1. **On the importance of Education:**

When asked how important the issue of education was to them personally, 94% of Hispanics reported that education was either “extremely important” or “very important.” (Source: Pew 2008)

2. **Poverty:**

More than a quarter of Hispanic students (28%) live in poverty, compared with 16% of non-Hispanic students. (Source: http://www.pewhispanic.org/2008/08/26/v-economic-characteristics/)

3. **On Graduation rates:**

The high-school dropout rate decreased by 50% among Hispanic 16-to-24-year-olds from 2000 to 2011. (Source: http://www.pewhispanic.org/2013/05/09/hispanic-high-school-graduates-pass-whites-in-rate-of-college-enrollment/)

4. **On satisfaction with Public School Education:**

When asked what grade they would give the public schools in their community, 63% of Latino respondents gave public schools in their community a grade of A or B, compared with 58% of whites and 48% of blacks. (Source: Pew)