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Introduction

Background Information
During the spring 2020 COVID-19 school closure, TESD implemented a distance learning program consisting of recorded video instruction, live sessions and independent work to keep students engaged and learning. At the end of the school year, the District conducted a survey of parents, students in grades 5-12 and teachers to collect feedback on their experiences during spring 2020 distance learning and their thoughts related to future programming. In addition, distance learning inboxes (distancelearning@tesd.net for parents and students, and distancelearningstaff@tesd.net for staff) were established as a way for members of the school community to share ideas, concerns or comments that were not reflected in the survey. The survey closed on Friday, June 8; however, the inboxes will remain available through the end of July 2020.

The District received 2,822 responses to the survey from verified parents, 743 responses from students and 282 responses from teachers.
Survey Response Information

Note – Since some teachers work in multiple buildings, the sum of the bars in the teacher chart may exceed the total number of responses received from that group.

Parents
The survey was completed by verified parents of 2,822 District students. Of these parents, 1,110 reported having at least one child in elementary school, 1,036 reported having at least one child in middle school, and 676 reported having at least one child in high school.

![Number of Parent Responses, by Level](image)

Students
The survey was completed by 743 verified District students. Of these students, 335 reported being in middle school during the 2019-2020 school year, and 408 reported being in high school during the 2019-2020 school year.

![Number of Student Responses, by Level](image)

Teachers
The survey was completed by 282 District teachers. Of these teachers, 109 reported teaching at the elementary school level during the 2019-2020 school year, 92 reported teaching at the middle school level during the 2019-2020 school year, and 85 reported teaching at the high school level during the 2019-2020 school year.

![Number of Teacher Responses, by Level](image)
Survey Responses – General
Note – All percentages are based on the total number of survey participants per group unless otherwise noted.

Device Used for Distance Learning

*Parents/Students – What device did you (your child) use for distance learning?*

- **District Laptop**: 0% Parents, 30% Students
- **Personal Laptop**: 50% Parents, 50% Students
- **Desktop**: 10% Parents, 10% Students
- **iPad**: 10% Parents, 10% Students
- **Tablet (other than iPad)**: 5% Parents, 5% Students
- **Chromebook**: 5% Parents, 5% Students
- **Phone**: 15% Parents, 15% Students
- **Other**: 0% Parents, 0% Students

[Bar chart showing the distribution of device usage by parents and students]
Time Spent on Distance Learning

Parents/Students – On average, how much time did you (your child) spend participating in and completing distance learning school work each day?

Time Spent on Distance Learning, All Parents and Students

Time Spent on Distance Learning, Parents by Level

Time Spent on Distance Learning, Students by Level
Challenges Experienced

Parents/Students/Teachers – What challenges did you (and your child) experience during distance learning?

- Maintaining connections with teachers
- Not seeing my teachers as often
- Maintaining connections with students
- Access to technology, issues with WiFi/connectivity
- Accessing distance learning tools such as Schoology or Microsoft Teams
- Issues with technological devices
- Balancing my own work and home life while supporting my children in distance learning
- Motivating my child to complete school work
- Feeling motivated to finish my school work
- Motivating my students to finish their school work
- Structure of the school day
- Lack of social interactions with classmates
- Not seeing my classmates
- Assisting my child with instructions or assignments
- Understanding how to do my assignments
- Assisting my students with instructions or assignments
- Being responsible for my own schedule
- Facilitating synchronous (live) sessions
- Opportunities for collaboration with colleagues

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Parents
Students
Teachers
What Worked Well

Parents/Students/Teachers – What worked well for you during spring 2020 distance learning?

Teacher Connections with Students

Teachers – I was able to maintain connections with my students during distance learning
Survey Responses – Instruction

Asynchronous Instruction
Teachers - I believe asynchronous, pre-recorded lessons were effective in communicating content, skills and strategies during spring 2020 distance learning.

Synchronous Instruction
Parents - Opportunities for live, real-time sessions (synchronous instruction) during spring 2020 distance learning were sufficient for my child's learning needs.
Students - Live, real-time activities or classroom sessions where I could see my teacher were helpful to me during spring 2020 distance learning.
Teachers - I believe synchronous, live sessions used in the spring 2020 distance learning plan were effective in supporting my students' learning needs.
Rigor

Parents – Was the rigor of the work provided during spring 2020 distance learning appropriate for your child?

Students - How challenging did you find the work assigned during spring 2020 distance learning?

All Parents and Students

Parents, By Level

Students, By Level
Amount of Work

Parents – Was the amount of work provided during spring 2020 distance learning appropriate for your child?

Students – Did your teachers provide you with the right amount of school work during spring 2020 distance learning?

Teachers - I believe the distance learning program provided sufficient work to prepare students for the upcoming school year.
Instructional Methods

Parents - Which of the following instructional methods provided a positive learning experience for your child? Check all that apply.

All Parents

Parents, By Level

Elementary  Middle  High
Office Hours

Parents/Teachers – On average, how often did your middle or high school student attend teacher office hours during distance learning?

Students – How often did you attend teacher office hours during distance learning?

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Work Well Wednesday

Parents/Students – How often did you (your child) participate in classroom or schoolwide community building activities during Work Well Wednesdays?

Parents, By Level

Students, By Level

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Parents/Students – How often did you (your child) use Work Well Wednesdays to catch up on school work or focus on special area activities?

Parents, By Level

Students, By Level
Teachers – The structure of Work Well Wednesday allowed me to: Check all that apply.

- Support schoolwide events
- Facilitate extra-curricular activities
- Provide additional support to students
- Engage in planning with colleagues
Survey Responses – Looking Ahead to 2020-2021

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Students

- I may be reluctant to participate in class discussions
- I would be concerned about asking questions or saying the wrong answer
- I would be concerned about my privacy
- I would not have any concerns
Screen Time for Future Distance Learning

*Parents/Students – How much total screen time per day is comfortable for you (your child) in a future distance learning program?*

*Teachers – Please indicate the amount of total screen time per day you would be comfortable with for your students in a future distance learning program.*

Reopening Schools in the Fall

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