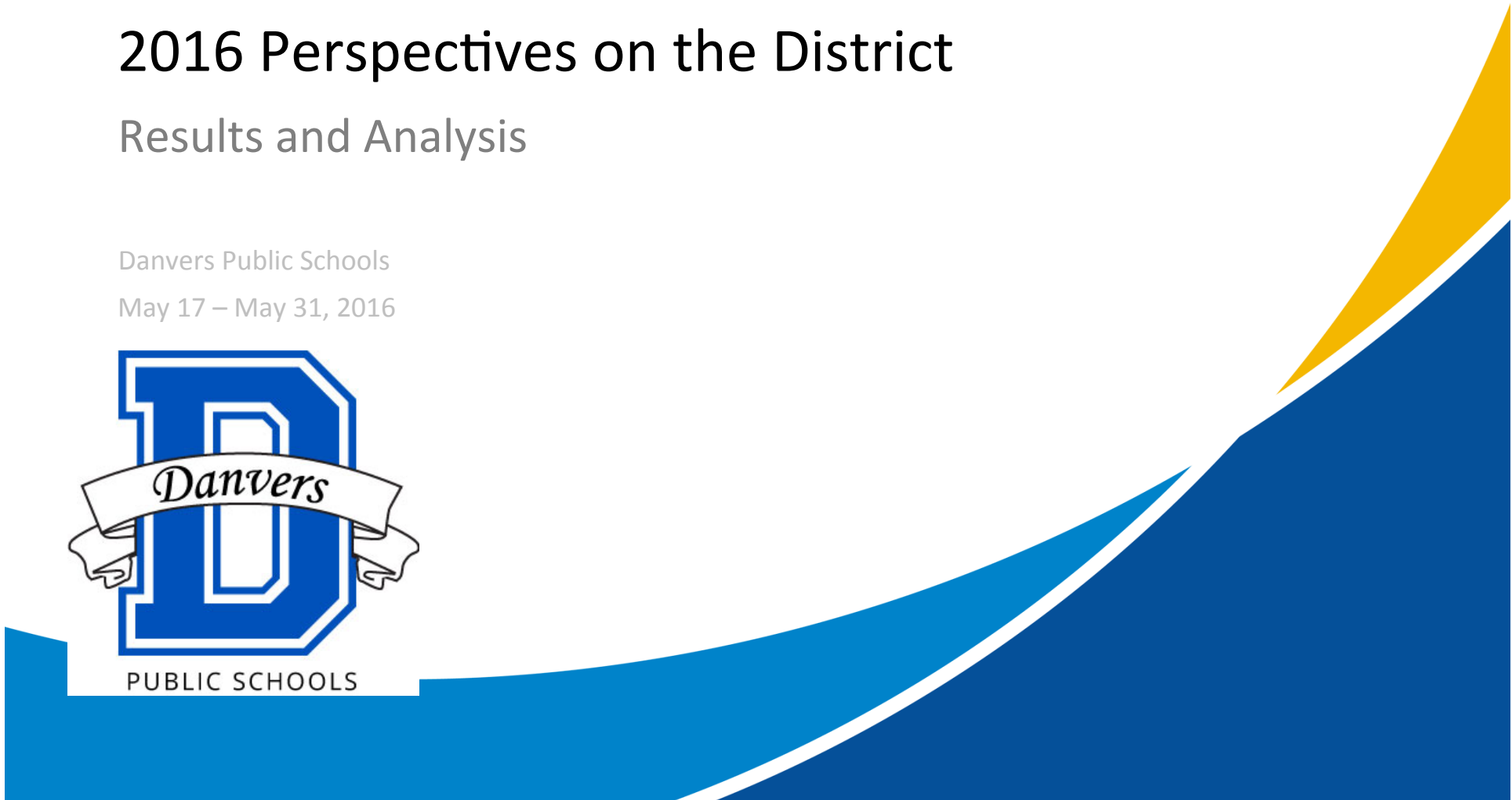


2016 Perspectives on the District

Results and Analysis

Danvers Public Schools
May 17 – May 31, 2016



Overview

Project Goal

The Perspectives on the District Survey is a cornerstone for Danvers Public Schools' community engagement strategy. The survey informs parents and community members of important decisions and challenges faced by the school district during the current year. It allows the district to communicate successes and measure community perceptions.

Topics and Dimensions

Mission

Core Values

Vision

Strategic Plan

Overall Quality

Target Population

Community Members (including staff and parents/guardians)

Technical Notes

Survey Development

- In order to increase content validity, survey questions were jointly developed in collaboration with district staff.
- Most questions were voluntary.

Survey Deployment

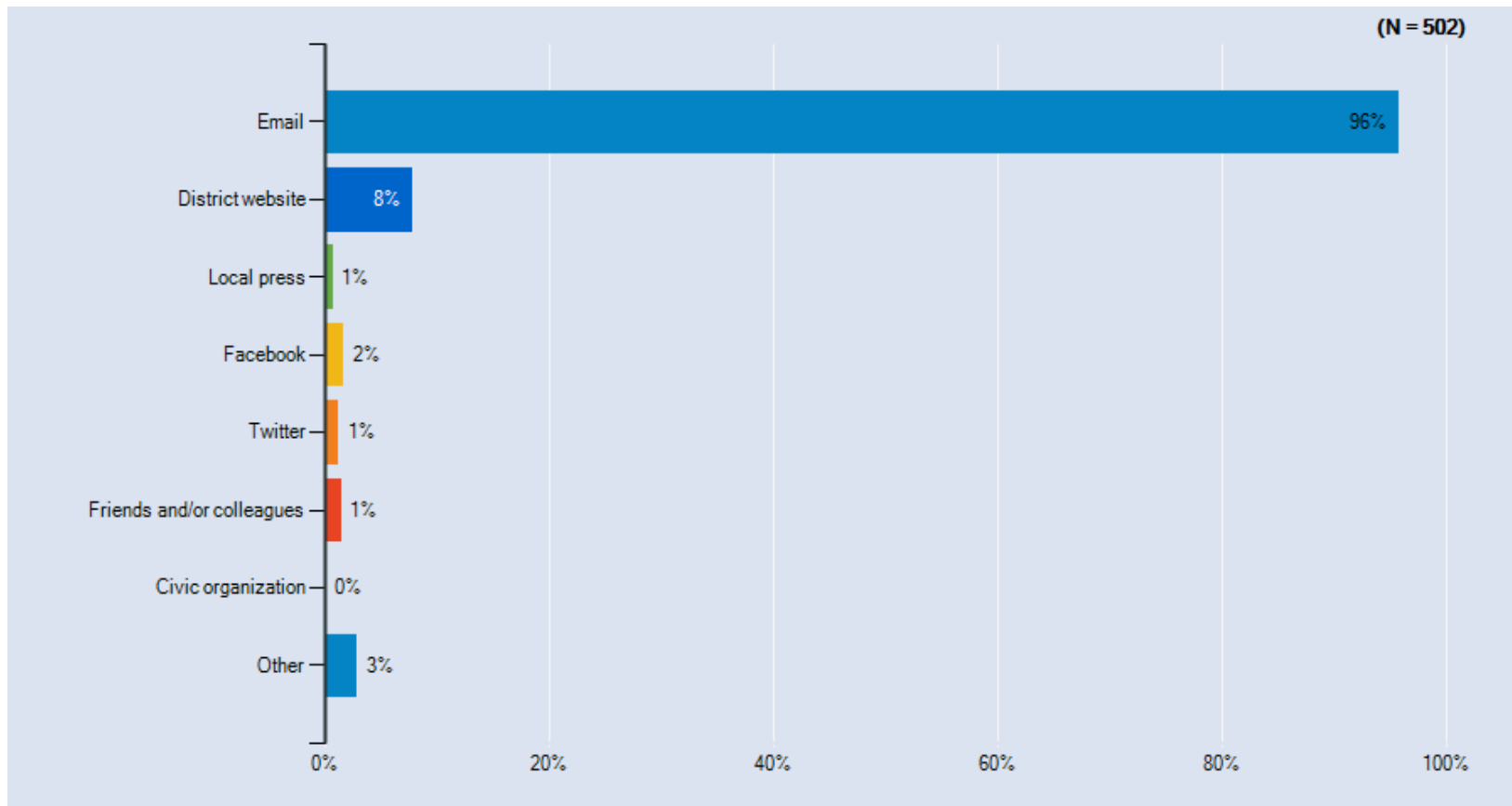
- Pre-survey communications included press releases, a letter to participants, email parent notifications, staff email announcements, DPS Facebook posting, Twitter and on the district's and seven schools' websites.
- The survey public URL was shared with all Town Departments for posting to their websites.
- The survey was administered via a public URL.

Data Analysis and Reporting

- Results do not reflect random sampling; therefore, they should not be generalized to the entire community. Rather, results reflect the perceptions and opinions of just those community members who responded to the survey.
- The findings for each item in the report exclude participants who did not answer the item.
- Data labels of 5% or less are not shown.
- Written responses to open-ended questions were provided to the Superintendent.
- Open-ended responses were analyzed for common themes.

Survey Mode

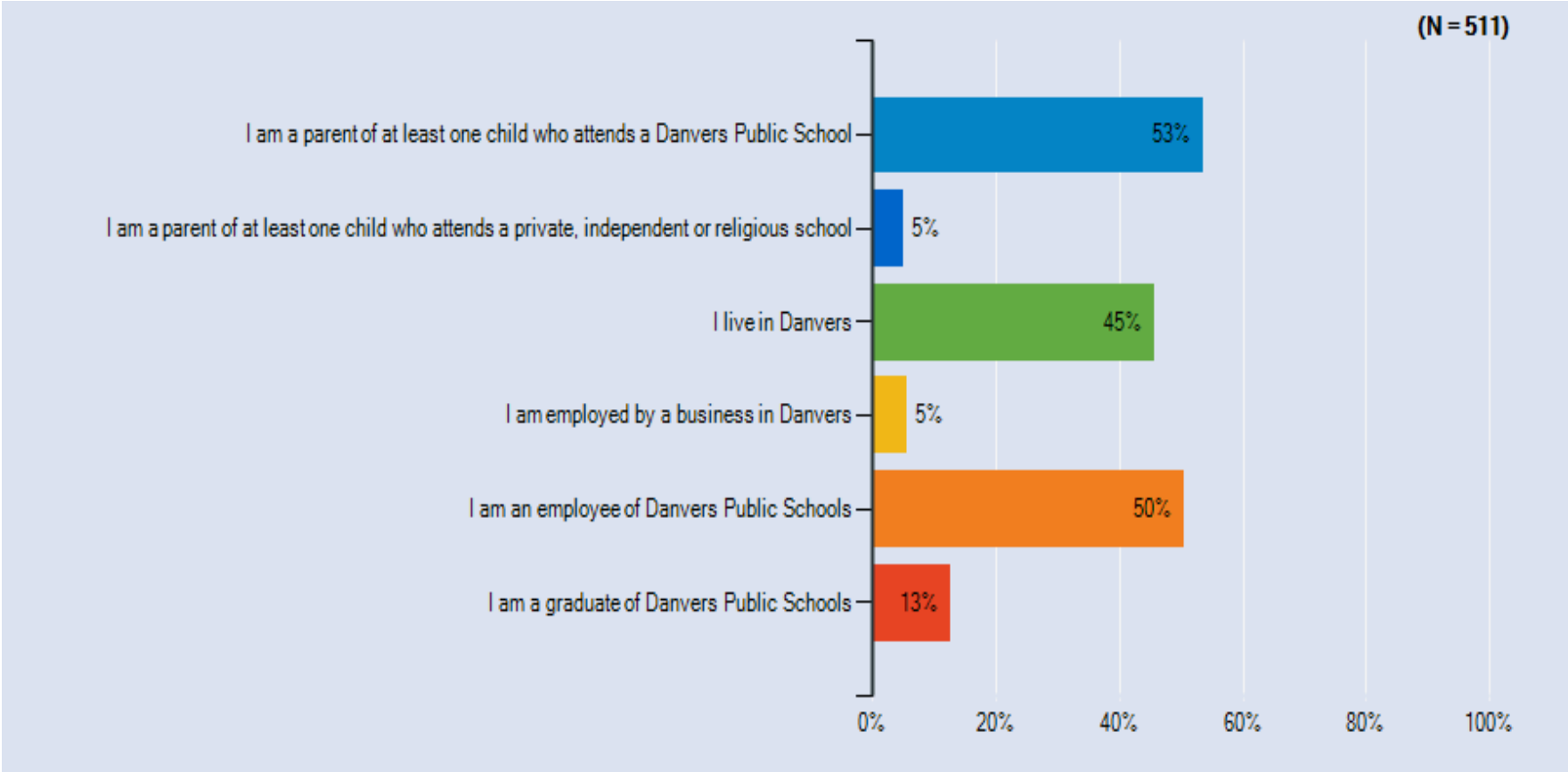
How did you hear about this survey?



Note: The sum of percentages may exceed 100% because participants could select more than one response option.

Participant Details

Which of the following describes you?



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Mission Statement

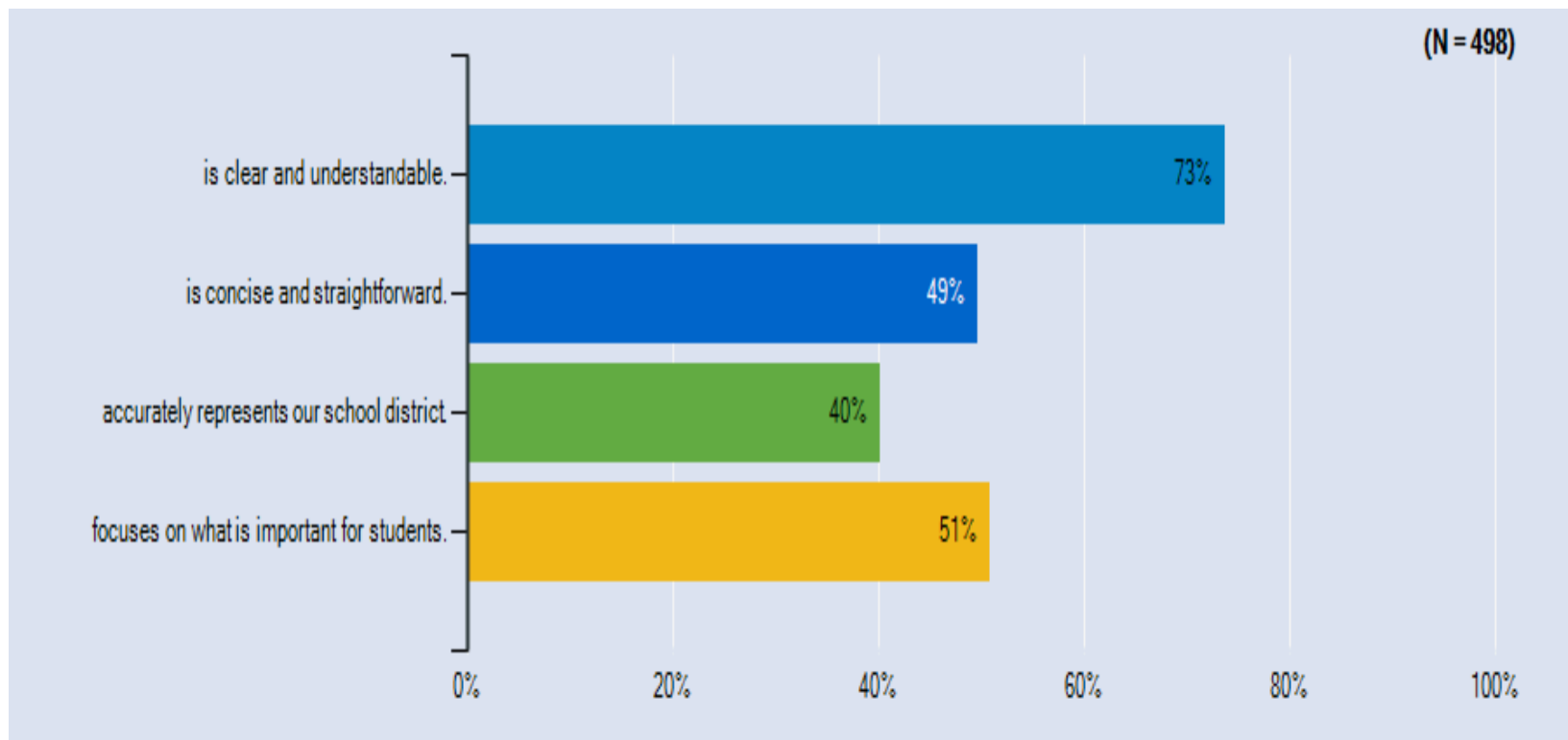
The mission statement for Danvers Public Schools is:

Danvers Public Schools is a dynamic community of independent learners dedicated to respect, responsibility, creativity and the pursuit of academic and personal excellence.

Mission Statement

Which of the following statements represents your feelings about this mission statement?

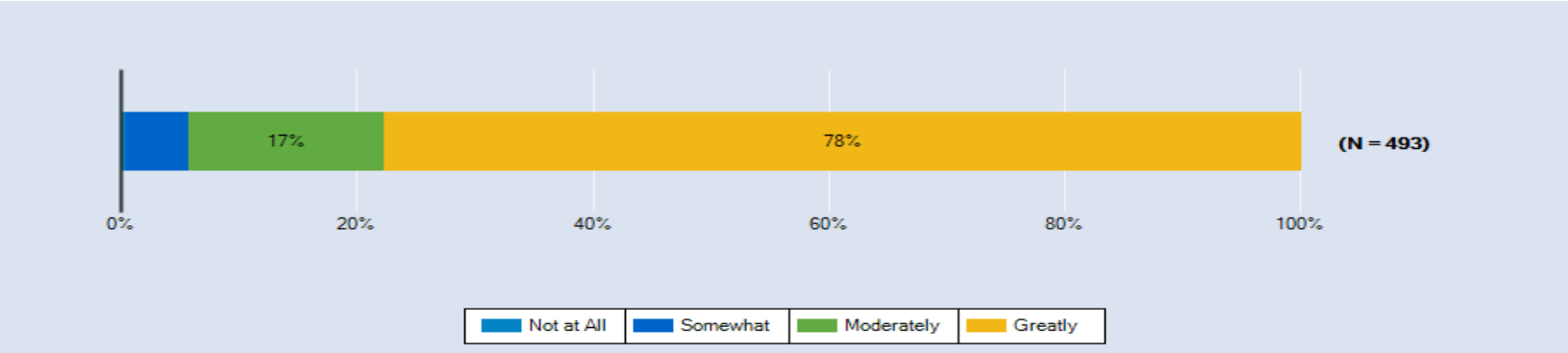
This mission statement . . .



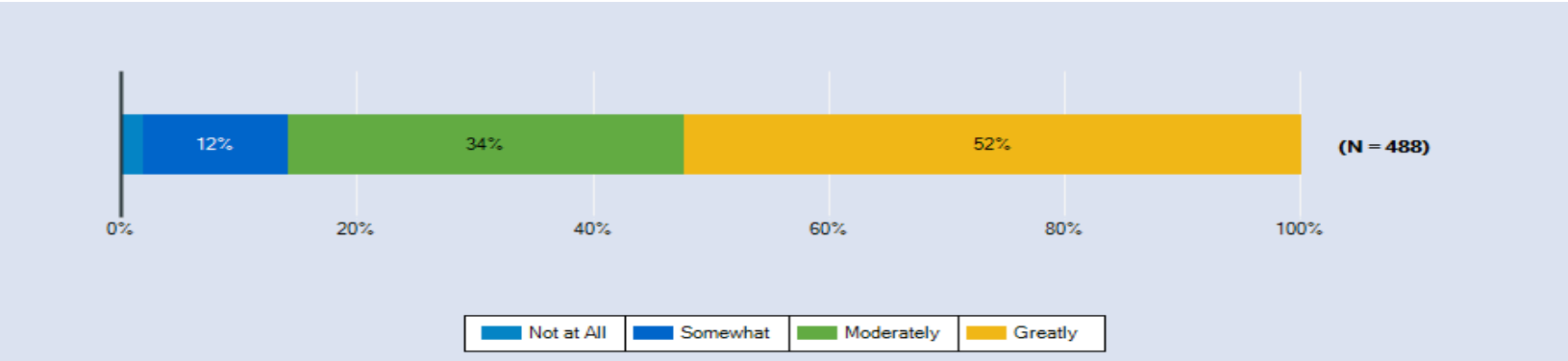
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Mission Statement

How strongly do you support this mission statement?



Do the Danvers Public Schools reflect this mission statement?



Core Values

The core values of the Danvers Public Schools serve as the organizing principles for the Danvers Public Schools. There is the expectation that all members of the system will know, understand and live these values in their day-to-day work and learning.

Caring . . . The District believes that a child-centered environment that demonstrates value and respect for individual differences best serves the unique needs of each child.

Quality . . . The District believes that adherence to the highest standards for individual performance and achievement by all members of the school community is fundamental to life-long learning and continuous improvement.

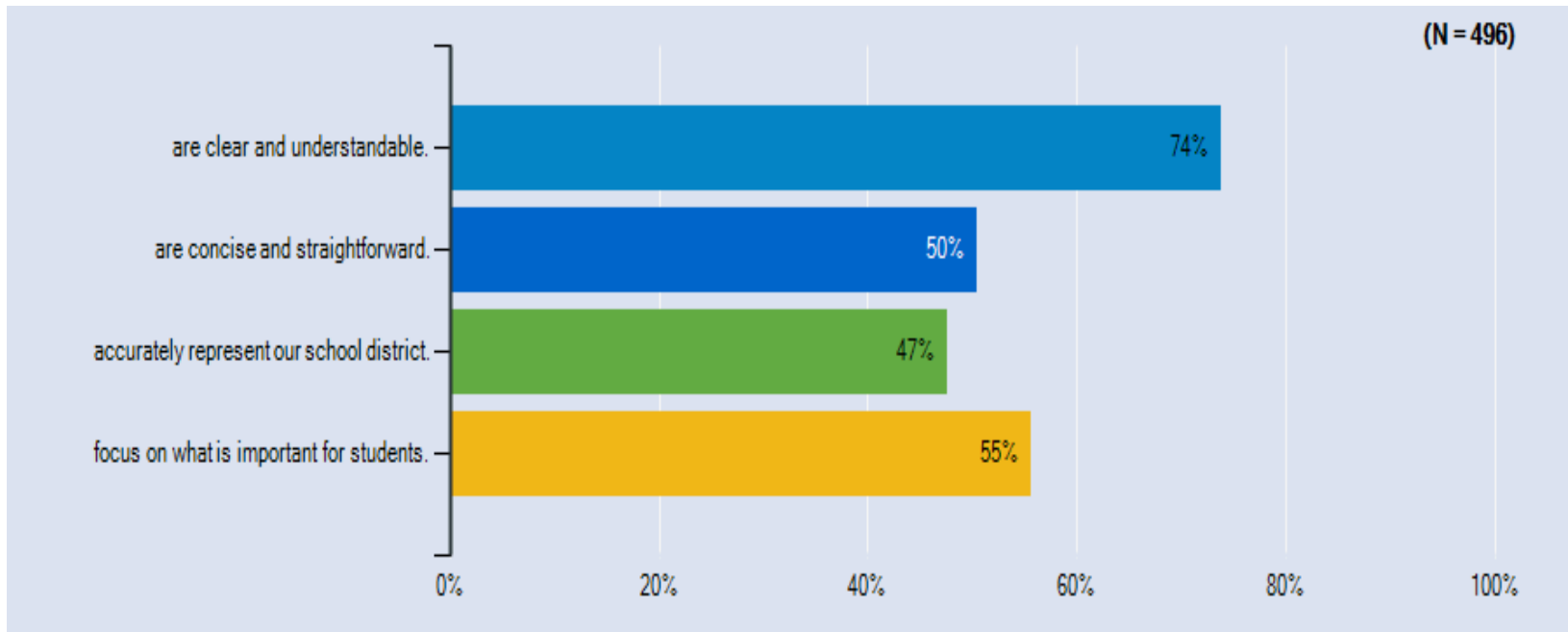
Commitment . . . Danvers Public Schools is committed to providing successful learning experiences and promoting high achievement for all students. We value teaching as a profession and are committed to developing teachers as leaders and supporting them in their shared responsibility for the learning success of all students.

Collaboration . . . Danvers Public Schools is the center of a dynamic learning network, connecting individual learners with the best educational, technical and recreational resources.

Core Values

Which of the following statements represent your feelings about these core values?

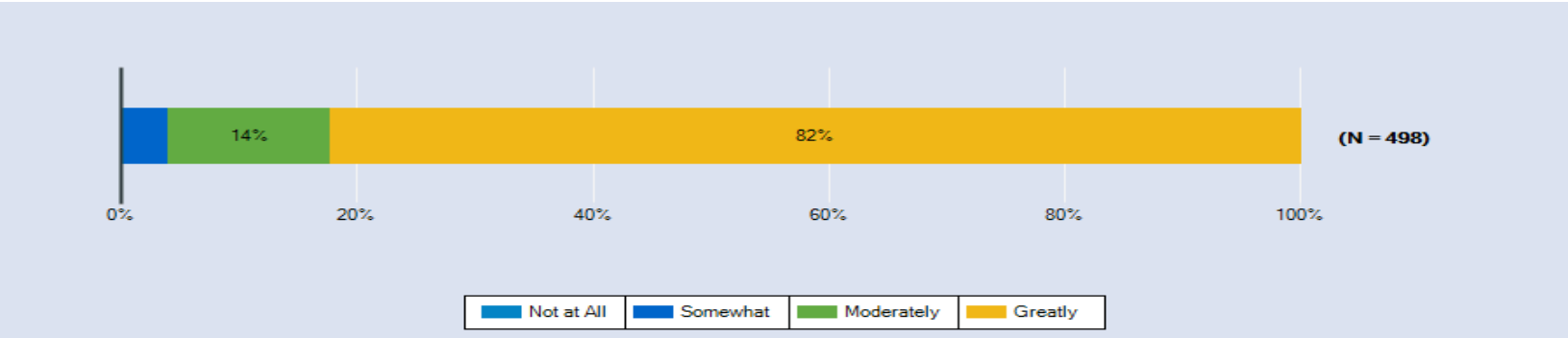
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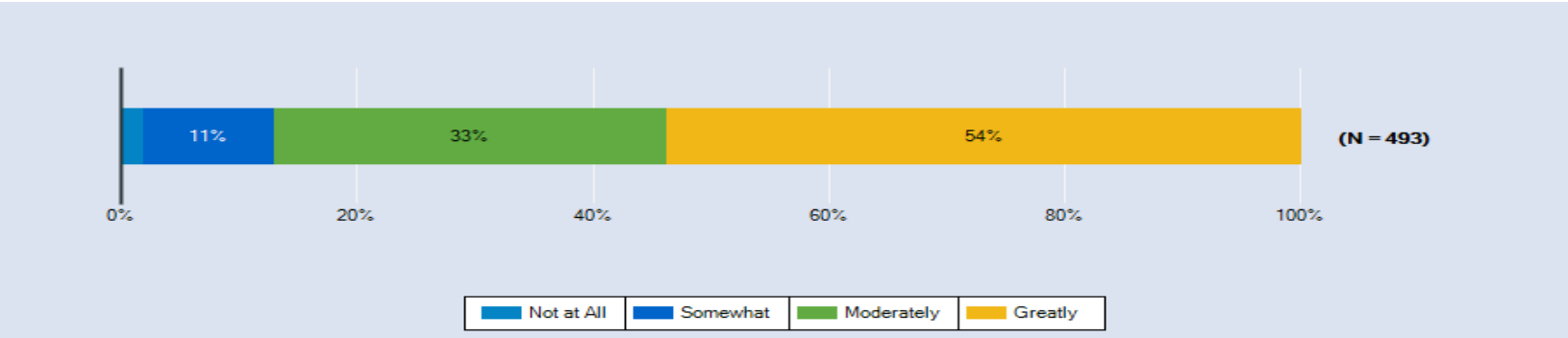
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Core Values

How strongly do you support these core values?

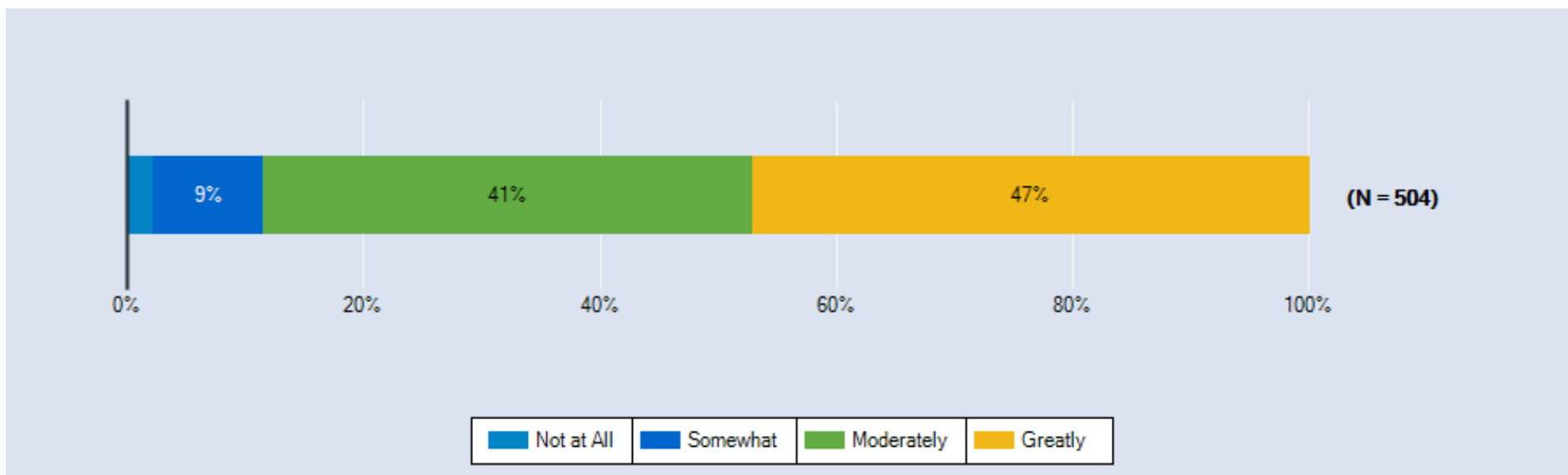


Do the Danvers Public Schools reflect these core values?



Core Values

In your opinion, is Danvers Public Schools making progress in meeting these target priorities?



Vision Statement

The Vision Statement for Danvers Public Schools describes the desired state of our school district and includes the following target priorities:

The district is an inclusive community of learners that is respectful of individual differences, where all students are valued for their unique strengths and talents, and challenges are thoughtfully and effectively addressed.

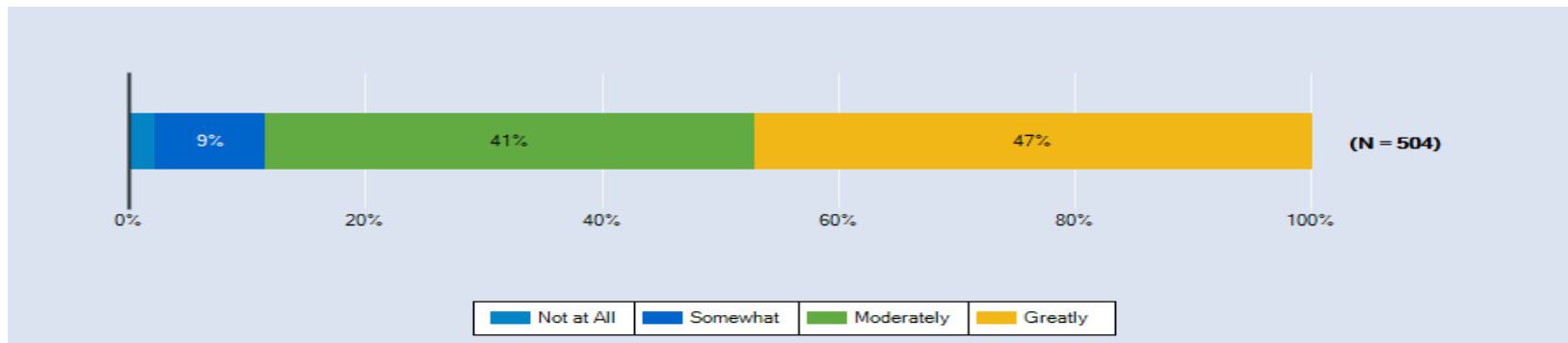
The schools are dynamic learning environments where research-based instruction is facilitated by talented, committed educators who set high expectations and are experts in content and pedagogy.

Leadership is cohesive and consistent throughout the school district, promoting the core values of caring, quality, commitment and collaboration in all aspects of the school community.

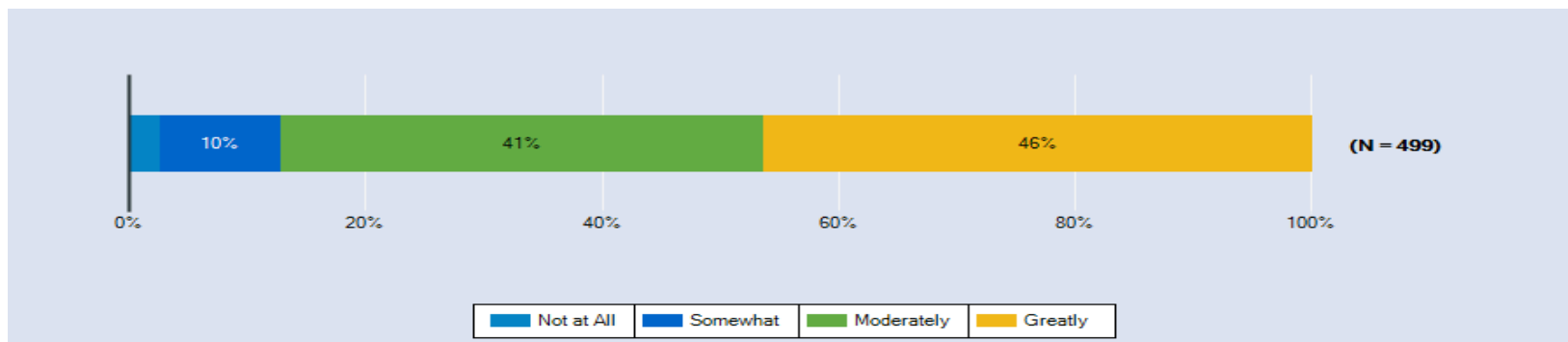
All students are fully engaged and invested in their learning.

Vision Statement

In your opinion, is Danvers Public Schools making progress towards meeting these target priorities?

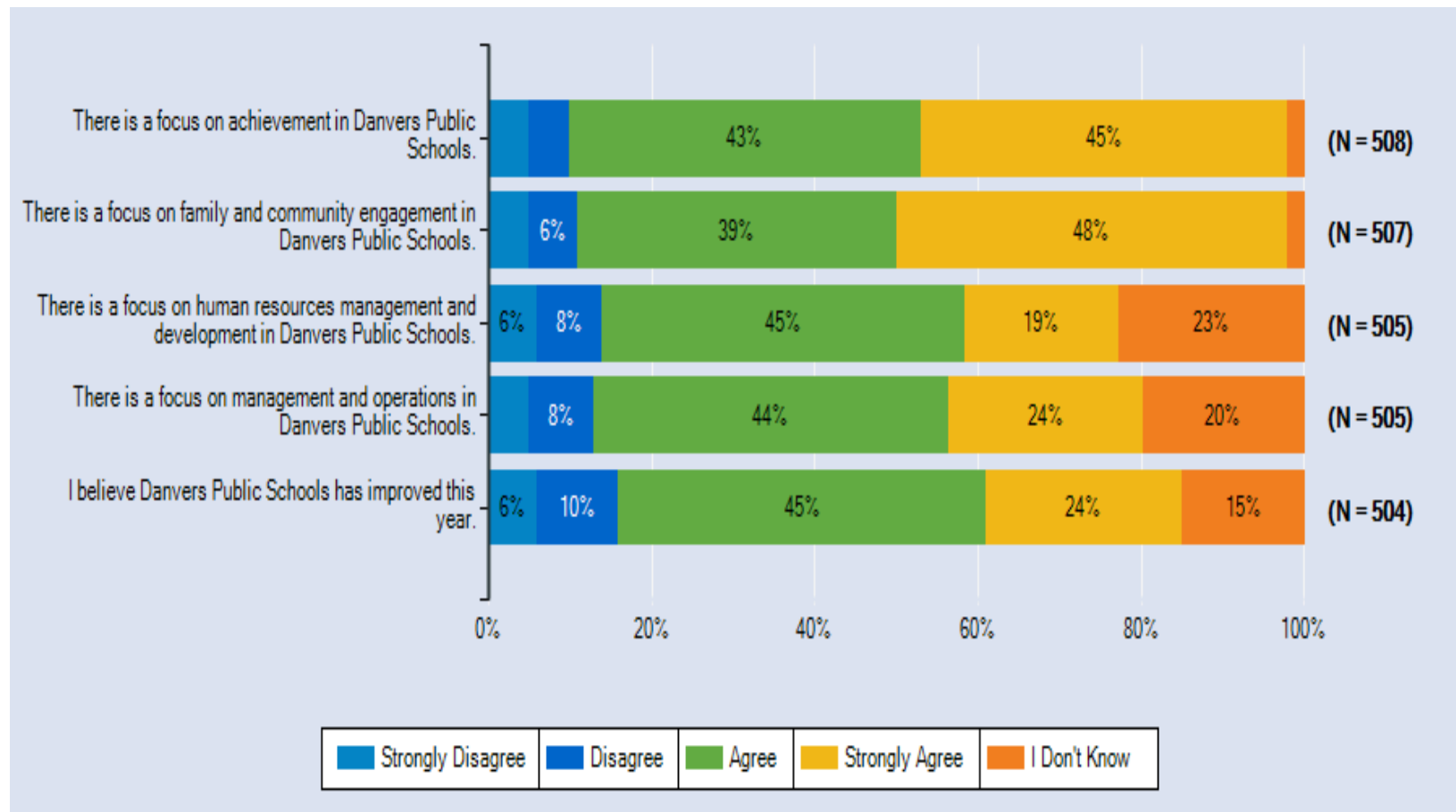


Do the Danvers Public Schools reflect this vision statement?



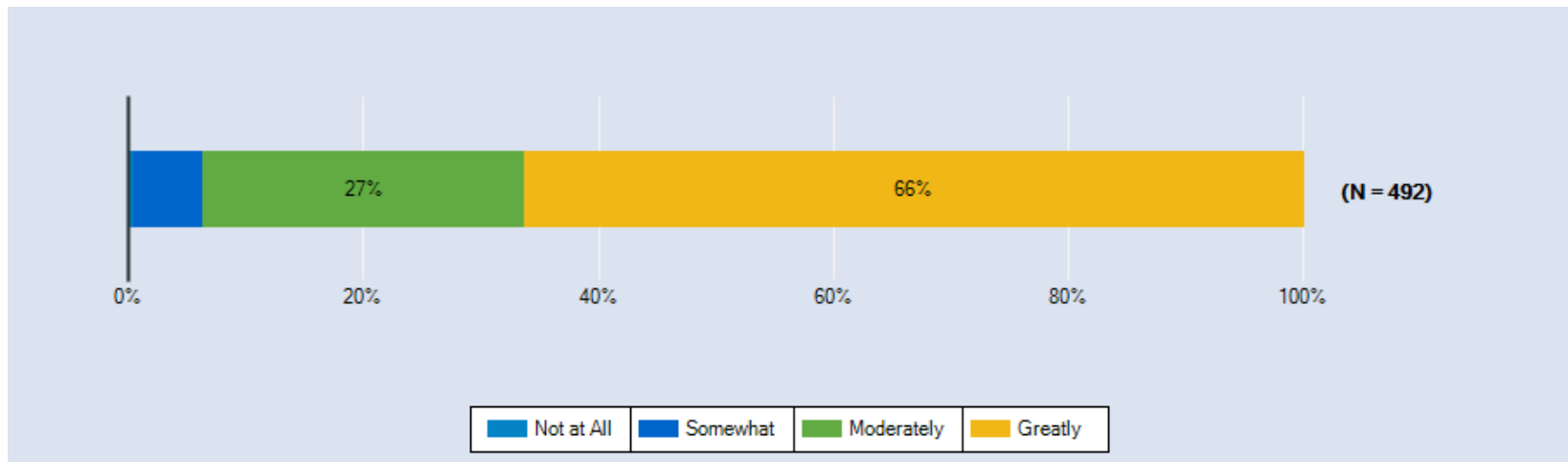
Strategic Plan

The following questions relate to the current strategic plan. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



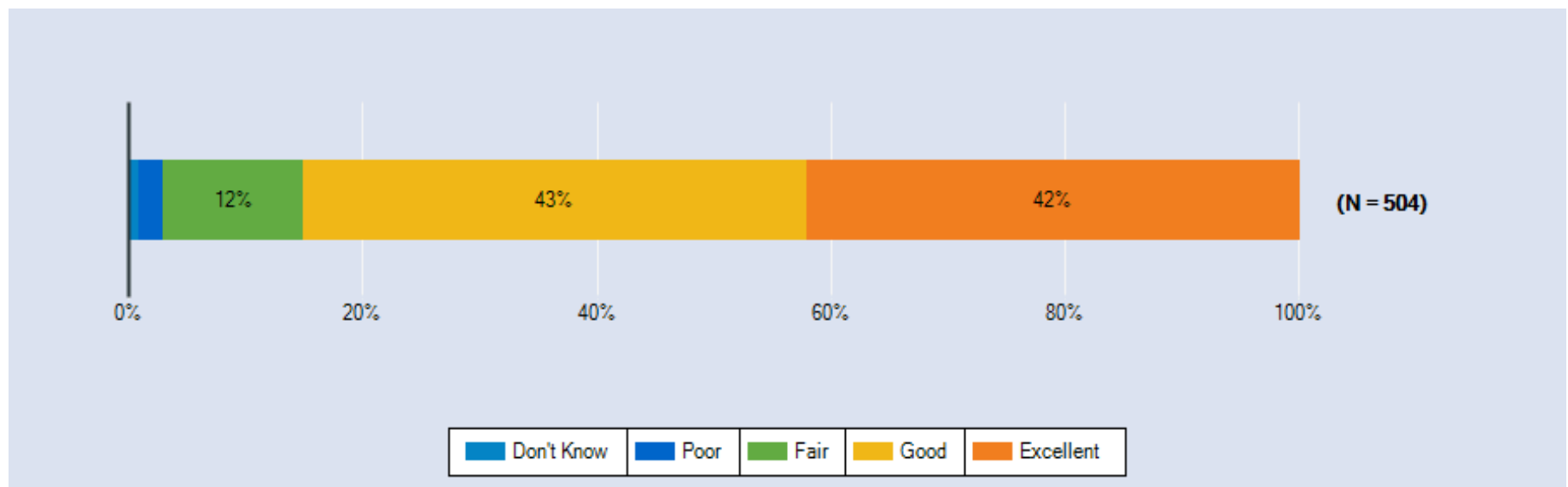
Strategic Plan

How strongly do you support the strategic plan?



Overall Quality

How would you rate the quality of the school district as a whole for how well we are educating our children?



Improving Danvers Public Schools

How can we improve the Danvers Public Schools?

- The majority of comments focused on student learning and supports needed with three overarching themes
 - Resources for all students – curriculum programming and supports for all students with higher expectations for all students
 - Curriculum and assessment – more focus on real world problem solving, creativity, STEM and collaboration
 - Technology – success of the 1:1 HRMS chrome book initiative and access for all levels