



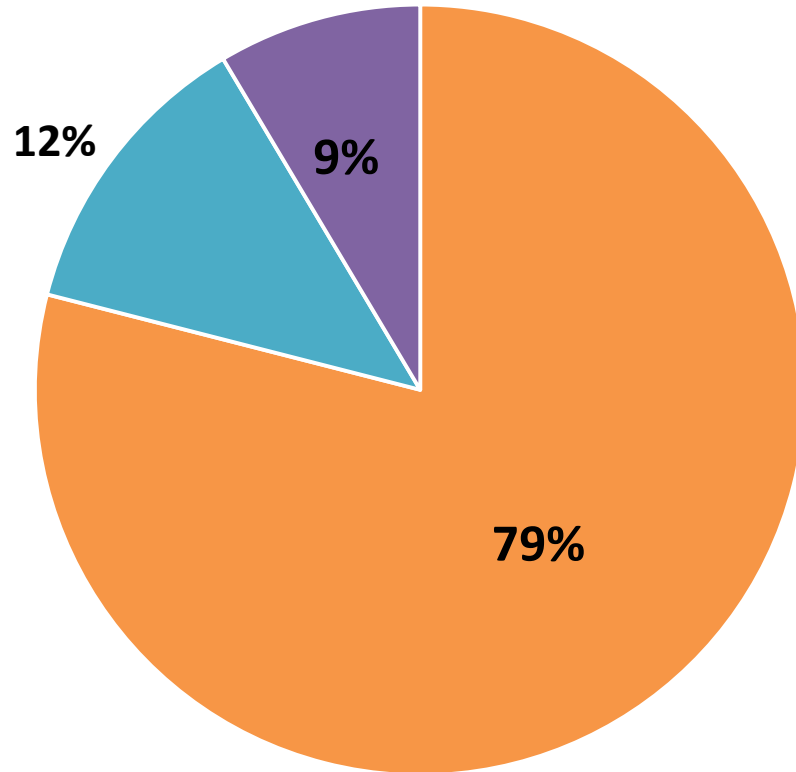
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# Family & Community Questionnaire *Overview*

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November 29, 2016

# Tell us a little bit about yourself



- 545 from current NPS parents or guardians
- 86 from future (PreK) parents or guardians
- 59 community members

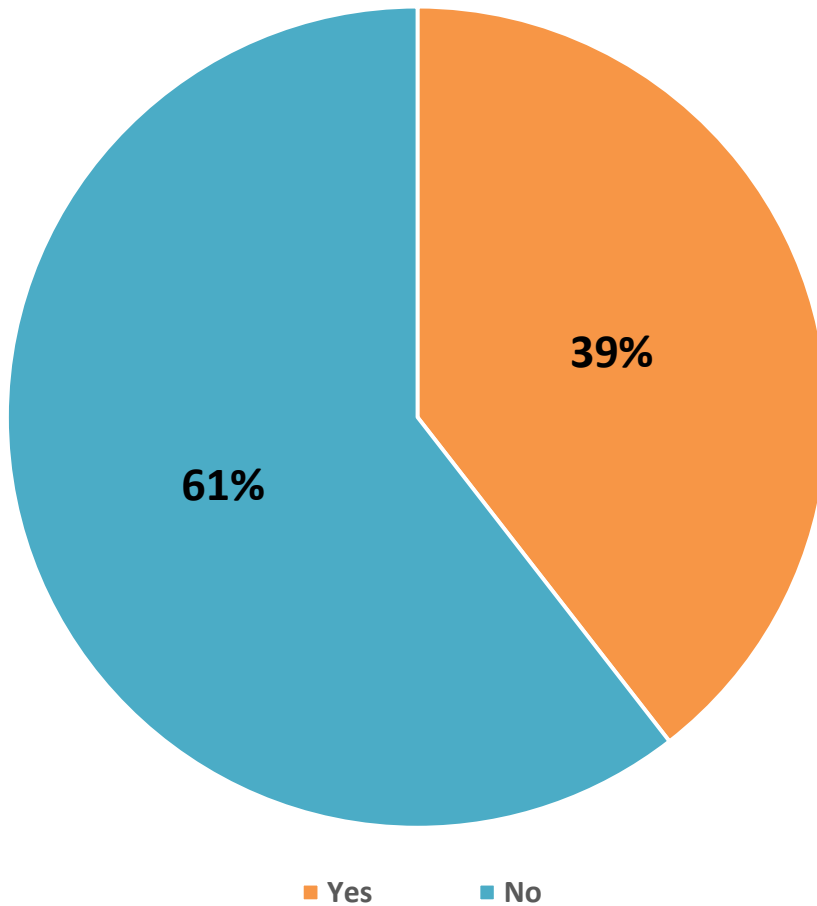
**TOTAL  
RESPONSES: 713**

■ Current NPS Parent or Guardian

■ Future NPS Parent or Guardian (preK or under)

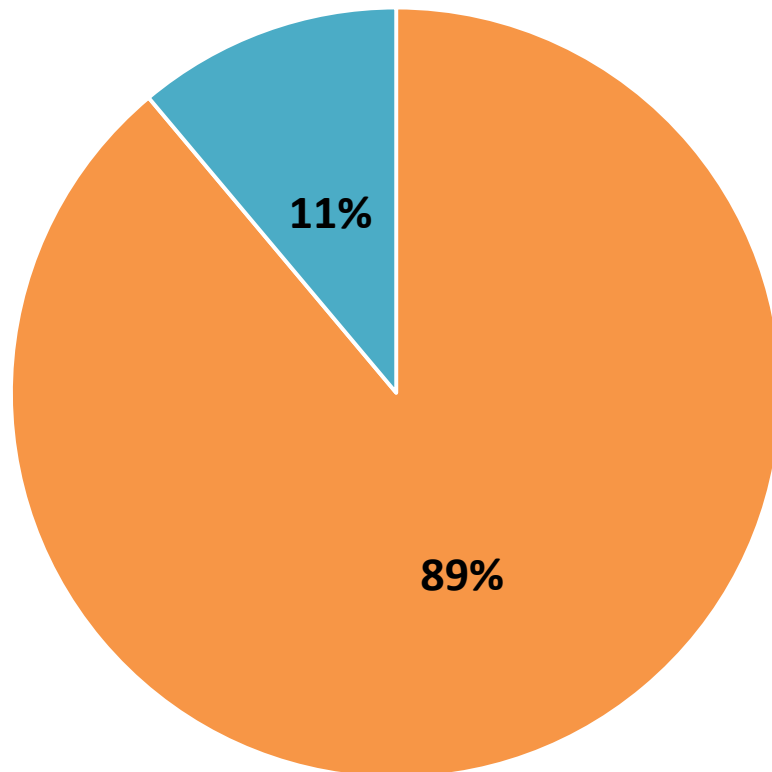
■ Community member without child in school

# Are you a resident of South Norwalk?



- **276 from South Norwalk residents**
  - **129 respondents from “unassigned” addresses**
- **423 from other areas of the city**

**Are you in favor of building a new school in South Norwalk on the Nathaniel Ely campus, if existing tennis courts and PreK programs could be maintained?**



**All Respondents**

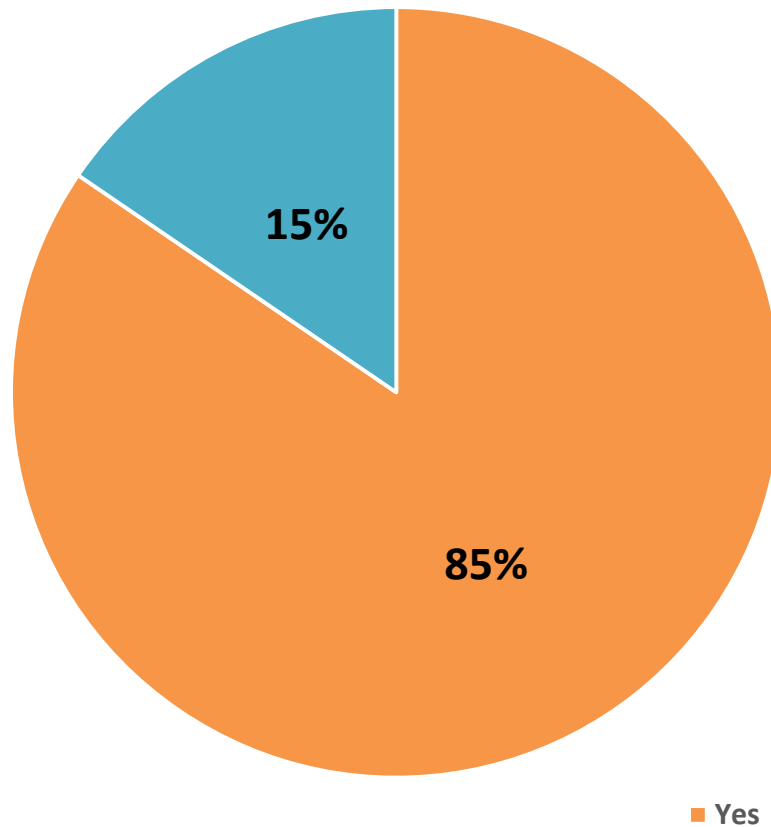
**632 Yes**

**79 No**

■ Yes

■ No

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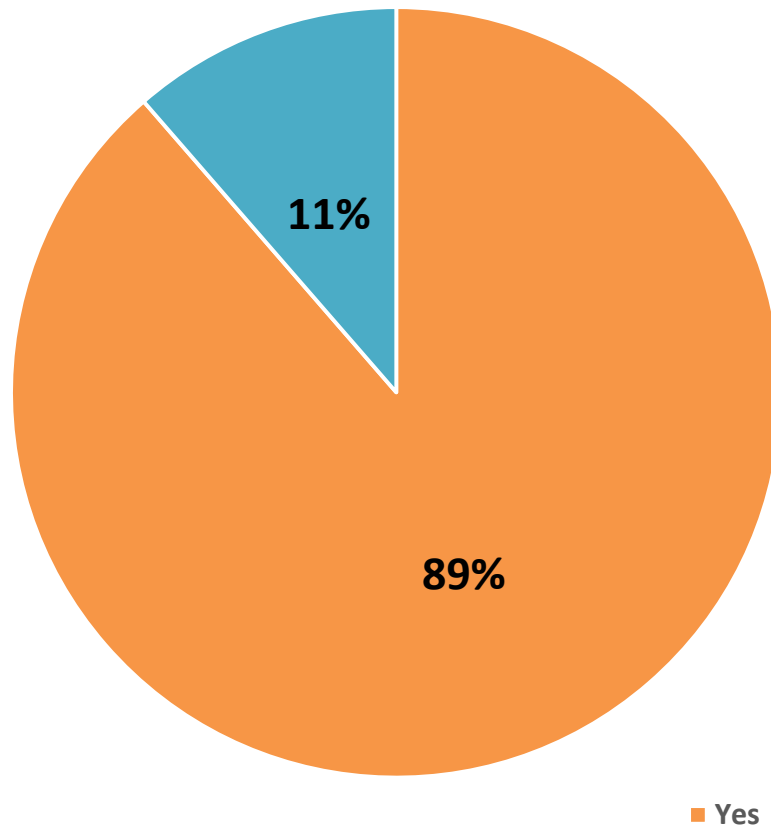


**South Norwalk Residents**

**235 Yes**

**43 No**

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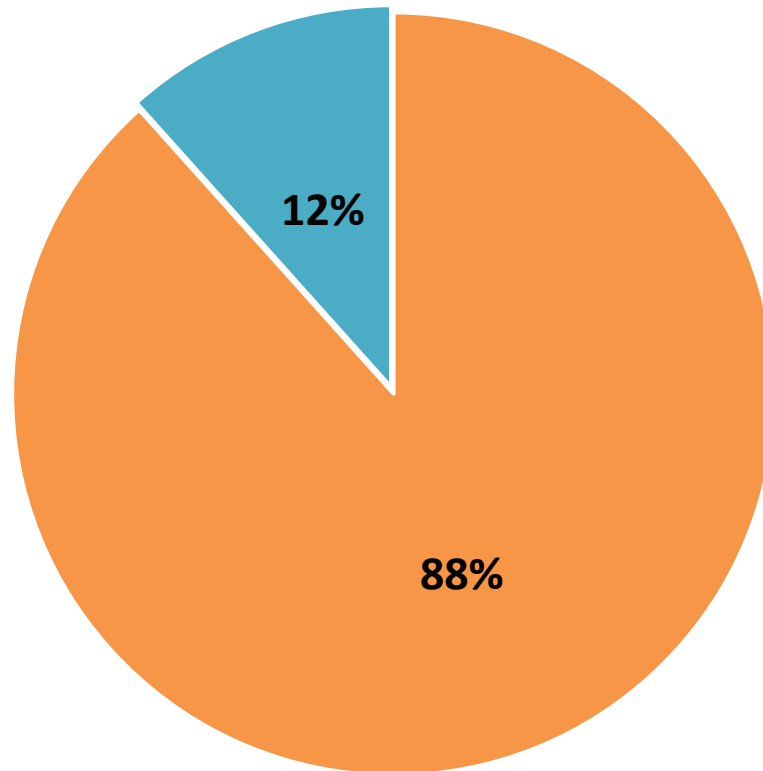


### Unassigned Locations

109 Yes

14 No

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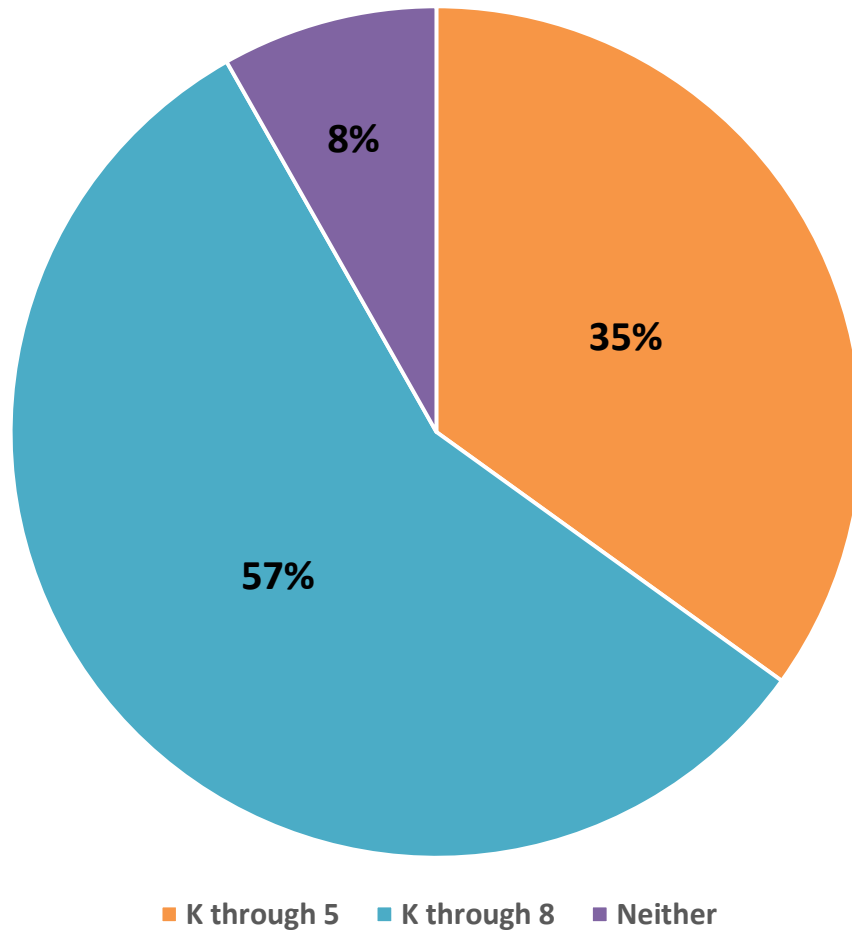
### Future Families

76 Yes

10 No

Yes No

# If a new school were to be built at Nathaniel Ely, should it be a K-5 or a K-8 school?

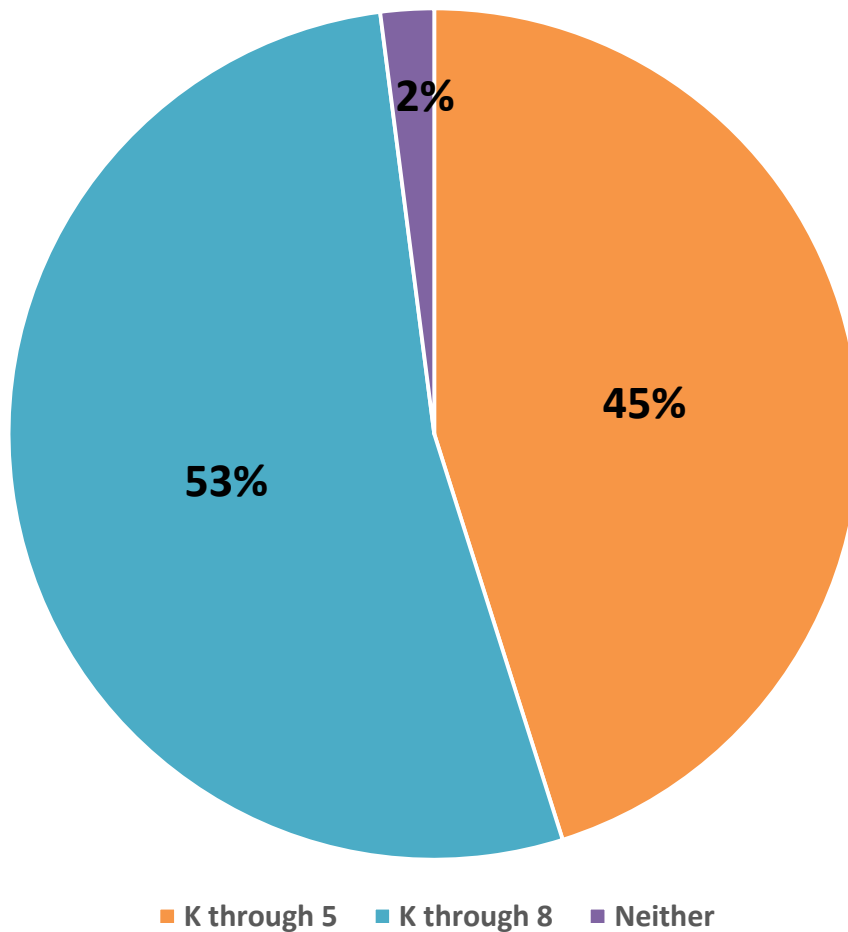


## All Respondents

**K - 5: 247**  
**K - 8: 402**  
**Neither: 58**



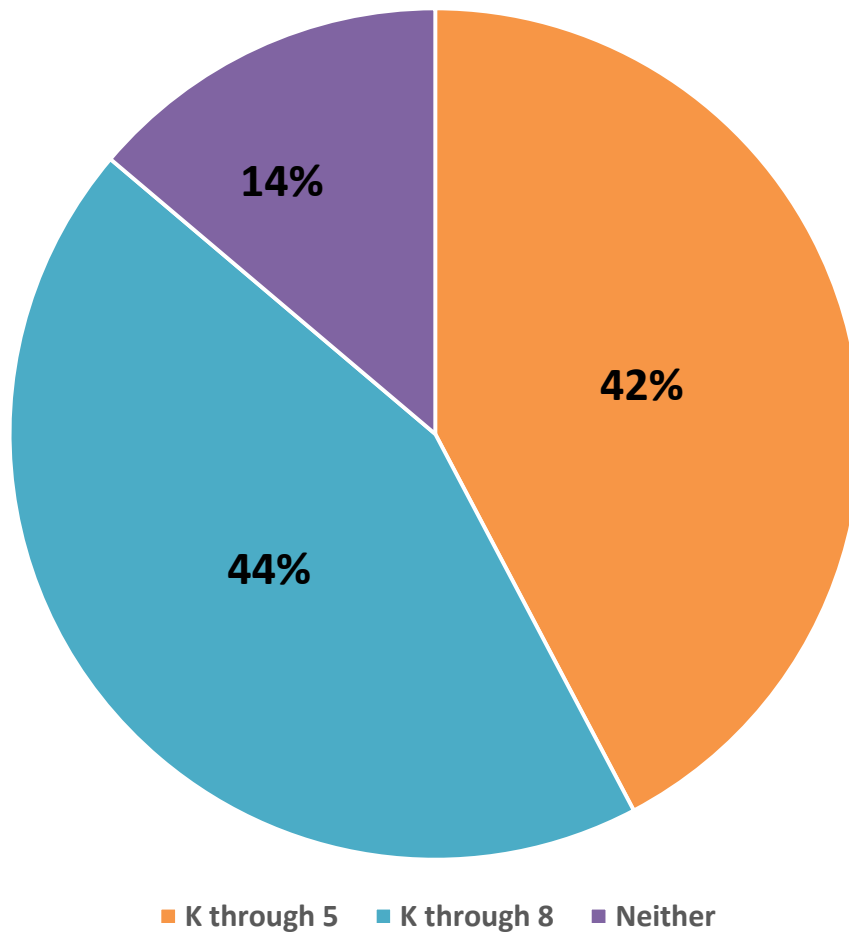
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## South Norwalk Residents

**K - 5: 111**  
**K - 8: 130**  
**Neither: 5**

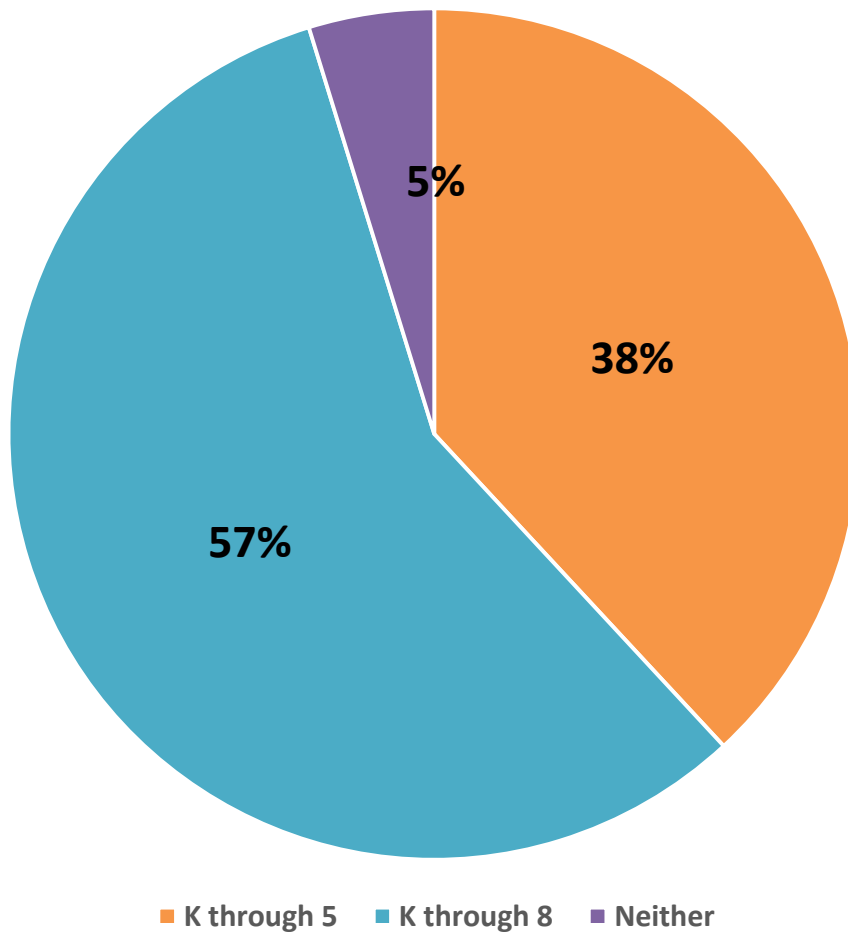
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## Unassigned Locations

**K - 5: 52**  
**K - 8: 54**  
**Neither: 17**

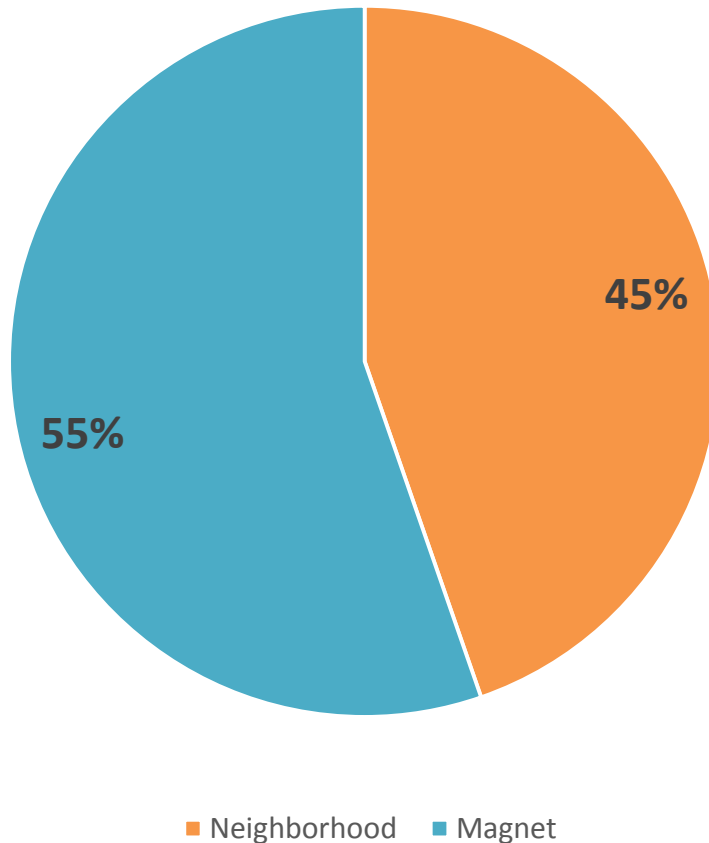
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## Future Families

**K - 5: 32**  
**K - 8: 48**  
**Neither: 4**

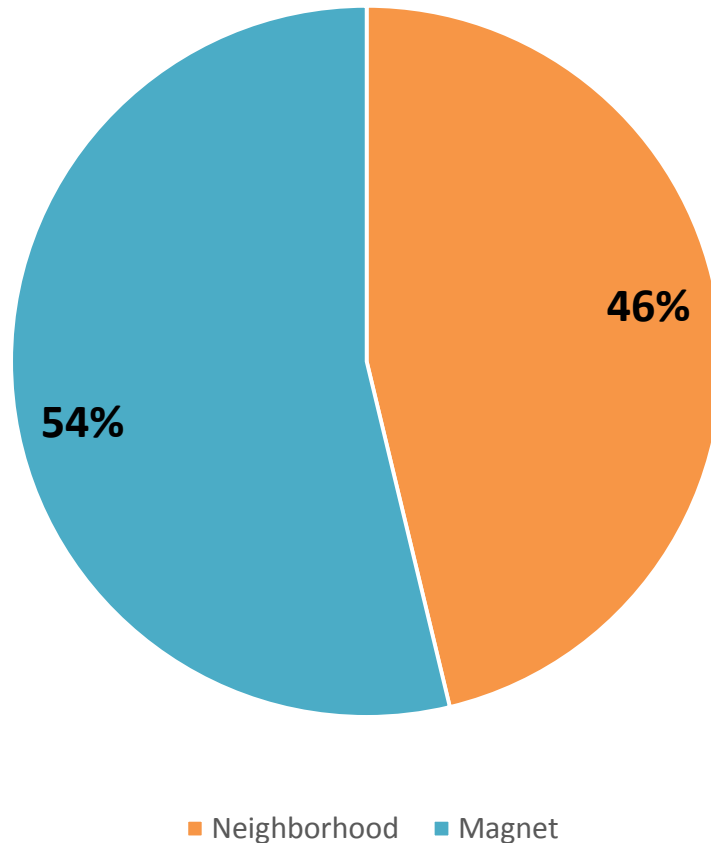
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## All Respondents

- **Neighborhood school: 307**
- **Magnet school: 380**

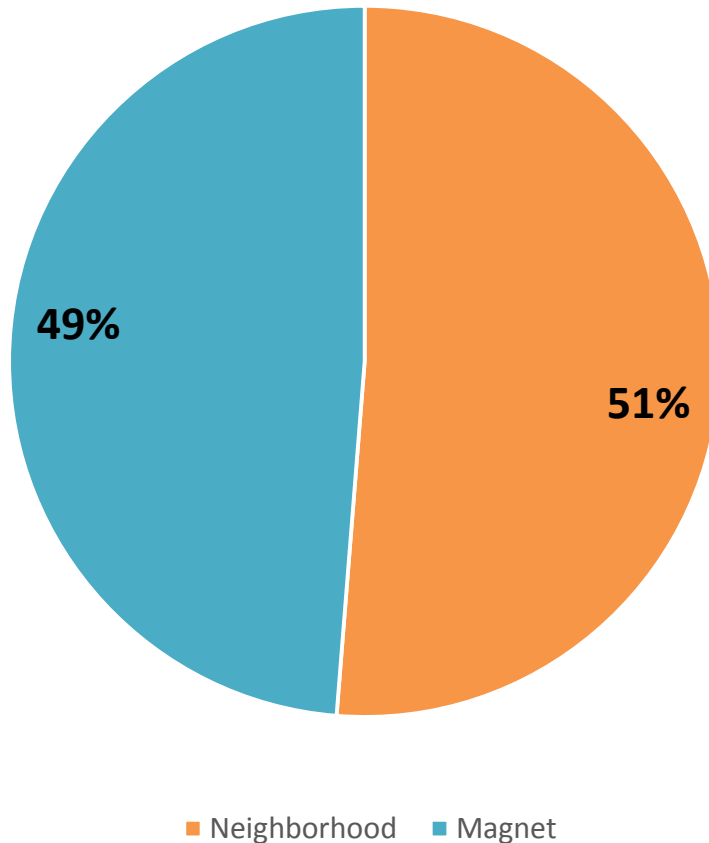
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## South Norwalk Residents

- **Neighborhood school: 123**
- **Magnet school: 143**

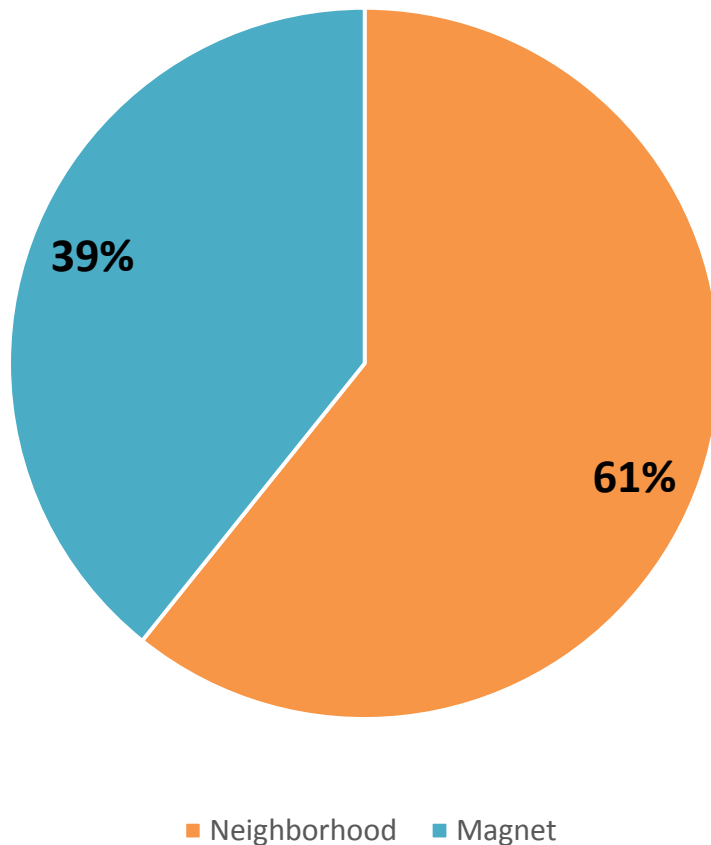
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## Unassigned Locations

- **Neighborhood school: 61**
- **Magnet school: 58**

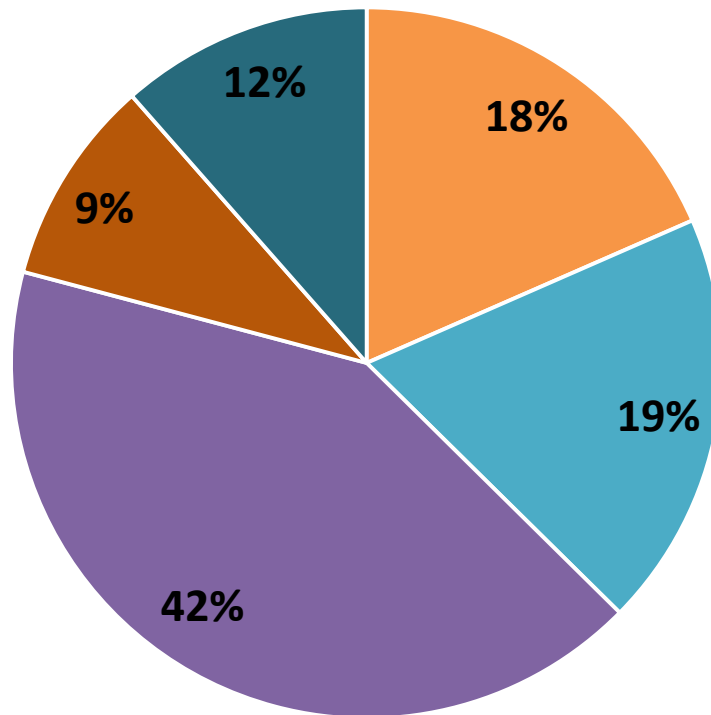
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## Future Families

- **Neighborhood school: 48**
- **Magnet school: 31**

# What type of magnet theme or programming?



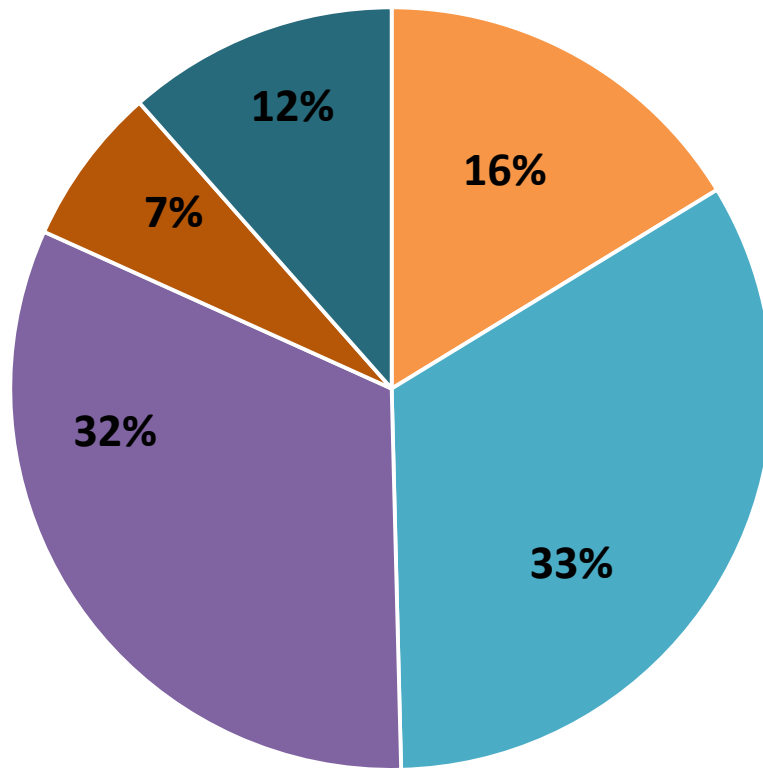
## All Respondents

- Move Columbus (Bank Street): 106
- Environmental Science: 109
- STEAM: 240
- Montessori: 54
- Another option: 66

Bank Street Environmental Science STEAM Montessori Another option



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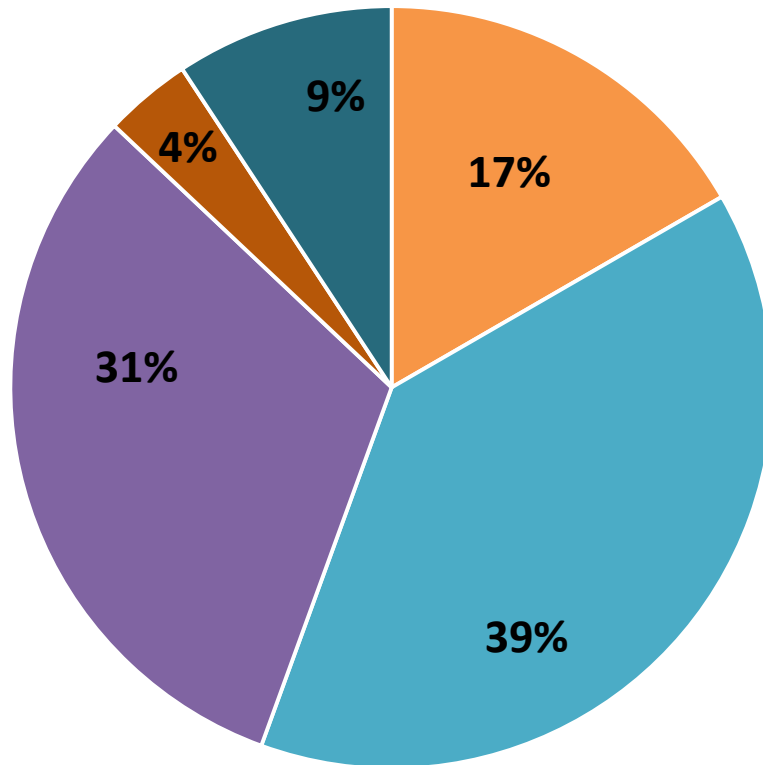


## South Norwalk Residents

- Move Columbus (Bank Street): 41
- Environmental Science: 84
- STEAM: 81
- Montessori: 17
- Another option: 29

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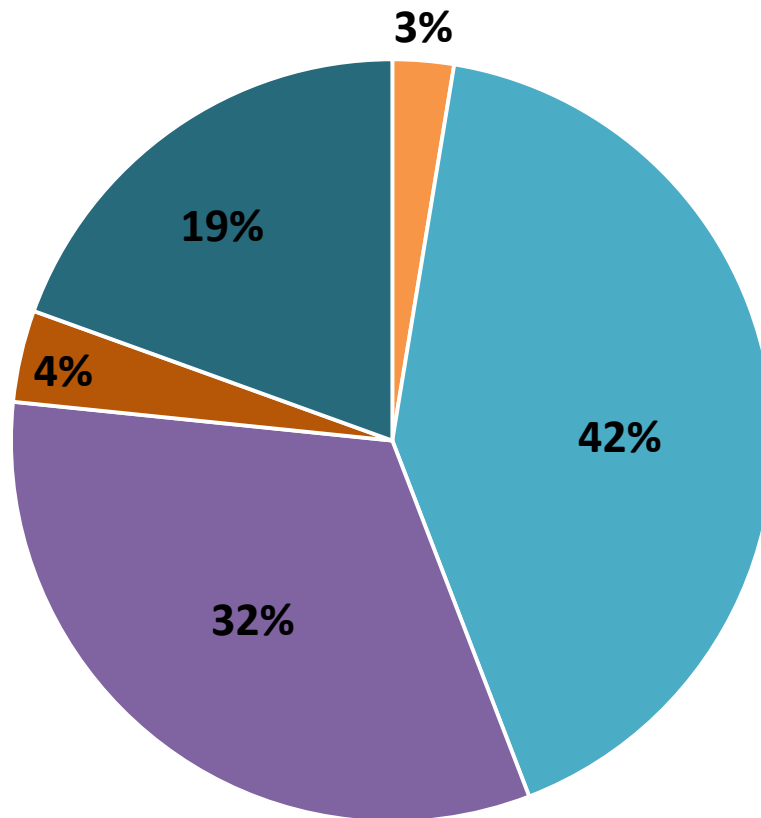


## Unassigned Locations

- Move Columbus (Bank Street): 18
- Environmental Science: 42
- STEAM: 34
- Montessori: 4
- Another option: 10

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# What type of magnet theme or programming?



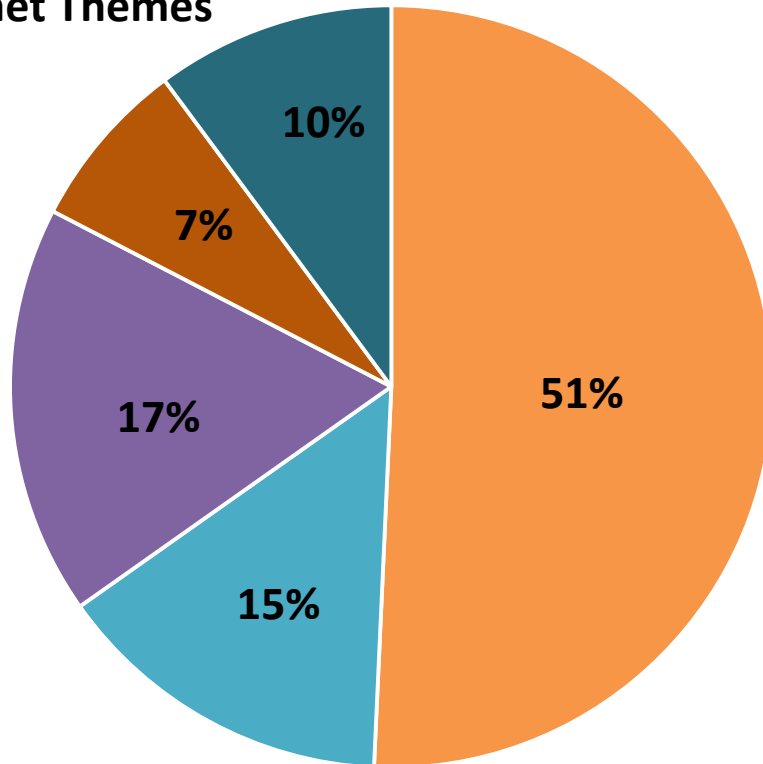
## Future Families

- Move Columbus (Bank Street): 2
- Environmental Science: 21
- STEAM: 25
- Montessori: 3
- Another option: 15

Bank Street Environmental Science STEAM Montessori Another option

# Columbus Family Feedback

## Magnet Themes



**Total responses: 74**

School in South Norwalk:

K-5: 12

K-8: 56

Magnet or Neighborhood

Magnet: 52

Neighborhood: 24

## Magnet Themes

- Move Columbus (Bank St): 35
- Environmental Science: 10
- STEAM: 12
- Montessori: 5
- Another option: 7

Bank Street Environmental Science STEAM Montessori Another option

# Themes from Open Answers

- Impact on other schools: All our school buildings need investment and upgrades
- South Norwalk students deserve options closer to home
- Critical that a new school reflect the diversity of Norwalk
- Ensuring a safe environment needs to be part of the plan
- Strong programming and support will be essential to success, including after-school options
- Interest in more magnet programs overall, but that should not take away funding from neighborhood schools
- Concern about continued (and expanded) availability of PreK and daycare

# Summary

- Clear support in favor of a school at Nathaniel Ely
- Mixed input on neighborhood versus magnet school
- Strong interest in STEAM and Environmental Science options from South Norwalk & Future Families
- Wide support for investing in school buildings throughout the district

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