

## 2013-2014 AISD Student Climate Survey Anderson High School

Research indicates that school climate can either be a positive influence on students' learning environment, or can serve as a significant barrier to students' learning. Researchers have documented that positive ratings of student climate contribute to factors that help high economically disadvantaged schools "beat the odds" (Voight, Austin & Hanson, 2013). Indeed, students at high-performing AISD schools with high levels of economic disadvantage had more positive ratings of behavioral environment and adult fairness and respect in Spring 2013 than did students at lower performing AISD schools with similar levels of economic disadvantage (Lamb, 2014). The following tables show the total number of surveys students at Anderson completed in 2013-2014 (Table 1), the response rate by grade (Table 2), and the distribution of responses by race/ethnicity compared with the population (Table 3) for students at Anderson.

Table 1. Number of Respondents in 2013-2014 for:		
	Anderson	All High Schools
# of surveys returned	1,238	12,033
# of students	1,644	16,380
% of students represented	75%	73%

Table 2. Response Rate by Grade for Anderson, 2013-2014			
grade	# of students enrolled	# of responses	response rate
9th grade	578	415	72%
10th grade	575	443	77%
11th grade	491	333	68%

Population data reflect enrollment as of the PEIMS snapshot date in October 2013 whereas students' grade level and ethnicity were self-reported on the survey. The "ethnicity/race" designations allow students to first choose their ethnicity (Hispanic/Latino or non-Hispanic/Latino) and then choose one or more of five race values.

Table 3. Distribution of Responses by Ethnicity/race for Anderson Relative to Anderson's School Population, 2013-2014		
Ethnicity	% of population	% of responses
Hispanic/Latino	32%	32%
<b>Race</b>		
American Indian/Alaskan Native	9%	6%
Asian	8%	12%
Black/African American	8%	11%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0%	4%
White	79%	66%

Lamb, L. M. (2014).

Austin, TX: Austin Independent School District.

Voight, A., Austin, G., and Hanson, T. (2013).

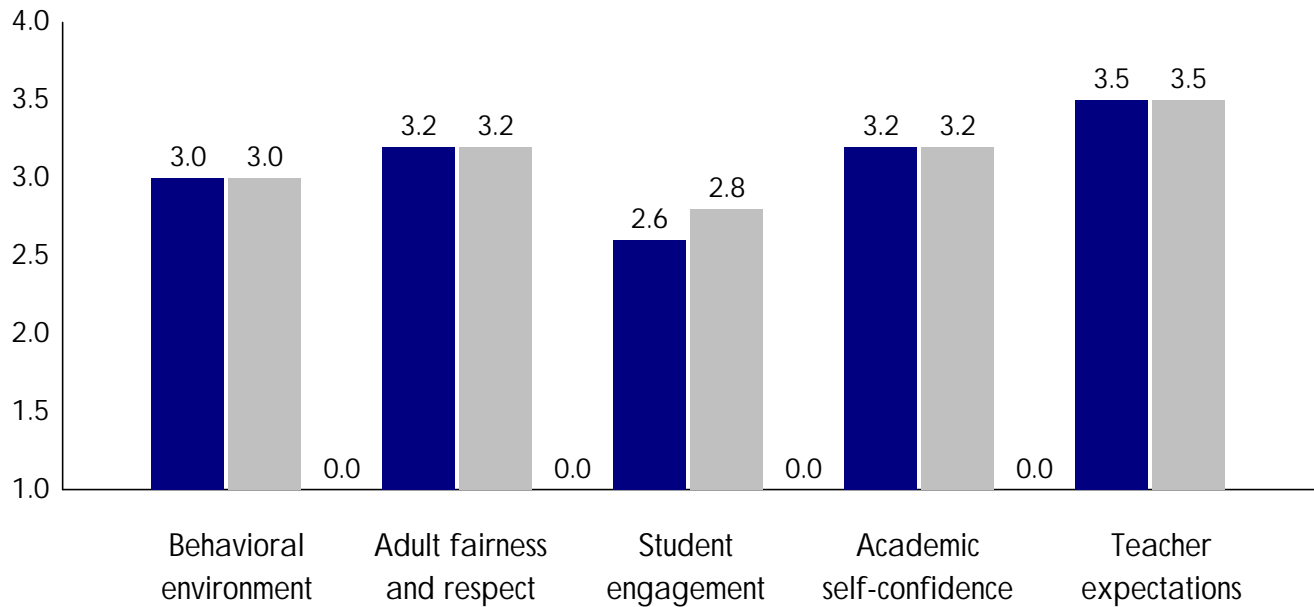
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Figure 1. Student Climate Survey Subscales for Anderson and all High Schools, 2013-2014



Anderson's highest score on the 2013-2014 Student Climate Survey was for teacher expectations, which measures students' perceptions of their teachers' expectations. Please think about what your campus does to foster high expectations, and share your strategies with others.

Anderson's lowest score on the 2013-2014 Student Climate Survey was for student engagement. This subscale measures the extent to which students enjoy their schoolwork and learning. We encourage your campus to improve the ways in which teachers provide instruction that is relevant and engaging for students. Improving student engagement is a goal of Social Emotional Learning (SEL). To find out ways to improve student engagement, please visit:  
<http://www.tj.usd.edu/SELstrategiesforHighSchools>

## Behavioral environment

1. My classmates show respect to each other.
  2. My classmates show respect to other students who are different.
  3. I am happy with the way my classmates treat me.
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Student engagement	Anderson
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| <p>9. I like to come to school.</p> <p>17. I enjoy doing my schoolwork.</p> <p>24. My homework helps me learn the things I need to know.</p> <p>25. My schoolwork makes me think about things in new ways.</p> <p>26. I have fun learning in my classes.</p> <p>28. My teachers connect what I am doing to my life outside the classroom.</p> <p>37. I receive recognition and praise for doing good work.</p> |  |
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Student engagement average	
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Response options ranged from 1 = 3.0 to 4 = 4.0. It is desirable to have a response of at least 3.0.

Academic self-confidence	Anderson
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| <p>16. I can do even the hardest schoolwork if I try.</p> <p>18. I am/was well prepared to take the TAKS/STAAR.</p> <p>19. I try hard to do my best work.</p> <p>22. I feel successful in my schoolwork.</p> <p>23. I can reach the goals I set for myself.</p> |  |
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Academic self-confidence average	
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Teacher expectations	Anderson
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| <p>12. My teachers believe I can learn.</p> <p>20. My teachers believe I can do well in school.</p> <p>33. My teachers expect me to think hard about things we read.*</p> <p>34. My teachers expect everybody to work hard.*</p> <p>35. My teachers expect my best effort.</p> |  |
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Teacher expectations average	
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These items are based on the 35-item subscale from the Tripod survey and response options have changed to be on the Arage 3.0-4.0 scale.

37. I will go to college after high school.	Anderson			All High Schools
	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2013-2014
% Yes	87%	86%	87%	75%
% No	3%	3%	2%	4%
% Maybe	11%	11%	12%	22%

To view the district summary report or additional survey results from 2013-2014 or before, visit:  
<http://www.austinisd.org/dre/district-campus-surveys>

Appendix A. Reworded items on the 2013-2014 Student Climate Survey and How They Differ From Their 2012-2013 Version.

2012-2013 Items	2013-2014 Reworded Items
31. Students at my school are bullies (tease, taunt, threaten other students).	31. Students at my school are bullied (teased, taunted, threatened by other students).
33. My teachers push me to think hard about things we read.	33. My teachers expect me to think hard about the things we read.
34. My teachers push everybody to work hard.	34. My teachers expect everybody to work hard.
36. A lot of teachers at this school know who I am.	36. Teachers at this school know who I am.

## Appendix B. Percentage of a lot of the time and Sometimes Responses by Item and Level, 2012-2013 through 2013-2014

	Anderson		All High Schools
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2013-2014
1. My classmates show respect to each other.	85%	86%	86%
2. My classmates show respect to other students who are different.	78%	82%	83%
3. I am happy with the way my classmates treat me.	89%	91%	90%
4. Teachers at this school care about their students.	85%	90%	88%
5. Adults at this school listen to student ideas and opinions.	76%	80%	80%
6. Adults at this school treat all students fairly.	78%	80%	81%
7. The staff in the front office show respect to students.	86%	84%	86%
8. There is at least one adult at my school who I would go to if I have a problem.	74%	78%	77%
9. I like to come to school.	64%	59%	68%
10. The consequences for breaking the school rules are the same for everyone.	76%	80%	81%
11. My teachers make sure the students follow the rules.	84%	88%	88%
12. My teachers believe I can learn.	87%	93%	92%
13. Students at my school follow the school rules.	65%	69%	71%
14. I feel safe at my school.	81%	89%	86%
15. Students at this school treat teachers with respect.	76%	82%	80%
16. I can do even the hardest schoolwork if I try.	83%	84%	85%
17. I enjoy doing my schoolwork.	48%	45%	57%
18. I am/was well prepared to take the TAKS/STAAR.	78%	80%	81%
19. I try hard to do my best work.	85%	88%	89%
20. My teachers believe I can do well in school.	88%	93%	91%
21. My teachers like to teach.	85%	88%	88%
22. I feel successful in my schoolwork.	81%	82%	83%
23. I can reach the goals I set for myself.	87%	88%	88%
24. My homework helps me learn things I need to know.	71%	73%	73%
25. My schoolwork makes me think about things in new ways.	63%	59%	68%
26. I have fun learning in my classes.	63%	61%	69%
27. My teachers are fair to everyone.	77%	82%	82%
28. My teachers connect what I am doing to my life outside the classroom.	56%	53%	60%
29. My classmates behave the way my teachers want them to.	70%	73%	73%
30. Our classes stay busy and do not waste time.	73%	78%	79%
31. Students at my school are bullied (teased, messed with, threatened by other students).*,**	53%	55%	52%
32. When bullying is reported to adults at my school, they try to stop it.	79%	82%	82%
33. My teachers expect me to think hard about the things we read.**	78%	89%	88%
34. My teachers expect everybody to work hard.**	83%	92%	91%
35. My teachers expect my best effort.	89%	94%	92%
36. Teachers at this school know who I am.**	81%	82%	83%
37. I receive recognition or praise for doing good work.	70%	68%	72%
38. My teachers know what I am good at.	n/a%	77%	81%

\*This item was reverse-scored to compute subscale and item level averages in this report, but is not revealed in this table. Higher scores indicate greater incidence of bullying.

\*\* This item was reworded from the 2012-2013 survey.