

Smokey Road Middle School Stakeholder Survey 2005-2006

As you know, as part of our commitment to continuous school improvement, Smokey Road Middle School administered a survey to school stakeholders earlier this year. Our goal was to obtain meaningful insight about the way people perceive our school—individually, as a whole, and as members of collective subgroups. Students, parents, faculty, staff, and community members and business partners took part in the survey, with a total of 1,668 stakeholders responding to the survey. We were thrilled with both the level of participation and the results of the survey and thank you once again for contributing your input. Information gathered from the survey is being used in our Title I planning, our SACS re-accreditation, and as part of our continuous improvement cycle.

Overall, all items were scored quite positively. We are proud to report that even our lowest scoring items were closer to ‘agree’ than to ‘neutral’ or ‘disagree.’ The highest rated item overall is “Smokey Road offers a welcoming environment to students, parents, teachers, school staff, and community members.” Clearly, we are putting our mission of “Striving to Reach and Motivate Students” in action. Our lowest scoring item (which, again, was still closer to agree [4.0] than to neutral [3.0] or disagree [2.0] with a score of 3.6) is “student discipline issues are handled appropriately.” Judging from the comments listed on low-rated surveys for this item, some stakeholders rated the item lower because they believe discipline is too harsh and some because they believe it is too lenient. More input is being sought from faculty and staff on this item, and we always welcome your input as well.

Many students, parents, and other stakeholders contributed thoughtful comments to their surveys which are being reviewed. A full-color copy of all survey results is available for review in the front office. We hope that you will take the opportunity to look closely at our detailed results.

While we will work to improve perceptions of our weaker areas, we will continue to celebrate our accomplishments and work to keep our positive areas strong!