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SURVEY RESULTS INDICATE CONTINUING POSITIVE PARENT PERCEPTIONS OF DORCHESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

During the first semester, the **2011 Parent Survey** was conducted by the **Dorchester County Public School District**. The objective of this annual survey is to solicit the input of the parents and families as the school district makes critical **budget decisions** on behalf of the students. The results of the survey will be used by the **Board of Education** to develop a realistic school budget that focuses on the areas that are most important for the students, as well as establish priorities for future school programs and projects.

This year's statistical data again presents a high degree of **favorable feedback** with respect to vitally important issues, such as *academic standards, rigorous and challenging programs, quality of instruction, quality of instructional content areas, class size, audio-visual equipment, textbooks, and technology*. Furthermore, the overwhelming majority of parents see services in the areas of *guidance, health, food services, transportation, and facilities* as either good or excellent.

The Board of Education and Superintendent's Staff have spent hours exploring the themes of this feedback in the spirit of continuous improvement. Finally, we are pleased that this year's response rate **increased by nearly 14%**.

The community can access the specific survey data by going to the Dorchester County Public Schools **website** and clicking on the "**2011 Frequency Report**" link.