

Westlake Academy Board of Trustees Parent Survey

1. **Satisfaction with Westlake Academy.** Using a scale of 1 to 5 where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please rate your satisfaction with the following items at Westlake Academy:

How Satisfied are you with the:	<i>Very Satisfied</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Neutral</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Very Dissatisfied</i>	<i>Don't Know</i>	<i>N/A</i>
A. Teachers/faculty	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
B. Administration	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
C. Trustees	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
D. Maintenance of the campus	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
E. Suitability of the campus facilities for learning	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
F. IB (International Baccalaureate) curriculum	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
G. School lunch program	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
H. Extracurricular sports programs	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
I. Other extracurricular programs	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
J. School web site	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
K. Academic progress of your child	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
L. Communications regarding issues/problems related to your child	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
M. Opportunities for parental involvement	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
N. Opportunities for parental input	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
O. Quality of communication from WA	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
P. Methods of communication from WA	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
Q. The four House system for students (Thoreau, Wheatley, Whitman, Keller)	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
R. Effectiveness of the House of Commons	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
S. Effectiveness of the WA Foundation	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
T. Effectiveness of the WAAC	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
U. Traffic (carpools, entry/exit, drop off)	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
V. Grading system	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
W. College preparation process	5	4	3	2	1	9	0

2. **Which THREE of the items listed above are most important to you?** [Write in the letters below using the letters from the list in Question 1 above].

1st. _____ 2nd. _____ 3rd. _____

3. **Do you feel your child is emotionally safe at school?** ___(1) Yes ___(2) No

4. **Do you feel your child is physically safe at school?** ___(1) Yes ___(2) No

5. **Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of education provided by Westlake Academy?**
 ___(5) Very satisfied
 ___(4) Satisfied
 ___(3) Neutral
 ___(2) Dissatisfied
 ___(1) Very Dissatisfied
 ___(9) Don't know
6. **Do you believe you have an adequate understanding of the IB curriculum?**
 ___(1) Yes ___(2) No
7. **Do you have a child with a learning disability that utilizes special education services?**
 ___(1) Yes ___(2) No
- 7a. **If yes, are you satisfied with the modifications/services provided by Westlake Academy?**
 ___(1) Yes ___(2) No
- 7b. **If "No", why not?**
8. **Would you find a WA newsletter to be of value?** ___(1) Yes ___(2) No
- 8a. **If yes, would you prefer to receive the newsletter via** ___ (1) email ___(2) postal mail
9. **Which of the following are the best ways for Westlake Academy to keep you informed?**
 ___(1) E-mails that direct you to the WA website
 ___(2) Hard copies of items posted on the WA website delivered in the HOC folder or similar System
 ___(3) Direct email communication
10. **Which TWO of the following were most important in your decision to originally enroll your child(ren) at Westlake Academy?**
 ___(1) Quality of teachers/faculty
 ___(2) Quality of the facilities
 ___(3) The IB (International Baccalaureate) curriculum
 ___(4) Extracurricular sports programs
 ___(5) Other extracurricular programs
 ___(6) Reputation of the school
 ___(7) Location of the school
 ___(8) Cost
 ___(9) The Academy's status as a "charter" school
 ___(10) Strings program
 ___(11) Foreign language offering
 ___(0) Other: _____
11. **If your child was not enrolled at Westlake Academy, where would your child most likely be attending school?**
 ___(1) A public school in the community where you live
 ___(2) A private school
 ___(3) Home school

12. Planning for the Future. Westlake Academy’s operating budget for its academic programs is funded by State public education funds and private donations. The Academy’s private donations are raised through the Westlake Academy Foundation’s Blacksmith Apprentice Program. State funding is expected to remain at current levels. Thus, expanding the Academy’s programs would require additional private contributions. With funding limitations understood, we would still like to gauge your interest in the following programs and/or expansion opportunities. Using a scale of 1 to 5 where 5 means “extremely important” and 1 means “not important at all,” please rate how important it is for Westlake Academy to implement the following, assuming resources are available in the future:

How important is it for Westlake Academy to:	<i>Extremely Important</i>	<i>Very Important</i>	<i>Important</i>	<i>Somewhat Important</i>	<i>Not Important</i>	<i>Don't Know</i>	<i>N/A</i>
A. Expand IB options at the Diploma level	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
B. Expand the Arts program (music, drama)	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
C. Continue the Strings program	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
D. Expand residential (overnight) trip offerings	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
E. Expand the new media educational opportunities (i.e., video production, on-line journalism)	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
F. Improve the web site	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
G. Expand foreign language offerings and opportunities	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
H. Implement a Spanish immersion program	5	4	3	2	1	9	0
I. Offer online access to student grades	5	4	3	2	1	9	0

13. The Blacksmith Apprentice Program is critical to the financial health of the Academy. Do you annually participate in the program?

- ___(1) Yes
- ___(2) No

14. Would you be willing to increase your contributions to the Blacksmith Apprentice Program to fund an expanded level of services or new programs (e.g. examples of the services/programs can be found in Question 12)?

- ___(1) Yes
- ___(2) No

15. What do you like BEST about Westlake Academy?

16. What ONE thing would you like to improve most at Westlake Academy?

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17. If you live in the Town of Westlake, how important was Westlake Academy in your decision to move to Westlake?

- (4) Very important
- (3) Somewhat Important
- (2) Not sure
- (1) Not important

18. How many years have you had at least one child attending Westlake Academy?

_____ years

19. In which grades do you currently have children enrolled at Westlake Academy?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) K-2 | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) grades 7-8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) grades 3-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) grades 9-10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) grades 5-6 | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) grades 11-12 |

20. Do you have additional school age children enrolled in other schools?

- (1) Yes
- (2) No

If so, what grade(s): K - 6th 7th - 10th 11th - 12th

21. How many adults in your home are employed full time outside the home?

- (0) None
- (1) One
- (2) Two

21a. How can we better accommodate the needs of a working parent or working parents?

OPTIONAL: If you have any other comments please write them in the space provided below.

THE WESTLAKE ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES THANKS YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY.

**Please Return Your Completed Survey in the Enclosed
Postage Paid Envelope Addressed to:**

ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061