

# IAF Basic Info.

784 Surveys Sent	97 Surveys Returned
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2009

A. BASIC INFORMATION						
1. How Many of your children are enrolled at the school?						
1	2	3	4	5 or more	NA	TOTAL
80	10	5	2	0	0	97

2. Grade Levels?		
PS - KG	14	
1 - 5	41	
6 - 8	11	
9 - 12	22	
More than one of the above	9	
NA	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	

3. How long has/have your child(ren) been enrolled at the school?		
6 mos. or less	15	
1-2 years	45	
3-4 years	21	
5 or more	14	
NA	2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	

4. Please indicate which type of school your child attended prior to enrolling in this school.						
Private	Traditional Public school	Charter School	Home School	Has not attended school	NA	TOTAL
12	54	17	2	12	0	97

# IAF Survey Results

2009

A. BASIC INFORMATION						
5. What is the primary reason you decided to enroll your child in this school?						
Location	Discipline/ Safety	College- prep	Teacher/s taff attitudes	Curriculum/ standards	NA	TOTAL
6	7	33	1	49	1	97

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# Returned				97	88	95	106
# of Families				784	665	650	521
% Returned				12%	13%	15%	20%

B. ACADEMICS & STANDARDS							
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know	No Answer	Total
6. The school has high expectations for my child's learning.	66	30	1	0	0	0	97
7. The school motivates my child to learn.	55	38	2	0	2	0	97
8. Teachers at the school help my child work toward achieving his/her full potential.	51	41	4	0	1	0	97
9. I am happy with the academic standards at the school.	60	32	2	1	1	1	97

C. SCHOOL CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT							
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know	No Answer	Total
10. The school expects high standards of student behavior.	68	27	1	0	0	1	97
11. My child's school makes sure that classrooms and school grounds are safe	55	39	2	0	1	0	97
12. My child's school building is neat, clean, and well-maintained.	55	41	0	0	1	0	97
13. The SABIS Student Life Organization® contributes to a positive school environment.	45	39	0	0	13	0	97

D. SCHOOL MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION							
	Strongly Agree	Agree - Yes	Disagree - No	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know	No Answer	Total
14. The school keeps me well informed about school news and activities...	55	36	5	1	0	0	97
15. I feel well-informed about the progress child(ren) is/are making.	53	37	7	0	0	0	97
16. I feel informed about the SABIS® mission, philosophy, and core values	42	45	6	0	4	0	97
17. I often use WebParent?		29	66			2	97
18. WebParent helps keep me informed about my child's performance...	12	14	3	0	68	0	97
19. I feel comfortable approaching the school's administrators with concerns I might have.	65	29	3	0	0	0	97

E. GENERAL SATISFACTION							
	Strongly Agree	Agree - Yes	Disagree - No	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know	No Answer	Total
20. My child looks forward to going to school.	50	37	8	0	2	0	97
21. The school staff actively and effectively reinforce moral ethical, and civic values.	36	51	6	0	4	0	97
22. I am satisfied that the school is meeting the social needs of my child.	38	53	6	0	0	0	97
23. Does your child(ren) participate in the Extended Day/After School Activities?		73	24			0	97
24. I am satisfied with the school's Extended Day/After School Activities.	29	33	9	2	24	0	97
25. I feel confident in recommending this school to others.	62	32	1	1	0	1	97
26. Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of education my child is receiving.	60	33	4	0	0	0	97

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## A. BASIC INFORMATION

5. What is the primary reason you decided to enroll your child in this school?

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Location A	6	6%	3%	6%	3%
Discipline-Safety B	7	7%	1%	7%	5%
College-Prep Mission C	33	34%	27%	32%	25%
Teacher/staff Attitudes D	1	1%	3%	3%	3%
Curriculum/standards E	49	51%	28%	37%	18%
Standards F			1%	1%	0%
Other G			8%	13%	43%
No Answer	1	1%	0%	0%	0%
More than 1			27%	0%	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

## B. ACADEMICS & STANDARDS

6. The school has high expectations for my child's learning.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	96	99%	100%	100%	98%
Disagree	1	1%	0%	0%	2%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

7. The school motivates my child to learn.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	93	98%	92%	95%	96%
Disagree	2	2%	6%	5%	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	2%	0%	1%
Don't Know	2				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Teachers at the school help my child work toward achieving his/her full potential.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	92	96%	94%	92%	96%
Disagree	4	4%	6%	8%	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	1%
Don't Know	1				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

9. I am happy with the academic standards at the school.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	92	97%	97%	94%	97%
Disagree	2	2%	2%	6%	2%
Strongly Disagree	1	1%	1%	0%	1%
Don't Know	1				
No Answer	1				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

## C. SCHOOL CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT

10. The school expects high standards of student behavior.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	95	99%	100%	100%	97%
Disagree	1	1%	0%	0%	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	1				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

11. My child's school makes sure that classrooms and school grounds are safe.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	94	98%	95%	96%	97%
Disagree	2	2%	5%	4%	1%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	2%
Don't Know	1				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

12. My child's school building is neat, clean, and well-maintained.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	96	100%	96%	93%	97%
Disagree	0	0%	3%	7%	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	1%	0%	0%
Don't Know	1				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

13. The SABIS Student Life Organization<sup>®</sup> contributes to a positive school environment.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	84	100%	99%	97%	99%
Disagree	0	0%	1%	3%	1%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	13				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

## D. SCHOOL MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

14. The school keeps me well informed about school news and activities.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	91	94%	96%	96%	98%
Disagree	5	5%	3%	2%	2%
Strongly Disagree	1	1%	1%	2%	0%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

15. I feel well-informed about the progress child(ren) is/are making.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	90	93%	92%	92%	88%
Disagree	7	7%	7%	8%	11%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	1%	0%	1%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**16. I feel informed about the SABIS® mission, philosophy, and core values.**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	87	94%	92%	94%	95%
Disagree	6	6%	8%	5%	5%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	1%	0%
Don't Know	4				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**17. I often use WebParent?**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
YES	29	31%	23%	16%	27%
NO	66	69%	77%	84%	73%
No Answer	2				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*17 respondents 2006  
\*147 respondents 2006

**18. WebParent helps keep me informed about my child's progress.**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	26	90%	100%	86%	89%
Disagree	3	10%	0%	14%	11%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	68				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**19. I feel comfortable approaching the school's administrators with concerns I might have.**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	94	97%	95%	90%	95%
Disagree	3	3%	5%	5%	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	4%	2%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**E. GENERAL SATISFACTION**

**20. My child looks forward to going to school.**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	87	92%	92%	91%	92%
Disagree	8	8%	6%	7%	8%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	2%	2%	0%
Don't Know	2				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**21. The school staff actively and effectively reinforce moral ethical, and civic values.**

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	87	94%	100%	99%	94%
Disagree	6	6%	0%	0%	5%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	1%	1%
Don't Know	4				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

22. I am satisfied that the school is meeting the social needs of my child.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	91	94%	97%	90%	93%
Disagree	6	6%	3%	9%	6%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	1%	1%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	97	100%	100%	100%	100%

23. Does your child(ren) participate in the Extended Day/After School Activities/Extracurricular Activities?

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
YES	73	75%	56%	48%	58%
NO	24	25%	44%	52%	42%
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	97	100%	100%	100%	100%

\* 43 respondents 2006  
\*120 respondents2006

24. I am satisfied with the school's Extended Day/After School Activities/Extracurricular Activities.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	62	85%	94%	95%	95%
Disagree	9	12%	6%	5%	5%
Strongly Disagree	2	3%	0%	0%	0%
Don't Know	24				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	97	100%	100%	100%	100%

25. I feel confident in recommending this school to others.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006	*New in 2009*
Strongly Agree/Agree	94	98%				
Disagree	1	1%				
Strongly Disagree	1	1%				
Don't Know	0					
No Answer	1					
<b>TOTAL</b>	97	100%				

26. Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of education my child is receiving.

	# Response	Percentage	2008	2007	2006
Strongly Agree/Agree	93	96%	98%	95%	96%
Disagree	4	4%	2%	4%	2%
Strongly Disagree	0	0%	0%	1%	2%
Don't Know	0				
No Answer	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	97	100%	100%	100%	100%

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## F. YOUR COMMENTS

### 1. What do you value most about the school?

The concern for my child's future there. About work, less play. I know when my son graduates he'll become something.

The learning environment and involvement with the children.

Children feel good about the teachers & staff.

I value the tutoring they have after school. This has helped my grandson tremendously. "also me" (smile)

The staff seems to have and teach morals.

I like it because she's being prepared for college.

We value the academic quality and the commitment of the teachers, staff, & administration. I am also happy with the after school activities.

The teachers are very good with the students. Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Mitchell are very cool.

The positive environment.

That my son is safe, and that he is definitely learning.

Education

I value the academic expectations the most.

teachers & staff

The work ethic.

College prep courses & school safety.

Great curriculum

The time they take out for each and every student.

The discipline and the concern for her to work toward full potential. Access to a tutor for additional help and to be able to do assignments to make a better grade.

The area of the school.

The education.

The school is a safe place for students. Teachers need to have more of a commitment to learning and have a real compassion for the students.

The education at IAF is very impressive. Compared to the other middle schools in the area, IAF leads in education and curriculum.

There are programs in place to help your child if he or she is falling a little behind. Amber Mitchell, parent of Ariel L. Mitchell, 4th grade

The staff is very friendly with me and my child and I enjoy the safety my child gets while in your care.

The curriculum.

I like how they do the testing weekly, it shows if the student is keeping up and it makes them study to keep up with the work.

The way they have things set up and in order. The curriculum, programs and the school itself is a structured base on building Men and Women to stand and take responsibility for themselves.

Communication

The education my child receives there is the best! She has learned so much being there. I love the school and hope to see more in the future.

The values for learning. I care about my child's future and the teachers do too!

I value the early learning of a second language.

I value the high expectations that teachers and staff have for the school.

Uniforms, hot lunches

Knowing that the school's teachers/administrators strive to their best to help my child (children) learn to their highest capabilities and use that knowledge to proceed/exceed in life.

Good social & academic values.

I value the curriculum the most. My daughter continues to be challenged on a daily basis.

The curriculum. My student wants to be a Dr. and I feel they have her on the right path to succeed.

The teachers and the staff attitudes. Also the curriculum standards and the fact that prepare your children for college.

A. The high standards for student's behavior. B. The high academic standards. C. The safety & cleanliness of the building. D.

Diverse background of the staff.

The safety and determination to make sure that my son gets a good education. His learning level is 2 grades higher than public schools. He has to help his older cousin with her homework. I am very pleased with International Academy. I will be sending my child nowhere else.

International Academy's curriculum appears to be challenging. My grandson is interested in learning and his teachers are encouraging. I am observing the school provides a "teaching by doing" concept in its curriculum. International Academy also incorporates "fun activities" in its programming. My grandson loves Spanish and his overall experience at International Academy. I was extremely impressed with the "Reading Buddy Day" and parent participation in that activity.

The curriculum implemented that will prepare my child for a higher education.

I value the pace studies, homework and the daily diary the students keep. The diary is a skill building tool.

I value how much my child's grades have improved since he has come to this school. He has made honor roll for Term I & Term II.

The college prep curriculum and the Spanish teachers. The only reason that I haven't taken my daughter out of IAF is because this is the only local school that offers Spanish. I look forward to learning from her, she's only 7, because I was not "required" to take a foreign language in grade school. It is something that I have come to regret because it is easier to learn at a younger age.

I value the standards of student behavior. The academic standards. I love the idea that I can always get a message to Mrs. Bush. Ina is very concerned about my child's safety and it's wonderful to have that peace of mind. Mrs. Bush is Great!!

The first item I looked at was the academics. Also, I questioned the parents of students already attending here. The fact that this school emphasizes a college preparatory curriculum made up my mind. So far I am very satisfied with my granddaughter's progress.

## 2. Any other comments?

The dismal process needs to be redone.

I enjoy the school and the family fun activities.

I would like to be informed before things get out of hand.

Thank You. I was recommended and I have not been disappointed.

IAF is an excellent school.

I would like to be more informed on my child's progress regularly in the classroom.

My son is advancing in some/many ways, I like the curriculum, and how the school prepares them for college.

I wish they had more across to physical education for junior high. They need phys ed at least 3 times a week.

I am very pleased with the level of education my child is provided at IAF.

Your school and staff are doing a great job.

It's just a great school overall. I'll advise anybody to send their child/ren there.

I know it is quite a task these days to handle some students, but can stricter rules be applied to these students. They unfortunately take time away from students who really want to learn.

Great school IAF

I like the order at the school. Also the teachers are very committed to their students.

I would like to see more of physical after school activities in the future. I would like to see the transportation system get better in the future.

I will be very happy when the playground is complete. I do not like the idea of the children playing in the parking lot.

I feel their could be more done about the Spanish teachers. Ms. Collazo's attitude towards some of the students in her class.

I've heard nothing but complaints from my child as well as others.

I am so very happy I move my children to this school. I only wish that I would have put my children there early than when I did.

I feel they should offer more after school activities. Some of the things they offer have little interest for my student.

I do not use Web Parent because I turn in forms and nothing ever happens from it. The office staff could be a bit more professional. Also, my daughter complains they are only offered the entrée listed instead of the 2nd choice.

I think International Academy Flint needs to get the children outdoors everyday if the weather permits; kids need to run & get fresh air. Kindergarten nap time is overboard. They need to have somewhere for kids who don't nap to work during this time.

I love that I made the decision for my child to attend IAF Charter School.

The school asks too much of the children. Your standards are too high. It should be up to the parent to hold a child back, not you guys. I did not give permission to hold my child back. He's not stupid. He does not need half of what you teach him anyway. I do Not want my child in college prep classes.

Try to have more control of student's behavior on the bus. It's not the school- it's the personal care from drivers. Thank You

I would like to see an early cheerleading class for girls K-6th grade. My KG child would love this. She would also be very prepared for future cheerleading tryouts.

I feel very well informed by my child's teachers. We keep in contact by phone, e-mail or notes. As a working parent it is very convenient!

I would like them to teach the children more about bullying other students. I have had a problem with that every year with my child being bullied.

Academics are great!! The discipline is inconsistent and the staff that enforces it could use some training on how to and why and also when to discipline. Most of the policies need to be rewritten and following with each student. Fair and Consistent!!

I would like for the school to be able to offer band for the children and a football team which I know they are working on.

Because of the public school closings, I feel our school is too crowded. I'm concerned that students are being accepted w/o being tested. This lowers the standard of children in the school.

Homework is very important to me and I just love that the students must complete their homework before they can participate in afterschool activities.

IAF has a strong sense of community involvement. IAF is continually a leader in making a difference in being a source for change for the community it serves. Thank You

I feel if the majority of Mr. Leach's math class is not understanding what's being taught then he needs to be replaced with someone who will take the time to make sure the students are understanding the work being taught.

Currently my child is expelled from this school, due to zero tolerance, he notified those teachers and they did nothing. You must have an alternative program for such cases. Honestly he is a good kid, hard to stay focus, overall he's great. Ramona Washington, 2211 Morningside Dr., Flint, MI 48505 810-787-5228

Need to make the Yearbook more with all students not just one race. I have seen the yearbook form the past with more of one race instead of making it equal for both white & black.

I am satisfied with the school. However, I do believe the process of "testing in" is not always accurate. There should be another follow-up method to ensure the child(ren) are placed in their proper grade. There could also be measures to help children transverse into the school. SABIS curriculum is vastly different from the area schools.

International Academy of Flint is a second home for my children. I feel that they are safe and nurtured by a very caring staff from the administrators to maintenance staff. Our goals/standards compliment one another. My children are well aware and know that we not only hold ourselves accountable for their success but them as well.

My major issue with the school this year was the poor service and inconsistency with the "MTA Your Ride". Some days the bus picked him (my grandson) up at 7:15 am, 7:50 am (school starts at 8:00 am), 6:40 am, or 7:00 am. I noticed he was late 4 times on his report card. That should never have happened. He is ready and standing at the door by 6:30 am every morning because I am not sure what time the bus will come. I have left messages with Mr. Wenzlaff, but he has never returned my call. I contemplated removing him from the school because of this issue. Pamela Hawkins 820-9519

This school is the best school to send your child to if you're looking for your child to succeed in life and to have an education. International Academy of Flint in Flint, MI keeps the building safe, they keep the parents involved, they make sure the child learns, they have classes after school to help if your child struggles, and good after school activities.