



**LOUISIANA**

# **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

## **PARENTAL SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS**

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## INTRODUCTION

From January 26 – March 19, 2014, the **Louisiana Federation for Children** and **Black Alliance for Educational Options** conducted a direct mail survey to evaluate the level of parental satisfaction with the Louisiana Scholarship Program (formally known as the Student Scholarships for Educational Excellence Program). As of April 2014, the Louisiana Department of Education reported 6,490 students were enrolled in the Louisiana Scholarship Program. Of the 6,490 surveys distributed, 1,779 surveys were returned for a 27.4 percent return rate. An eight to ten percent return rate is considered successful for direct mail surveys.

### SURVEY SAMPLE

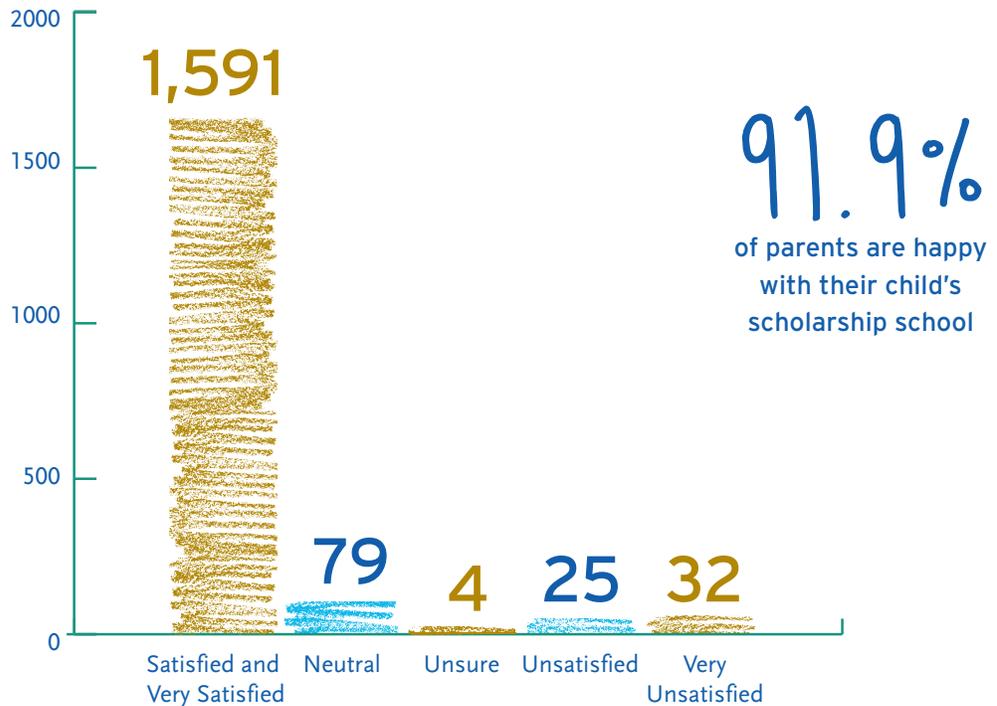
This year's survey sample includes at least one survey from 112 of the 126 participating schools. Respondents from 35 school districts are represented in the survey sample. Forty-two percent of the surveys received are from parents of first-time scholarship recipients, with the other 58 percent representing parents of continuing students.



# SURVEY RESULTS

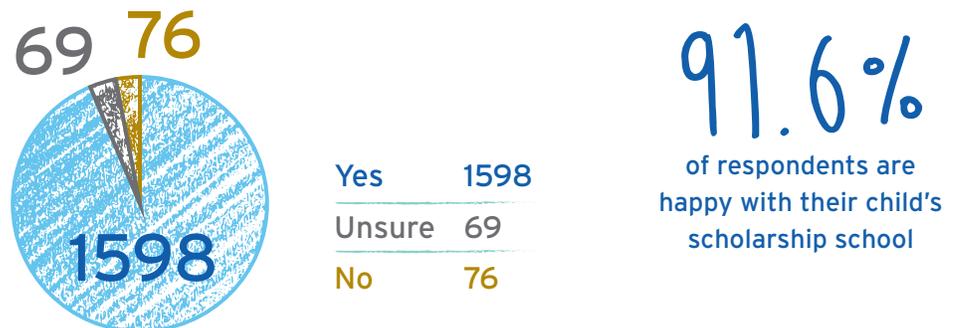
## PARENTAL SATISFACTION

Of the **1,779** surveys returned, **1,731** parents responded to the question: **“Overall, how satisfied are you with your child’s current school?”**



## ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Of the **1,779** surveys returned, **1,743** parents responded to the question: **“Are you happy with your child’s academic performance at his/her scholarship school?”**



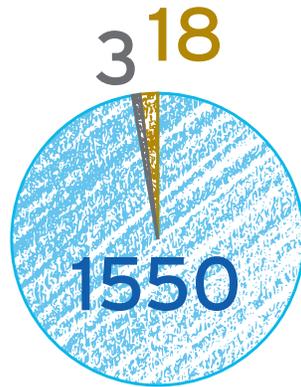


# SURVEY RESULTS

## STUDENT SAFETY

Of the **1,779** surveys returned, **1,571** parents responded to the question:

**“Does your child feel safe in his/her scholarship school?”**



Yes	1550
Unsure	3
No	18

**98.7%**  
of respondents indicated that their child feels safe in his or her scholarship school

## SCHOOL HOSPITALITY

Of the **1,779** surveys returned, **1,569** parents responded to the question:

**“Do you and your child feel welcome at your child’s scholarship school?”**



Yes	1532
Unsure	6
No	31

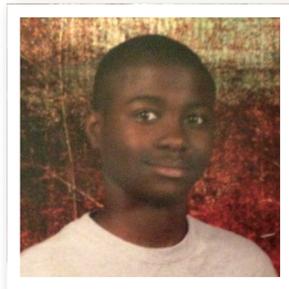
**97.6%**  
of respondents feel welcome at their child’s scholarship school



# SURVEY RESULTS

“The right school helped him become a better student. Before, I didn’t see him finishing school. Now I see him going to college.”

**Edra Richardson**, whose son, Eldon, attends St. Stephen School in New Orleans



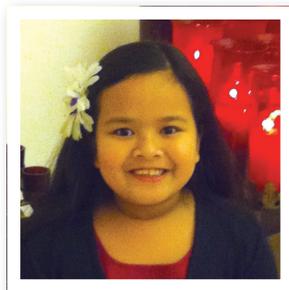
“It gives parents a chance to give their child the BEST—the best learning tools, the best environment, the best overall education.”

**Lacey Williams**, whose daughter, Harmony, attends St. John Lutheran School in New Orleans



“I have sacrificed a lot for my children, but I could not afford a private education on my own. I feel thankful because this scholarship program is one of God’s blessings to us.”

**Rolando Pascual**, whose daughters, Maria and Alexa, attend St. Joseph School in Shreveport



“The school we would be in without the program I think is a D rated school. It’s just a blessing to be able to send my children to Evangel. I can rest very easy at night knowing that they’re at Evangel.”

**Rebecca Erickson**, whose daughter, Isabelle, attends Evangel Christian Academy in Shreveport



“When she was in her old school, she was ashamed to ask questions, and now she has more confidence in herself. Now she says ‘I can do it!’”

**Kirby Tremekia**, whose children, Jakeria and Jai, attend Redemptorist Elementary School in Baton Rouge