

# What do people think about Canberra public schools in 2016?



Each year, the Education Directorate surveys students (years 5 to 12), parents and carers, and school staff to gauge their satisfaction with the education provided across all Canberra public schools. The online surveys ask individuals what they think about their school's performance. In 2016, students (14,593) from years 5 to 12, parents and carers (9,475), and staff (3,428) across a range of year levels completed the survey.

Overall satisfaction with education in Canberra public schools (Table 1) was positive across all school types. The majority of students, parents and carers, and staff are satisfied their school has high expectations (Table 2).

**Table 1: Overall satisfaction with public school education, 2016**

	Colleges	High schools	P - 10 schools	Primary schools	Early childhood schools	Specialist schools	All schools
Students	83%	77%	73%	85%	na	na	<b>79%</b>
Parents/carers	82%	84%	79%	88%	95%	94%	<b>86%</b>
Staff	92%	89%	86%	95%	93%	93%	<b>92%</b>

na – not applicable

**Table 2: Overall satisfaction with the high level of expectations at school, 2016**

	Colleges	High schools	P - 10 schools	Primary schools	Early childhood schools	Specialist schools	All schools
Students	79%	73%	66%	80%	na	na	<b>74%</b>
Parents/carers	81%	80%	73%	83%	93%	93%	<b>82%</b>
Staff	86%	86%	81%	94%	90%	92%	<b>89%</b>

na – not applicable

## How do we use the survey results?

Survey results from all Canberra public schools are collated to provide an indication of system-wide satisfaction levels. Satisfaction is an important measure of our stakeholders' confidence, engagement and participation. The results inform Directorate decisions and strategies, particularly in relation to school improvement.

The school level results contribute to the school improvement process within each Canberra public school. Overall satisfaction results for each Canberra public school are reported in their annual school board report.

## Further Information

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