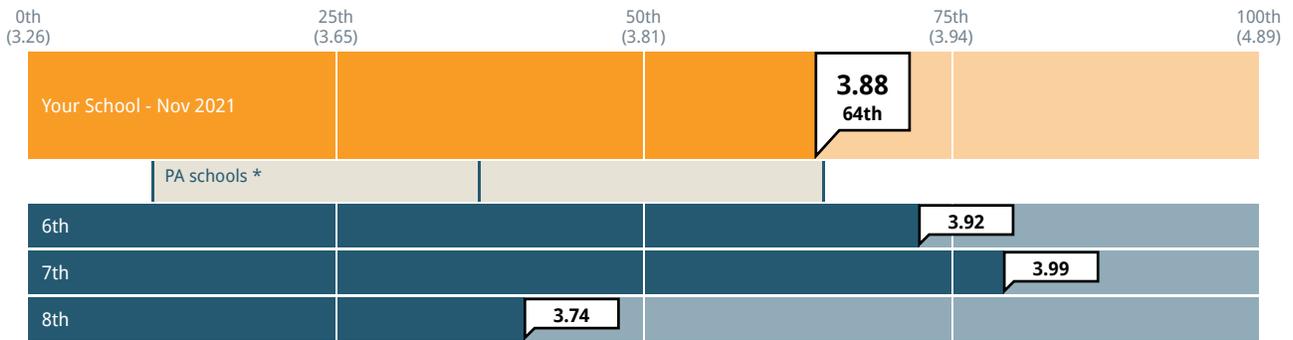
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My school respects people of different: Sexual orientations (e.g. gay, straight, bisexual, etc.).



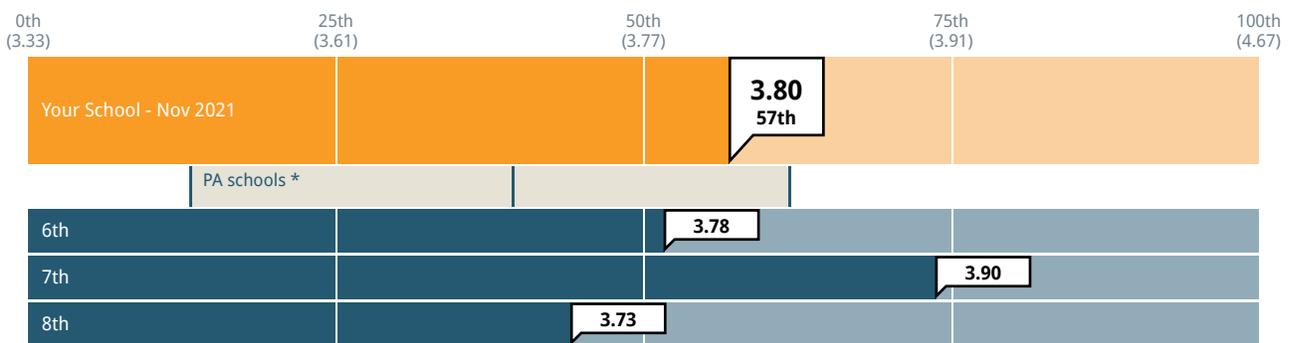
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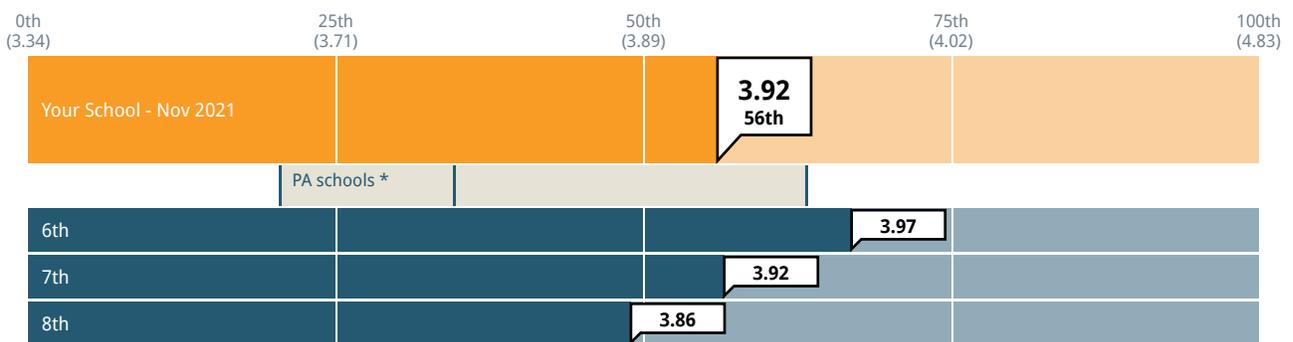
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My school respects people of different: Incomes (how much money someone makes).



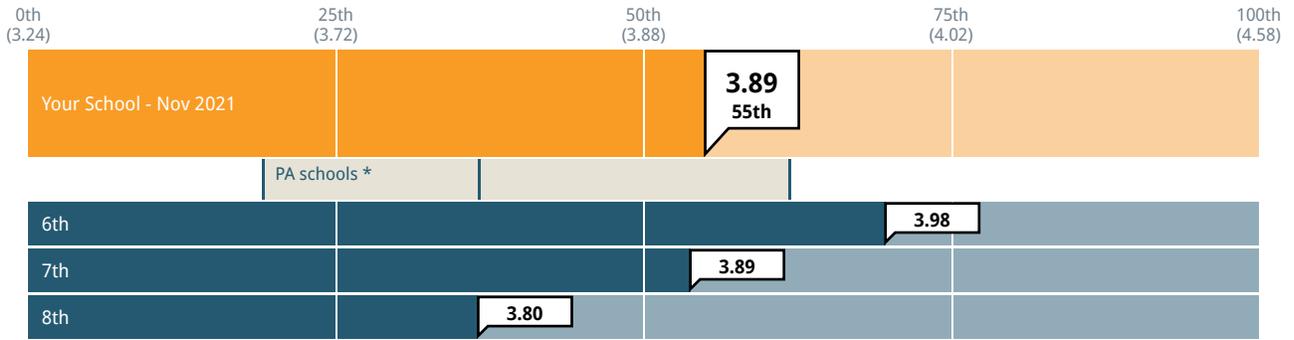
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My school respects people of different: Races or ethnicities.



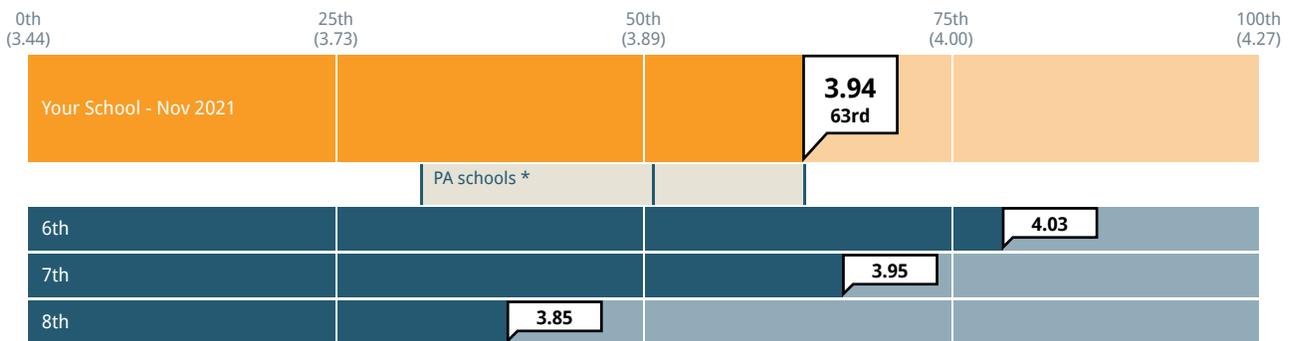
Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school respects people of different: Countries of origin.



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school respects people of different abilities (people with disabilities).



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Culture Percent Positives

Culture Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently.	70%	65%	63%
My school runs smoothly.	86%	66%	71%
I am proud of my school.	81%	69%	69%
My school creates a friendly environment.	83%	73%	72%
I believe in my school's mission.	81%	72%	69%
I feel valued by my school.	68%	62%	54%

Culture Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently.	65%	75%	70%	N/A
My school runs smoothly.	86%	88%	84%	N/A
I am proud of my school.	79%	85%	80%	N/A
My school creates a friendly environment.	82%	85%	83%	N/A
I believe in my school's mission.	79%	85%	78%	N/A
I feel valued by my school.	65%	72%	69%	N/A

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Culture Related Question Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
Discipline in this school is fair.	59%	57%	54%

Culture Related Question Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
Discipline in this school is fair.	53%	66%	58%	N/A

Different Backgrounds Related Question Percent Positives: This table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

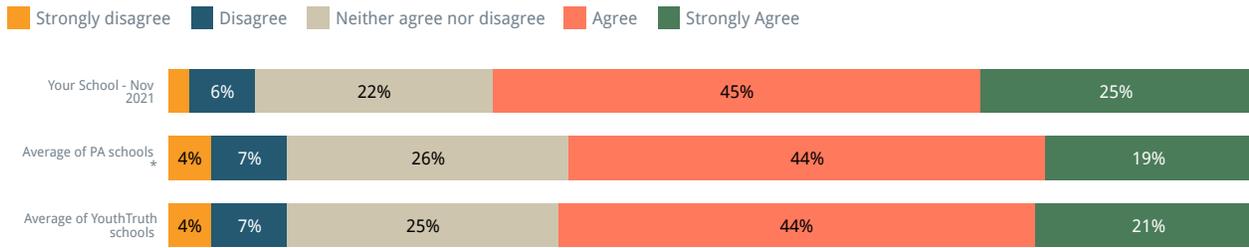
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
My school respects people of different religions and faiths.	76%	71%	66%
My school respects people of different sexual orientations (e.g. gay, straight, bisexual, etc.).	70%	65%	58%
My school respects people of different learning abilities.	70%	66%	66%
My school respects people of different gender identities (e.g. men, women, people who identify in a different way).	65%	61%	55%
My school respects people of different incomes. (how much money someone makes).	63%	61%	55%
My school respects people of different races/ethnicities.	70%	68%	62%
My school respects people of different countries of origin.	67%	66%	61%

Different Backgrounds Related Question Percent Positives: This table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
My school respects people of different religions and faiths.	75%	81%	73%	N/A
My school respects people of different sexual orientations (e.g. gay, straight, bisexual, etc.).	66%	78%	67%	N/A
My school respects people of different learning abilities.	70%	74%	67%	N/A
My school respects people of different gender identities (e.g. men, women, people who identify in a different way).	63%	74%	59%	N/A
My school respects people of different incomes. (how much money someone makes).	57%	72%	61%	N/A
My school respects people of different races/ ethnicities.	72%	72%	66%	N/A
My school respects people of different countries of origin.	71%	71%	60%	N/A

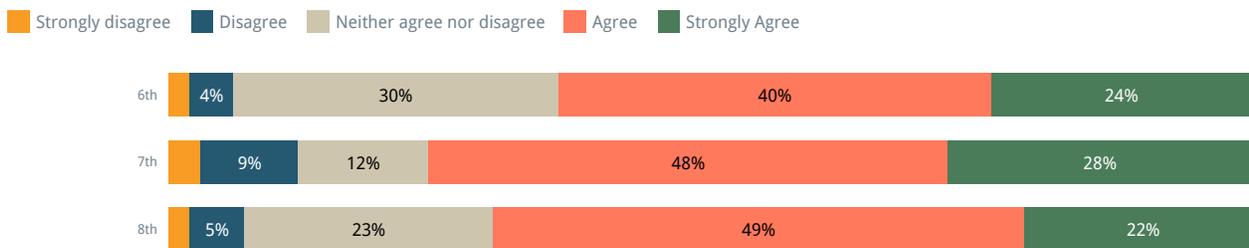
Culture Response Distributions

My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently. - Overall



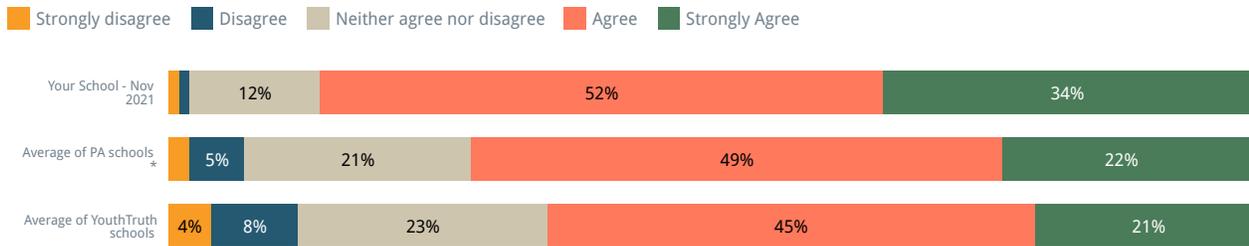
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My school's policies are administered fairly and consistently. - Subgroup



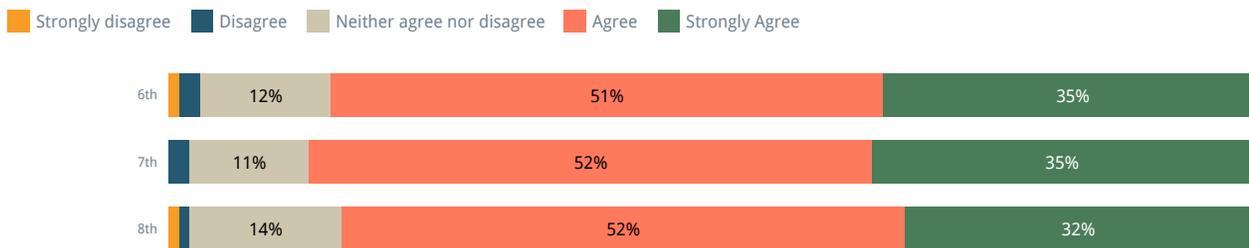
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school runs smoothly. - Overall



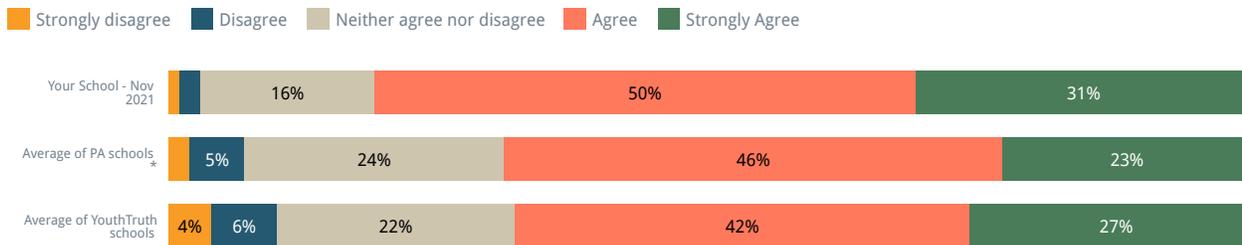
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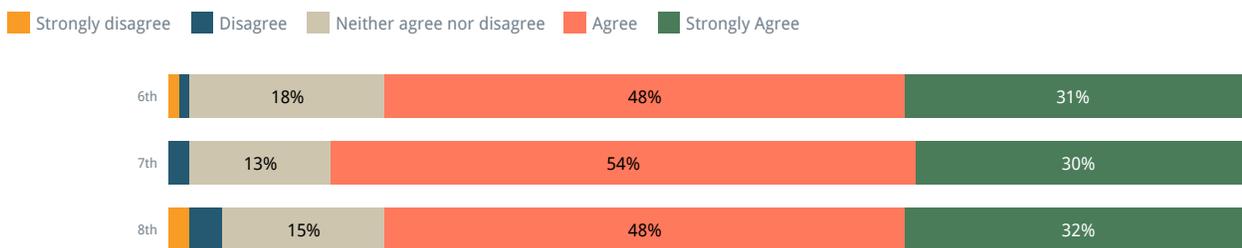
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I am proud of my school. - Overall



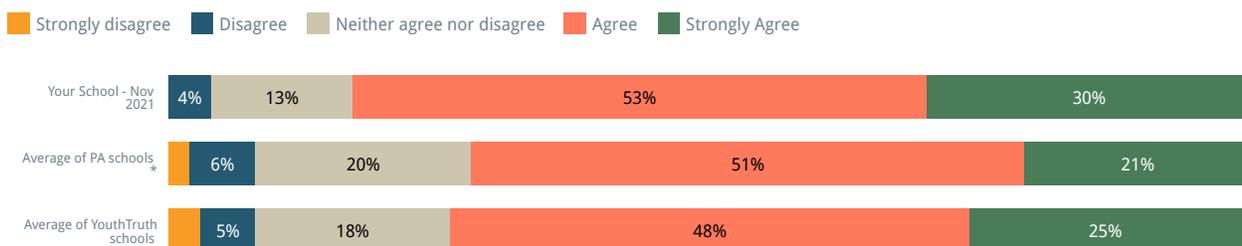
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I am proud of my school. - Subgroup



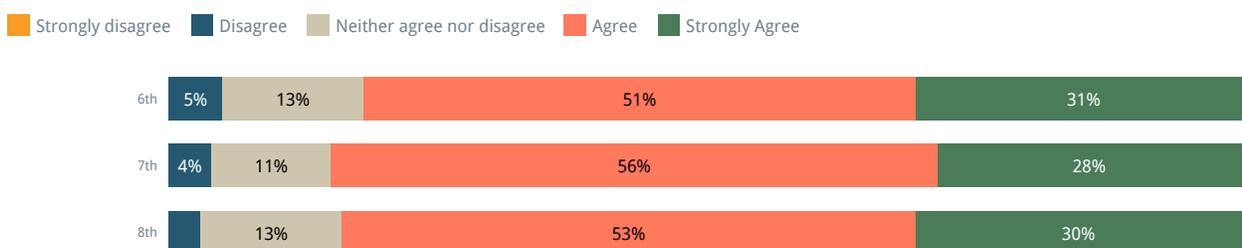
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school creates a friendly environment. - Overall



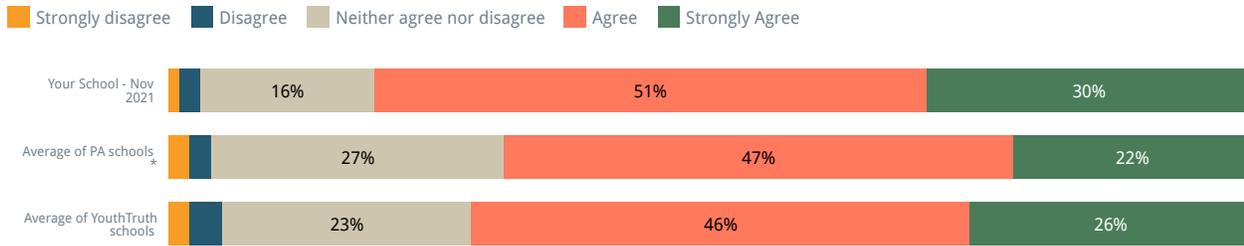
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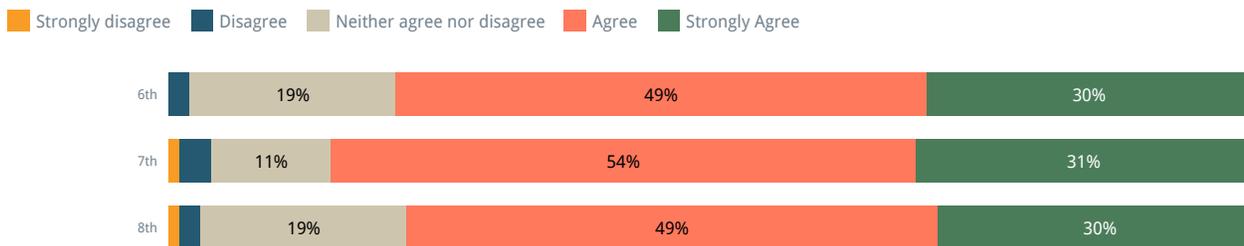
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I believe in my school's mission. - Overall



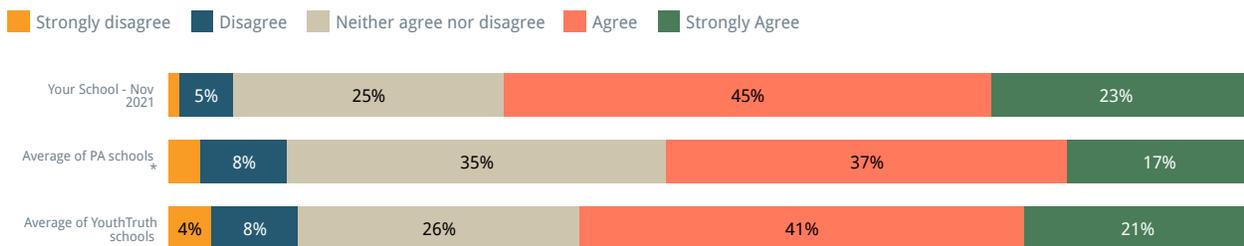
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I believe in my school's mission. - Subgroup



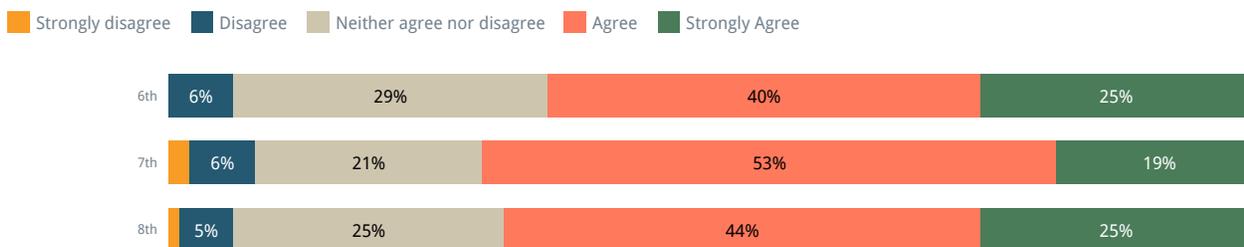
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I feel valued by my school. - Overall



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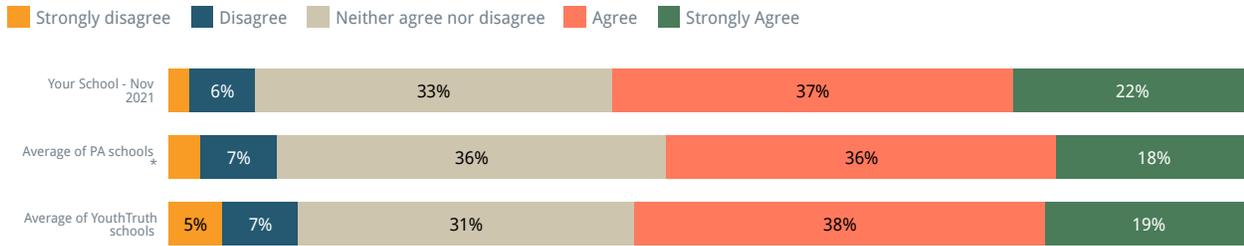
I feel valued by my school. - Subgroup



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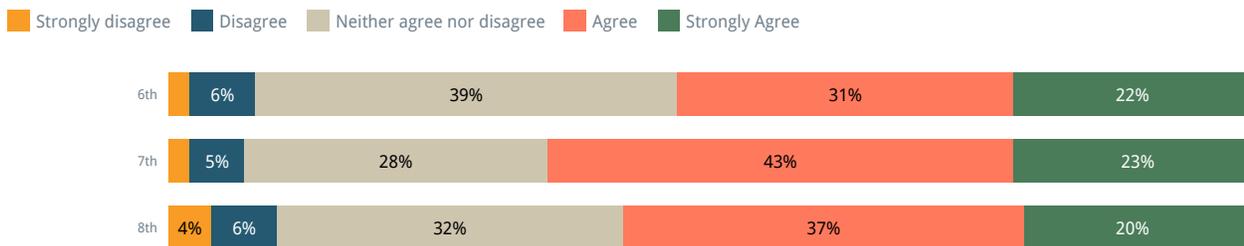
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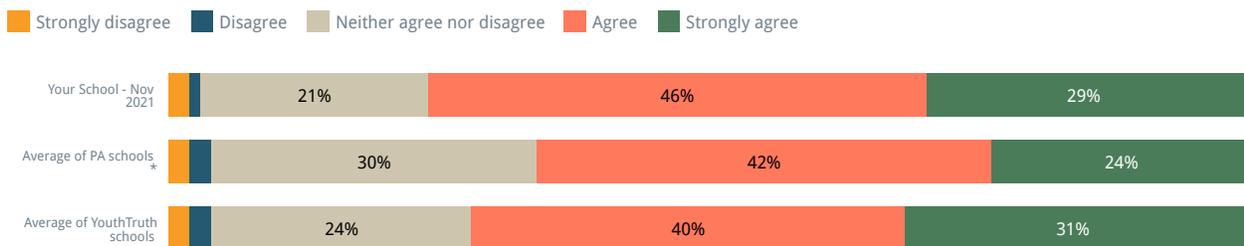
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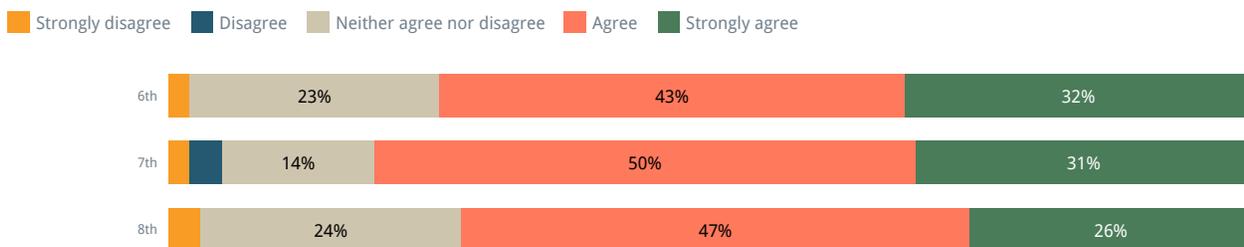
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My school respects people of different: Religions and faiths. - Overall



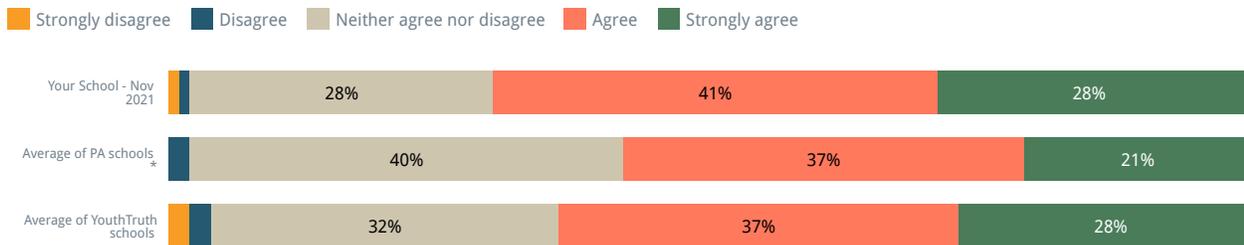
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My school respects people of different: Religions and faiths. - Subgroup



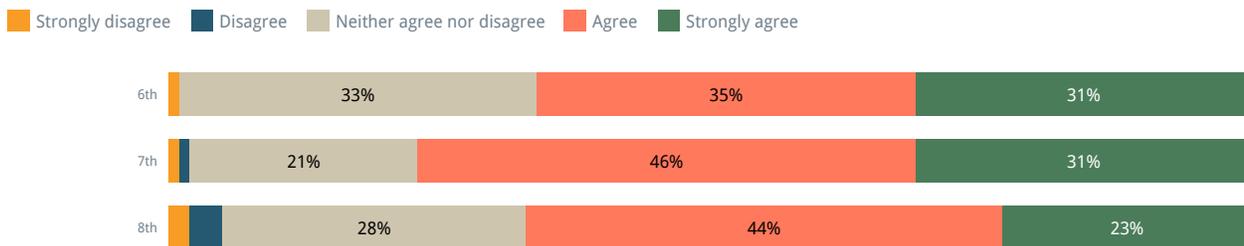
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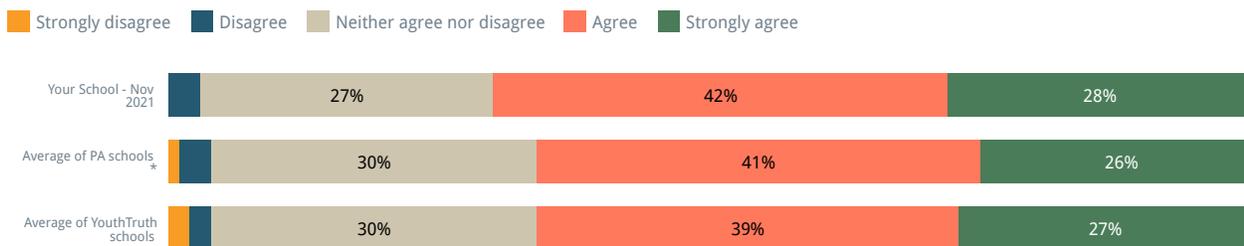
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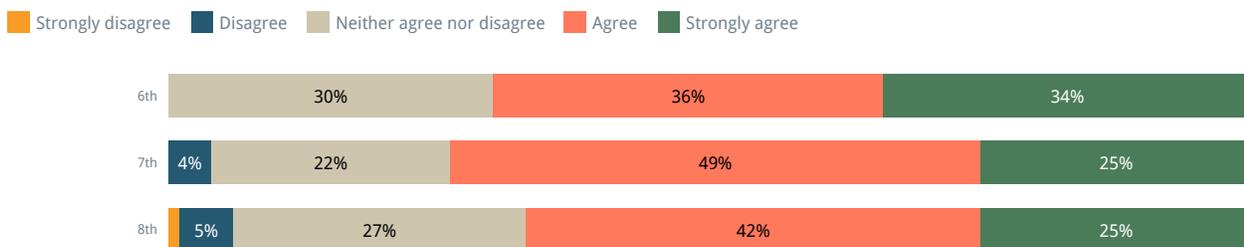
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My school respects people of different: Abilities (e.g. people with disabilities). - Overall



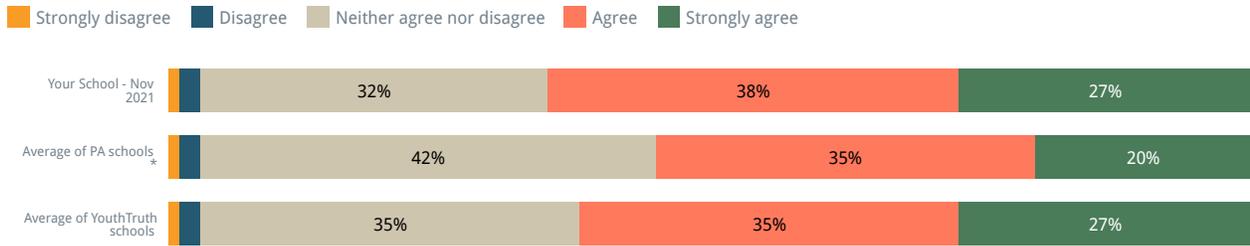
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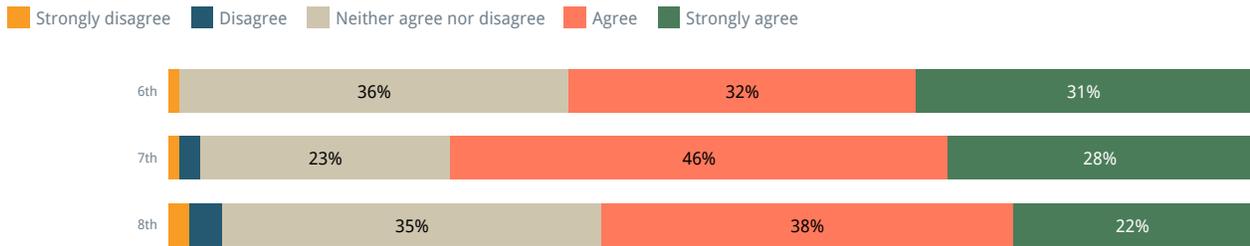
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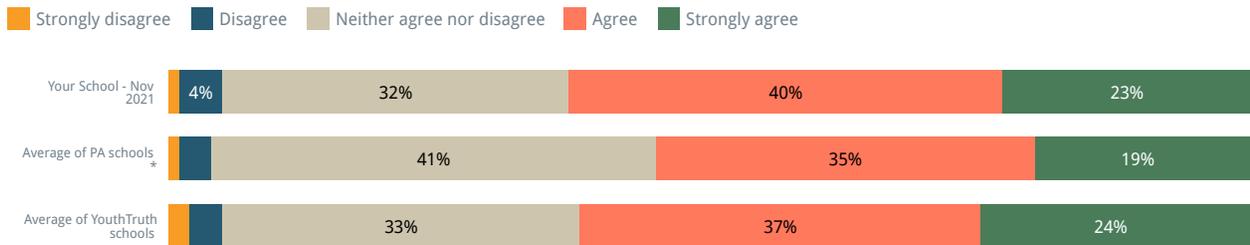
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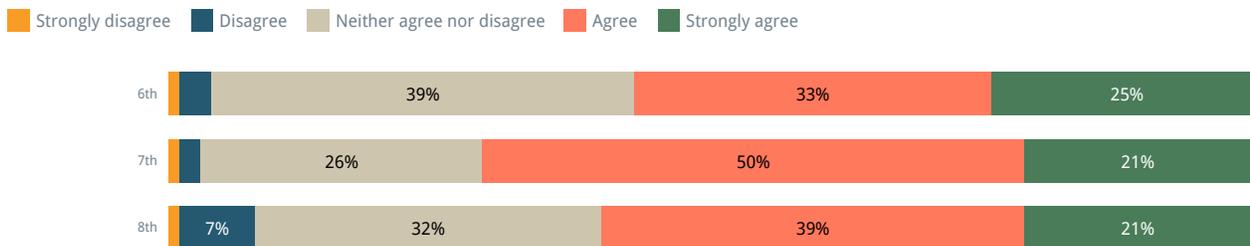
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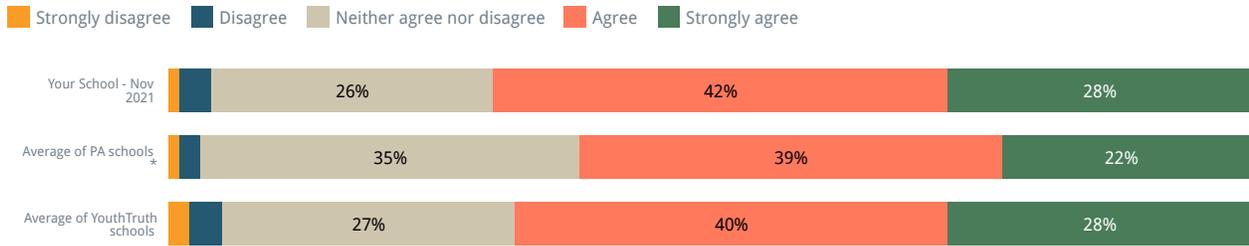
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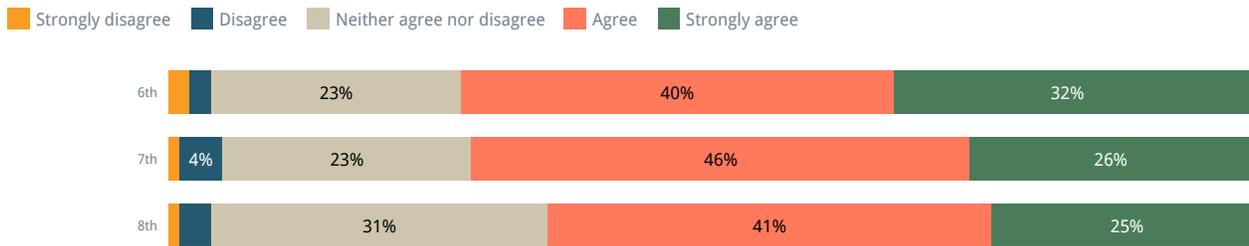
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school respects people of different: Races or ethnicities. - Overall



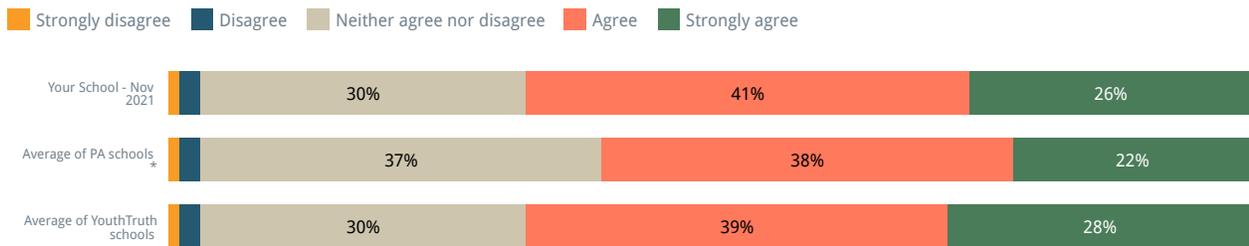
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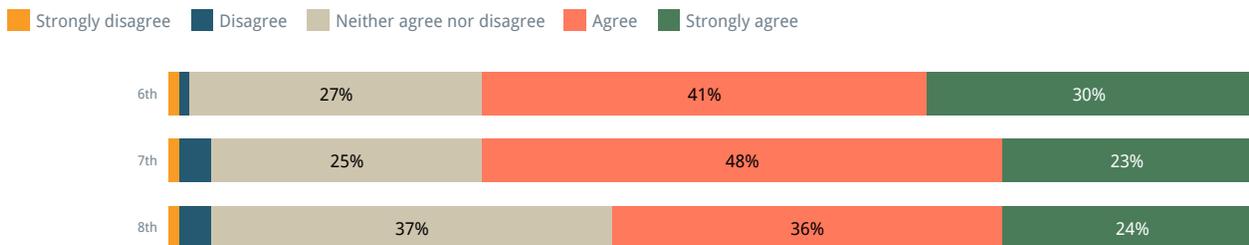
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school respects people of different: Countries of origin. - Overall



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Subgroup: Student's grade level

COMMUNICATION & FEEDBACK

Within the Communication & Feedback theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

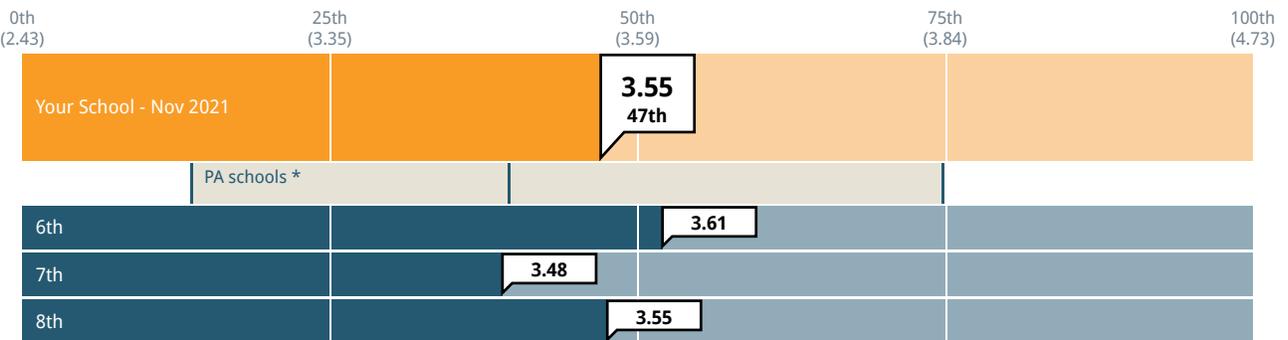
- *I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.*

Here is the full list of questions in the Communication & Feedback theme:

- I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.
- I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do.
- Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress.

Communication & Feedback Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which there are open and effective lines of communication between families and schools.

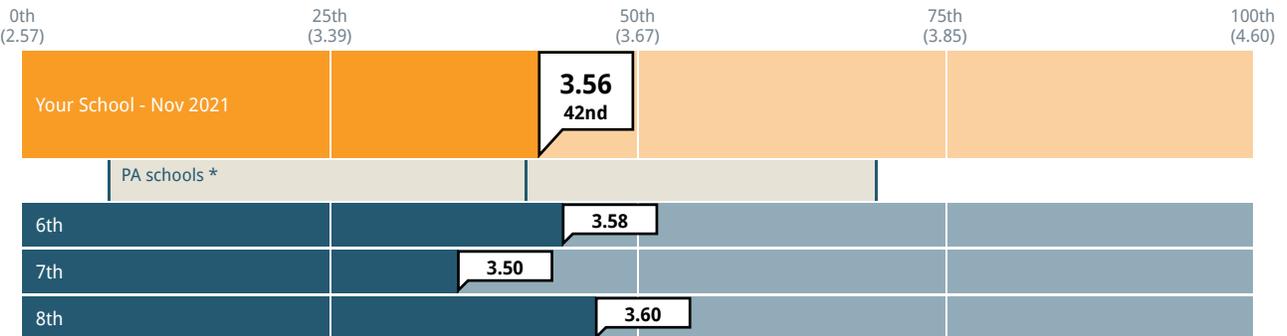


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Communication & Feedback Percentile Charts

I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.

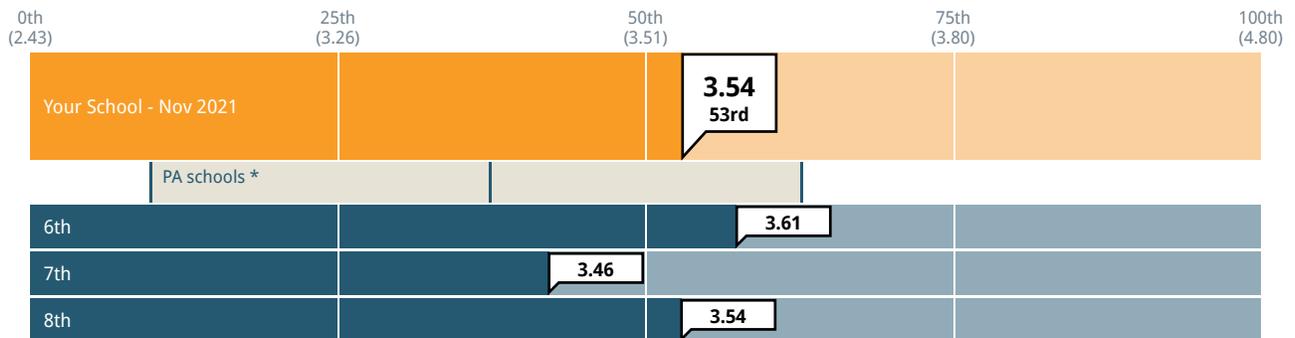
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I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do.

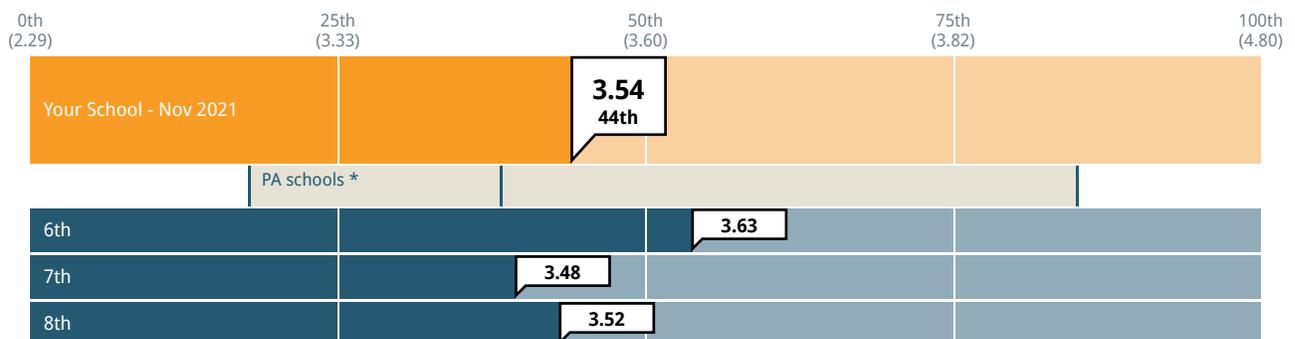
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Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress.

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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Communication & Feedback Percent Positives

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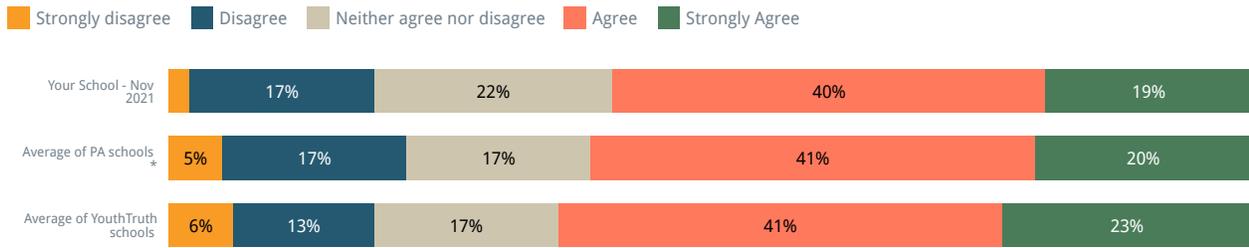
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.	59%	64%	61%
I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do.	59%	60%	53%
Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress.	57%	61%	59%

Communication & Feedback Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
I receive regular feedback about my child's progress.	57%	60%	59%	N/A
I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do.	61%	58%	58%	N/A
Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress.	57%	59%	55%	N/A

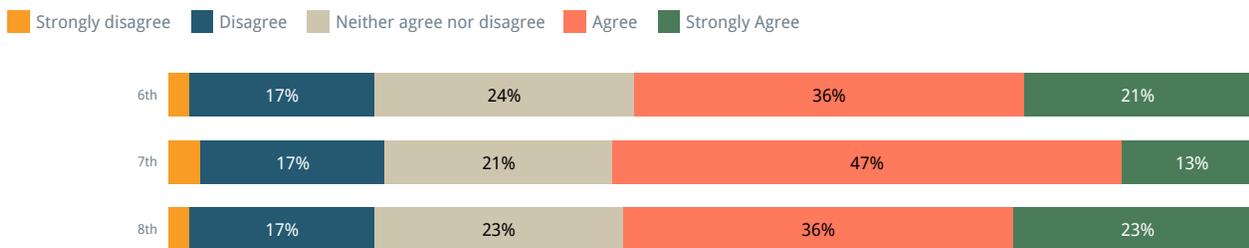
Communication & Feedback Response Distributions

I receive regular feedback about my child's progress. - Overall



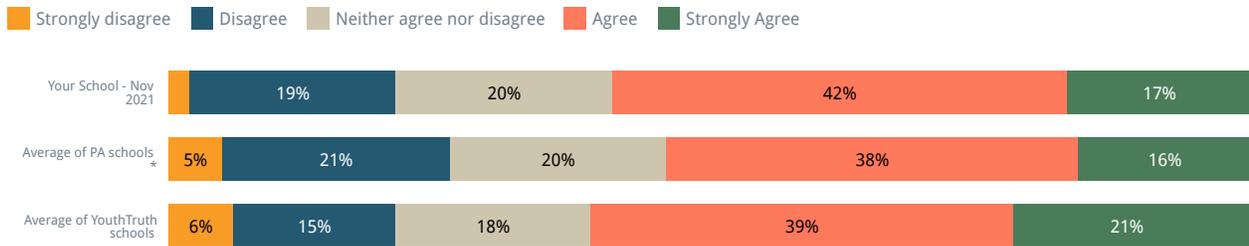
Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

I receive regular feedback about my child's progress. - Subgroup



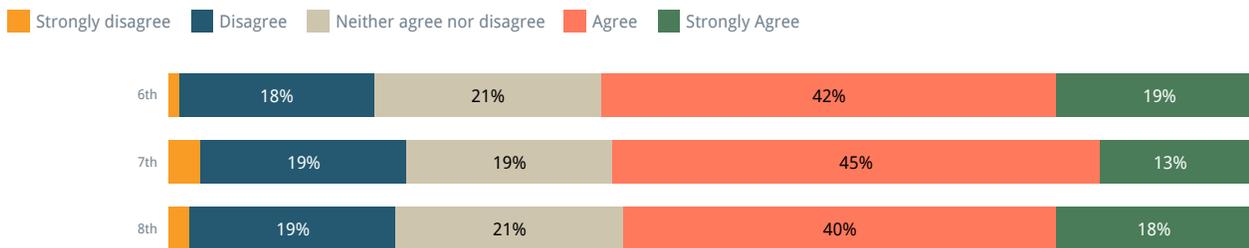
Subgroup: Student's grade level

I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do. - Overall



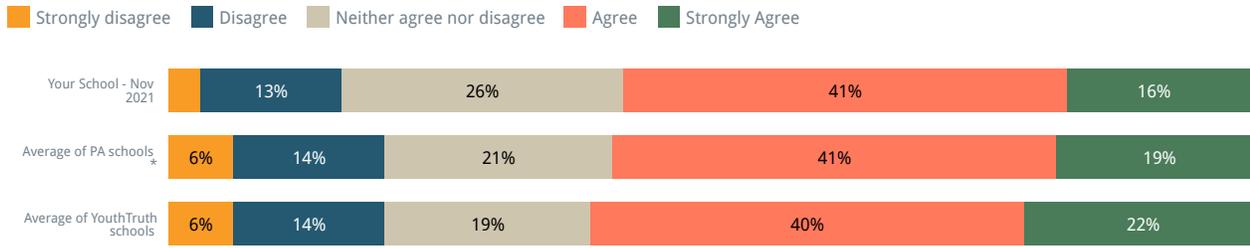
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I receive information about what my child should learn and be able to do. - Subgroup



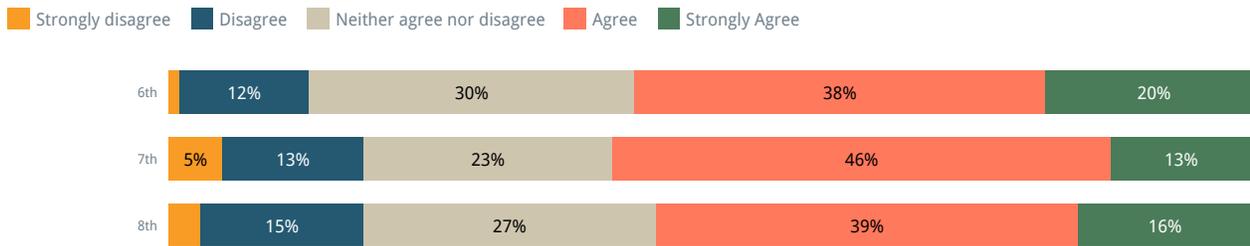
Subgroup: Student's grade level

Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress. - Overall



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

Teachers clearly communicate expectations for my child's progress. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

RESOURCES

Within the Resources theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

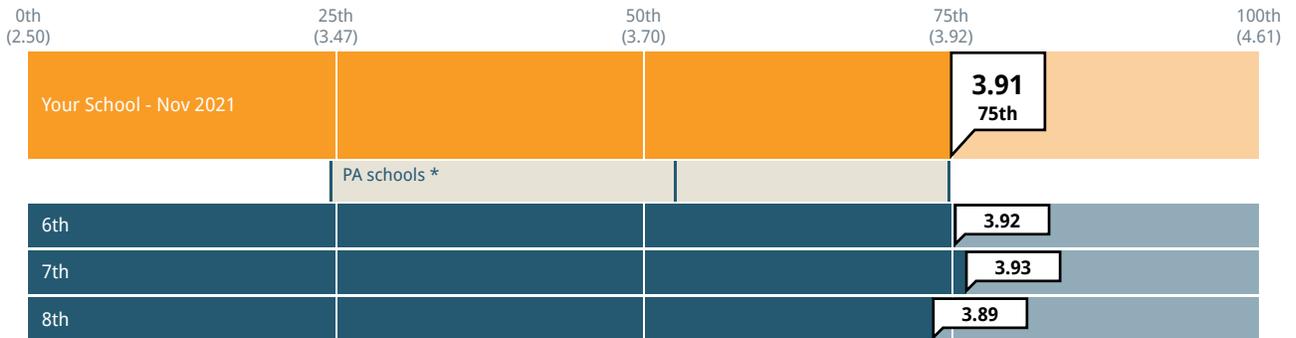
- *My school sets high expectations for students.*

Here is the full list of questions in the Resources theme:

- My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals.
- My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future.
- My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed.
- My school sets high expectations for students.

Resources Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe that their school deploys the necessary resources to support students.

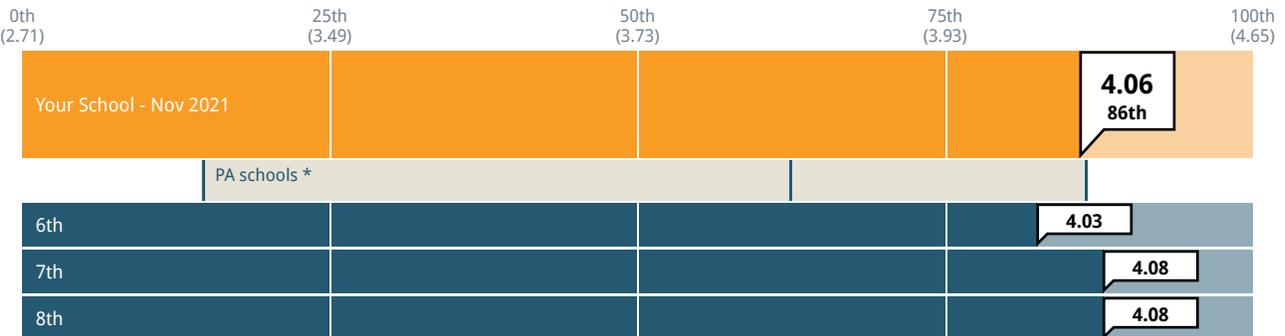


Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Resources Percentile Charts

My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals.

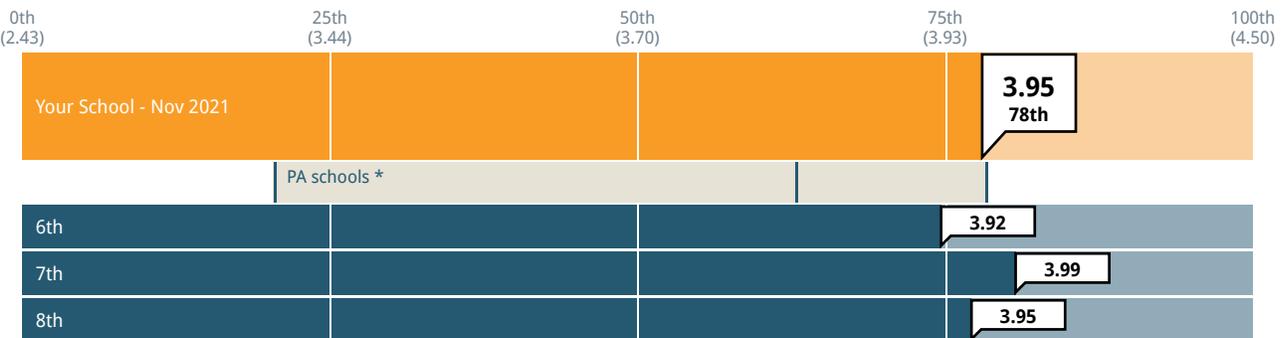
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My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future.

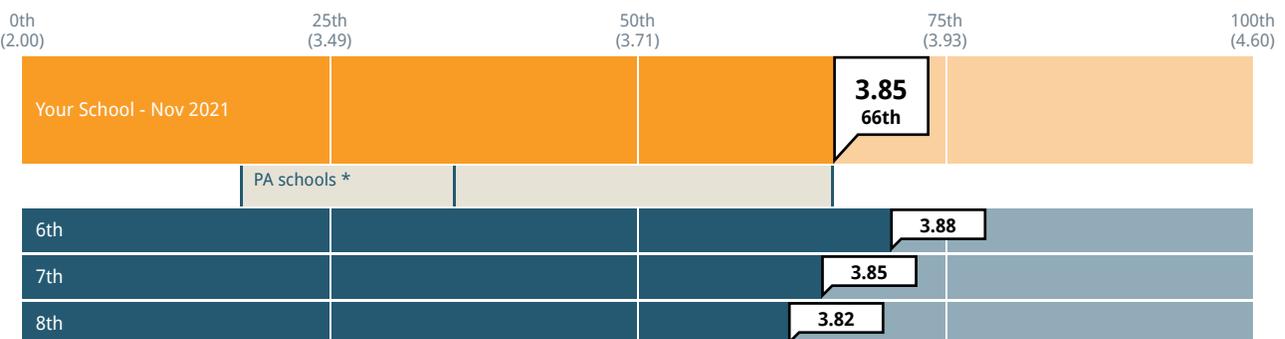
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My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed.

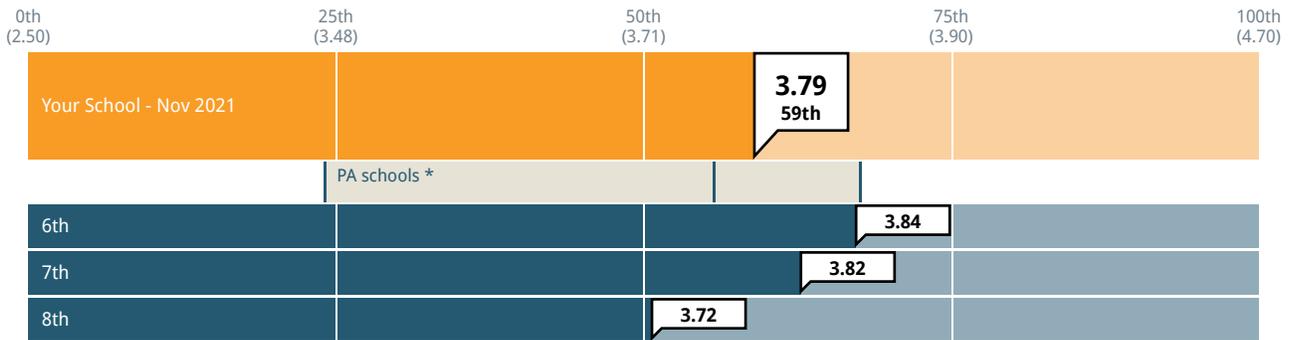
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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school sets high expectations for students.

1 = Strongly disagree 3 = Neither agree nor disagree 5 = Strongly agree



Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

Resources Percent Positives

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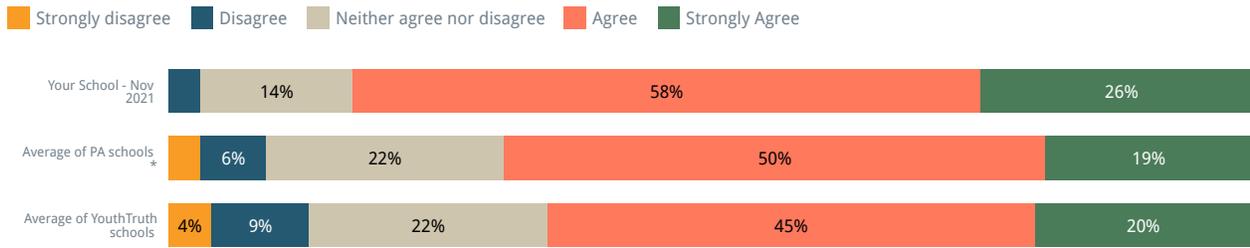
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals.	84%	66%	69%
My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future.	78%	64%	67%
My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed.	75%	66%	61%
My school sets high expectations for students.	71%	65%	64%

Resources Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals.	83%	84%	84%	N/A
My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future.	78%	80%	75%	N/A
My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed.	77%	77%	73%	N/A
My school sets high expectations for students.	71%	78%	65%	N/A

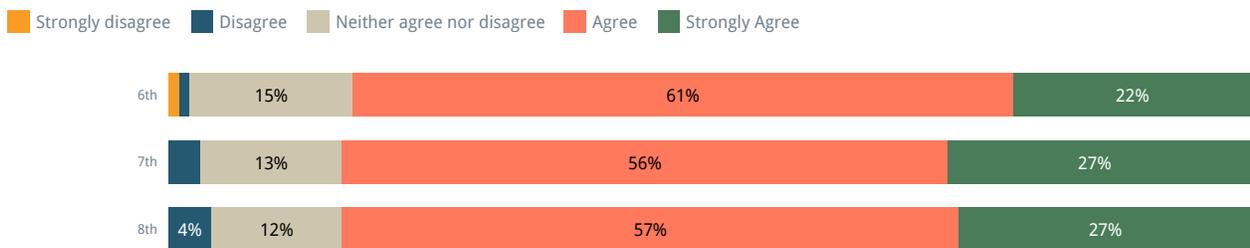
Resources Response Distributions

My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals. - Overall



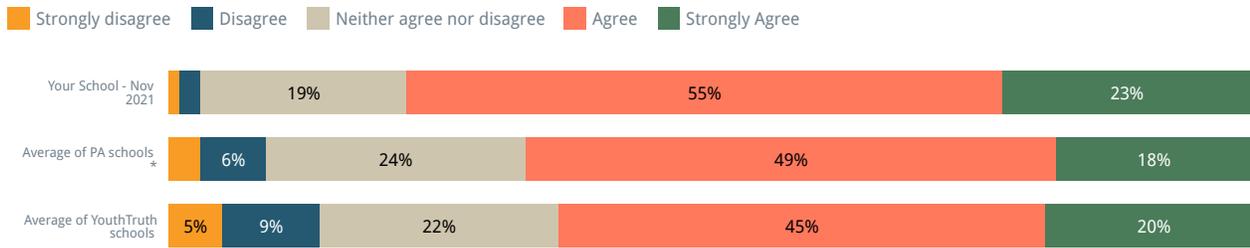
Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

My school has the resources necessary to achieve learning goals. - Subgroup



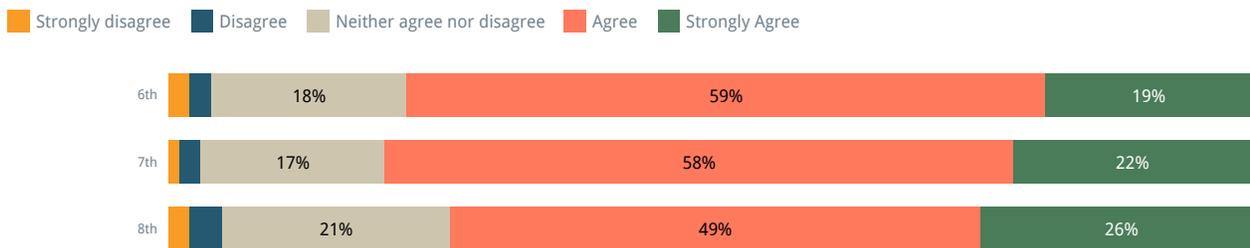
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future. - Overall



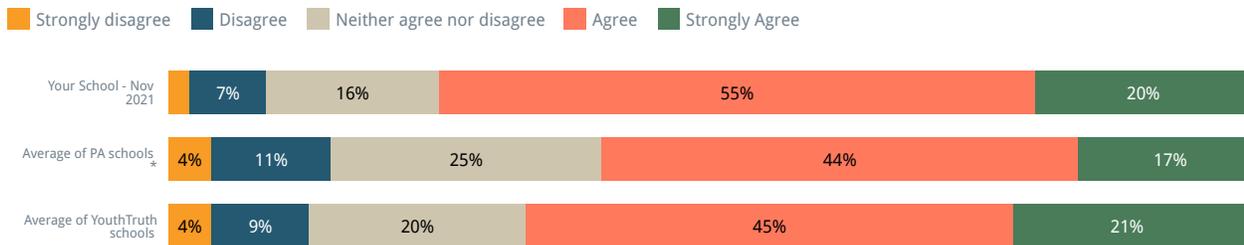
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My school has the resources necessary to prepare my child for the future. - Subgroup



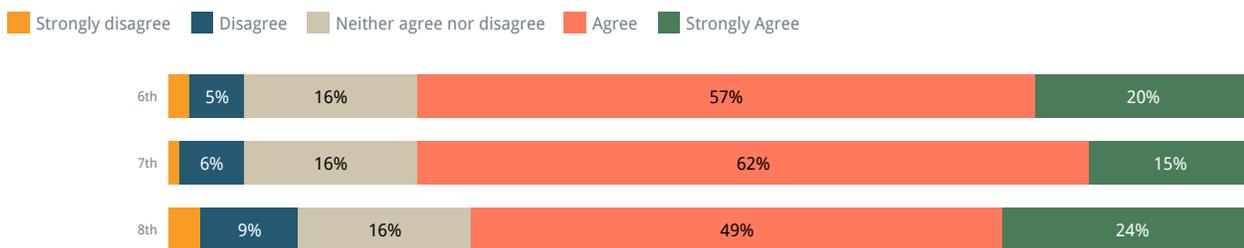
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed. - Overall



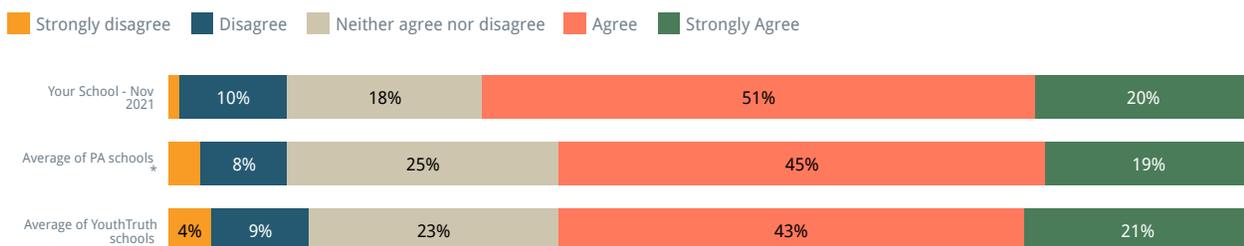
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My school provides the guidance necessary to help my child succeed. - Subgroup



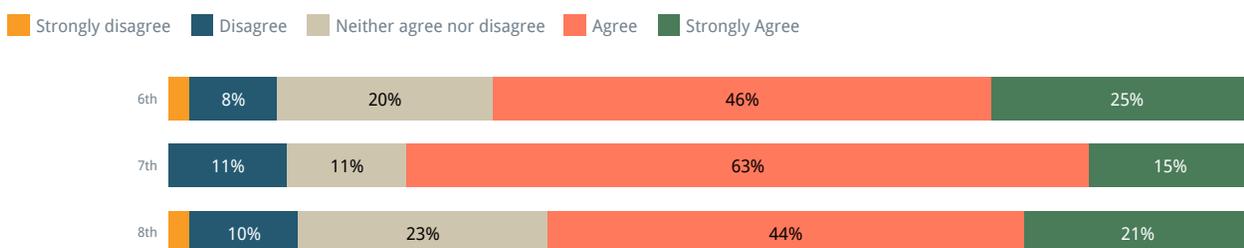
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My school sets high expectations for students. - Overall



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

My school sets high expectations for students. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

SCHOOL SAFETY

Within the School Safety theme, compared to other participating middle schools, the **highest rated question** for SLMS was:

- *My school is a safe place to learn.*

and the **lowest rated question** was:

- *My child is safe from bullying at school.*

Here is the full list of questions in the School Safety theme:

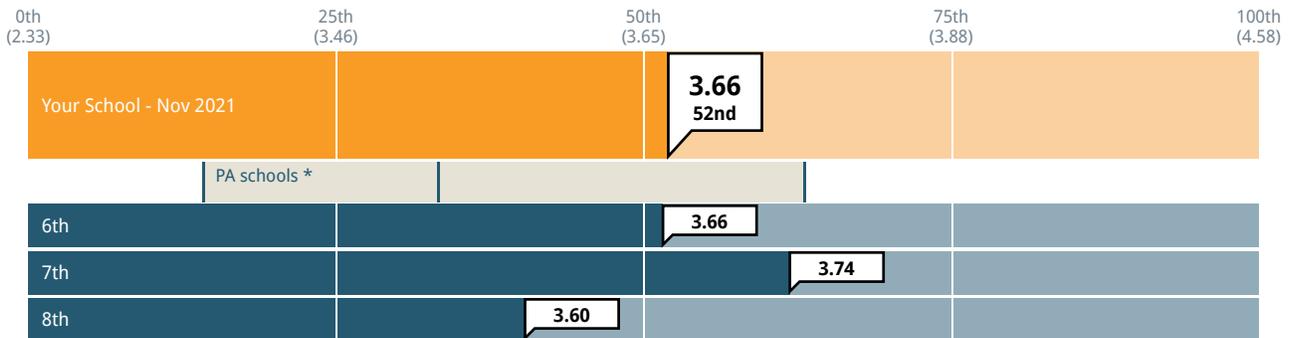
- My school is a safe place to learn.
- My child is safe from bullying at school.

Here are the related questions:

- My child is safe from violence at school.

School Safety Summary Measure

This summary measure describes the degree to which families believe that their school is a safe place for students.

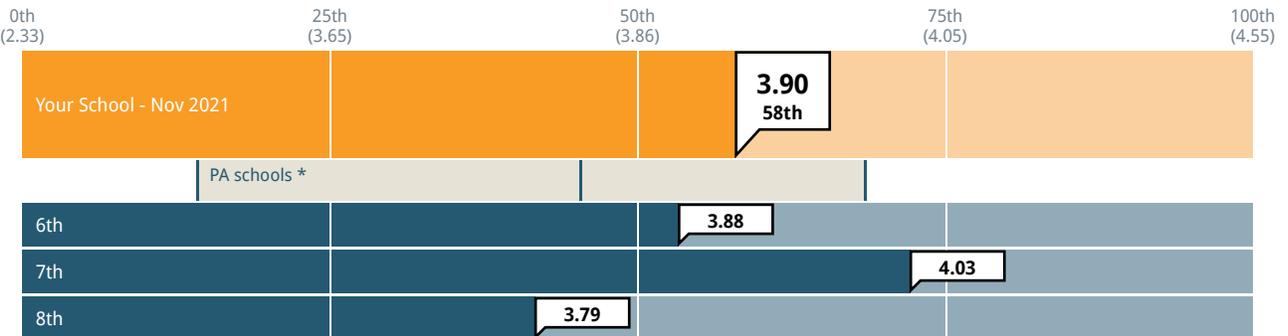


Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

School Safety Percentile Charts

My child's learning environment is safe.

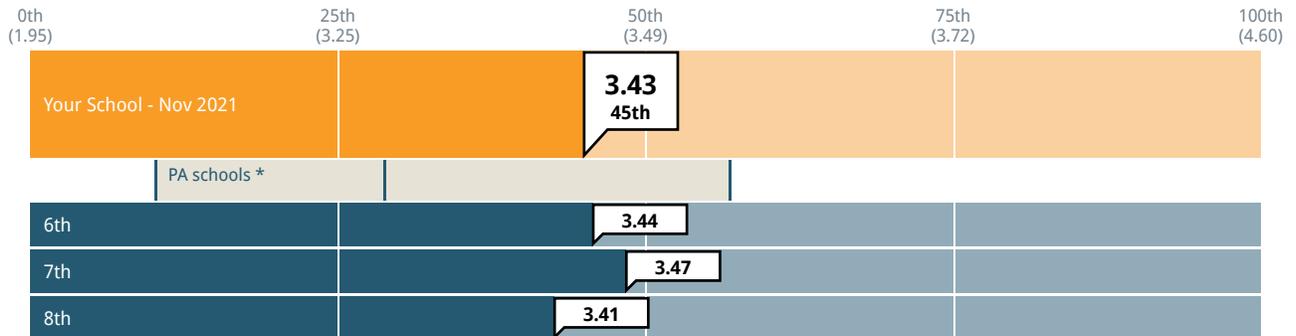
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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

My child is safe from bullying during school.

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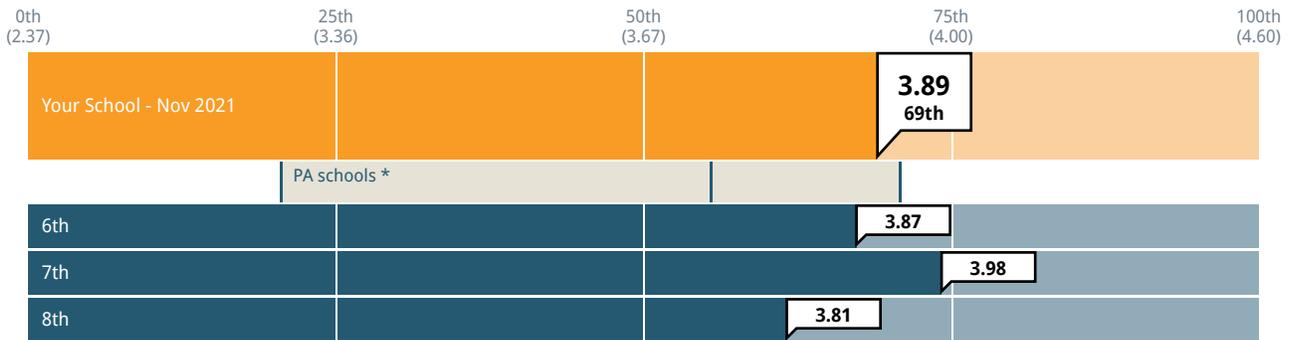


Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

The following question is not included in the School Safety theme because it is only asked of families whose children attend school in-person.

My child is safe from violence at school.

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Cohort: PA schools * Past results: on Subgroup: Student's grade level

School Safety Percent Positives

School Safety Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
My school is a safe place to learn.	79%	71%	69%
My child is safe from bullying at school.	56%	54%	44%

School Safety Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Subgroup

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
My school is a safe place to learn.	79%	85%	72%	N/A
My child is safe from bullying at school.	59%	58%	52%	N/A

The following question is not included in the School Safety theme because it is only asked of families whose children attend school in-person.

Related Safety Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

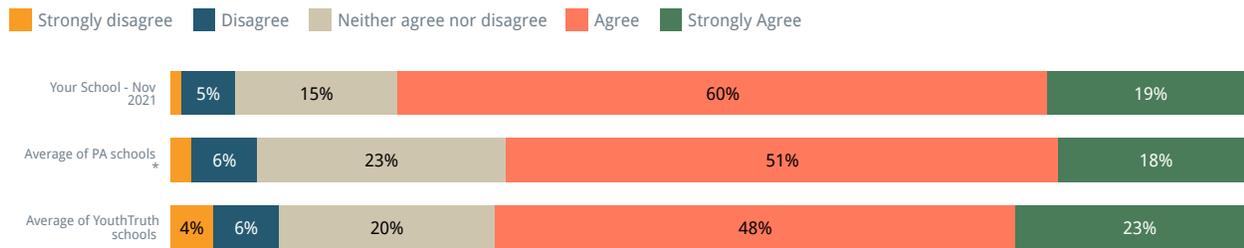
Selected Cohort: Typical PA school *			
Question	Your School - Nov 2021	Typical YouthTruth school	Typical PA school *
My child is safe from violence at school.	76%	62%	58%

School Safety Percent Positives: this table displays the percentage of respondents who chose a 4 or a 5 (4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree). - Overall

Selected Subgroup: Student's grade level				
Question	6th	7th	8th	Other
My child is safe from violence at school.	76%	82%	69%	N/A

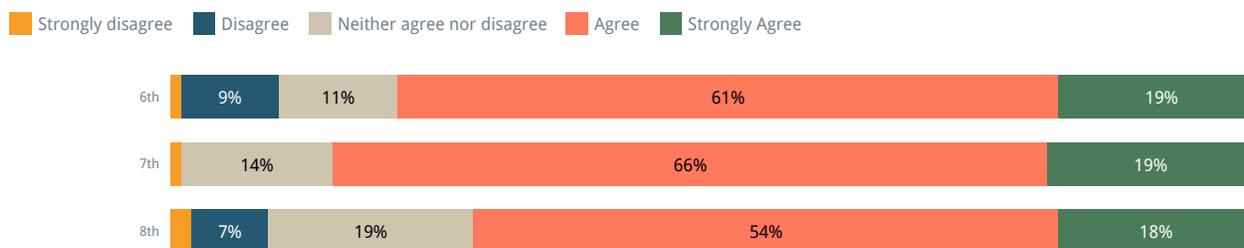
School Safety Response Distributions

My child's learning environment is safe. - Overall



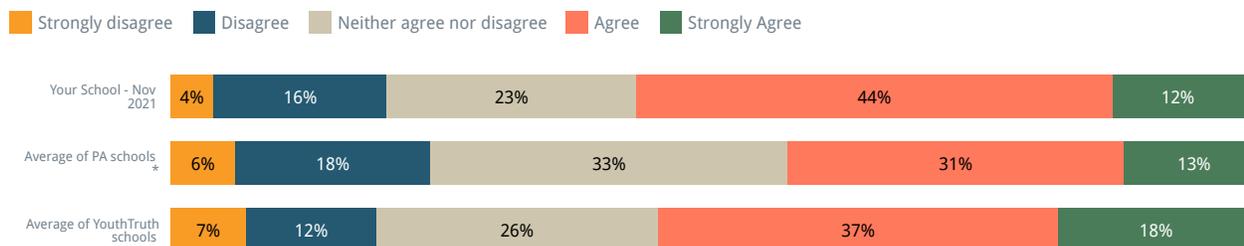
Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

My child's learning environment is safe. - Subgroup



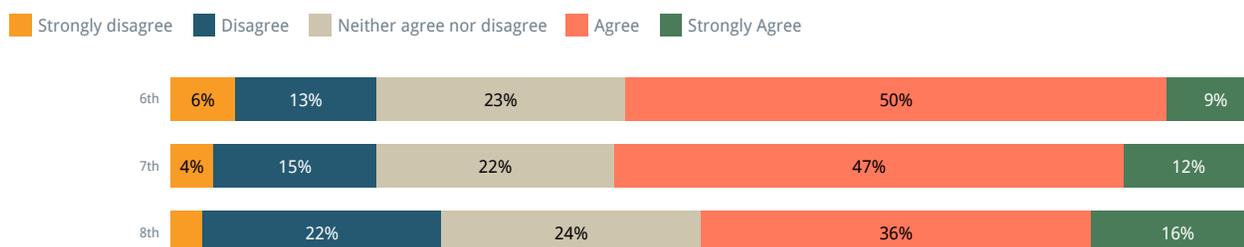
Subgroup: Student's grade level

My child is safe from bullying during school. - Overall



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

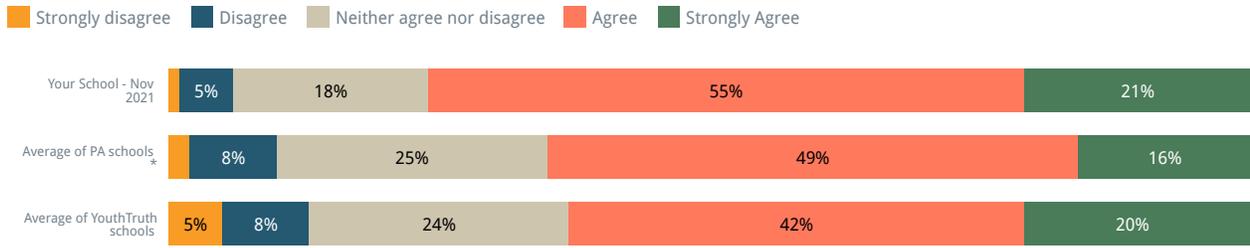
My child is safe from bullying during school. - Subgroup



Subgroup: Student's grade level

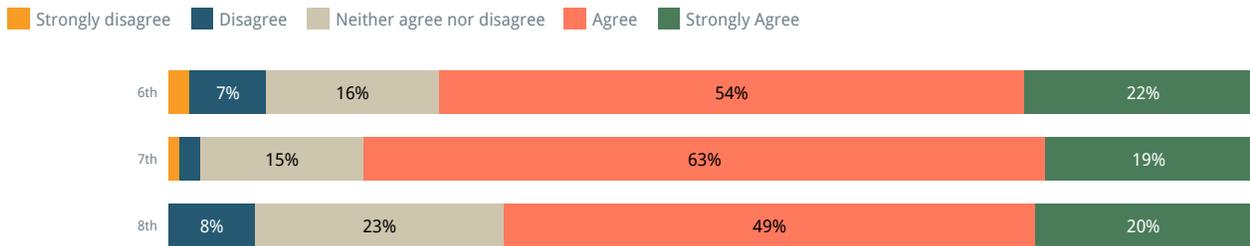
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My child is safe from violence at school. - Overall



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My child is safe from violence at school. - Subgroup

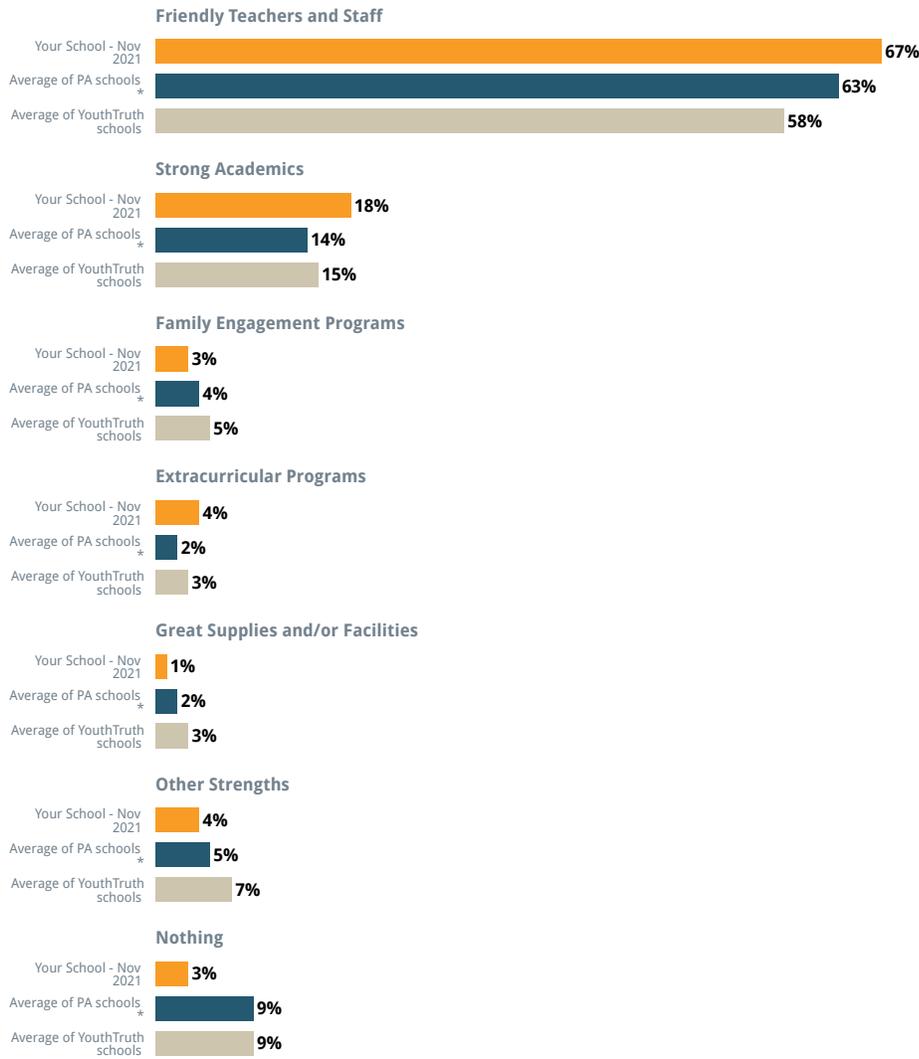


Subgroup: Student's grade level

Strengths

What do you like most about your school? - Overall

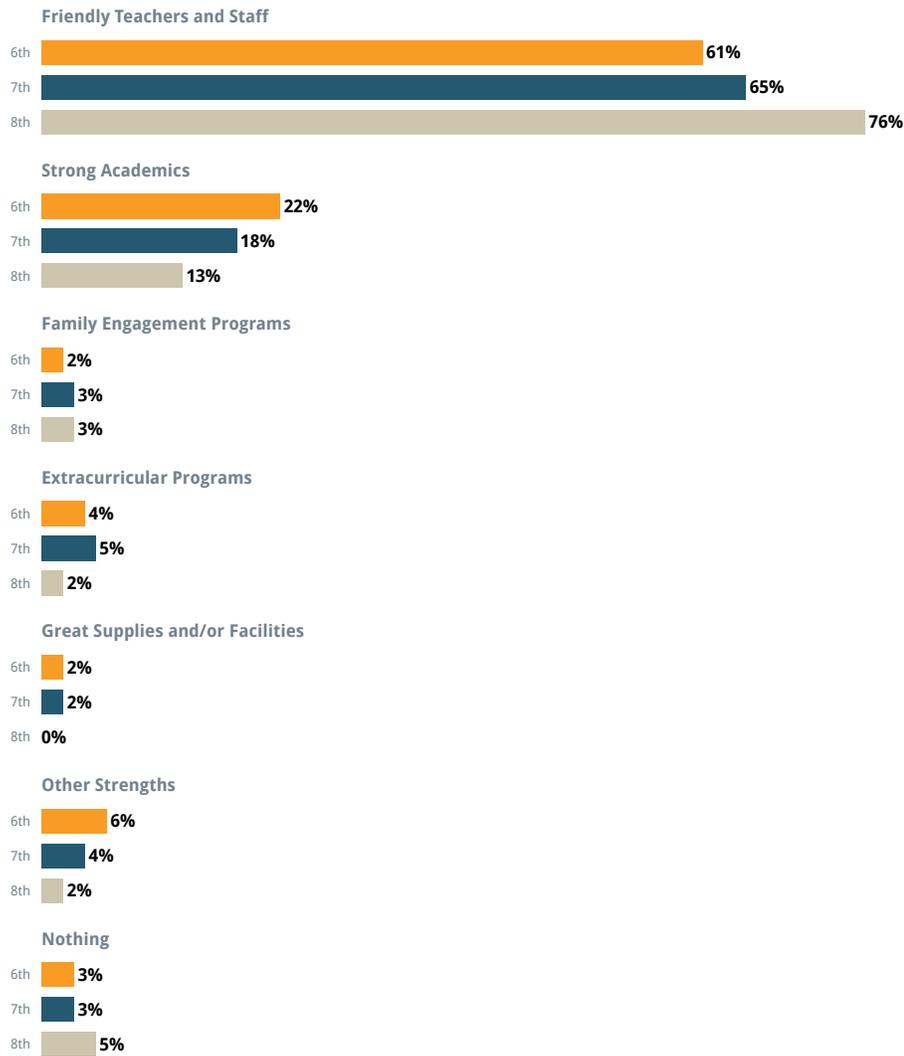
■ Your School - Nov 2021
 ■ Average of PA schools *
 ■ Average of YouthTruth schools



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

What do you like most about your school? - Subgroup

6th 7th 8th

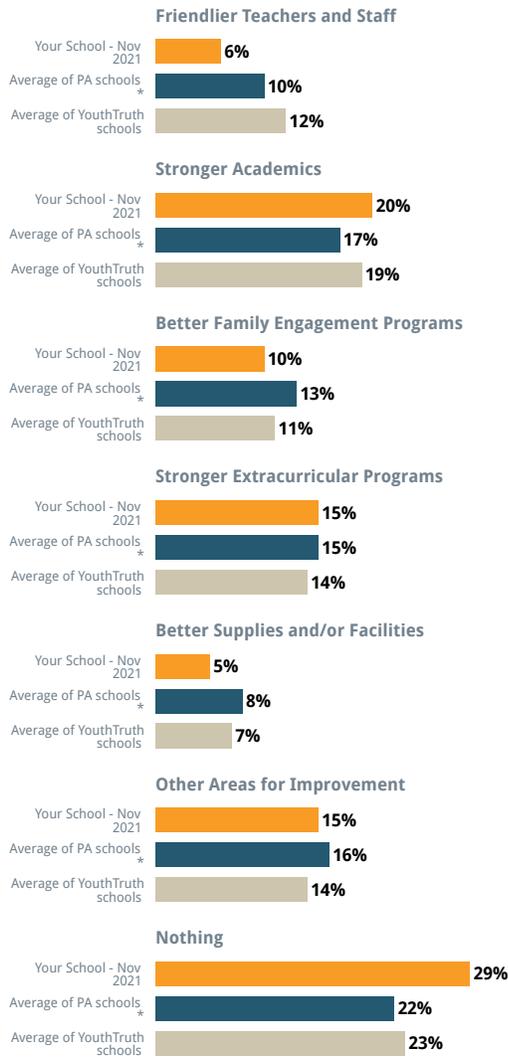


Subgroup: Student's grade level

Areas for Improvement

What is one area in which your school could improve? - Overall

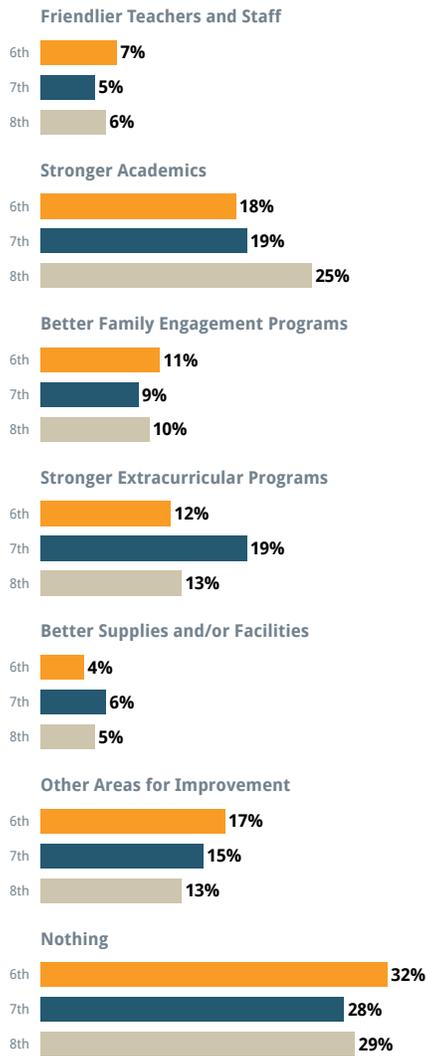
■ Your School - Nov 2021
 ■ Average of PA schools *
 ■ Average of YouthTruth schools



Cohort: Average of PA schools * Past results: on

What is one area in which your school could improve? -Subgroup

6th 7th 8th



Subgroup: Student's grade level

APPENDIX

YouthTruth gathers candid family feedback through a confidential online survey. YouthTruth conducts rigorous analysis on the quantitative data and qualitative comments. This is designed to be an actionable report, and compares your results to those of other schools across the country.

The details of your survey are:

Survey Fielded	Survey Population	Number of Responses Received	Survey Response Rate
November 2021	944	423	45%

Comparative Dataset

INTERPRETING YOUR RESULTS

This report reflects perceptions in your school as captured by the YouthTruth survey instrument. The dataset to which we compare you contains only schools that have participated in YouthTruth. Therefore, we consider this report to be an informative, though not comprehensive, source of data. The comparative data included in this report offers a helpful point of reference for interpreting feedback from family members in your school, but does not comprise a representative sample of U.S. middle schools.

We encourage you to interpret this feedback in light of your own goals, strategies, and context, and to review it in conjunction with other data sources that you use to monitor your school's progress.

COMPARATIVE DATASET

YouthTruth's middle school comparative dataset includes 226 schools, and the average response rate is 29% percent.

The number of schools in the table below may be slightly different than the number of schools in the comparative dataset because: 1) the comparative dataset includes international schools, and 2) schools are occasionally double counted in this table if they participated in YouthTruth once through their district and once through a network of which they are a part, or if they participated through two different networks.

Schools from the following districts and charters networks comprise the comparative dataset for this report:

District	Number of Schools
California	
Amethod Public Schools	3
Azusa Unified School District	3
Cloverdale Unified School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	2
Davis Joint Unified School District	4
Downtown College Prep	2
Evergreen School District	3
Harmony Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
Healdsburg Unified School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
High Tech High	5
Ingenium Schools	2
Kentfield School District	1
Lancaster School District (CA)	5
Lincoln Unified School District	8
Lynwood Unified School District	3
Mesa Union School District	1
Monterey Peninsula Unified School District	3
Novato Unified School District	3
Oak Grove Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
Pajaro Valley Unified School District	9
Petaluma City Schools (through Sonoma County Schools)	3
Piner Olivet Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	2
Red Bluff Union Elementary School District	1
Reed Union School District	1
Rincon Valley Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	2
Rio School District	4

District	Number of Schools
San Diego Unified School District	2
San Leandro Unified School District	2
San Luis Coastal Unified School District	2
San Rafael City Schools	2
Santa Rosa City Schools (through Sonoma County Schools)	6
Sausalito Marin City School District	1
Sebastopol Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
Shoreline Unified School District	2
Sonoma County Office of Education (through Sonoma County Schools)	1
Sonoma Valley Unified School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	3
Teach Public Schools	1
Twin Hills Union School District (through Sonoma County Schools)	2
University Preparatory Public Charter	1
Walnut Creek School District	1
West Contra Costa Unified School District	8
Wilsona School District	1
Youth Policy Institute Charter Schools	2
District of Columbia	
Friendship Public Charter Schools	5
Kansas	
Santa Fe Trail USD 434	1
Massachusetts	
Brockton Public Schools	6
Michigan	
Bay City Public Schools	2
Cornerstone Education Group (through Michigan Department of Education)	1
Creative Urban Education, Inc. (through Michigan Department of Education)	1
Detroit Public Schools (through Michigan Department of Education)	7
National Heritage Academies (through Michigan Department of Education)	1
University Prep Schools	3
Mississippi	
Oxford School District	2
North Carolina	
McDowell County Schools	1
New Jersey	
Ramsey School District	1
River Dell Regional School District	1
Westwood Regional School District	1

District	Number of Schools
New York	
Kenmore-Tonawanda Union Free School District	2
Ohio	
Clinton-Massie Local Schools	1
Geauga County Educational Service Center	1
Urban Community School	1
Westlake City School District	2
Oregon	
Bend-La Pine School District	10
David Douglas School District	3
Eagle Point School District 9	3
Gervais School District	1
Gladstone School District	1
Grants Pass School District 7	2
Harrisburg School District (through Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District)	1
Junction City School District (through Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District)	1
Lake Oswego School District	2
Molalla River School District	1
North Clackamas School District	4
Oakridge School District (through Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District)	1
Silver Falls School District	7
Siuslaw School District (through Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District)	1
South Lane School District (through Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District)	1
Pennsylvania	
Bristol Township School District	2
Centennial School District	2
Downingtown Area School District	3
Great Valley School District	1
Penn-Delco School District	1
Rose Tree Media School District	1
Texas	
Clear Creek Independent School District	10
Huntsville Independent School District	1
Midlothian Independent School District	3
Terrell Independent School District	1
Washington	
Bethel School District	8
Quincy School District	1

Methodology

SURVEY ADMINISTRATION

Family members participated in the YouthTruth Family Survey during a multi-week survey window. The survey was administered online, with administration coordinated by school personnel.

REPORTING THRESHOLD

Throughout this report, we remove any results reflecting responses from fewer than five respondents in order to preserve respondent confidentiality. If fewer than five respondents of any given subgroup at your school respond to a particular question, the average rating of that particular subgroup for that question will not appear in your report. If fewer than five respondents of any given subgroup at your school respond to the entire survey, the average ratings of that particular subgroup will not appear separately for any questions, although they will contribute to your overall ratings.

ABSOLUTE VS. RELATIVE RATINGS

Throughout this report, you will see a number of references to the "typical" YouthTruth school. These guidelines describe our approach to characterizing schools' results relative to the "typical" school.

- **For likert questions (1-3 or 1-5 scale):** Results are described as "higher than typical" when they fall at or above the 60th percentile in the comparative dataset – that is, higher than 60 percent of other middle schools that have participated in YouthTruth. Conversely, results are described as "lower than typical" when they falls below the 40th percentile – or, lower than 60 percent of other participating middle schools.
- **For questions allowing multiple responses (e.g., Do any of the following make it hard for you to do your best in school? – Home life; extracurricular commitments; etc.):** Results are considered "higher than typical" when they are at least 8 percentage points higher than the results for the median school in the comparative dataset, and "lower than typical" when they are at least 8 percentage points lower than the median.
- **For categorical questions allowing only one response (e.g., Do you want to go to college? – Yes; No; Maybe; I'm not sure):** Results are considered "higher than typical" when they are at least 8 percentage points higher than the results for the average YouthTruth school, and "lower than typical" when they are at least 8 percentage points lower than the average.

COHORT AND SUBGROUP COMPARISONS

To help make comparisons more contextually meaningful, you can toggle to compare your results to a subset of participants with similar characteristics. Groups that are similar to your school's characteristics are marked with an asterisk. Most schools participate in the YouthTruth surveys alongside other schools within their local school district or network. When this is the case, schools can compare their results to those of other schools in their district or network. Reports also include a set of comparison groups that allow for comparisons across school-level indicators related to poverty, school size, school type, and geography. These groups include:

Cohort Name	Description	Number of schools
PA schools *	Schools located in this state.	10
Charter schools	Publicly funded, independently managed schools established under the terms of a charter with a local or national authority.	41
COVID-19 schools *	Schools that fielded surveys in the time of COVID-19 (after March 2020).	161
High poverty schools	Greater than or equal to 70% of a district or school's students receiving free or reduced price lunch.	71
Large city schools	Schools located in an urbanized area and in a principal city with a population greater than or equal to 250,000.	39
Large size schools *	Greater than or equal to 800 students.	42
PBL schools	Schools utilizing project-based-learning models as part of curriculum.	25
Rural schools	Schools not located in an urbanized area.	45
Small city schools	Schools located in an urbanized area and in a principal city with a population of less than 250,000.	29
Small size schools	Less than or equal to 200 students.	53
STEM schools	Schools utilizing a curriculum focusing primarily on science, technology, engineering, and math.	11
Suburban schools *	Schools located in an urbanized area, but outside a principal city.	95
2020-21 Distance learning schools	Schools that fielded surveys in the 20-21 school year while operating under a distance learning model.	83
2020-21 Hybrid learning	Schools that fielded surveys in the 20-21 school year while operating under a hybrid learning model (with students engaged in both	28

Cohort Name	Description	Number of schools
schools	distance learning and in-person learning).	
2020-21 In-person learning schools	Schools that fielded surveys in the 20-21 school year while operating under an in-person learning model.	2

*Your school is in this cohort (*School Reports only*).

The four geographic cohorts are defined based on collapsed categories using NCES locale codes. For more information on NCES methodology, please visit http://nces.ed.gov/ccd/rural_locales.asp.

Respondents are also asked a series of demographic questions, the responses from which are used to create subgroup comparisons that you can toggle throughout your report.

SUMMARY MEASURES

YouthTruth survey questions are grouped into summary measures, each of which captures data from statistically related questions. To identify these summary measures, YouthTruth uses factor analysis, a statistical tool that analyzes underlying patterns in the data.

In your report, subsections titled, for example, “Engagement Questions” include the survey questions that comprise the summary measure, or factor, describing Engagement. Subsections titled “Related Questions” contain survey questions that are thematically but not statistically related to the factor.

For the middle and high school Overall School Experience surveys, certain summary measures were developed after the launch of the survey. Therefore the number of schools in the comparative dataset for those questions. For more information about the development of summary measures and the analytical techniques used, please refer to the YouthTruth Design and Methodology Report [here](#).