

**What is the My Voice, My School Parent/Guardian Survey?**

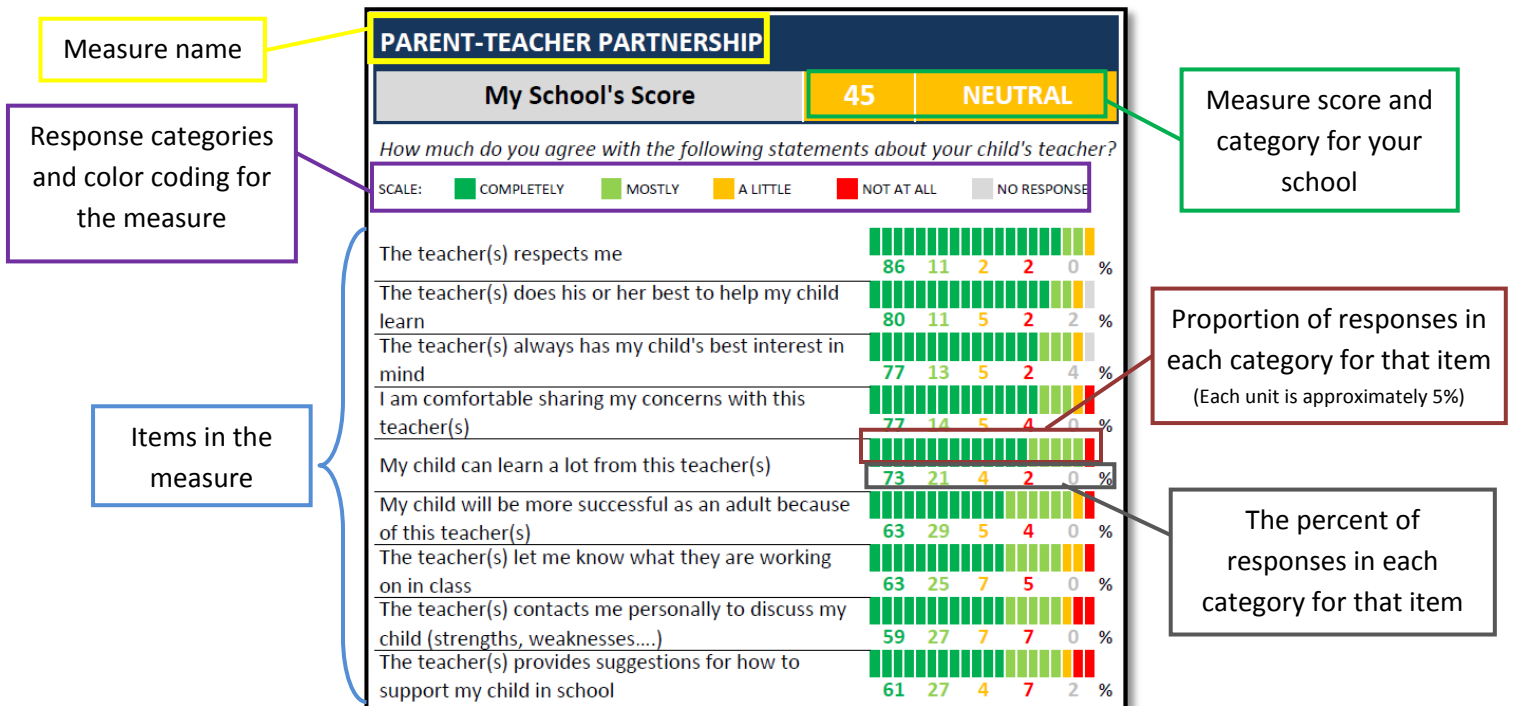
- An annual opportunity for CPS parents and guardians to rate their child’s school on measures of school community, parent-teacher partnership, school safety, and quality of facilities.
- Surveys were completed on paper at schools or online in April/May 2013.
- The survey provides schools and community with the parents’ perspective of how the school is serving students and families.

**What is a measure?**

- **A measure is comprised of a group of specific questions related to the same topic.** For example, pictured below is the Parent-Teacher Partnership measure, which consists of the 9 items listed.
- **There are 3 measures** in the Parent Survey: School Community, Parent-Teacher Partnership, and Quality of Facilities.
  - Items on school safety and additional items are also included in the report.

**How is a measure scored?**

- **A measure score is a summary indicator describing how parents responded to the questions making up the measure.** The score is calculated by averaging together all of these questions, while giving more weight to questions that are harder to agree with.
  - This is like a test that is scored on a curve--how well you do depends on how others performed in SY2012, the year this data is benchmarked for the district.
  - Because high schools can be substantially different from elementary schools, we conduct analyses separately for high schools and elementary schools.
- **A measure score may seem lower than you would expect when compared to the individual question responses.** Due to the way the measure score is weighted and averaged scores may be relatively lower than the performance on individual items suggests.



**Can I compare my schools scores this year to their scores last year on the Parent Survey?**

- Yes, data from SY2012 and SY2013 are comparable.

**Can I see how other schools scores on the Parent Survey?**

- Yes, you can see this year’s results under the Survey section at <http://cps.edu/schooldata/pages/schooldata.aspx>.

**If I have additional questions, who can I contact?**

- The principal or other staff at your child’s school
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