

# Commodore Sloat School Site Council Survey Findings

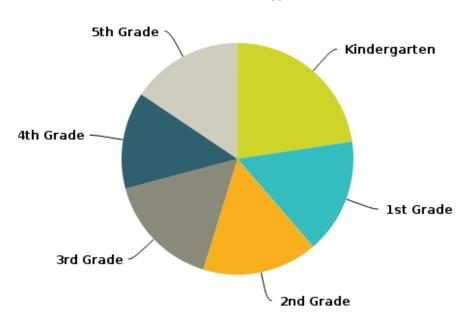
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#### Who Participated?

- Parents of 199 students (50% response rate)
- Also collected responses from 21 school staff, and all 4<sup>th</sup> grade students
- 15 parents (8%) had children with IEPs
- 63 (32%) said English was not their child's first language
- Kindergarten parents slightly over-represented (n=45)
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade slightly underrepresented (n=27)

#### Q1 My child is in:

Answered: 199 Skipped: 0



## **Key Findings and Themes (positives)**

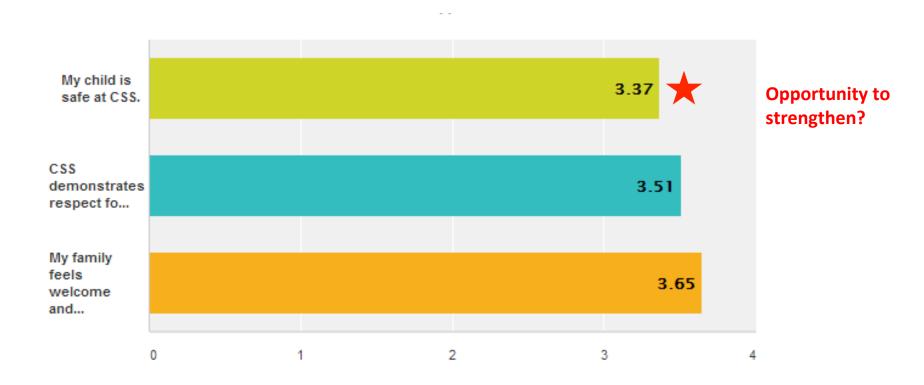
- CSS is a welcoming place and our community is our greatest strength
- Academics are generally solid (with some variations by grade, subject)
- Parents and staff rate PE, English language arts, and math among highest quality offerings
- Parents prioritize spending on differentiation, arts education, and technology
- Staff prioritize spending on PE, gardening coordinator, arts education and differentiation
- Students are generally happy and 98% of 4<sup>th</sup> graders report they have friends in school

## **Key Findings and Themes (opportunities)**

- Safety and school climate are a concern for parents, staff, and kids
- Opportunities exist to strengthen social studies and science
- 8/15 parents whose children have IEPs don't believe that their child is getting adequate services
- Can better communicate role and purpose of School Site Council
- Communication and academic support in Anchor still are priorities
- Differentiation for kids at high end still a dominant theme among parent respondents, as is better use of technology
- Staff wants consistent behavioral expectations for students and alignment in curriculum across and between grades
- Parents and staff want to invest in the physical site (fix bathrooms, new floors, etc.)!

#### Safety, Respect & Community

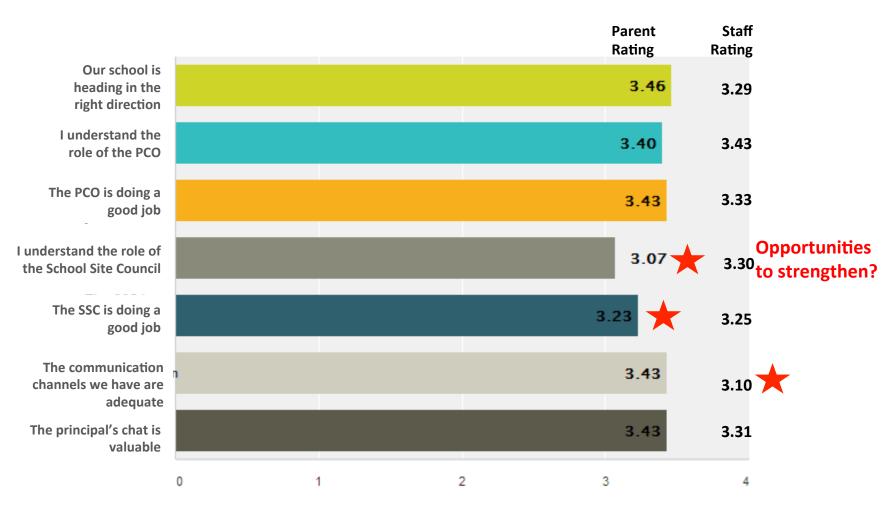
Parent responses, 1="strongly disagree, 4=strongly agree"



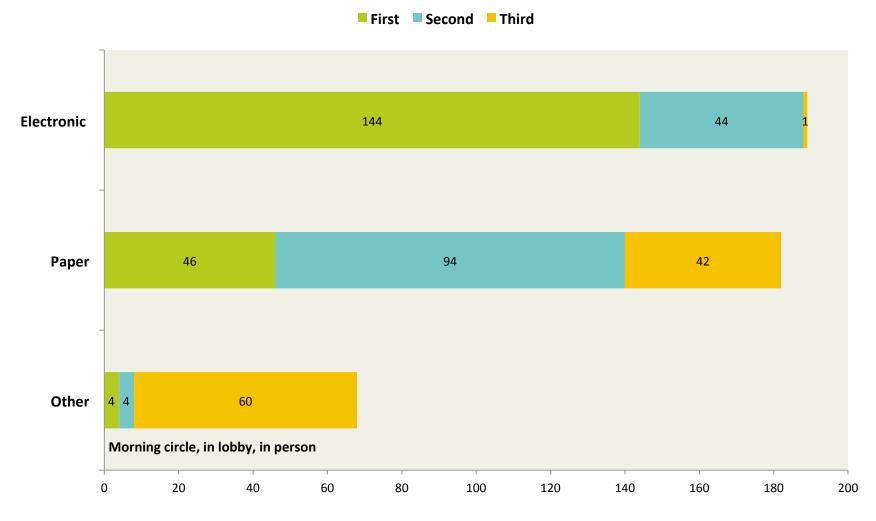
When asked to respond to the statement ""The students at my school respect each other," 52% of 4<sup>th</sup> graders said they "disagree / strongly disagree / don't know."

#### **Governance & Communication**

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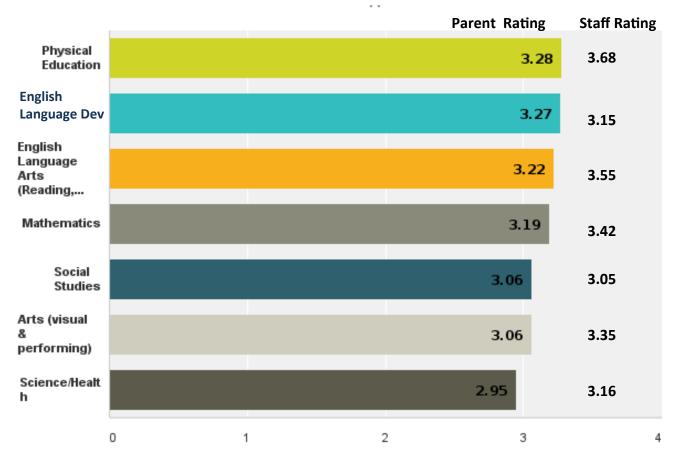
#### **Communication Preferences**



Number of parents that chose each

#### **Overall Quality**

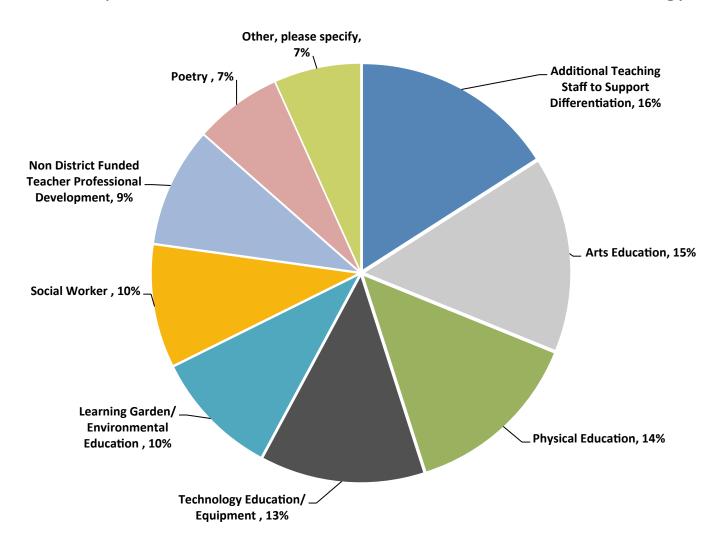
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- Staff members rate quality slightly higher than parents across all subjects
- Staff rate ELD quality lower than parents but otherwise rankings fall in same order

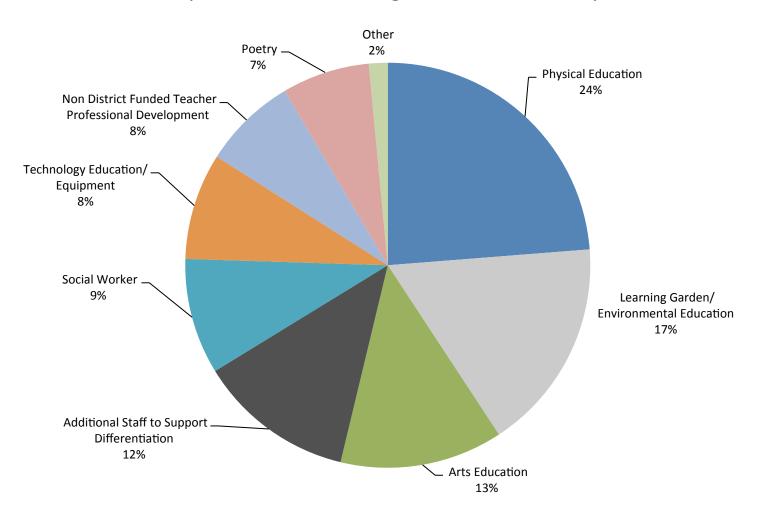
#### **Spending Priorities: Parents**

Parents prioritize differentiation, arts education, PE, and technology



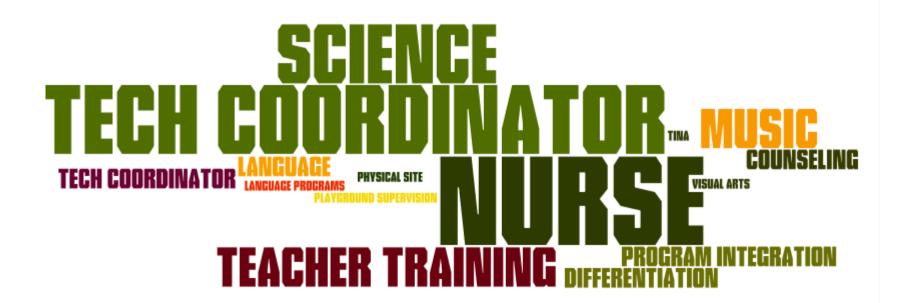
#### **Spending Priorities: Staff**

Staff prioritize PE, Learning Garden more than parents.



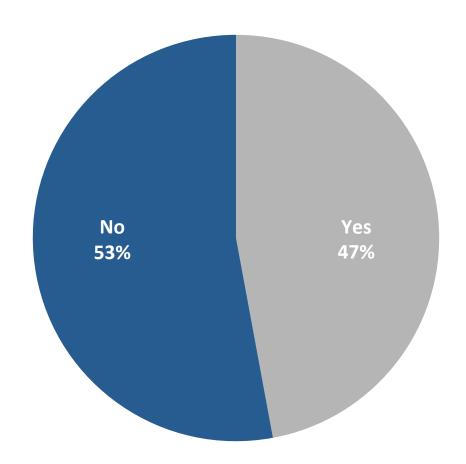
### Spending: "Other, please specify" (parent responses)

Those who chose "other" highlighted school nurse, technology integration specialist, investments in science programs as priorities



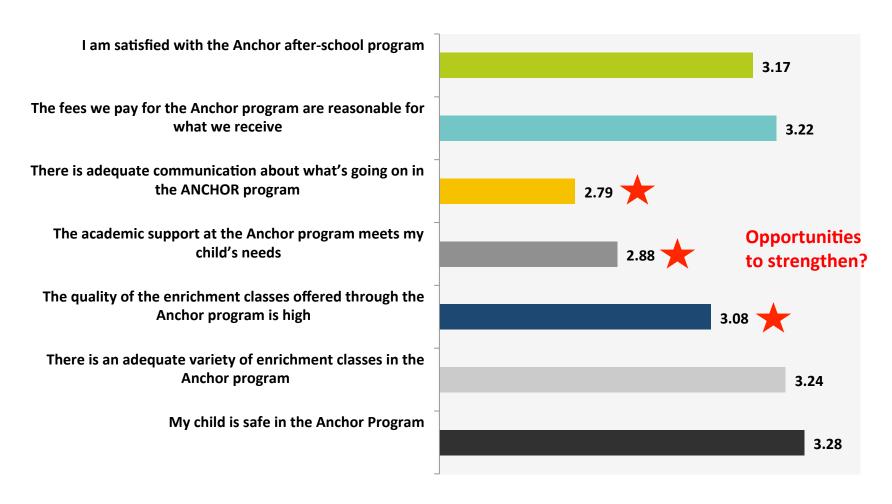
#### **Anchor After School**

Does your child participate in the Anchor after school program?



#### **Anchor After School**

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#### **Strengths**



### **Improvables**

