



GARRISON

**Welcome,
Families!**

*¡Bienvenidos,
Familias!*

March Coffee Chat & 2026 Title I Parents Meeting

Café con Padres y Reunion de Titulo I 2026

Our Agenda / *Nuestro Agenda*



- Jan & Feb 2026 Review / *Revisión de enero y febrero*
- Title I updates / *Actualizaciones del Título I*
- School Counselor Ms. Castro / *Consejera escolar*
- Happy Social Work Appreciation Day, Ms. Anthony!
(& belated School Counselor Appreciation!) / *Feliz Día del Trabajo Social, Sras. Anthony & Castro!* ❤️
- PTO Updates / *Recordatorios importantes*
- Q&A time / *¡Preguntas y respuestas!*

Jan/Feb in Review / *enero y febrero en revisión*



Title I updates / *Actualizaciones del Título I*



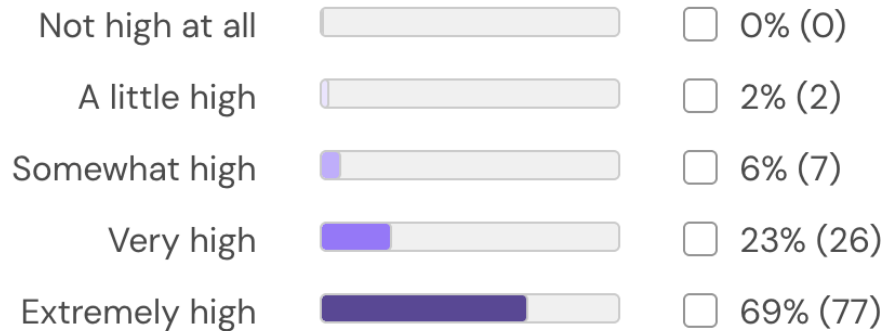
- ESSA & Title I / *ESSA y Título I*
- Parent Rights under Title I / *Derechos de los padres según el Título I*
- Progress update on this year's Comprehensive School Plan / *Actualización del progreso del Plan Escolar Integral de este año*
 - **Attendance:** We need your help to cut our 20% CAR in half!
 - **Safety & Belonging:** Updates on following slides; we're growing!
 - **Academics:** We're growing a LOT!
 - 42% increase in K-5 students scoring on or above grade-level on iReady **Reading** (ELA)
 - 50% increase in K-5 students scoring on or above grade-level on iReady **Math**
- Ways to help: / *Formas de ayudar:*
 - [2026 Panorama Family Survey \(dcsays.dc.gov\)](https://dcsays.dc.gov) / [2026 Panorama Encuesta Familiar \(dcsays.dc.gov\)](https://dcsays.dc.gov)

Safety and Belonging Data / *Datos sobre seguridad y sentido de pertenencia*



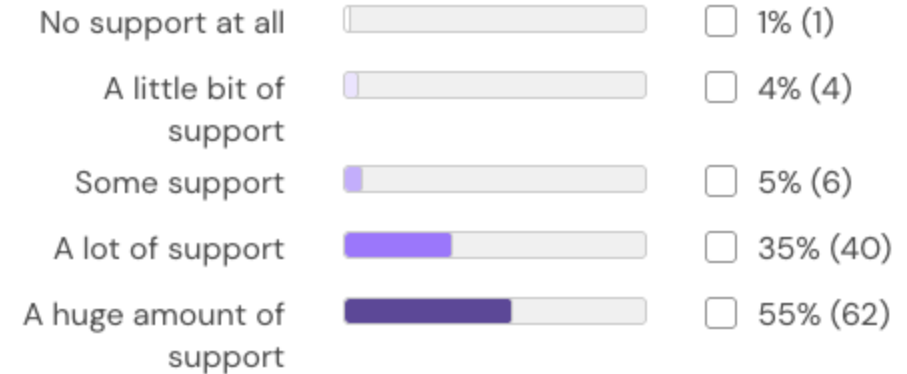
Garrison Elementary School Monthly Check-Ins 2025-2026

How high are your teachers' expectations of you?



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How much support do the adults at your school give you?



69% of Wildcats know that their teachers' expectations of them are extremely high! Our teachers believe in our students and they feel it. *¡El 69% de los Wildcats sabe que sus maestros tienen expectativas extremadamente altas para ellos! Nuestros maestros creen en nuestros estudiantes, ¡y ellos lo sienten!*

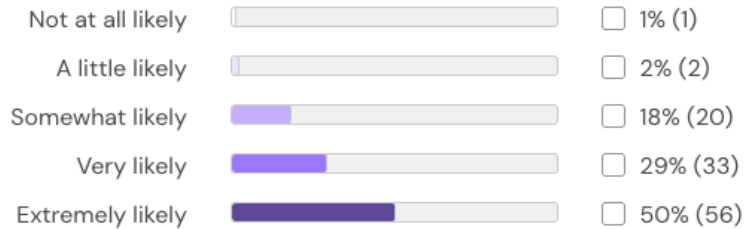
An incredible 90% of Wildcats report feeling a lot or a huge amount of support from the adults at school. *¡Un increíble 90% de los Wildcats reporta sentir mucho o muchísimo apoyo de los adultos en la escuela!*

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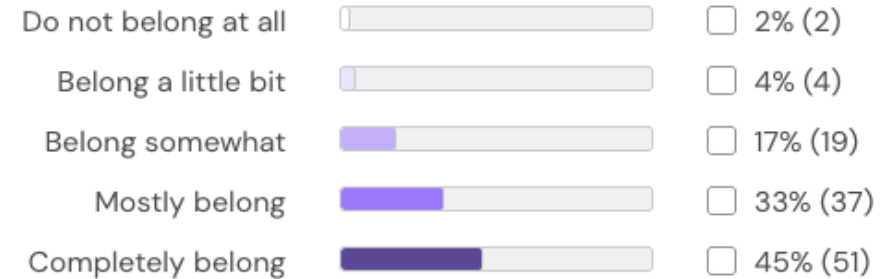
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If you fail at something that is important to you, how likely are you to try again?



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When you are at school, how much do you feel like you belong?



79% of Wildcats are very likely or extremely likely to try again when working on something important.

El 79% de los Wildcats dice que es muy probable o extremadamente probable que lo intenten de nuevo cuando están trabajando en algo importante.

78% of our students feel they mostly or completely belong at Garrison. Our ratings on this question grew by 16% between the October and February administrations of this survey, meaning that the daily supports we provide to foster belonging for every student is having an impact.

El 78% de nuestros estudiantes siente que pertenece en gran parte o completamente a Garrison. Nuestros resultados en esta pregunta aumentaron un 16% entre las encuestas de octubre y febrero, lo que demuestra que los apoyos diarios que brindamos para fomentar el sentido de pertenencia de cada estudiante están teniendo un impacto.

New Parent Offerings from your School Counselor



- **A monthly online Counselor's Chat** - Starting in April, 6pm in English and 7:00pm in Spanish, 30 minutes each. Ms. Castro will share a short presentation about a social emotional skill and how we promote it at school - followed up with ways to support reinforcing this skill at home. *Ex - frustration tolerance*

- **A quarterly ECE parent workshop** introducing families to Whole Child practices, the Wildcat Way and how to foster home and school congruence. Ms. Castro will pilot this offering with a session this SY in May. Lookout for the date and time in early April.



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What do you prefer? / ¿Qué prefieres?

First Tuesday of the month/Primer martes del mes


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What topics or skills would you like covered?/¿Qué temas o habilidades le gustaría cubrir?

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Hang tight! Responses are coming in.

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PTO Updates / Actualizaciones de PTO



- **Upcoming Volunteer Needs: / *Próximas necesidades de voluntarios:***
- STEAM Night is back—NEW DATE May 20! If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please email: sarah.pessagno@k12.dc.gov. / *Vuelve la Noche STEAM, fecha nueva 20 de mayo. Si tienes alguna pregunta o estás interesado en participar como voluntario, envía un correo electrónico a: sarah.pessagno@k12.dc.gov.*
- Other upcoming April events in planning stages (email pto@garrisonelementary.org to help): /
- *Otros eventos previstos para abril que se encuentran en fase inicial de planificación (envíe un correo electrónico a pto@garrisonelementary.org para colaborar):*
 - Grandparents Day / *Día de los Abuelos*
 - Passover Community Potluck / *Comida comunitaria de Pascua judía*
- Interested in larger volunteer roles, including serving on the PTO Board? Attend an upcoming interest meeting (Date TBA). / *¿Te interesan puestos de voluntariado más importantes, como formar parte de la junta directiva de la PTO? Asiste a la próxima reunión informativa (fecha por confirmar).*

Q&A/closing / *Preguntas y respuestas*



- Q&A time / *Preguntas y respuestas*
- Offline feedback? Jot a note or drop us a line! / *¿Comentarios sin conexión? ¡Anota!*
- Class Picture Day, so no Sneak Peek / *No hay Vista Previa en clases hoy*
- Thank you for your partnership, Families! / *¡ Gracias por su colaboración, familias!*



School Leader Contact Info



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