Dickinson Public Schools<br>Hybrid Learning Survey Overview

September 25, 2020
$>$ Email links for both the staff survey and parent/community survey were sent out on September 18, 2020. This overview includes responses received through 6:00 p.m. on September 24, 2020.

- Of the 309 respondents to the staff survey:
o 120 work with elementary students in K-2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ grade,
o 122 work with elementary students in $3^{\text {rd }}-5^{\text {th }}$ grade,
o 60 work with middle school students,
o 66 work with high school students,
o 23 don't work directly with students.
- The 1,109 respondents to the parent/community survey included:
o 493 parents of students in grades K-2,
o 438 parents of students in grades 3-5,
o 401 parents of middle school students,
o 355 parents of high school students,
o 4 community members without students in their household.
$>$ Staff and parents have similar views of how well hybrid learning is going, with about two-fifths saying it is going good/very good, about two-fifths saying it's going okay, and about one-fifth saying it is going poor/very poor. (Figure 1)
> While only $17 \%$ of parents disagree with including rotating Fridays in the hybrid learning schedule, staff is evenly split on the decision ( $44 \%$ disagree with it; $42 \%$ agree with it). (Figure 2)
- Middle and high school staff are more likely to disagree with the decision.
- Based on comments provided to another question, the disconnect between parents and staff appears to be rooted in the same issue: neither group has enough time and both want to do what is best for the students' educational needs. Teachers feel they need the extra day to prepare lessons and/or focus on those students having difficulty; parents feel they don't have the time and/or skill to help their child(ren) at home so want them in class as much as possible.
$>$ Two-thirds (64\%) of staff feel communication and support from school leadership is adequate; just as many ( $63 \%$ ) think too much is expected of teachers and staff to make hybrid learning work. (Figures 3 and 4)
- Middle school staff is most likely to feel communication and support from school leadership is adequate.
- Elementary staff is slightly more likely to think expectations are too high.
$>$ Most parents (78\%) feel communication with teaches/staff is meeting their needs and a majority (68\%) think expectations for distance learning days are clear. (Figure 5)
- One-third of parents (32\%) don't think expectations are clear for distance learning days.
- Parents of middle/high school students are less likely to say expectations are clear.
$>$ While parents (61\%) were more likely than staff (30\%) to think coursework expectations were about right, staff $(36 \%)$ was more likely than parents ( $20 \%$ ) to think the expectations are too high. (Figure 6)
- Among staff, likelihood of thinking coursework expectations are too high increases as grade levels decrease.

Figure 1
How is Hybrid Learning Going


Figure 2
Agree/Disagree with Decision to Include Rotating Fridays in Hybrid Learning Schedule


Figure 5
Parent/Community Survey: Communication and Expectations


Figure 6
Coursework Expectations Are...


