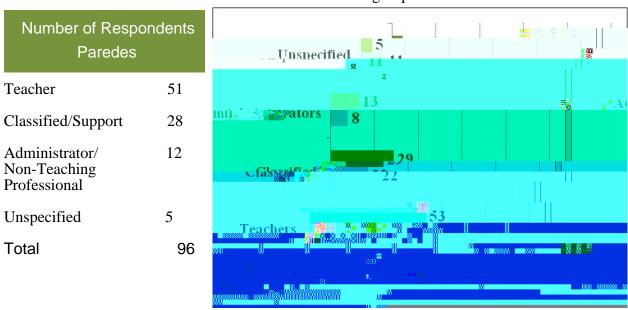
2009-2010 AISD Campus Staff Climate Survey Paredes Middle School

A healthy school climate is characterized by positive relationships among students, all campus staff, and the community. School climate is a key factor in several important outcomes including student achievement, reduced violence, higher morale, and faculty trust (Hoy, Smith, & Sweetland, 2002). More specifically, research in AISD indicates that staff climate survey results are related to student Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) performance in both math and reading (Bush-Richards, Cornetto, & Schmitt, 2008; Schmitt, 2006). The figure below represents how campus climate can facilitate student academic growth.

The image below displays factors that are known to be related to student academic growth. In this report, we focus on Staff Climate (circled in red), which has been measured with seven survey subscales: Teacher Support, Community Engagement, Collegial Leadership, Professional Teacher Behavior, Achievement Press, General Climate and Data Vision.

In Fall 2009, 82% of teachers from Paredes responded to the survey. Figure 3 represents the percentage of respondents at Paredes (depicted in dark green) and across all Middle Schools (light blue) who identified themselves as teachers, classified/support staff, or administrators and non-teaching professionals, plus the number who did not specify a staff role. This information will help you to generalize the findings to the rest of your campus community.

Figure 3. Percentage of Respondents at Paredes in 2009-10 by group and level



Staff results for Paredes for the 2009-10 school year year are highlighted on the next page. Please pay close attention to the call-out boxes that appear in red and green as they highlight specific campus climate areas that Paredes can improve, as well as areas in which Paredes excels. You may visit the following websites for resources and tips on how to improve campus climate in general, and specific resources for improving the area of Paredes's lowest subscale score are provided on the next page.

http://www.schoolclimate.org/climate/council.php

http://www.turningpts.org/pdf/Family.pdf

http://www.schoolsecurity.org/

http://ccsr.uchicago.edu

The appendix provides you with more detailed information regarding Paredess campus climate from 2007-08 through 2009-10. Please review the individual items on each subscale with particular attention to how Paredess average ratings have changed or remained consistent over time. To indicate which changes are most meaningful from year to year, statistically meaningful changes are flagged with up or down arrows. Please share the results of this report with all campus staff and your Campus Advisory Council to inform campus improvement planning.

The graphs below depict Paredess staff climate ratings over time, as well staff climate ratings across all Middle Schools in 2009-10. Scores over 3.0 are desirable, as indicated by the red dashed line in the graphs below. The first step in improving campus climate is to examine the score for each area (Figure 2).

For 2009-10, Paredes staff rated Professional Teacher Behaviothe highest of all climate areas. Alternatively, Paredes staff rated

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Collegial Leadership Subscale Items	Paredes			
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	
2. The principal explores all sides of topics and admits that other opinions exist.	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.7
10. The principal puts suggestions made by faculty into operation.	2.5	2.7	2.4	2.5
11. The principal treats all faculty members as his or her equal.	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.6
16. The principal lets faculty know what is expected of them.	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0
18. The principal is willing to make	2.7	3.1	2.6	2.7
changes. 22. The principal maintains definite standards for performance.	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0
35. The principal is friendly and approachable.	3.2	3.2	2.8	2.8
Collegial Leadership Subscale	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.7

- 3. The school sets high standards for academic performance.6. Teachers in this school believe that their





		Paredes		
	2007-08		2009-10	Middle Schools
50. Student racial tension	1.3 👢	1.4	1.3	1.7
51. Student bullying	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.6
52. Widespread disorder in classrooms	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.7
53. Student acts of disrespect for Teachers	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.6
54. Student acts of disrespect for Nonteaching	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.4
Professional or Administrative Staff				
55. Student acts of disrespect for Classified or	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.4
Support Staff				
56. Gang activities	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.7

Note: It is desirable to have a response of less than 2.0

How satisfied are you with the way your campus addresses:		All Middle Schools
57a. Student Behavior	1	2.7
57b. Classroom Management		2.9
57c. Common Area Management		2.9
Behavior Management Subscale		2.8

To the best of your knowledge, how often do the following events occur at your school?	200 No	Paro 8-09 Yes	edes 200 No)9-10 Yes	Mi	All ddle hools Yes
58. There is a behavior support team (other than PBS or IMPACT) on my campus.	n/a	n/a	15%	85%	19%	82%
59. I am regularly updated about PBS activities/progress.	n/a	n/a	65%	35%	29%	71%
60. I have used PBS strategies in the classroom/common area.	n/a	n/a	26%	74%	13%	87%
61. I know how to refer students to campus resources such as IMPACT, behavior support specialists, School to Community Liaisons, etc.	19%	60%	14%	88%	12%	88%
62. I feel there is consistent reinforcement of commendable student behavior on my campus.	35%	41%	40%	60%	40%	60%
63. I know how to refer students to external agencies such as Communities in Schools (CIS), Safe Place, etc.	21%	55%	17%	83%	22%	78%
Average Percentage	21%	55%	29%	71%	30%	70%

Data Vision. These two items were new to the survey this year and addressed the extent to which teachers utilize student data in their work. Response options ranged from strongly disagree (1) to strongly agree (4). High scores indicate higher levels of data vision.

Data Vision	Paredes 2009-10	All Middle Schools
40. There are clear goals and structures for teaching and learning in AISD.	3.1	3.1
41. There is a clear vision for the use of data to inform education in AISD.	3.2	3.0
Total Data Use Subscale	3.1	3.0

Note: It is desirable to have a response of 3.0 or higher.

Teacher Support. These eight items were new to the survey this year and addressed the extent to which teachers feel valued for their contributions on campus, for their hard work and generally supported on their campus. Response options ranged from strongly disagree (1) toon campus, for thath classroom/common area.

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