

## Results of 2009-2010 Parent Opinion Survey

1. Over all, how satisfied are you with this year's Head Start program?

Very Much - 31

2. How well have you been kept informed about your child's classroom activities and what goes on in school?

Very well- 28

Fairly well- 3

3. Please check all the ways that were used to inform you about how your child is getting along in school and about school activities in general.

Home visits- 28

Notes sent home- 31

Phone calls from teacher or teacher assistant- 20

Volunteering in classroom- 12

My child tells me- 23

Other parents- 8

Classroom newsletters- 22

Other - observations - 1

4. Please check all the ways you think are the best for informing parents about their children's progress and about school activities.

Home visits- 22

Notes sent home- 28

Phone calls from teacher or teacher assistant- 18

Volunteering in classroom- 11

My child tells me- 15

Other parents- 6

Classroom newsletters- 10

Other

Comments: Very informative - 1

Program is great- 1

5. During this past year, did you feel free to contact your teacher or teacher assistant?

Yes- 29

No- 1

6. During the past year would you have felt free to contact the Head Start office if you had a question or concern?

Yes- 30

7. How much did you participate in planning your child's educational goals with your teacher?

Very much - 13

Much- 6

Some- 8

8. How much help have you received in getting ideas on how to teach your child at home?

Very much- 17

Much- 12

Some- 1

9. Did you attend the orientation and /or monthly parent meetings in your child's school?

Yes- 20

No- 8

10. Have you volunteered in the classroom this year?

Yes- 11

No- 19

If you checked yes, how satisfying was it?

Very - 10

Fairly- 1

11. Have you gone on any of the field trips with the children?

Yes - 20

No- 10

If you checked no, would you indicate the reason why you were not able to?

Work- 4

Mom was in hospital- 1

Took off work to go to pumpkin farm and it was rescheduled- 1

Dr. appt.-2

12. Please list any activities for parents other than those covered above which you think should be added to the Head Start program.

None-2

N/A-1

Does great-1

13. Listed below are some services that are regularly available to Head Start families. In the column "Services Used", please check each of the services that you or your child(ren) used during the school year. For each service that you used, check whether you found it satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

	Services used	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Daily School bus	18	13	
Health services	9	9	
Dental Services	15	14	
Emergency Food	1	2	
Clothing	4	6	
Further EDU		2	
Housing	1	2	
Personal Counseling		1	
Employment Services	1	1	
Holiday Assistance	1	2	

Did you have any particular problem with any of the services you used?

No- 25

14. Thinking of the Head Start program as a whole, which parts did you like best this year?

Patience with kids - 2  
 Keep parents informed-2  
 Buses- 1  
 Notes-1  
 Calmed child- 1  
 Hands on activities- 1  
 Go out of their way to help kids- 1  
 Caring -1  
 Teachers -1  
 Parent Involvement- 2  
 Includes all children (teachers and staff)-1  
 Son's speech is better- 1  
 A lot of 1 on 1- 3  
 Pleased- 1  
 All good- 9  
 Teacher interaction with children- 1 How much your child has learned- 1  
 Parent meetings -1  
 Choices kids have in classroom -1

15. What problems did you have with Head Start this year?

None- 21

Could not travel for meetings -1  
Lunch menu, need things kids will actually eat- 1

16. What changes do you think should be made in the Head Start program this year?

None- 16  
Another parent activity-2  
Needs to be closer-1  
Five days a week- 1  
Menu-1

17. What training programs for Head Start parents would you recommend to be added to those now being offered?

None-6  
Computer programs-1  
Not sure-1

18. If you had the opportunity to talk about Head Start to next year's new parents, what would you tell them?

Good program gets ready for Kindergarten- 4  
One of the greatest schools-1  
Helps children-4  
They learn and have lots of fun- 6  
Well organized-1  
Be involved- 1  
Child much improved- 1  
Child has better speech- 1  
Good- 9  
Great staff- 5  
Makes your child excited about school- 1  
Has them try new things- 1  
Very much recommended - 1