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The percentage of students in the school whose parents responded to the SALT Survey.

### What Teachers Say

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- **Contacts me if my child does something well or improves**
- **Contacts me if my child is having a problem**
- **Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time**
- **Has a parent-teacher conference with me**
- **Asks me to volunteer at the school**

### Teacher Practices and Attitudes

- **They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.**
- **Teachers on their team or grade level maintain positive relationships with students’ parents.**
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- **They use parents as school resources or volunteers.**