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1. Grade Level of Child:

Number of survey's returned	288

2. How do you feel your child's academic needs are being met with regard to each of the following INSTRUCTIONAL areas:

	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Below to Not at all	Unfamiliar
Reading	287	94%	6%	
Writing	286	91%	9%	
Math	288	95%	5%	
Science (in classroom)	285	91%	6%	3%
Social Studies	283	92%	4%	4%
Physical Education	283	92%	7%	11%
Extended Studies				
Technology	276	90%	5%	5%
Music	277	92%	6%	2%
Art	281	91%	6%	3%
Science Lab	279	88%	8%	4%

3. How would you rate your child's OVERALL ACADEMIC progress this year?

Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Below to Not at all	Unfamiliar
277	95%	5%	

4. With regard to HOMEWORK:

Do you think your child is assigned an amount of homework that is:

Total	Too little	About right	Little too much	Way too much
287	11%	74%	13%	2%

How do you feel about the quality of your child's homework assignments?

Total	Exceeds	Meets	Not at all
278	18%	79%	3%

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5. With regard to your child's TEACHER:

My child's teacher....	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Rarely to Not at all
Demonstrates respect and understanding of my child's personality and temperament.	285	99%	1%
Addresses my child's strengths and weaknesses.	284	99%	1%
Provides opportunities to build self-esteem.	284	98%	2%
Provides timely feedback on my child's progress. (including Parent-Teacher conferences)	285	99%	1%
Encourages open communication regarding my child.	284	99%	1%
Maintains a classroom in which my child feels physically and emotionally safe.	284	99%	1%
Demonstrates respect and understanding of my child's cultural values.	281	99%	1%
The teacher has high expectations and helps my child to reach them.	283	98%	2%
Provides appropriate assistance to my child.	284	98%	2%
Likes my child.	282	98%	2%

6. What do you LIKE most about your child's education at Sycamore Ridge? What CHANGES would be most beneficial to your child's education?

Please see the comment section.

7. With regard to your child's overall SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:

My child...	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Rarely to Not at all
Enjoys the learning experience at school	284	99%	1%
Enjoys the social aspects at school	282	99%	1%
Feels appropriately challenged by the level of work	283	99%	1%
Feels safe at school	282	100%	0%
Fells liked by students	283	99%	1%
Is adequately supervised at recess	277	99%	1%

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8. With regard to SPECIAL PROGRAMS provided at Sycamore Ridge:

How satisfied are your with...	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Somewhat-Not at all	Unfamiliar
School Assemblies	278	77%	13%	9%
Field Trips	281	69%	17%	14%
Student Performances (plays & musical productions)	278	79%	17%	4%
School Clubs	272	52%	20%	28%
Back to School Night	282	83%	12%	6%
Everyone A Reader Program (EAR)	275	61%	10%	29%
Character Education, PeaceBuilders Program	280	83%	12%	5%
Study Buddies	276	44%	9%	47%
ALP (Academic Learning Program)	271	34%	10%	56%
Special Education	262	31%	6%	63%
English Language Learner (ELL) Program	256	25%	5%	70%
Library	278	88%	11%	1%
Stallion Sprinters	274	72%	14%	15%
School Site Council (SSC)	269	42%	9%	49%
With regard to PTA sponsored events:				
Stallion Stampede	272	76%	11%	13%
Ridge Raising	265	62%	15%	23%
Jog A Thon	270	69%	14%	18%
Sally Foster/Restaurant Night/Entertainment Books	268	62%	28%	10%

9. Did you volunteer?

Total	Yes	No
268	65%	35%

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10. In general, the employees at my child's school are friendly, respectful, and courteous to parents.

How satisfied are your with...	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Somewhat Not at all	Unfamiliar
Teachers	283	95%	5%	
Secretarial Staff	283	96%	4%	
Instructional Aides	279	81%	4%	14%
Custodians	283	87%	2%	11%

11. With regard to the SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

The school principal...	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Rarely to Never	Does not apply Unfamiliar
Is a visible presence at the school	283	100%		
Is responsive in addressing parental concerns	281	91%	5%	4%
Is responsive to student needs	274	96%	2%	2%
Maintains appropriate school-wide standards	280	99%	<1%	<1%
Guides instruction and supports an effective learning environment	275	99%	<1%	<1%

12. My child's school communicates with me about important site events, including Special Programs, Parent Conferences, PTA Events, and Fundraising.

Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Rarely to Not at all	N/A
263	99%	1%	0

Which is the preferred way to COMMUNICATE with you regarding Sycamore Ridge Events?

All Call	43%
PTA Newsletter	7%
Wednesday Folder	70%
E-Mail	46%
Teacher Web Page	9%
Sycamore Ridge Website	10%

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13. Which Extended Studies Programs (ESC) would you like at Sycamore? (1-5, one being most important to you)

1. Science
2. Technology
3. Music
4. Foreign Language
5. Art

14. Regarding FUNDRAISING, do you understand the difference between the DMSEF and the PTA?

Total	Yes	No
277	83%	17%

15. Did you contribute to the DMSEF this year?

Total	Yes	No
266	64%	36%

16. Would you like your child to be part of a SPANISH IMMERSION Program?

Total	Yes	No
274	33%	67%

17. Would you like your child to receive FOREIGN LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT instruction?

Total	Yes	No
280	83%	17%

If yes, what language should be offered?	Total		
Spanish	145	Latin Based Language	2
Chinese	40	Farsi	2
French	35	Korean	1
Japanese	10	German	1
Italian	5	American Sign Language	1
Hindi	3	English	1
Arabic	3	Portuguese	1

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15. Does your child participate in the 5th and 6th grade band?

Total	Yes	No
83	45%	55

How satisfied are your with...	Total	Meets to Far Exceeds	Somewhat Not at all	Unfamiliar
Sycamore Ridge Band Program	37	100%	0%	0%

	Total	Yes	No
Do you like the after school band schedule?	37	97%	3%
Are you happy your child is not missing class to participate in band?	37	100%	0
Would you like to see the after school band offered in the 2008/2009 school year?	37	100%	0