

## 2019 Lincoln Academy Parent Survey Summary for Families

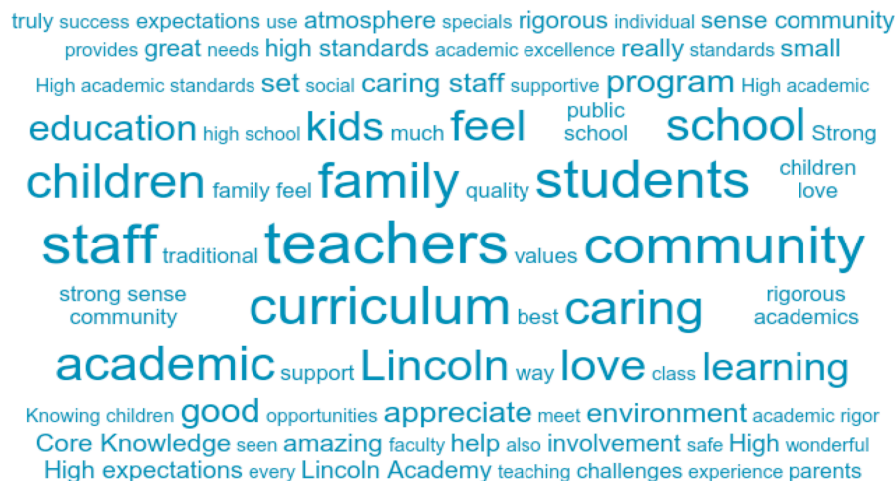
Thank you to all those who participated in our 2019 Parent Survey. Your feedback is very useful to the teachers, administrators and Board of Directors. Please read below for some of the highlights from the survey.

Our 2019 Survey recorded 309 responses. (2018 garnered 320 responses so we were down slightly this year perhaps due to timing that did not coincide with the conference window as it did in the past.)

*The Mission of Lincoln Academy Charter School is to help students attain their highest social and academic potential through an academically rigorous, content-rich educational program in a safe, orderly, and caring environment.*

1. Throughout the survey, you spoke about the genuine concern, investment, professionalism, and other qualities of various **Lincoln Academy staff**. Our teachers and staff continue to be the greatest asset as you can see from the following visual representation of responses to one of our new questions.

Q32 In your opinion, what sets Lincoln Academy apart from other school choices available to your family?



2. **Overall, I am satisfied with Lincoln Academy (Yes or most of the time)**

- 2019: 94.2%
- 2018: 94.2%

3. **My student receives the social/emotional support he/she needs to be successful.**

▲ 2019: 86% (41% Strongly agree, 45% agree)

▲ **We heard you:** You want more communication about discipline issues within your student's cohort. The administration and staff will evaluate and implement ways to encourage conflict resolution, respect, honesty, and discipline through character education, restorative justice, increased communication with families, and community building within grade level cohorts.

#### 4. **My student is reaching his/her Highest Academic Potential.**

- 2019: 85% (41% strongly agree, 44% agree)
- This is a new question we asked setting a higher threshold than the previous form of the questions which asked if your student was having a “positive academic experience”.
- **We heard you:** There was a great deal of praise for our Department of Student Success helping students through learning challenges. There was some concern voiced for encouraging growth in our high achieving students. Next year will see Karen Dwyer joining Anita Gimple in addressing the needs of our ALP and other high achieving students.

#### 5. **Lincoln Academy makes students’ safety a priority .**

- ⤴ 2019: 92.34%
- ⤴ You expressed a great deal of appreciation for our WatchDog Dads. THANK you to all the Dads who have volunteered throughout the year!
- ⤴ Those who expressed concerns fell into several categories:
  1. Parking lot and traffic safety
  2. Supervision of students after 3:30
  3. Discipline
  4. Security during large events, holiday parties
  5. Lack of knowledge about our drills and safety protocols
- ⤴ **We heard you:** In addition to your concerns expressed on the Parent Survey, recent Jeffco security concerns have prompted a number of changes in our security protocol including limiting access points, closing the playground after school hours, and evaluations of future parking lot signage and access.
- ⤴ We ask that all parents and guardians make student safety their largest priority during pick up and drop off.
  - Please use only the designated drop off lanes for drop off unless you are parking.
  - Dropping off in any driveway or crosswalk area is unsafe.
  - Please turn off cell phones while operating a vehicle on school grounds.
- ⤴ Please refer to Jeffco district policies for all information regarding emergency procedures as these are the exact protocol followed by Lincoln Academy.  
<https://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/services/security>
- ⤴ Next year you will see the addition of Campus Security staff.
- ⤴ Additionally, next year you will see a change of administrative structure with the hiring of a **Dean of Students and Positive Culture** who will be dedicated to discipline, character education, and our Positive Behavior Support System along with other administrative responsibilities.

Other Areas to Be Addressed:

#### 6. **Streamline and integrate Communications to make them more easily accessible.**

- ⤴ **We heard you:** Office staff is working on making our content more readily available on

social media platforms.

7. **Trash/litter/lost items.**

- ⤴ **We heard you:** We have a large number of abandoned or lost items on a daily basis. Please encourage your students to check the Lost and Found regularly in the gym off the Main Office doors.

Trash cans have been added in multiple locations. Please encourage students to be respectful and take pride in their campus.

8. **Volunteer Hours:** 35% of respondents have not logged volunteer hours recently. There is a great deal of confusion with the current log.

- ⤴ **We heard you:** A more user friendly system will be in place next year for recording your volunteer hours.
- ⤴ Please visit the PTO page for all the current opportunities including summer options!.  
<https://www.lincolnacadey.net/domain/106>
- ⤴ Weekend, morning, evening and “set your own time” opportunities are available throughout the summer.

As always, please contact the Board of Directors with your questions or concerns. Contact information for all current directors is available on the Board of Directors website:

<https://www.lincolnacadey.net/domain/97>