



**RIDE** Rhode Island  
Department  
of Education



# Samuel Slater Middle School (Pawtucket)

Family-School Relationships Survey  
Spring 2025



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# Summary

Topic Description	Results	Comparison
<p><b>Absenteeism</b></p>	<p><b>60%</b></p> <p>▲ 11 since last survey</p>	<p>64% Urban Core</p> <p>58% All Schools</p> <p>60% Middle Schools</p> <p>58% Rhode Island</p> <p>59% Pawtucket</p>
<p><b>Cultural Awareness and Action</b></p>	<p><b>56%</b></p> <p>▼ 1 since last survey</p>	<p>61% Urban Core</p> <p>51% All Schools</p> <p>50% Middle Schools</p> <p>51% Rhode Island</p> <p>49% Pawtucket</p>
<p><b>Family Engagement</b></p> <p>The degree to which families become involved with and interact with their child's school.</p>	<p><b>12%</b></p> <p>▼ 6 since last survey</p>	<p>24% Urban Core</p> <p>23% All Schools</p> <p>19% Middle Schools</p> <p>23% Rhode Island</p> <p>17% Pawtucket</p>
<p><b>Family-School Communication</b></p>	<p><b>50%</b></p> <p>▲ 3 since last survey</p>	<p>64% Urban Core</p> <p>59% All Schools</p> <p>53% Middle Schools</p> <p>59% Rhode Island</p> <p>56% Pawtucket</p>



### School Climate

Perceptions of the overall social and learning climate of the school.

**55%**

▲1

since last survey

- 75% Urban Core
- 73% All Schools
- 62% Middle Schools
- 73% Rhode Island
- 73% Pawtucket

### School Improvement

**23%**

▲1

since last survey

- 40% Urban Core
- 36% All Schools
- 29% Middle Schools
- 36% Rhode Island
- 31% Pawtucket

### School Safety

Perceptions of student physical and psychological safety at school.

**24%**

0

since last survey

- 48% Urban Core
- 57% All Schools
- 50% Middle Schools
- 57% Rhode Island
- 53% Pawtucket

**53%**

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since last survey

- 67% Urban Core
- 67% All Schools
- 61% Middle Schools
- 67% Rhode Island
- 66% Pawtucket

### Special Education Services

**70%**

▲3

since last survey

- 76% Urban Core
- 72% All Schools
- 63% Middle Schools
- 72% Rhode Island
- 75% Pawtucket



### State Initiatives

**45%**

**▲ 5**

since last survey

- 66%** Urban Core
- 62%** All Schools
- 58%** Middle Schools
- 62%** Rhode Island
- 59%** Pawtucket

83 responses



# Absenteeism

Your average

**60%**

83 responses

Change

**▲ 11**

since last survey

State Grouping average: **64%** Urban Core

School Type average: **58%** All Schools

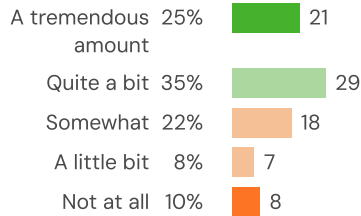
School Type average: **60%** Middle Schools

State average: **58%** Rhode Island

District average: **59%** Pawtucket

How did people respond? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.1: How much do you think missing at least 2 days of school a month impacts a student's chance of graduating high school?**



▲ 11 from last survey

Favorable: **60%**



# Cultural Awareness and Action

Your average

**56%**

83 responses

Change

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since last survey

State Grouping average: **61%** Urban Core

School Type average: **51%** All Schools

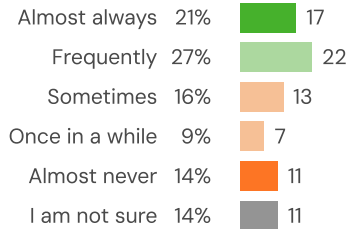
School Type average: **50%** Middle Schools

State average: **51%** Rhode Island

District average: **49%** Pawtucket

How did people respond?

**Q.1: To the best of your knowledge, when there are major news events, how often do adults at your child's school talk about them with students?**



▼ **1** from last survey

Favorable: **56%**



# Family Engagement

Your average

**12%**

83 responses

Change

**▼ 6**

since last survey

State Grouping average: **24%** Urban Core

School Type average: **23%** All Schools

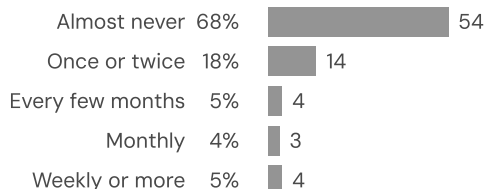
School Type average: **19%** Middle Schools

State average: **23%** Rhode Island

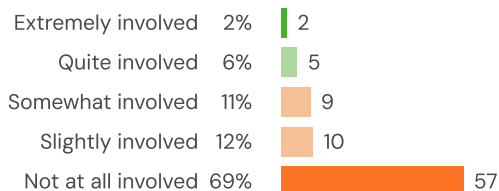
District average: **17%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

### Q.1: How often have you been asked to help out/volunteer at your child's school?



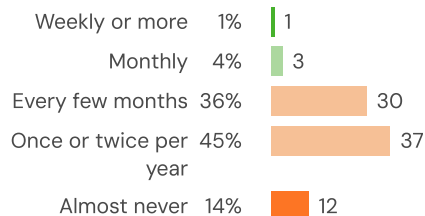
### Q.3: How involved have you been with a parent group(s) at your child's school?



▼ 2 from last survey

Favorable: **8%**

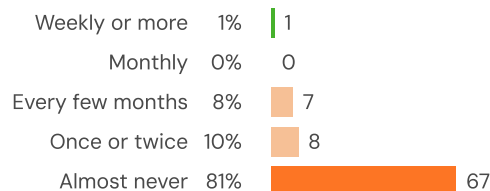
### Q.2: How often do you meet in person or virtually with teachers at your child's school?



▼ 9 from last survey

Favorable: **5%**

### Q.4: During this school year, how often have you helped out/volunteered at your child's school?

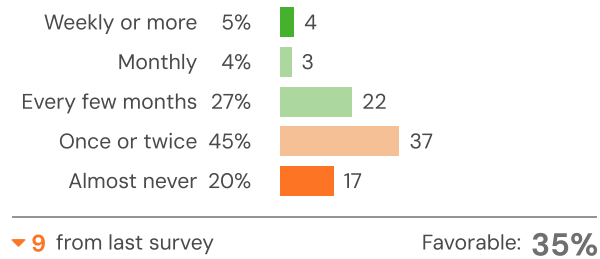


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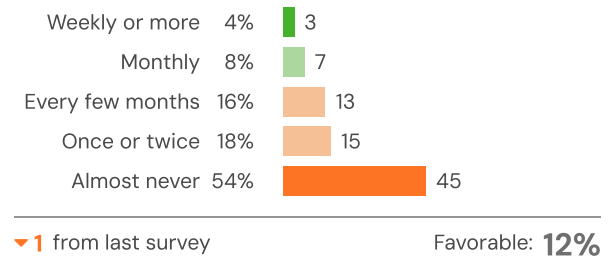
Favorable: **1%**



**Q.5: During this school year, how often have you attended an event or meeting at your child's school?**



**Q.6: During this school year, how often have you discussed your child's school with other parents from the school?**





# Family-School Communication

Your average

# 50%

83 responses

Change

# ▲ 3

since last survey

State Grouping average: **64%** Urban Core

School Type average: **59%** All Schools

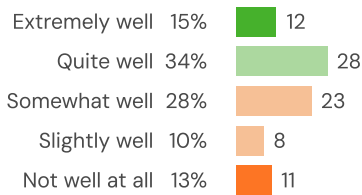
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District average: **56%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

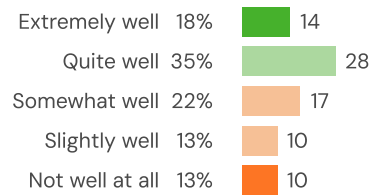
### Q.1: How well does your school communicate bullying policies and procedures to families?



▲ 7 from last survey

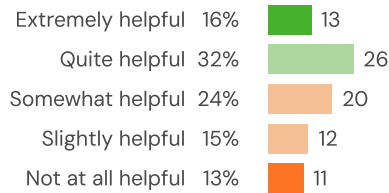
Favorable: **49%**

### Q.2: How well does your school follow through on its bullying policies and procedures?



Favorable: **53%**

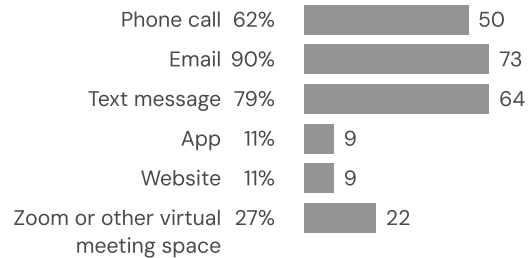
### Q.3: How helpful is the communication you receive from the school about programs and opportunities for your child?



▼ 4 from last survey

Favorable: **48%**

### Q.4: What are the best ways for the school to communicate with you? Please select all that apply.





# School Climate

Your average

55%

83 responses

Change

▲ 1

since last survey

State Grouping average: 75% Urban Core

School Type average: 73% All Schools

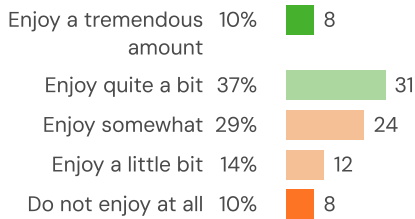
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State average: 73% Rhode Island

District average: 73% Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

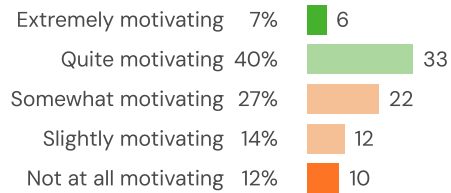
### Q.1: To what extent do you think that children enjoy going to your child's school?



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Favorable: 47%

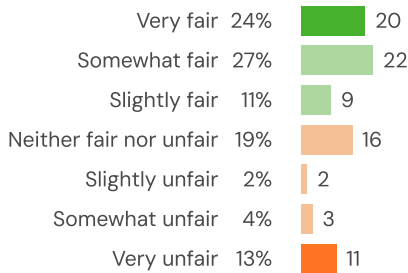
### Q.2: How motivating are the classroom lessons at your child's school?



▼ 1 from last survey

Favorable: 47%

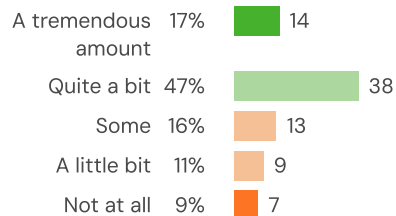
### Q.3: How fair or unfair is the school's system of evaluating children?



▼ 2 from last survey

Favorable: 61%

### Q.4: How much does the school value the diversity of children's backgrounds?

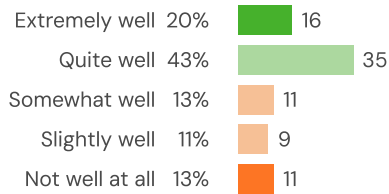


▲ 4 from last survey

Favorable: 64%



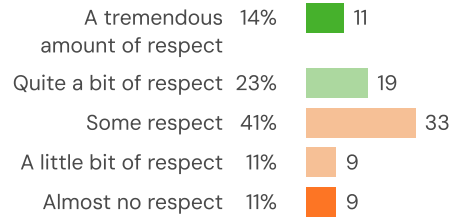
**Q.5: How well do administrators at your child's school create a school environment that helps children learn?**



▲ 4 from last survey

Favorable: **62%**

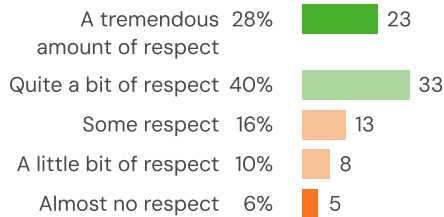
**Q.6: Overall, how much respect do you think the children at your child's school have for the staff?**



▼ 7 from last survey

Favorable: **37%**

**Q.7: Overall, how much respect do you think the teachers at your child's school have for the children?**



▲ 4 from last survey

Favorable: **68%**



# School Improvement

Your average

**23%**

83 responses

Change

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since last survey

State Grouping average: **40%** Urban Core

School Type average: **36%** All Schools

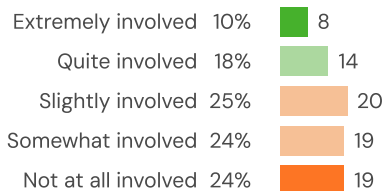
School Type average: **29%** Middle Schools

State average: **36%** Rhode Island

District average: **31%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

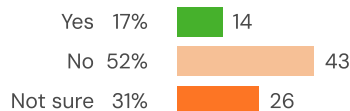
### Q.1: How involved are parents in school improvement at your child's school?



▲ 1 from last survey

Favorable: **28%**

### Q.2: Have you seen your school's improvement plan?



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: **17%**



# School Safety

Your average

**24%**

83 responses

Change

**0**

since last survey

State Grouping average: **48%** Urban Core

School Type average: **57%** All Schools

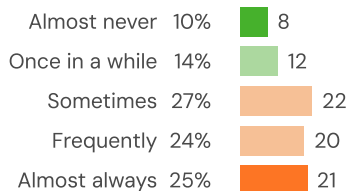
School Type average: **50%** Middle Schools

State average: **57%** Rhode Island

District average: **53%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

### Q.1: How often do you worry about violence at your child's school?



▲ 0 from last survey

Favorable: **24%**



Your average

53%

83 responses

Change

▲ 4

since last survey

State Grouping average: 67% Urban Core

School Type average: 67% All Schools

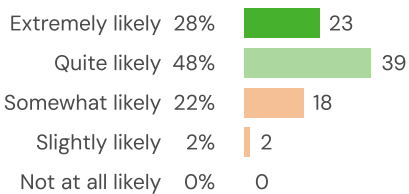
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State average: 67% Rhode Island

District average: 66% Pawtucket

How did people respond?

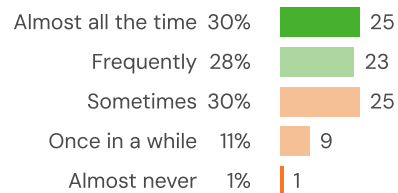
Q.1: If your child fails to reach an important goal, how likely is she/he to try again?



▲ 6 from last survey

Favorable: 76%

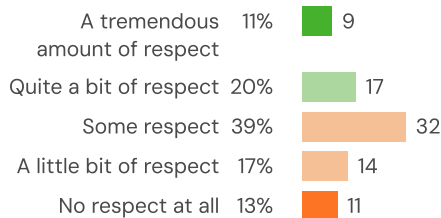
Q.2: How often does your child remain calm, even if someone is bothering her/him or saying something bad?



▲ 10 from last survey

Favorable: 58%

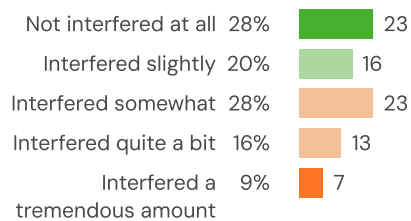
Q.3: How much respect do students at your child's school show each other?



▲ 5 from last survey

Favorable: 31%

Q.4: How much has stress interfered with your child's ability to participate in school in the last 30 days?



▼ 4 from last survey

Favorable: 48%



# Special Education Services

Your average

**70%**

83 responses

Change

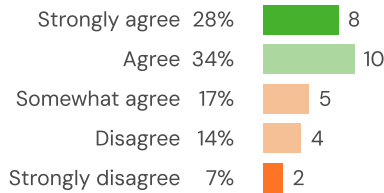
**▲ 3**

since last survey

State Grouping average: **76%** Urban Core  
 School Type average: **72%** All Schools  
 School Type average: **63%** Middle Schools  
 State average: **72%** Rhode Island  
 District average: **75%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

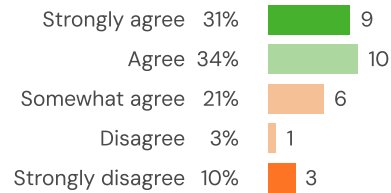
**Q.1: The school provides information on agencies that can assist my child in the transition from school to work/college.**



▼ 6 from last survey

Favorable: **62%**

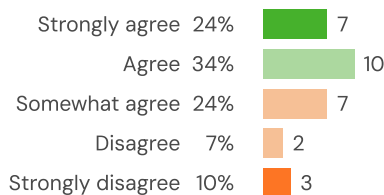
**Q.2: The school explains what options families have if they disagree with a decision of the school.**



▲ 8 from last survey

Favorable: **66%**

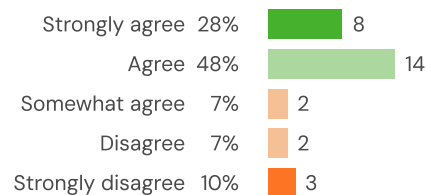
**Q.3: I have been asked for my opinion about how well special education services are meeting my child's needs.**



▼ 8 from last survey

Favorable: **59%**

**Q.4: The school gives families the help they may need to play an active role in their child's education.**

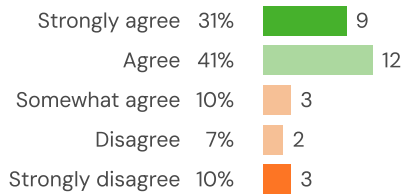


▲ 12 from last survey

Favorable: **76%**

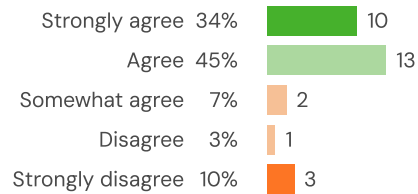


**Q.5: The school gives me choices with regard to services that address my child's needs.**



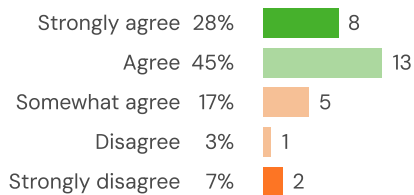
▲ 8 from last survey Favorable: **72%**

**Q.6: The school communicates regularly with me regarding my child's progress on IEP goals.**



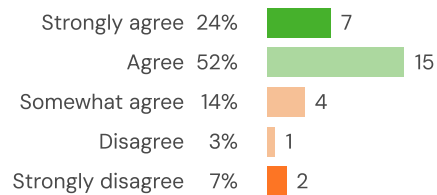
▲ 11 from last survey Favorable: **79%**

**Q.7: Teachers and administrators seek out family input and encourage family engagement.**



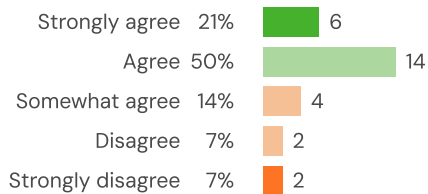
▲ 5 from last survey Favorable: **72%**

**Q.8: Teachers and administrators show sensitivity to the needs of students with disabilities and their families.**



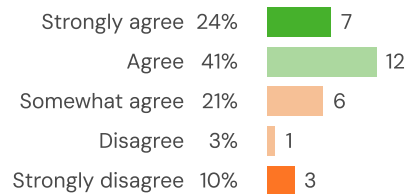
▲ 1 from last survey Favorable: **76%**

**Q.9: Teachers and administrators encourage me to participate in the decision-making process.**



▲ 7 from last survey Favorable: **71%**

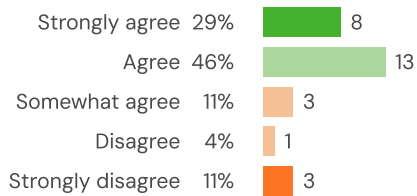
**Q.10: Teachers treat me as an equal team member.**



▼ 6 from last survey Favorable: **66%**



**Q.11: I am considered an equal partner with teachers and other professionals in making decisions about my child's program.**



▲ 3 from last survey

Favorable: **75%**



# State Initiatives

Your average

45%

83 responses

Change

▲ 5

since last survey

State Grouping average: **66%** Urban Core

School Type average: **62%** All Schools

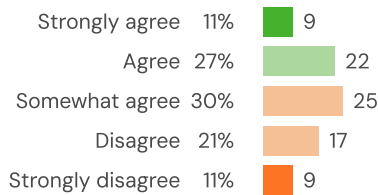
School Type average: **58%** Middle Schools

State average: **62%** Rhode Island

District average: **59%** Pawtucket

## How did people respond?

**Q.1: My student's school expects him/her to take challenging courses.**



▼ 12 from last survey

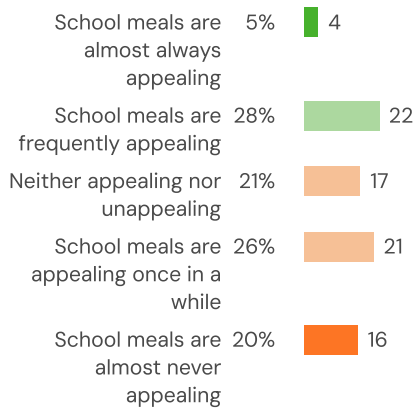
Favorable: **38%**

**Q.2: Do you feel your child's school is well maintained and supports their learning?**



Favorable: **64%**

**Q.3: How appealing are the meals (breakfast and lunch) that are served at your child's school? (i.e. the school serves meals that you feel good about your child eating)**



▲ 4 from last survey

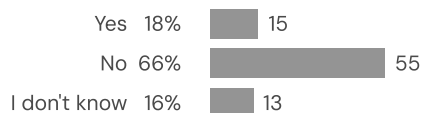
Favorable: **33%**



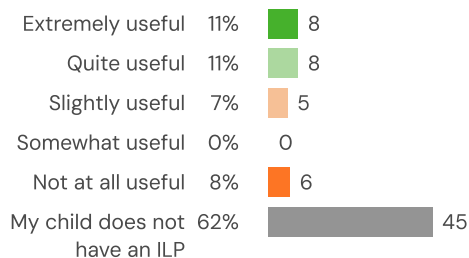
## Other questions

How did people respond? \_\_\_\_\_

### Q.1: Does your child have an Individual Learning Plan (ILP)?



### Q.2: How useful is your child's Individual Learning Plan (ILP)?



▼ 14 from last survey

Favorable: **59%**