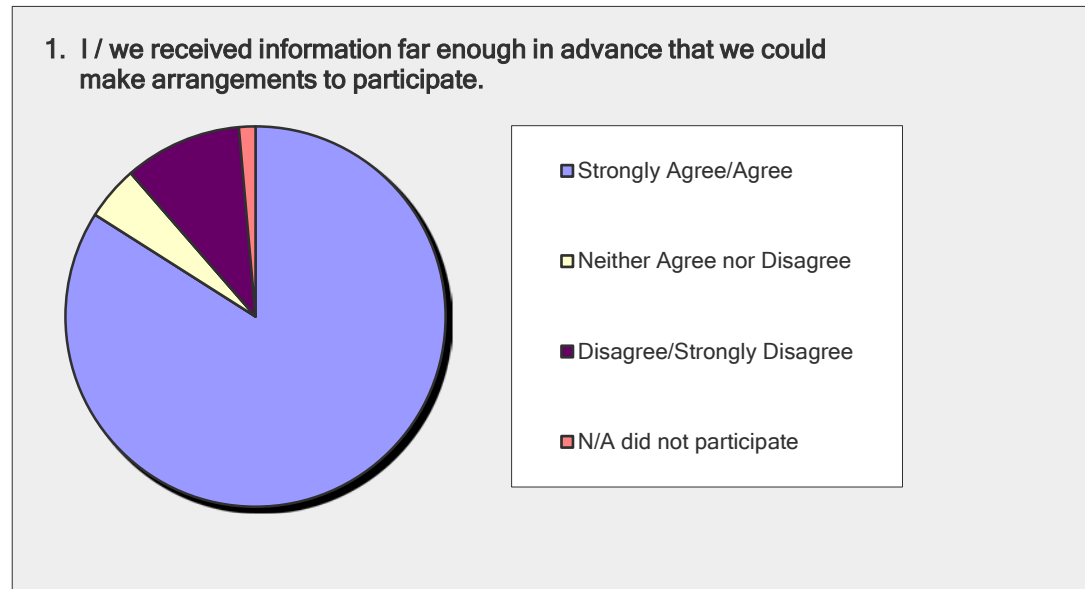


Family Connection Survey: English

Background:

In Fall 2016, all parents/guardians of Kindergartners were invited to complete a survey about their experience participating in Family Connection visits at the start of the school year. Holding these visits has been a practice for several years at some Seattle elementary schools. Family Connection visits became a requirement for all kindergarten teachers in Fall 2016-17 when all Seattle schools became eligible to offer fully subsidized all day kindergarten, without tuition. Family Connection visits are part of the state's transition to kindergarten process, called WaKIDS (Washington Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills.). Approximately 1070 families responded to the survey, which could be answered electronically or on paper.

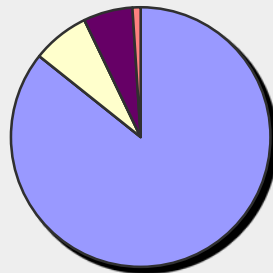
1, I/we received information far enough in advance that we could make arrangements to participate.			
Answer Options	Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly	Strongly Agree	84.0%	895
Neither	Neither Agree nor Disagree	4.6%	49
	Disagree/Strongly Disagree	10.0%	106
	N/A did not participate	1.4%	15
<i>answered ql answered question</i>		100%	1065
<i>skipped question</i>			3



2. The process of scheduling the Family Connections visit was smooth.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	84%	897
Neither Agree nor Disagree	7%	75
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	6%	64
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	1%	12
<i>answered ql answered question</i>	100%	1048
<i>skipped question</i>		5

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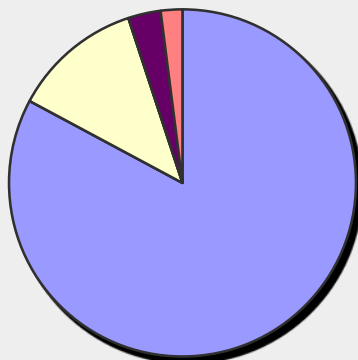


- Strongly Agree/Agree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree/Strongly Disagree
- N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)

3. Our school was flexible about scheduling a time for the visit that worked for our family.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	82%	870
Neither Agree nor Disagree	12%	129
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	3%	37
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	2%	22
<i>answered ql answered question</i>	100%	1058
<i>skipped question</i>		5

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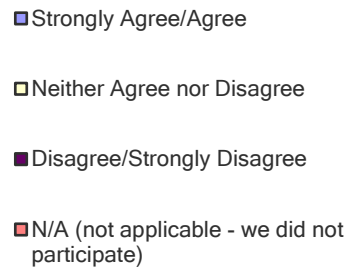
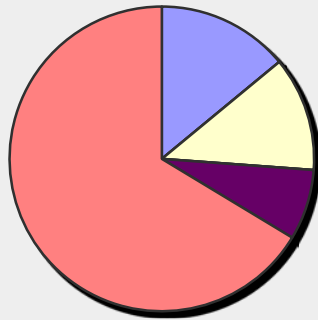


- Strongly Agree/Agree
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- Disagree/Strongly Disagree
- N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)

4. Our school offered interpretation and/or translated materials so that we could understand each other.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	15%	158
Neither Agree nor Disagree	13%	141
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	8%	9
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	71%	762
<i>answered ql answered question</i>	100%	1070
<i>skipped question</i>		7

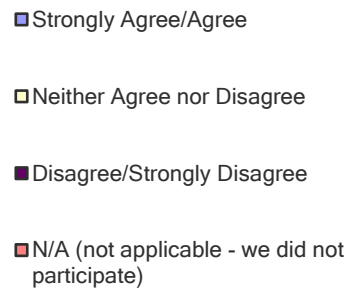
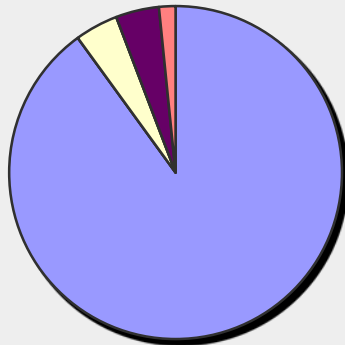
4. Our school offered interpretation and/or translated materials so that we could understand each other.



5. The Family Connections visit gave our family a chance to share information about our child and ask questions.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	90%	955
Neither Agree nor Disagree	4%	44
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	4%	45
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	1%	17
<i>answered ql answered question</i>	100%	1061
<i>skipped question</i>		9

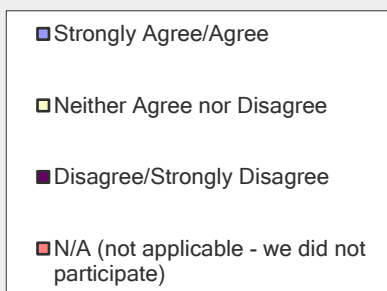
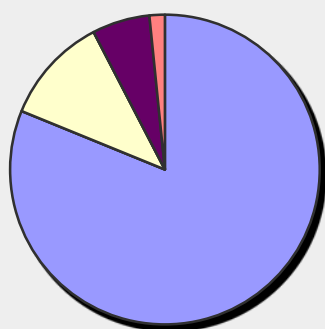
5. The Family Connections visit gave our family a chance to share information about our child and ask questions.



6. The Family Connections visit helped our teacher to have a better sense of our child's strengths and needs.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	81%	867
Neither Agree nor Disagree	10%	120
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	6%	64
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	2%	18
<i>answered q. answered question</i>	100%	1069
<i>skipped question</i>		2

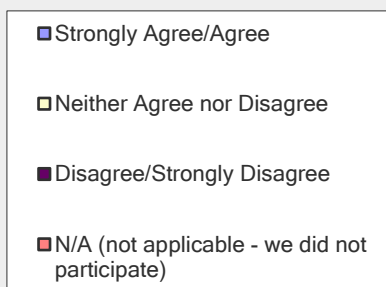
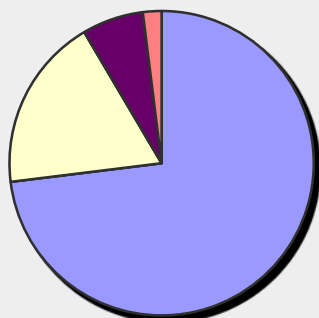
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7. The Family Connections visit helped me/us feel more comfortable about contacting the school when questions or needs arise.

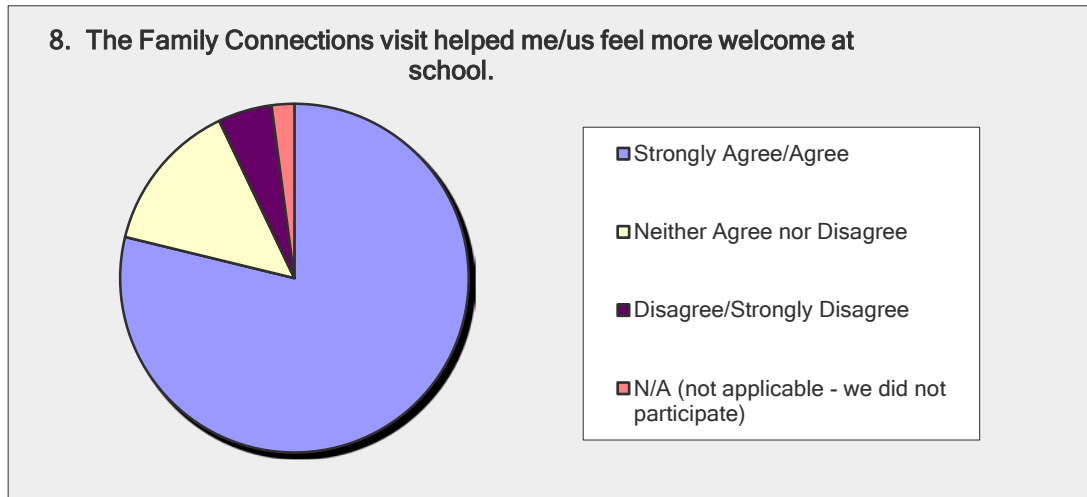
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	73%	775
Neither Agree nor Disagree	19%	196
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	7%	69
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	2%	21
<i>answered q. answered question</i>	100%	1061
<i>skipped question</i>		6

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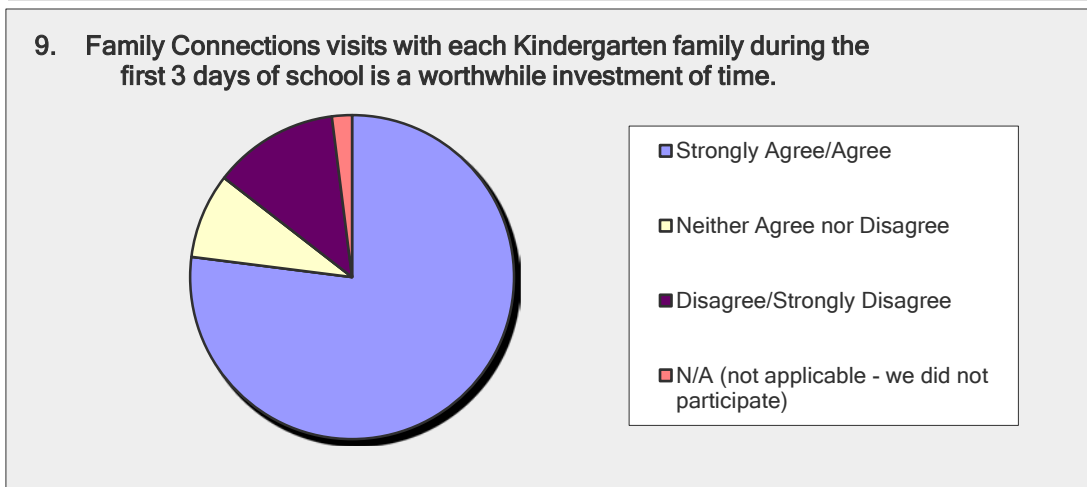
8. The Family Connection visit helped me/us feel more welcome at school.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	79%	845
Neither Agree nor Disagree	14%	151
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	5%	54
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	2%	22
<i>answered q. answered question</i>	100%	1072
<i>skipped question</i>		6



9. Having Family Connections visits with each Kindergarten family during the first 3 days of school is a worthwhile investment of time.

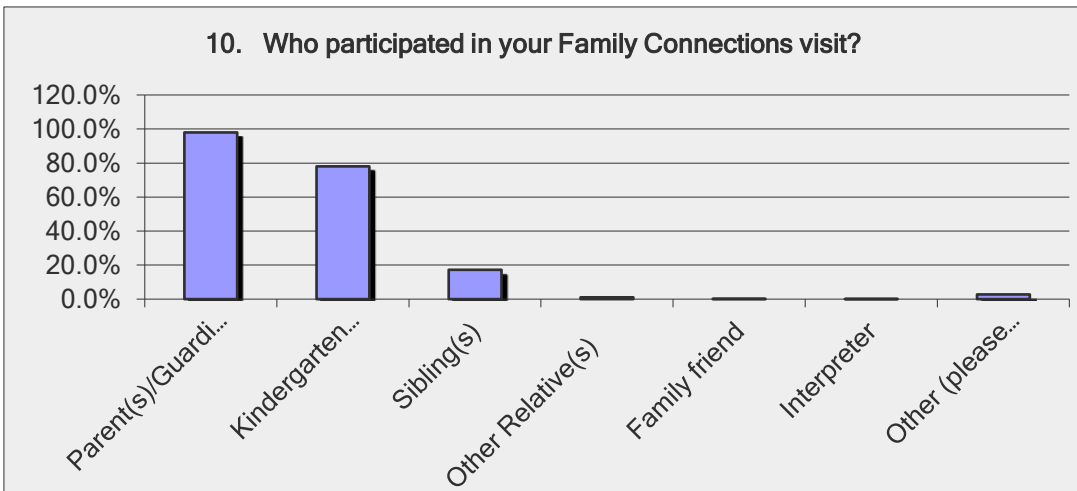
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	77%	814
Neither Agree nor Disagree	9%	89
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	13%	131
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	2%	18
<i>answered q. answered question</i>	100%	1052
<i>skipped question</i>		6



10. Who participated in your Family Connections visit? Check as many responses as apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Parent(s)/Guardian(s)	98.0%	1019
Kindergarten student(s)	78.0%	811
Sibling(s)	17.3%	180
Other Relative(s)	1.0%	18
Family friend	0.1%	1
Interpreter	0.2%	2
Other (please specify)	2.8%	24
<i>answered q. question</i>		1037 *
<i>skipped question</i>		11

* Total answering this question does not equal sum of answers since respondents could check more than one category,



11. Including our Kindergarten in the Family Connections visit was helpful.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree/Agree	72%	761
Neither Agree nor Disagree	10%	108
Disagree/Strongly Disagree	5%	57
N/A (not applicable - we did not participate)	12%	137
<i>answered q. answered question</i>	100%	1063
<i>skipped question</i>		5

