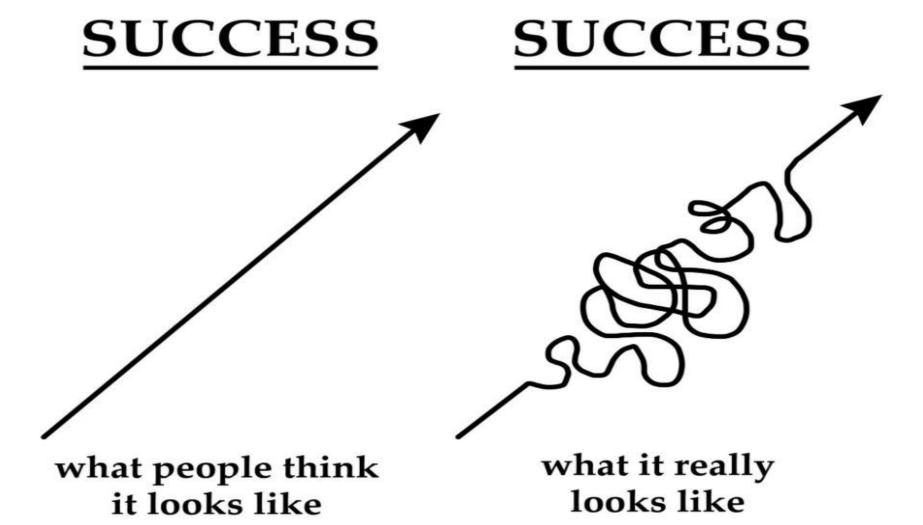


No challenge can stop you if you have the courage to keep moving forward in the face of your greatest fears and biggest challenges. Be courageous.

Jon Gordon

🕜 quotefancy







A strategic plan is a structured plan for which goals are identified following the completion of a thorough needs assessment. Through this process, organizational goals are established and then monitored and revised based upon on-going collected data. This structure assists organizations in ensuring goals are not lost in the stresses of day-to-day operations.

Educational communities operate daily in a very high-paced, professional world. It is very easy for one to shift focus from the vision to the immediate need at the moment. Therefore, it is essential to define organizational goals and align conversations, decisions, supports, and resources to meet those goals. Strategic plans provide an intentional structure for organizations to move forward one step-at-a-time.

One very insightful perspective shared by Desmond Tutu, "there is only one way to eat an elephant: a bite at a time."

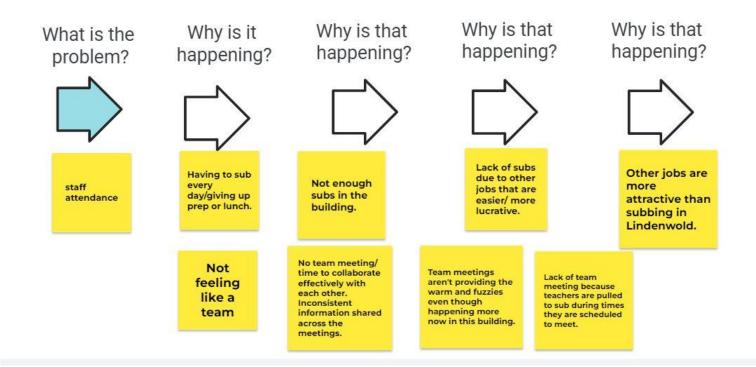
<u>Needs Assessment</u>

Listening Tour / Exit Interviews Focus Group Meetings Walkthroughs Surveys Audit Student Interviews

Example

Group 2

Root Cause



Example

LaShawnna Harris + 1 • 4mo

Student Attendance Intervention Padlet

Made with joy

Additional after school ¹ sports and activities and events to give students and community members the opportunity to interact informally.

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Anonymous 4mo Wish I still had all my after school busses :-(

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Add comment

Incentives for attendance at evening events.

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Anonymous 4mo I would give a homework pass to parents who attended family engagement nights.

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- Anonymous 4mo I used to give extra credit to students whose parents attended events.
- 🚡 Add comment

Use grant funding for mobile preventive health services.

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Anonymous 4mo Maybe have a family health and wellness fair or night.

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- Anonymous 4mo What about working with families by holding conferences with families?
- Anonymous 4mo Policy & Reg. is I & RS, conferences, etc.
- Anonymous 4mo Recommendation for this to also support immunization services at the various levels.

Creating opportunities [‡] for parents to connect and build relationships and support each other.

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Anonymous 4mo Ensuring that there are also opportunities for Spanish speaking parents.

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- Anonymous 4mo Challenging indeed!
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Parent education courses

Parents' selection and recommendations for such courses.

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Student vaccination clinics

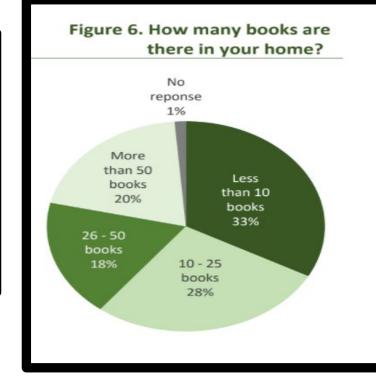
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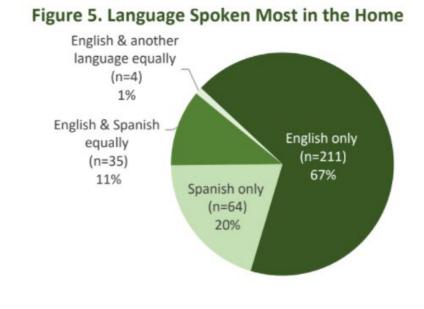
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Anonymous 4mo That might help, but this was the first year this was such an issue.

- •379 staff completed the staff surveys
- 300 certified staff
- 79 non-certified staff
- 1335 students completed the student surveys

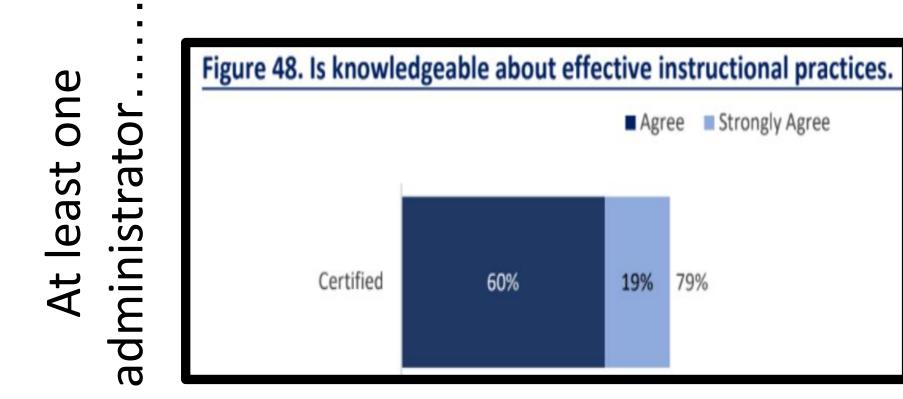


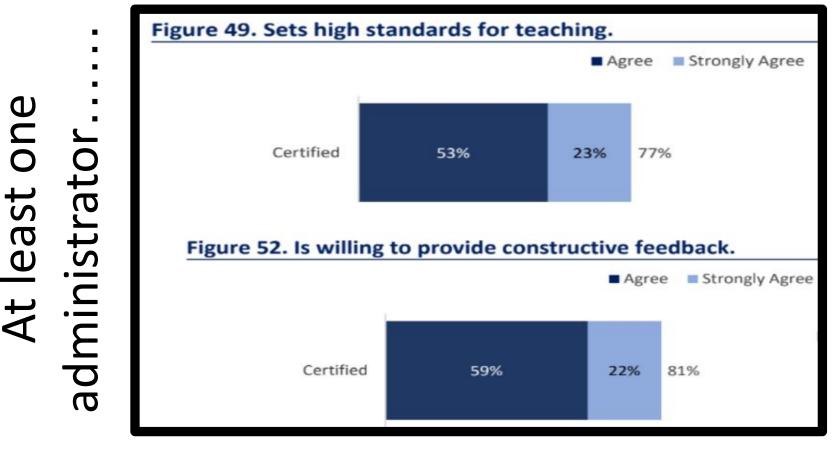
- 314 completed parent/guardian surveys
- •500 individuals opened the survey
- •14% completed the Spanish survey
- •Multiple Schools & Overall Data

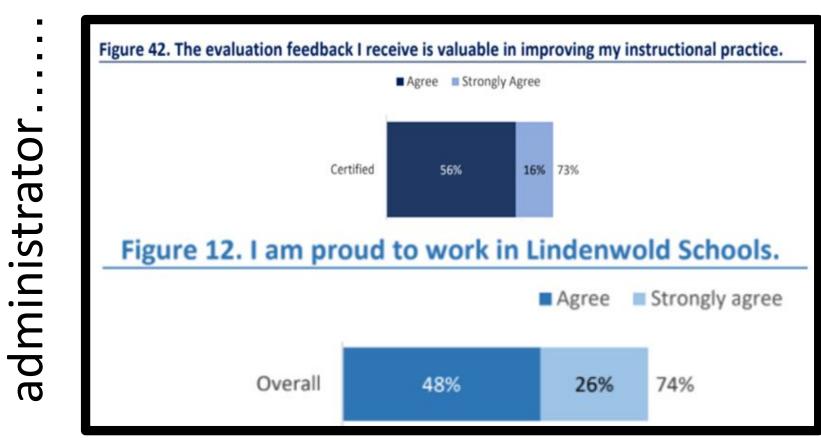


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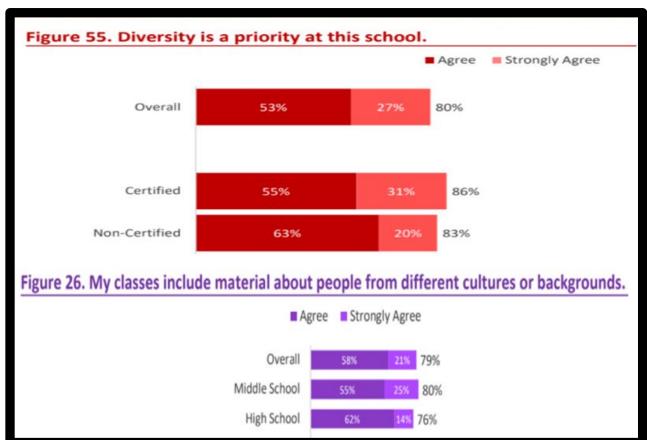


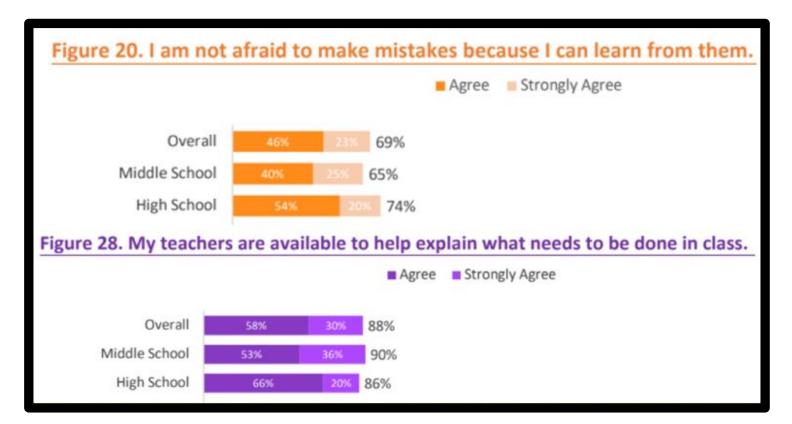




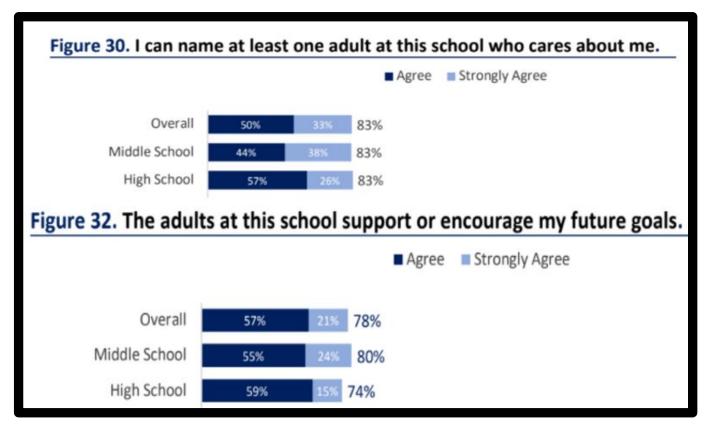
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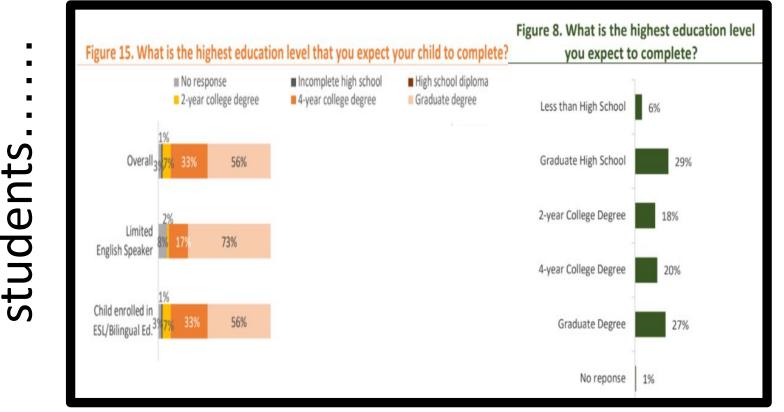
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Figure 44. Word Cloud of Students' Responses to What They Want Changed at Their School



STRATEGIC PLAN CREATION



STRENGTHENING PROFESSIONAL/ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL STAFF (PERMANENT SUBS, CERTIFIED & NON-CERTIFIED STAFF, ADMIN.) CLEAR COMMUNICATION & EXPECTATIONS DEFINED

RIGOROUS INSTRUCTION

ENSURING ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL GROWTH/SUCCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS FOSTERING SUPPORTIVE AND EQUITABLE EXPECTATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES IN ALL CLASSROOMS

<u>2022 - 2023:</u>

- 1. LEARNING TARGETS ALIGNED TO STANDARDS
- 2. WHAT AND <u>WHY</u> ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT?
- 3. FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT: HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE STUDENTS HAVE **LEARNED** VS. WHAT WAS TAUGHT?

(WITH A MONITORING EMPHASIS ON STUDENT WORK PRODUCT ALIGNMENT)

DISTRICT CULTURE

IMPROVING STUDENT TO STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS IMPROVING STAFF & STUDENT ATTENDANCE IMPROVING PROFESSIONAL RESPECT AMONG STAFF & STUDENTS STRENGTHENING & FOSTERING POSITIVE COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS



Organizational	Goals	Performance Indicators	Interventions/Actions
Capacity (Look at the Eval. Tool)	1. All Lindenwold staff members know their roles and	Employee performance reviews	Release an updated SOPM for the district
Lindenwold Public Schools' staff has the knowledge, skills, and resources to successfully support dramatic gains in student performance.	responsibilities, so they can execute effectively	Teachers: Danielson Principals and Supervisors: NJPEPL Goals linked to performance reviews Stakeholder feedback	Realigning roles and responsibilities to reflect the district's priorities Customize performance evaluations to align with roles and responsibilities Leadership coaching for administrative staff
	2. Communication across stakeholders in the district reflects synergy across schools and departments.	Increased engagement across stakeholder groups Increased attendance at events Increase in SM followers Increase in SM positive responses Decease in	New district website Translated communication Interpreters are required for some and available for others Develop a social media and communication plan for all buildings
		negative/ increase in positive comments in 2nd semester (community feedback on customer service)	Parent Informational / Learning Opportunities/Experien ces

Communication Roles/Responsibilities

Communication Across Stakeholders

Increased Engagement

 <u>Audit:</u> more opportunities for two-way communication between district EL administrators and school-based administrators and EL educators in relation to EL programming, planning, instruction, and exit

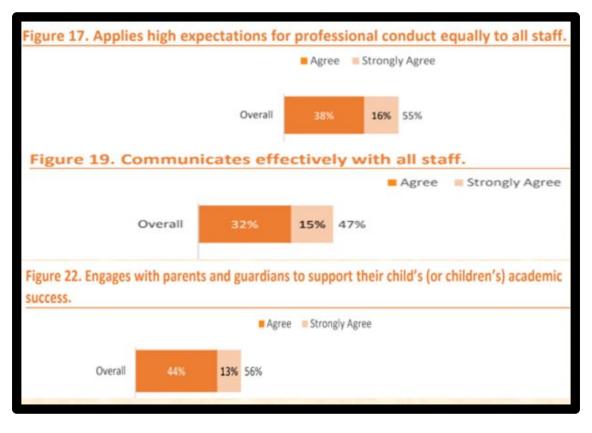
 <u>Audit</u>: Provide a school-level system of visible efforts to connect with families of students who may not be attending regularly, or may be experiencing extended illness, to engage in caring communication about supports needed.

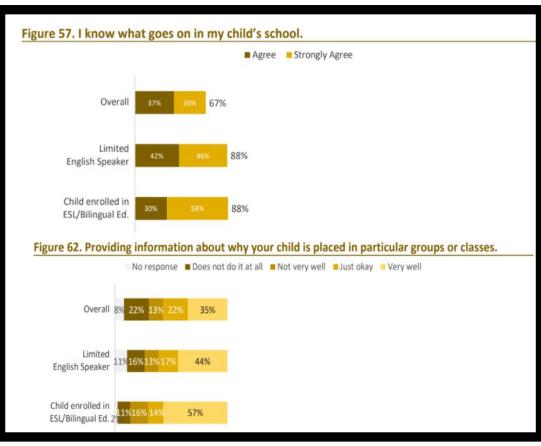
- Audit: Update the district and individual school websites with attention to linguistic accessibility for community members as well as engagement with schools and school personnel. (School Climate)
- Audit: Engage professional interpreter services for all communications between teachers and parents/guardians. (School Climate)
- Audit: Provide a school-level system of visible efforts to connect with families of students who may not be attending regularly, or may be experiencing extended illness, to engage in caring communication about supports needed. (School Climate)

•<u>Audit:</u> Implement recognition opportunities at the district and school levels, for ELs attaining exit status as a way to value English language proficiency achievement.

•<u>Audit:</u> Develop connections with Career and Technical Education community and educational organizations to create pathways for post-secondary success for students.







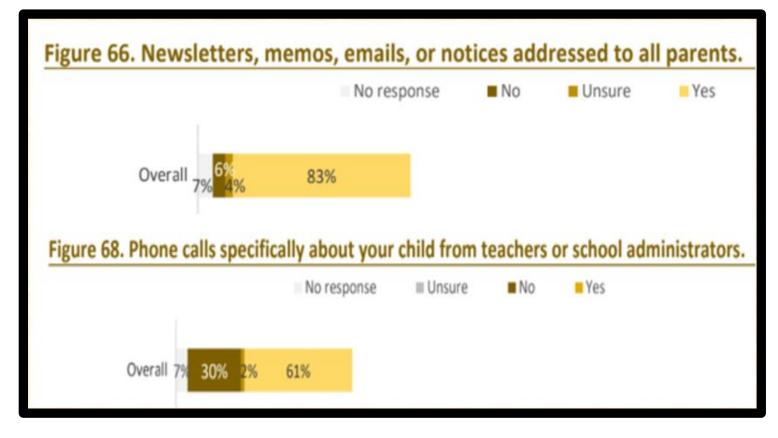


Figure 65. What are your top three preferred methods for receiving communication from your child's school?

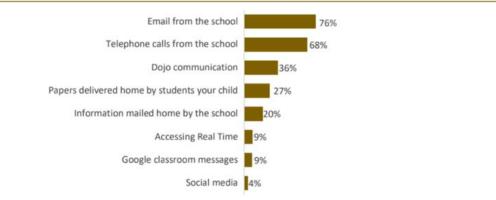


Figure 67. Emails specifically about your child from a teacher or school administrators.



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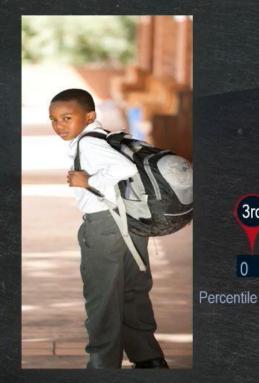
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Entering school at 50th percentile

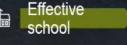


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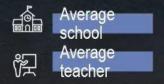
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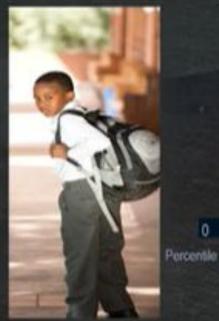
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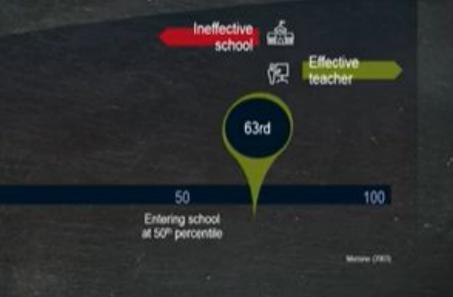
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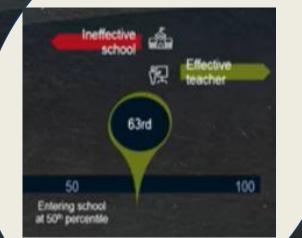
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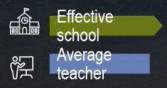
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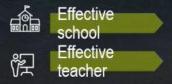
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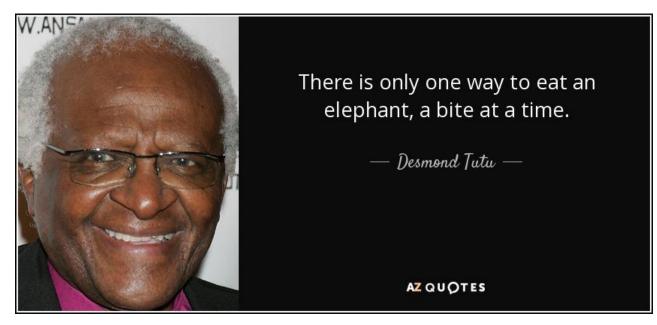
Rigorous	Goals	Performance Indicators	Interventions/Actions
Instruction All students attending Lindenwold Public Schools will receive high-quality instruction tailored to their needs, leading to improved content mastery.	1. All Lindenwold public school students will show academic progress between benchmark assessments	Annual School Goals (ASP) Benchmark Assessments	Create and share a comprehensive assessment calendar with data analysis days built in Establish data discussion cycles with building leadership / staff / central leadership
	2. All Lindenwold public schools' instructional supervisors will engage in regular cycles of observation and feedback Year 1: Learning targets aligned to standards What are they learning and why? Student work products aligned to formative assessments	Observation completion reports Reviews of observation reports and feedback Student work (formative assessments)	Observation schedule that is aligned with the instructional focus Norm expectations for observations and feedback across the district Professional development aligned to district focus
	& aligned to learning targets		

Progress as measured By Benchmarks & ASP Goals

Defining Success w/ anchor models and reading consistency skills

Agreement on instructional "look-fors" District Focus

Purpose & Why Learning Targets Formative Assessment



Purpose & Why Define Success Learning Targets Formative Assessment

UNIVERSAL FRAMEWORK EXPECTATIONS



Year	Theme	Goal
2021 - 2022	What is your why?	To have staff reflect on why they do this work;
	#OurWhy	It's just a good starting point.
		To transfer this question into the classroom: What are the students learning and WHY are they learning it?
		Making learning relevant as a focus in the classroom
		To develop common language of good instruction expectations throughout the district



Year	Define our success.	Promote and re-focus/for some to
2022 - 2023	Our Students. Our Success.	introduce the growth mind-set.
		To continue to develop common language of good instruction expectations throughout the district
		Begin to establish "models" or "anchors" as concrete marks to aim toward for students and staff
		Working toward – future goal: Agreement among teachers of what success looks like using OUR student work examples



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Year 2023 - 2024	Differentiation Creates Equitable Classrooms Or Equitable Classrooms honor student needs Or I still need to work on	To develop common expectations of meeting student needs through differentiation all levels To continue to develop common language of good instruction expectations throughout the district Define student engagement – What	
	a title. I'm open to ideas	does that look like in elementary? Middle? High School? As a district outline small group instruction expectations for all levels	ACCOMODATIONS MODIFICATIONS IN ALL CLASSROOM SETTINGS
		Begin discussing and referencing as a district higher order designated chart (Blooms, DOK, Marzano – we must define for our district)	IEPS 504S JUST BECAUSE IT IS THE RIGHT THING TO
		Utilize it frequently when unpacking the standard and planning for differentiation	DO

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Year	A great question leads to an engaged	To continue to develop common language of
2024 - 2025	learner	good instruction expectations throughout
	I still need to work on a title. I'm open to	the district
	ideas	To define effective
		questioning in classroom
		Instruction
		To integrate higher order
		/ critical thinking experiences in all
		classrooms
		To intermedia biale a sector
		To integrate higher order / critical thinking
		experiences in student
		work products
		To begin discussions of
		project-based learning (PBL) / inquiry-based
		learning





Purpose & Why

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Formative Assessment

Intentional Instruction – Data Student work aligned to standards

Staff Professional Development

Standards Alignment – Learning Targets

Discussion of intentional teaching

A good lesson has an objective (learning target)

Alignment to standards sets the foundation for opportunities to provide student support through scaffolding/unpacking standards

Scaffolding Standards / Growth Mindset

Targets lead to an understanding of performance scales

Performance scales support standards-based grading and a growth mindset and achievement goal setting for students

Formative Assessment

Selecting / Creating Effective Formative Assessment Tools Collecting, Using, Interpreting Data Student work aligned to standards

<u>Closure</u>

A good lesson has a closure from which tomorrow's lessons can be planned

Purpose:

Without a strong understanding of how to do the above, the following skills will be ineffective: differentiation, taxonomy - zone of proximal development learning

		Agree Strongly Agree
Overall	38% 15% 53%	
Middle School	39% 17% 56%	
High School	36% 11% 47%	
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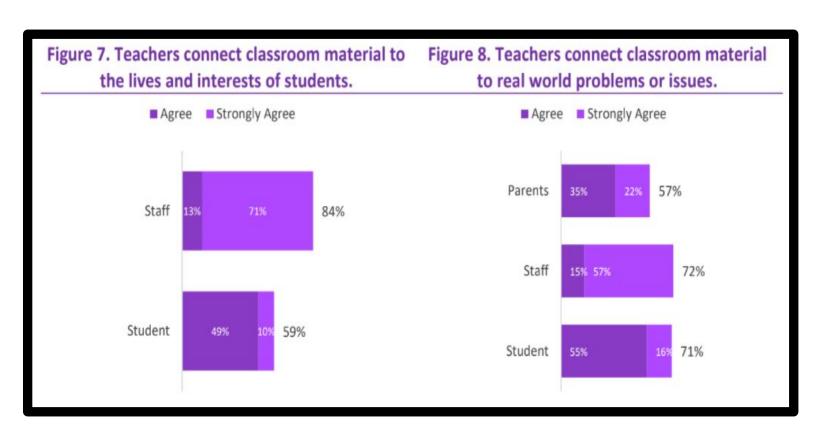
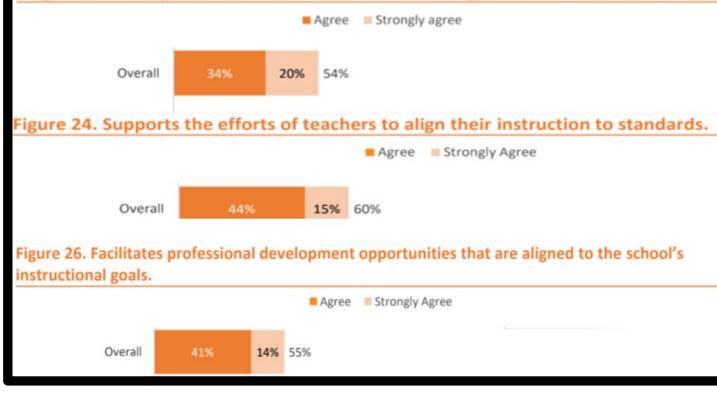


Figure 23. Clearly communicates a shared vision for high achievement at this school.



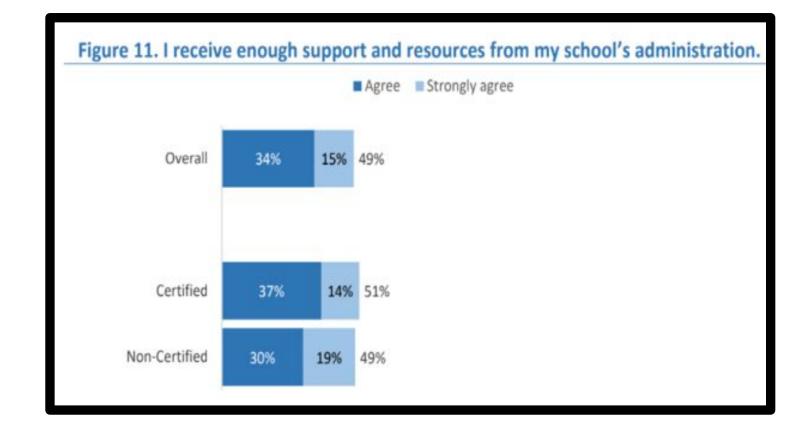
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Student Engagement Meeting Student Needs Taxonomy Student Work Alignment

Questioning

Critical Thinking Taxonomy Inquiry Based Learning Student Work Alignment



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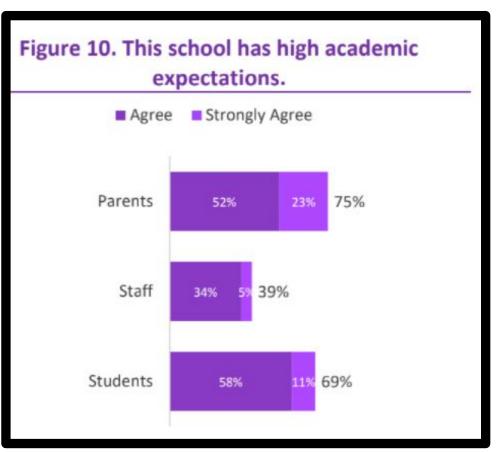


Figure 43. How often has an administrator visited your class to watch you teach this school year?

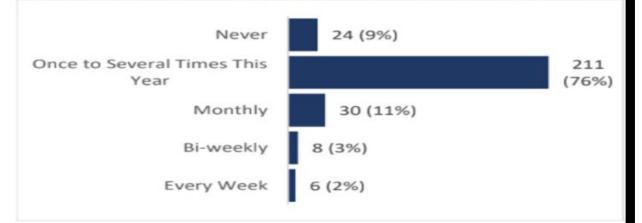
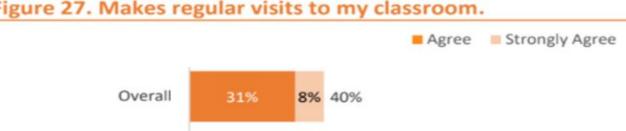


Figure 27. Makes regular visits to my classroom.



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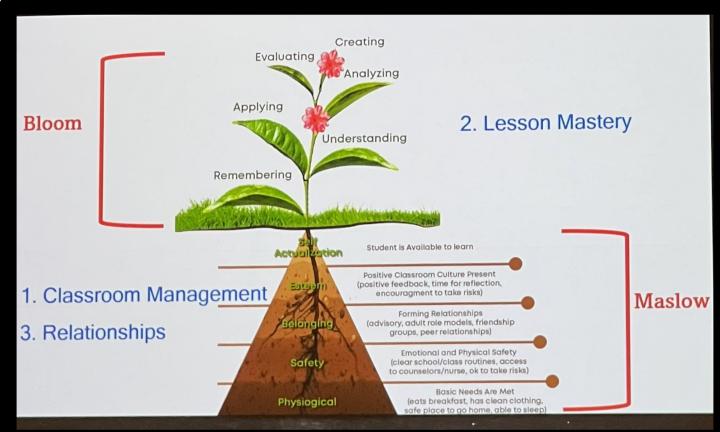
	Accomplished	Proficient	Growth in Progress	Support Needed
Posting Learning Targets for 2022 - 2023 And Students understand the "why" Component 3a Communicating with Students Indicators: 1. Clarity of lesson purpose 2. Clear directions and procedures specific to the lesson activities 3. Absence of content errors and clear explanations of concep and strategies 4. Correct and imaginative use of language		Teacher posts a learning target and introduces the lesson with an explanation of the planned intentional learning. Students are able to explain why they are learning what they are learning.	Teacher posts or references a learning target. The lesson may or may not directly align to the identified target. Students are unable to explain why they are learning what they are learning.	Learning target is not posted or referenced. Students are unable to explain why they are learning what they are learning.

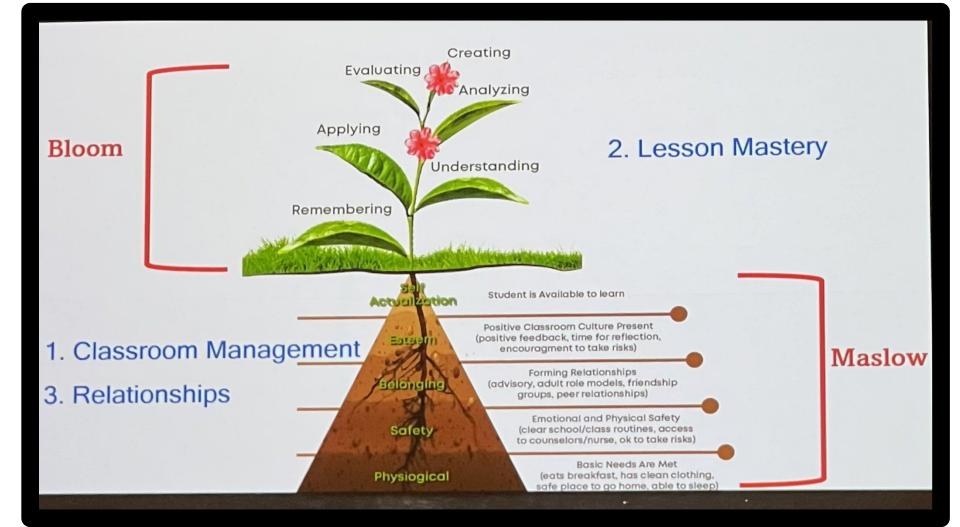
Formative Assessment Alignment	Teacher integrates a formative assessment to monitor student learning. Students understand how	Teacher integrates a formative assessment to monitor student learning. If asked, the teacher can	Teacher uses / attempts to use a formative assessment. The assessment partially	A formative assessment is not used during the lesson.
Component	the information will help the teacher support their	share how the formative assessment will guide	monitors student learning or may monitor learning	Student work is not
3d Using Assessment in Instruction	needs.	instruction.	at a lower taxonomy level.	aligned to the learning target.
Indicators: 1. The teacher paying close attention to evidence of student understanding 2. The teacher posing specifically created questions to elicit evidence of student understanding	The formative assessment monitors intentional student learning as identified by the learning target. Teachers may use formative assessment to	The formative assessment monitors intentional student learning as identified by the learning target.	The teacher is still developing a process for using the collective formative data.	
3. The teacher circulating to monitor student learning and to offer feedback 4. Students assessing their own work against established criteria	and there is a clear,	Student work is aligned to the learning target.	Student work is partially aligned to the learning target. (The taxonomy does not mirror the student work; however, it is on topic.)	

- Audit: increased opportunities for faculty professional development and instructional coaching related to reading and writing instruction for all students, including in the content areas
- Increase opportunities for educator professional development, instructional coaching, and peer mentoring to continue to develop skills for differentiation for ELs in formative assessment and instruction across all grade levels.

- Audit: district- and school-wide discussions related to support structures for newcomer ELs at each school level
- Audit: increased opportunities for faculty professional development and instructional coaching related to reading and writing instruction for all students, including in the content areas '
- Audit: For ELs struggling to show growth in learning, the Tiered Systems of Academic Support team and, if appropriate, student services multidisciplinary team, should include an ESL and/or bilingual-bicultural certified teacher on the team when an EL is referred to address second language acquisition needs and supports.
- Audit: Monitor and adjust science and social studies assignments, assessment, instruction, and curriculum in relation to language-related accessibility for ELs at all levels of proficiency.

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District Culture	Goals	Performance Indicators	Interventions/Actions
Lindenwold Public Schools' culture is inclusive, supportive, and healthy, which leads to high retention of students K-12 as well as teachers and staff.	1. Decrease the number of violent occurrences across the district by 50%	Monthly district incident reports EVVRS Report from 2021 – 2022 & 2022 - 2023 Monthly reports from "stop it" app	Introduce restorative justice practices for students and staff Implementation of the "stop it" app Update and monitor safety protocol implementation across the district

School Safety Protocols

Restorative Practices



2. limprove perception of student to student relationship among student body	Student survey data	Introduce restorative justice practices for students and staff Student Voice Committees Implementation of Safety Protocols Throughout the Buildings
3. Increase attendance of students and staff Students: PK: 82.47 School 4: 87.52 School 5: 88.78 LMS: 89.26	Monthly attendance reports Attendance reports from 2021 - 2022	Attendance campaigns / incentives Proactive administrative monitoring of attendance and communication to
LHS: 90.91 <u>Staff:</u> School 4 - 93.17% School 5 - 94.21% Middle School - 93.80% High School - 94.69% Preschool - 94.43%		families Implement staff health and wellness opportunities (in-service and after school)

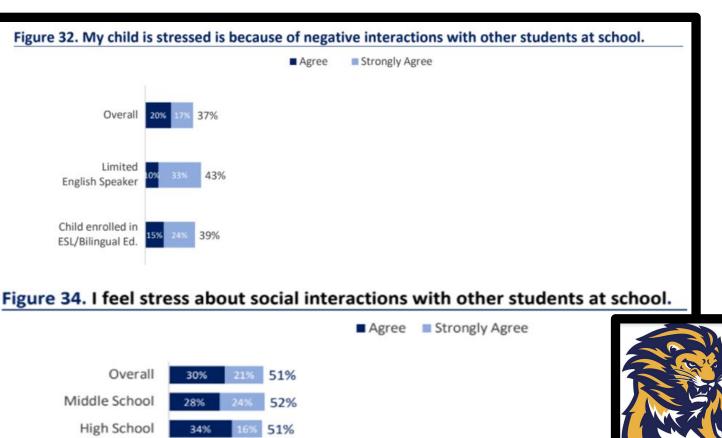
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Restorative Practices

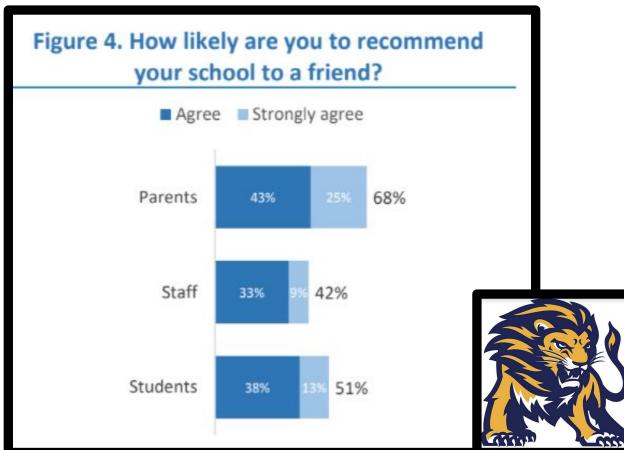
Student & Staff Attendance

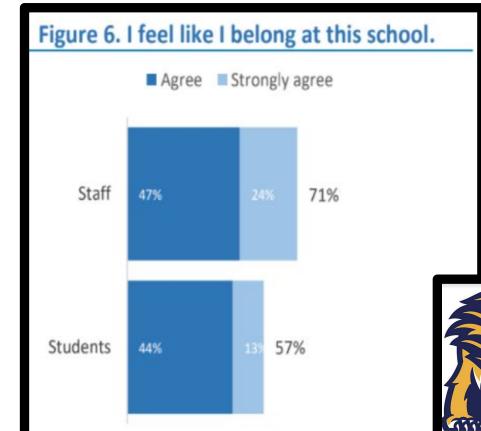






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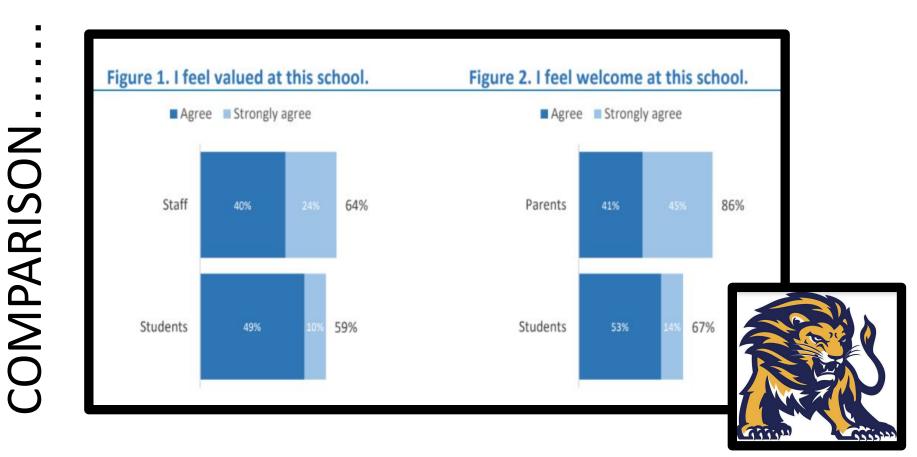


Figure 10. I feel happy while working at this school. Strongly agree Agree Overall 44% 19% 63% Certified 47% 18% 65% Non-Certified 65% 38% 27%



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3. Lindenwold Public Schools families will have a voice in school decision-making as measured by surveys, feedback, and participation in decision-making opportunities Family Feedback Steering committee membership Parent Steering Committee

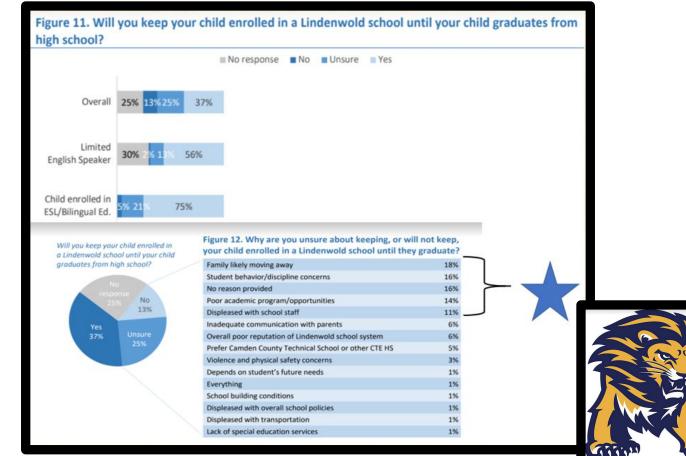
Parent Feedback mechanisms for day-to-day interactions

Launch a "Parent Academy"

Welcome parent chaperones and parent readers to increase parent involvement in schools to increase a sense of belonging

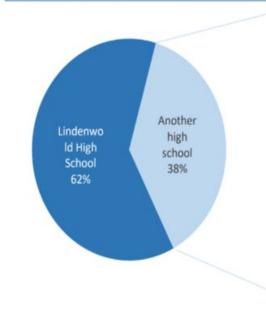
Parent Voice Opportunities





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Figure 17. Where do you plan to go to high school? (middle school students only)



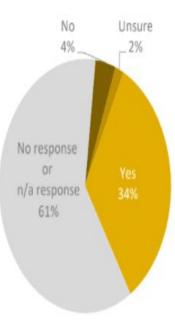
Unsure or no reason provided 18% Family likely moving away 15% Better academics/opportunities elsewhere 14% 12% Prefer Camden County Technical School or other CTE HS Overall poor reputation of Lindenwold HS 9% Violence and physical safety concerns at Lindenwold HS 7% Want to leave/dislike Lindenwold 6% Parents' preference/decision 5% Desire to be around new/different people 5% Better sports program elsewhere 4% 3% Want to attend same school as sibling/family members 2% Poor reputation of Lindenwold HS students 1% Location of school

Why do you not plan to go to Lindenwold High School?



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Figure 56. Are there additional ways that you want to be involved in your child's school?



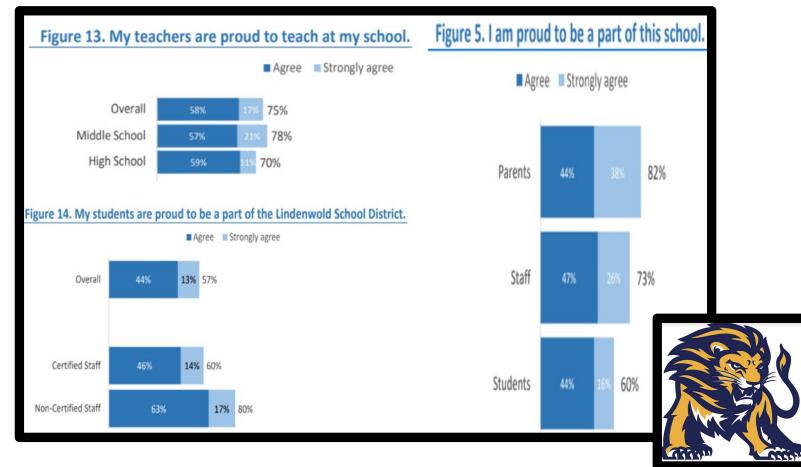
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4. Retain 90% or more of newly hired teachers to Lindenwold between 2020-2023	Resignation rates year 2021 and 2022	New teacher support program (summer; year-long;mentoring)
Reduce the number of resignation rates from previous 2 years		Ensure mentoring process is effectively implemented for all new staff Ensure new staff are observed in the proper timely manner in accordance with Achieve NJ Implementing effective coaching model Opportunities to make additional \$ via ESY, After School Clubs, Grant Funded PD opportunities

Staff Retention



 Audit: a comprehensive review of district curricula regarding culturally responsive and sustaining instruction and assessment to increase opportunities for accessing and building students' background knowledge and fostering student engagement in opportunities for increased learning and skill development.



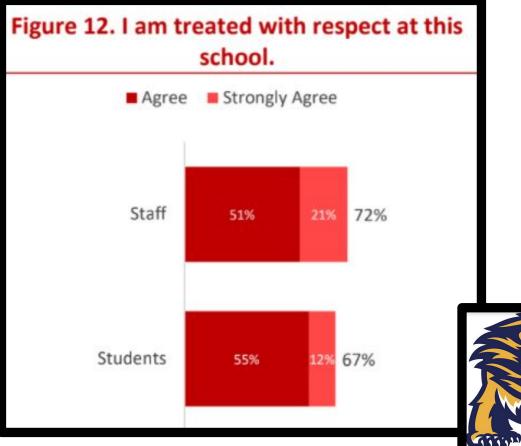
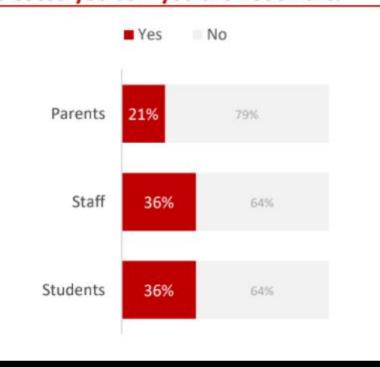


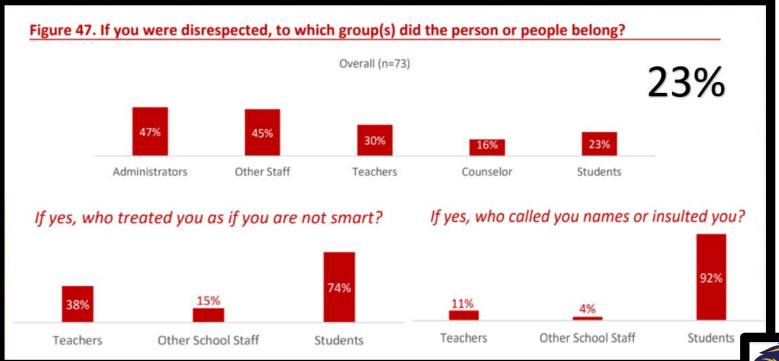


Figure 16. This year at school, has anyone treated you as if you are not smart?





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• Students need to be empowered and assisted with developing and nurturing a new and powerful sense of school spirit and ownership.

• Focus on building school pride through key focus areas such as athletics, theater, social media, and other high-profile avenues. Work to build school spirit wherever possible.

• Focus on efforts to develop a sense of school pride—what would help students take ownership of their school and empower them to work with their classmates, teachers, administrators, and other stakeholders to enhance school pride?

• Student government should be strengthened and given greater opportunity and platform to do their work.

• There should be a wider and more reliable network of clubs, activities, and other places where students can explore interests, build social relationships across groups, and participate in school life

• School safety and discipline should be included in this new approach to student ownership

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<u>Next Steps:</u>

Continue..... Student Interviews Spring Surveys (Part 2) Review Data **Revise Interventions** Goal Set 2023 - 2024

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