



CCSD 46 Strategic Plan

Survey Analysis of Community Responses

September 2026

45 Community Responses

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Executive Summary

This report looks at survey answers from CCSD 46 Community responses (n=45) in August-September 2026 as part of planning for the next five years in CCSD 46. Several clear patterns came up that can help guide the district's goals.

Considerations for CCSD 46 Regarding the Next Five Years

1. Financial and operational transparency: Community members have strong overall perceptions of the district and are largely satisfied and willing to recommend the district to other families. But at the same time they request clearer communication on: tax dollar utilization, administrative costs, and how financial resources are being allocated directly to classroom support and teaching staff.

2. Academic Programming: The community sees district staff as its primary strength. At the same time there is a general concern about decline in academic rigor that appropriately challenges students as they prepare for high school. Community members believe the district should be integrating practical life skills. Examples of this included financial literacy, critical thinking, foreign language offerings, career exploration, and AI literacy.

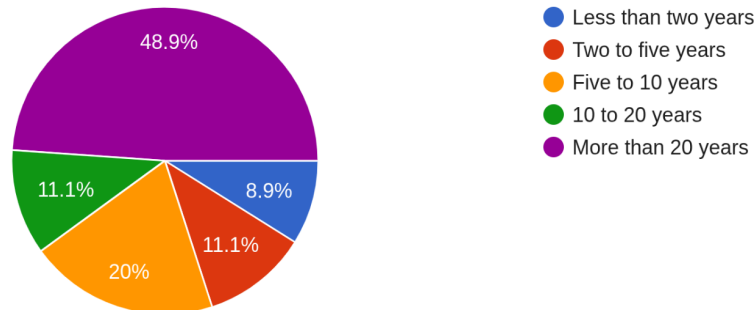
3. Student Support and Culture: Some community members referenced a need to strengthen support systems for students in regards to daily processes, hiring priorities, and specialized staff training.

Survey Responses

Community Member Information and CCSD 46 Perceptions

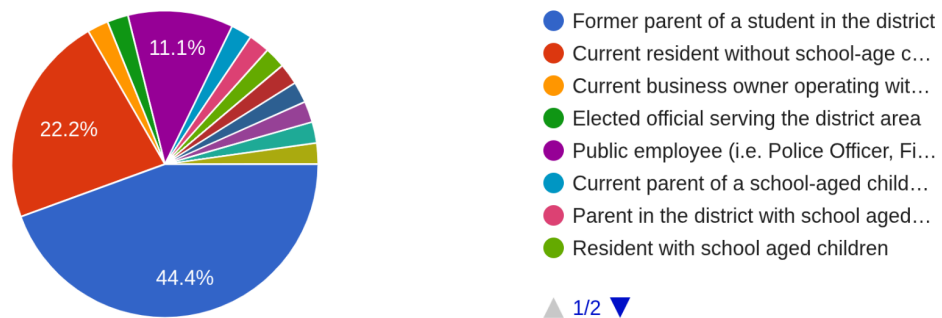
How long have you lived in Community Consolidated School District 46?

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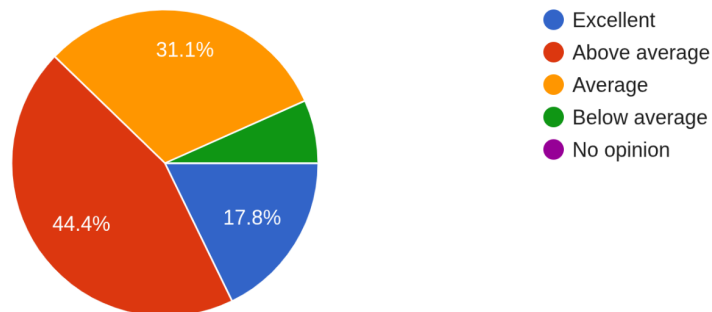
Please select the one option that most accurately represents your primary relationship with the district. We collect this information to better unde...to the interests and needs of our entire community.

45 responses



The overall rating I would give CCSD 46 is:

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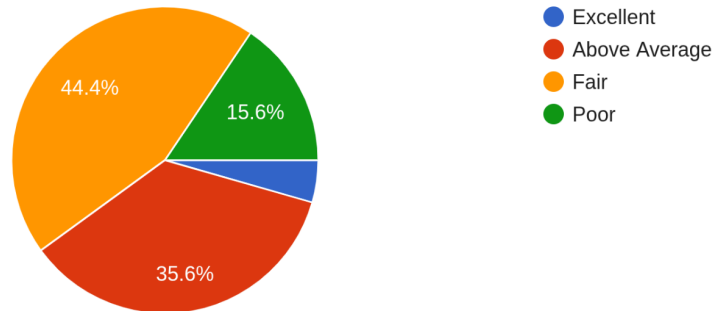


Please explain your reasoning for the above overall rating: (summary, Google Gemini Forms generated)

- **Instructional Quality and Rigor:** While many commend the teachers for their care and dedication, concerns exist regarding a decline in academic rigor, a lack of challenge for advanced students, and insufficient preparation for high school transitions.
- **Special Education and Behavioral Support:** Significant improvements are needed in identifying and supporting students with special needs, specifically regarding the training of staff, availability of certified personnel, and the effectiveness of social-emotional learning programs.
- **Administrative and Financial Oversight:** Respondents expressed dissatisfaction with fiscal responsibility and the allocation of resources, specifically calling for decreased administrative staffing in favor of increased support for classroom teachers and facility updates.
- **Operational and Communication Inconsistencies:** There are reports of inconsistent communication, disparities in student experiences across different elementary schools, and concerns regarding the transparency of leadership and decision-making processes.

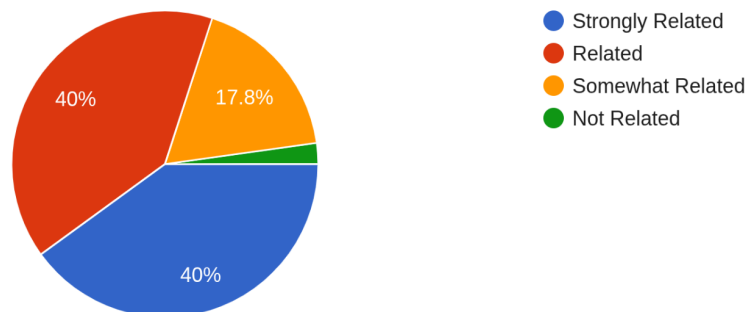
In considering your tax dollars that support CCSD 46, how would you rate the transparency in how those dollars are spent to support student achievement?

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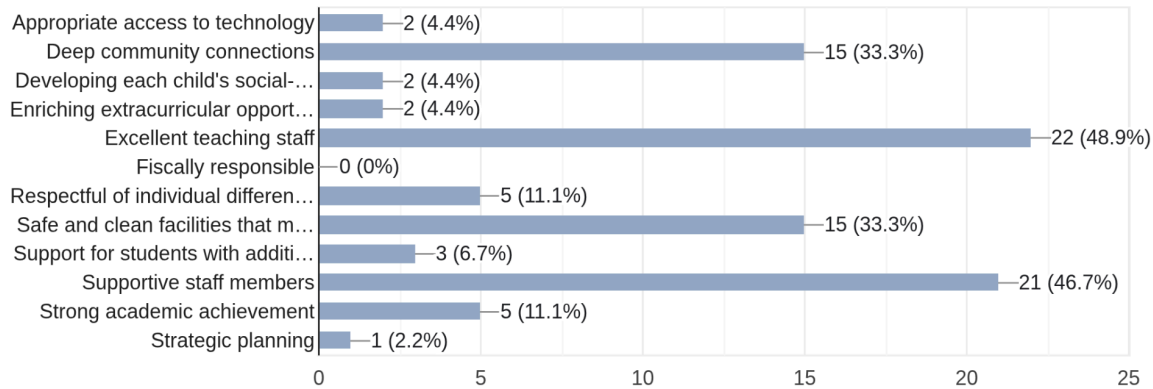
In considering your tax dollars that support CCSD 46, to what extent do you believe that the quality of CCSD 46 schools impact the overall desirability and property values of our community?

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What are the top TWO strengths that you associate with CCSD 46?

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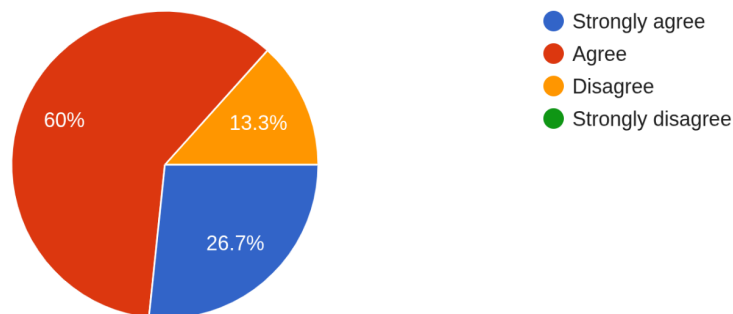


What are areas in which CCSD 46 could improve? (summary, Google Gemini Forms generated)

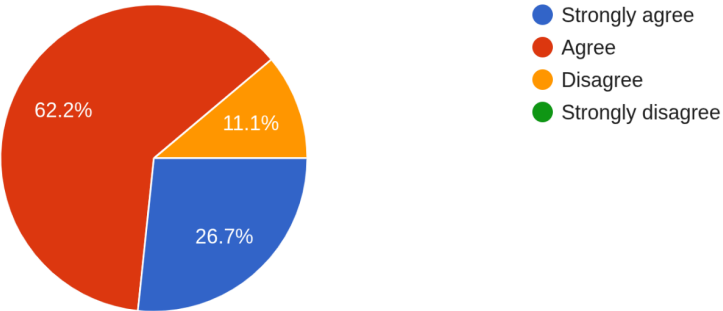
- **Fiscal Responsibility and Transparency:** Improve financial management, reduce administrative overhead, and provide greater clarity to the community regarding how tax dollars are utilized.
- **Student Support and Academic Programming:** Enhance support for both students with special needs and advanced learners, expand language offerings, and refine the approach to literacy and core subjects.
- **Staff Development and Environment:** Provide targeted training for staff and paraprofessionals in differentiation, social-emotional learning, and trauma-informed practices, while addressing workplace culture.
- **Infrastructure and Resource Allocation:** Prioritize essential building maintenance and classroom updates over non-essential projects, and re-evaluate the current balance between technology usage and traditional learning methods.

I am satisfied with the district.

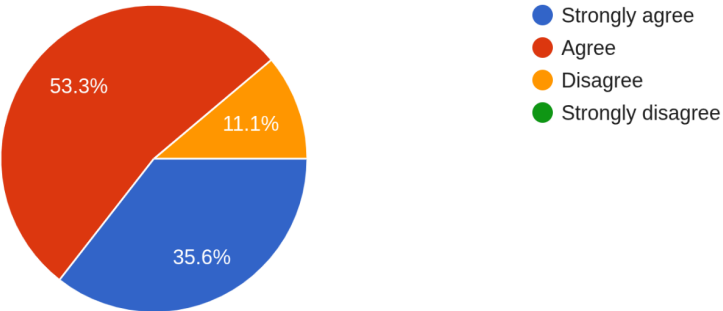
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I am satisfied with the overall academic program offered in CCSD 46.
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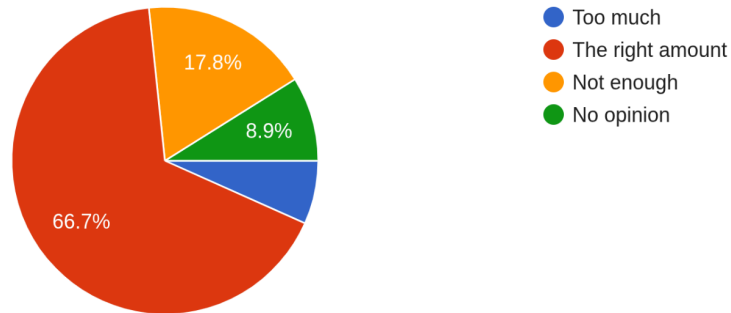
I would recommend this school district to a family that is searching for a new place to live.
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CCSD 46 Communication

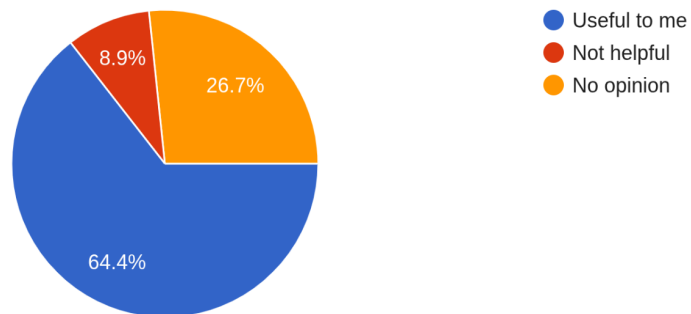
In general, the amount of communication from the district is:

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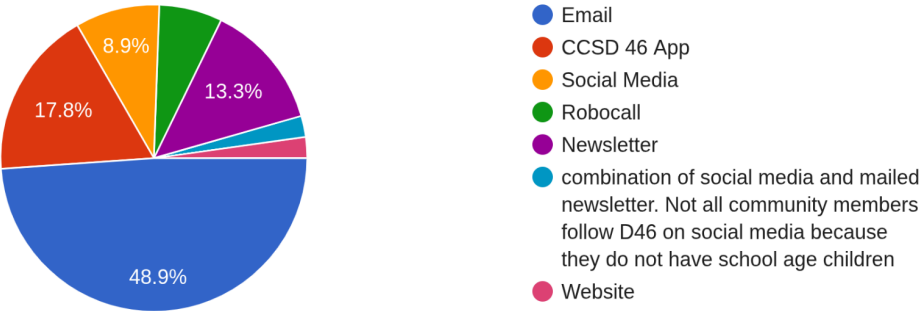
In general, the district's communication is:

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When thinking about the ways that you receive CCSD 46 information, which of the following is the most effective:

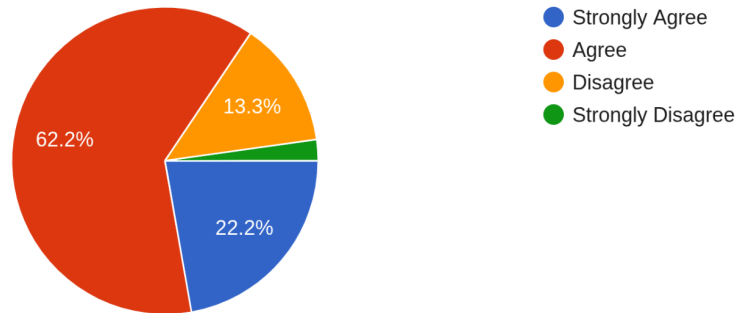
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District Culture

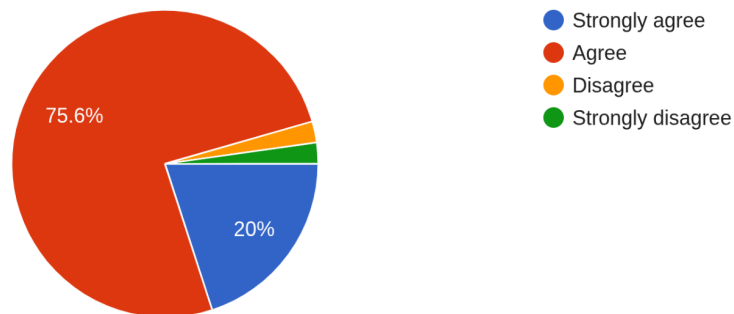
CCSD 46 has high expectations for all of its students.

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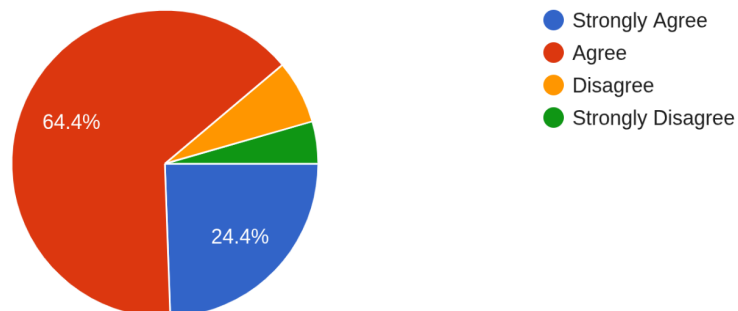
CCSD 46 respects diverse racial, cultural, and socio-economic groups.

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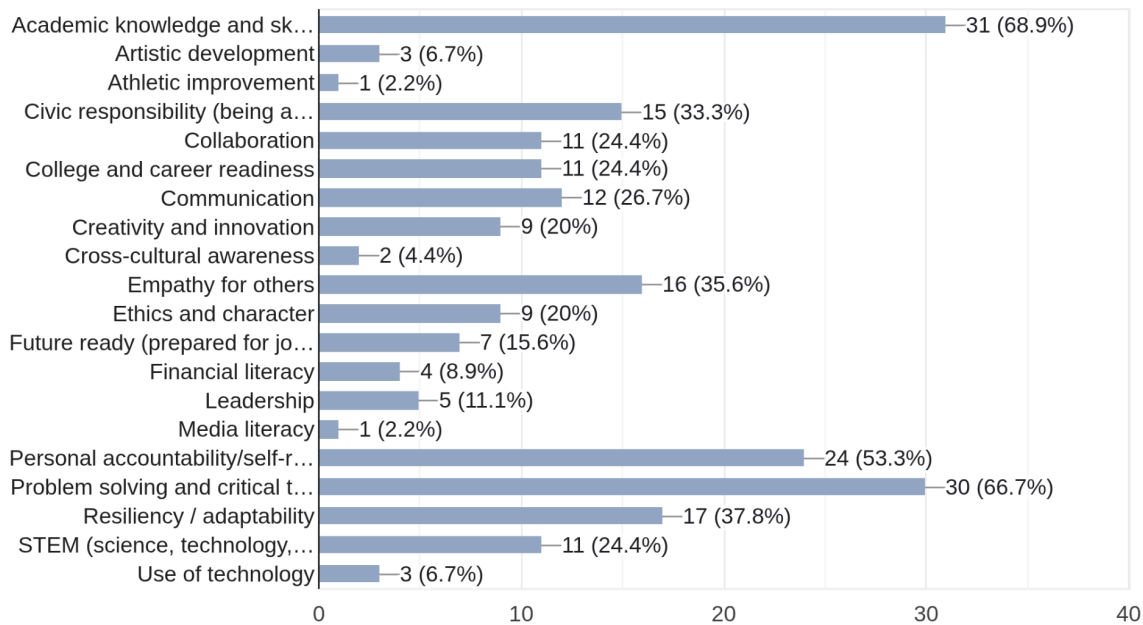
CCS 46 has a culture of respect for individual differences.

45 responses



The most important skills current students should learn before graduating are:

45 responses



Please list ONE or TWO goals you would like CCSD 46 to put significant focus on and/or accomplish during the next five years. (summary, Google Forms Gemini generated)

- **Academic and Skill Development:** Prioritize real-world preparation by integrating life skills—such as financial literacy, social media impact, and critical thinking—while balancing traditional learning methods like books and writing with modernized curriculum like foreign languages, AI literacy, and career exploration.
- **Financial Oversight:** Increase fiscal transparency, reduce administrative expenses, and manage the tax burden to ensure resources are directly reallocated to classroom needs, teacher support, and facility improvements.
- **Student Support and Well-being:** Enhance student outcomes through robust special education services, early intervention for learning disabilities, emotional support systems, and expanded opportunities for fine arts, sports, and extracurricular engagement.
- **Staffing and Educational Environment:** Focus on retaining and recognizing high-quality teachers through better training and support, while addressing structural concerns such as class sizes, student behavior, and the consistency of the middle school model.