

New Westminster Schools



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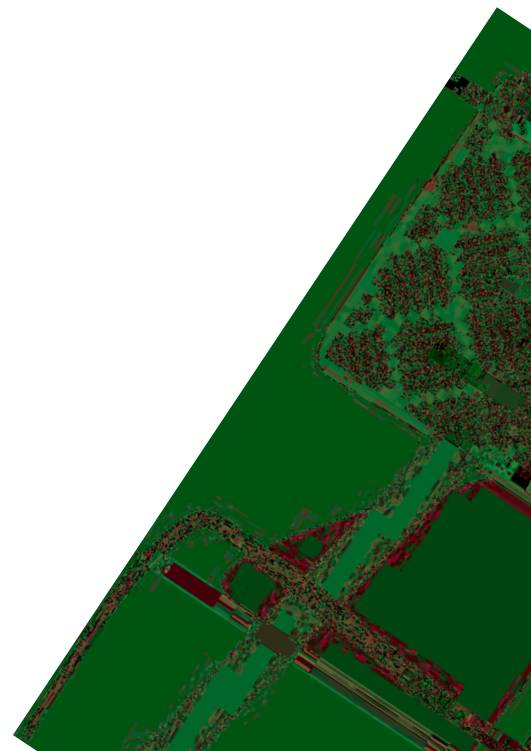
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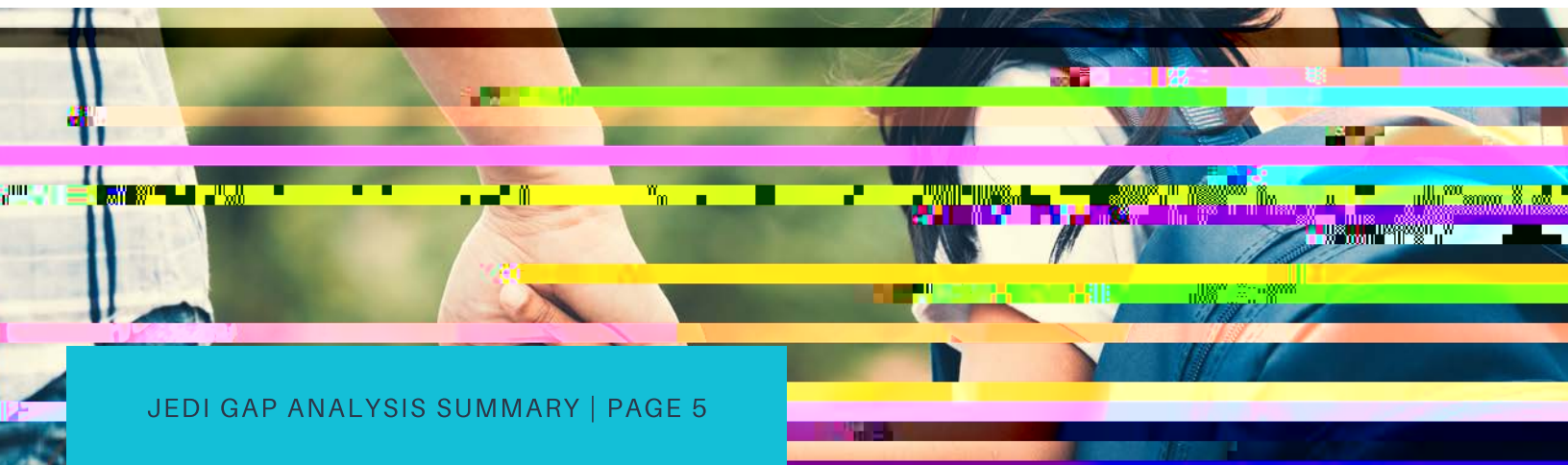


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PART ONE

Students



Demographics

Demographic information about the respondents is provided below. The data is based on the responses to the survey questions.

WHO RESPONDED?

4 respondents completed the survey. 5% of the respondents were female.

ETHNICITY

The majority of respondents were White (31.3%), followed by Hispanic (10.4%), Black (8.8%), Asian (7.0%), and Other (1.9%).

GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUALITY

Most respondents identified as straight (95.7%) or gay (34.7%). Other gender identities and sexualities included lesbian (1.5%), bisexual (0.7%), and transgender (71.8%).

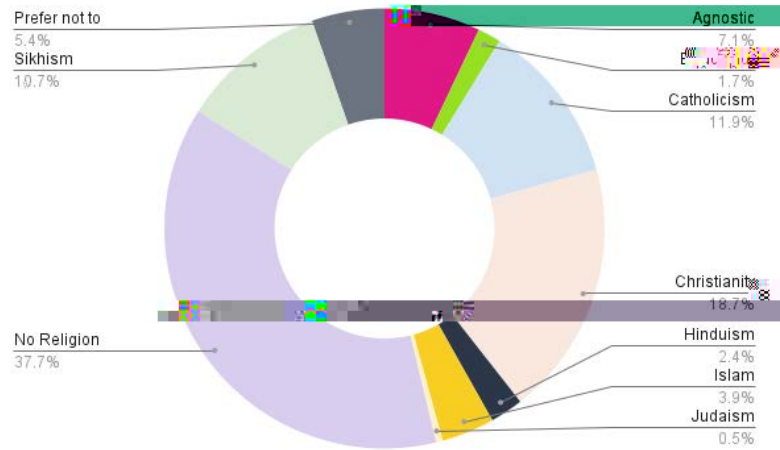
LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English was the most common language spoken by respondents (61.1%). Other languages spoken included Spanish, French, and German.

RELIGION

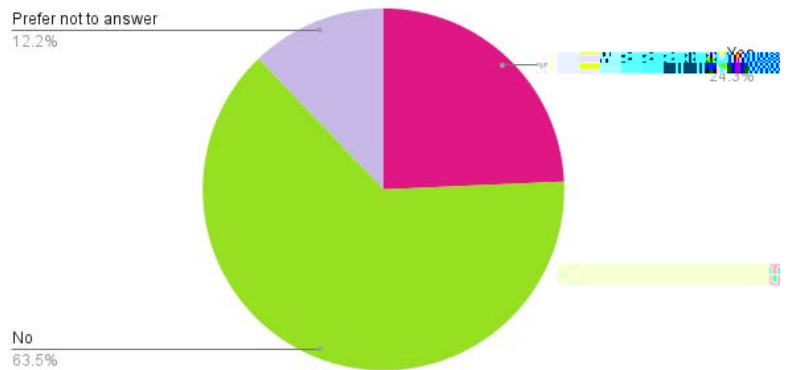
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MENTAL ILLNESS

Do you live with any mental illness (formally diagnosed or undiagnosed)?



MENTAL AND/OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY

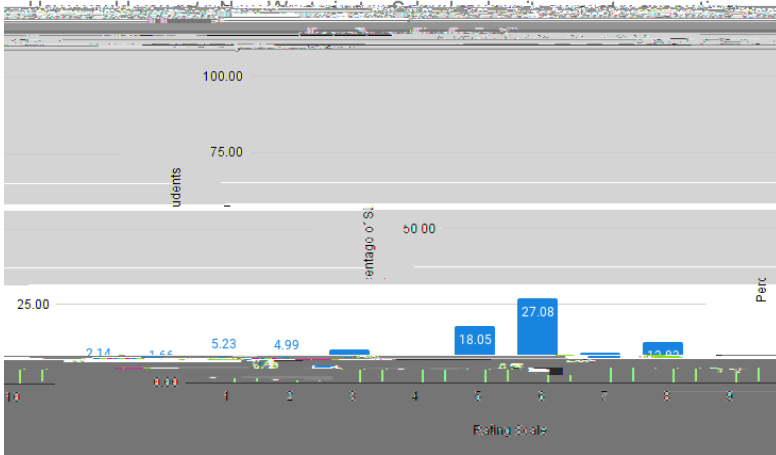
(85.8%), (1%), (13. %).

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(78.3%), (13.1%), (8.6%).





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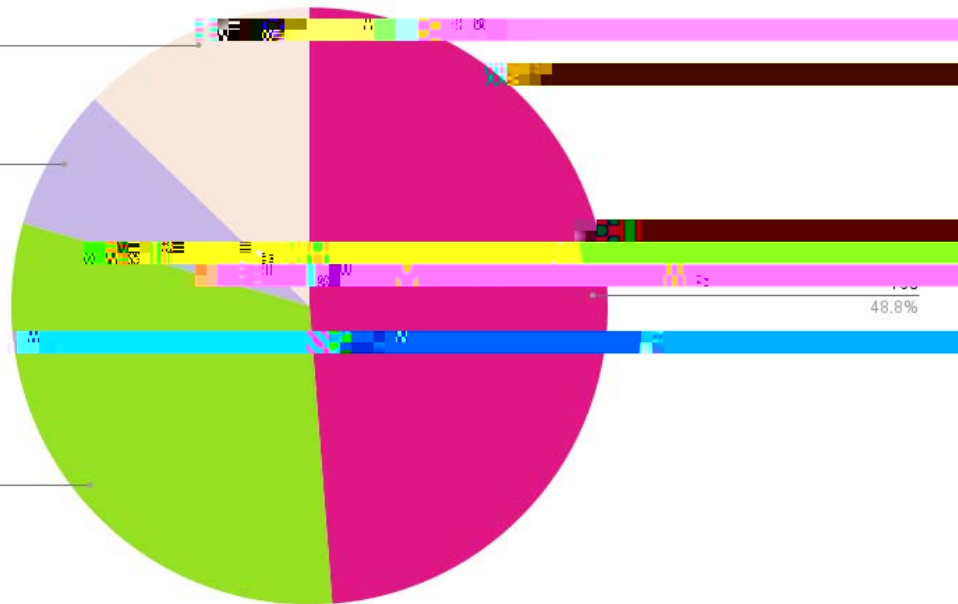
NEW WESTMINSTER CORE VALUES EXAMINED

New Westminster Core Values: **integrity, equity, inclusion, innovation**
 and integrity. Do you see these values in schools?

Prefer not to answer
12.8%

Some
7.7%

No
30.7%

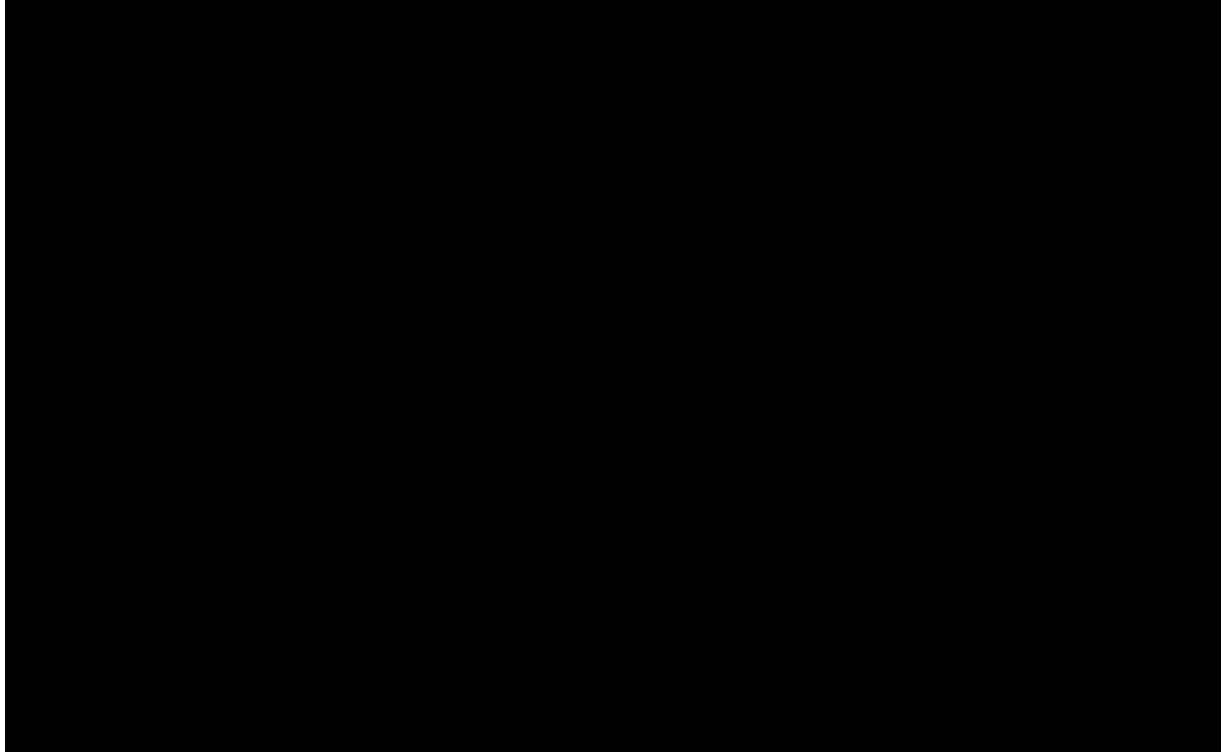


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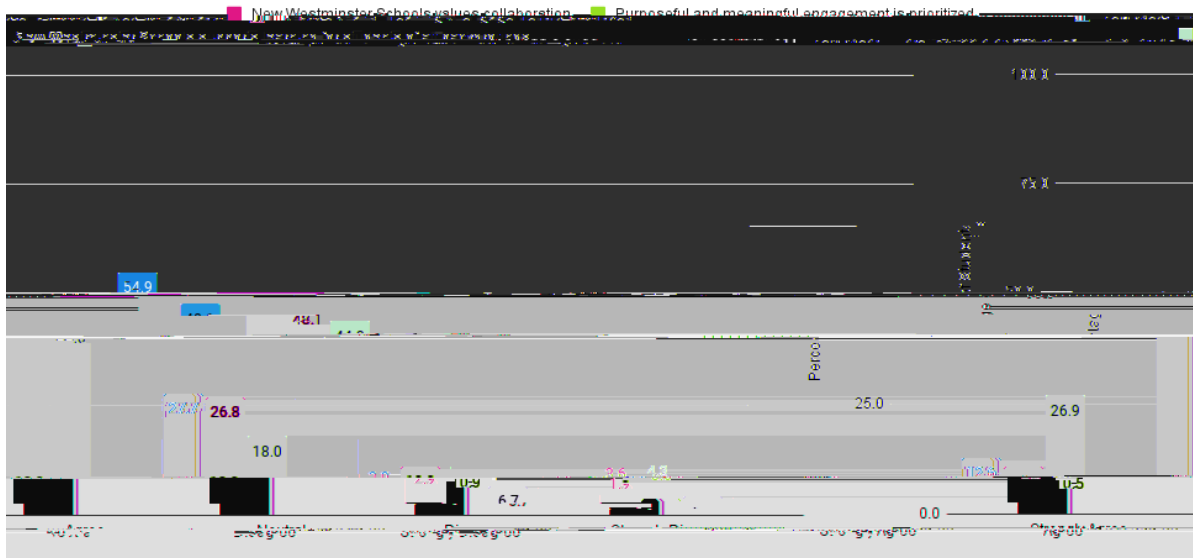


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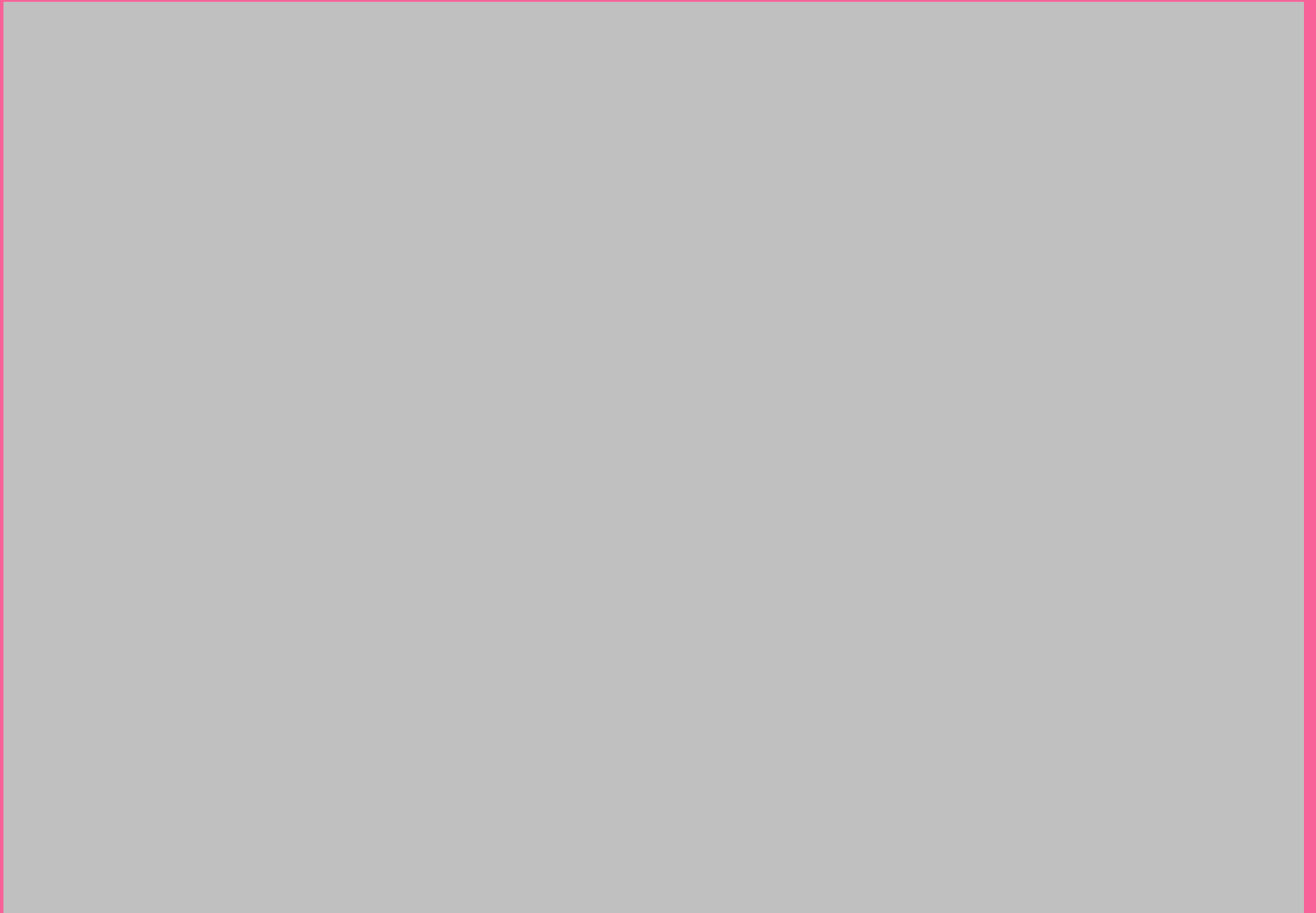


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PART TWO

Staff



Demographics

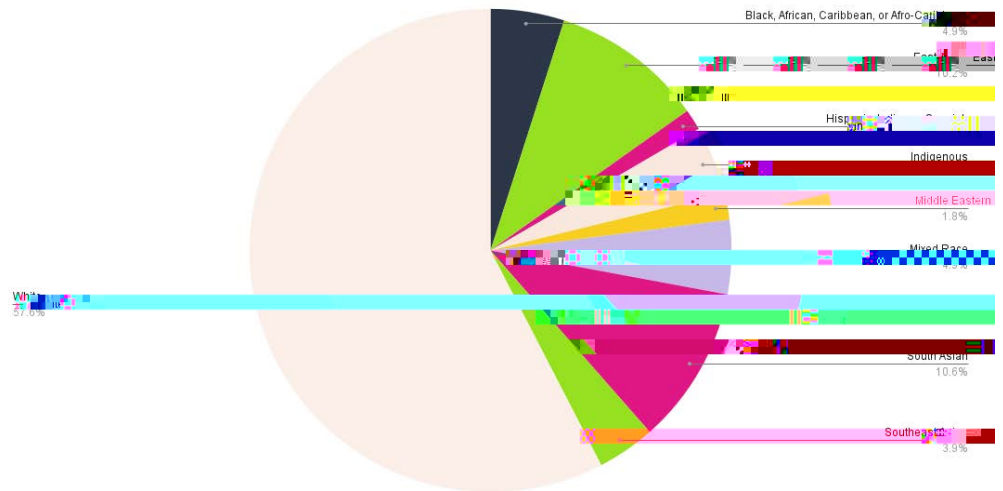
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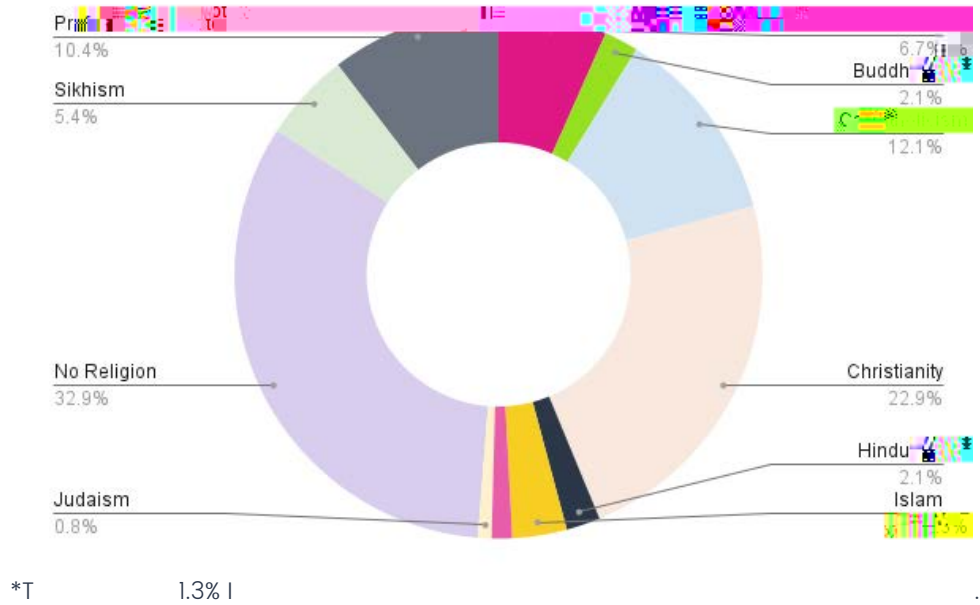
HOW LONG HAVE THEY WORKED HERE?

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RELIGION

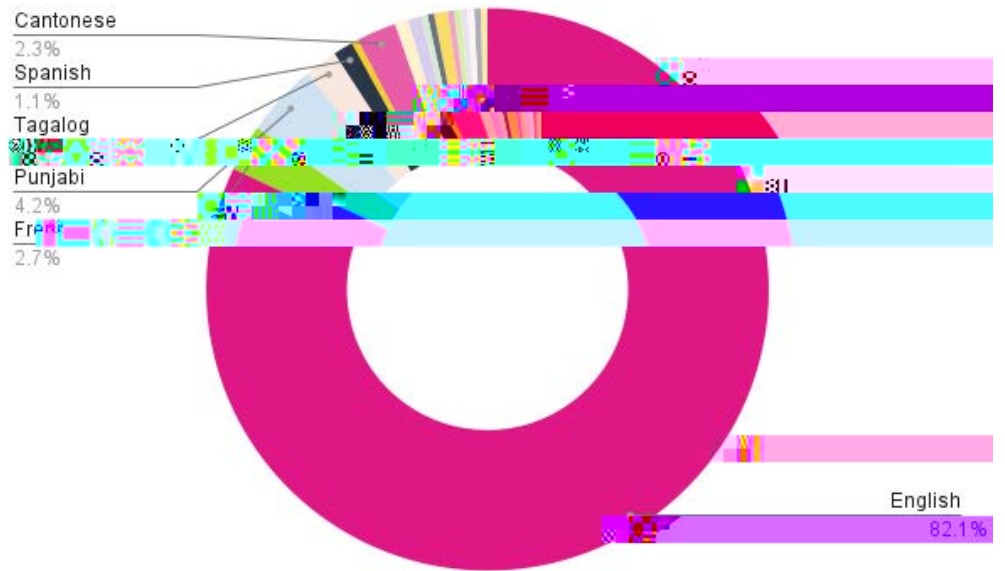


LANGUAGE

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FORMAL EDUCATION

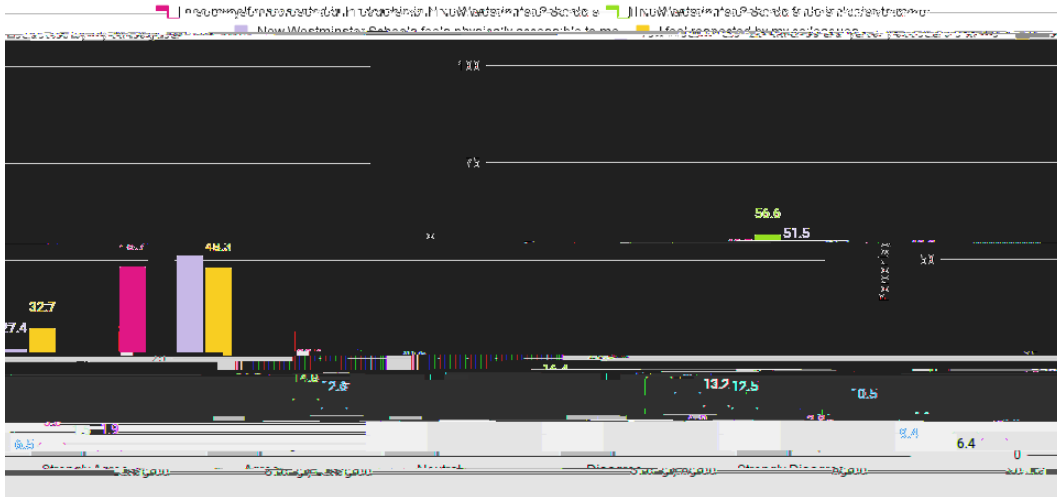
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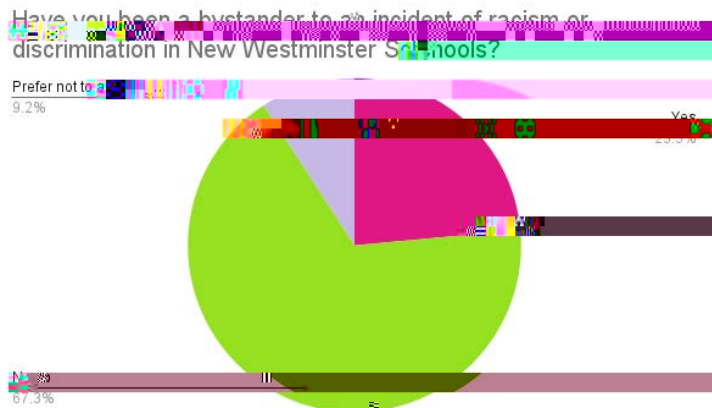
(35.9%).



Feeling included and like you belong
asked staff at New Westminster S
some varying responses.



Conflict is inevitable in school settings, but staff often experience varying levels of conflict from different areas and avenues. From working with st



PART THREE

PARENTS

AND COMMUNITY

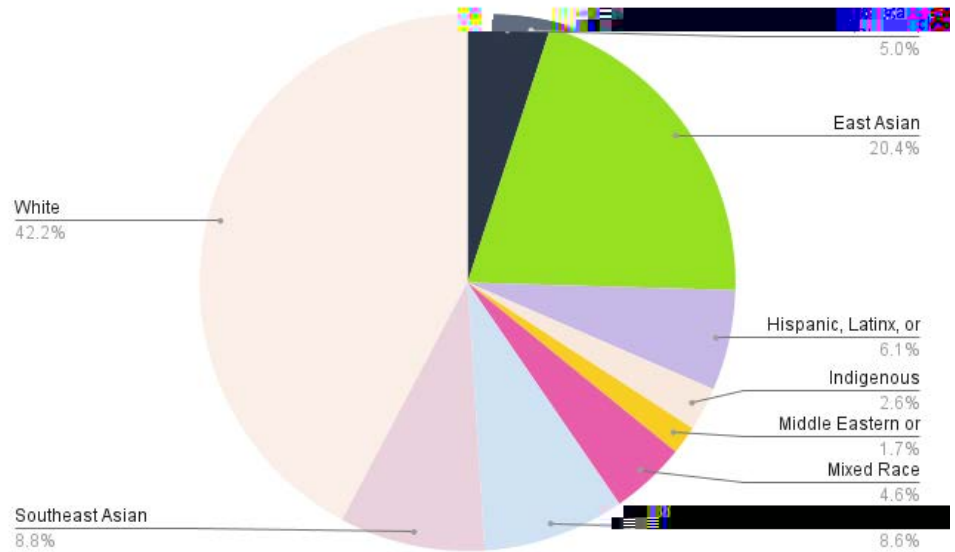


Demographics

Parents, guardians, and community members are often the major source of socialization, support, and encouragement for students. We want to better understand who they are, what their needs are, and how we can show up for them so that we can create meaningful change.

RACE AND ETHNICITY

We heard that a majority of respondents identified as White (42.2%), with the next largest contingents identifying as East Asian (20.4%), then Southeast Asian (8.8%).

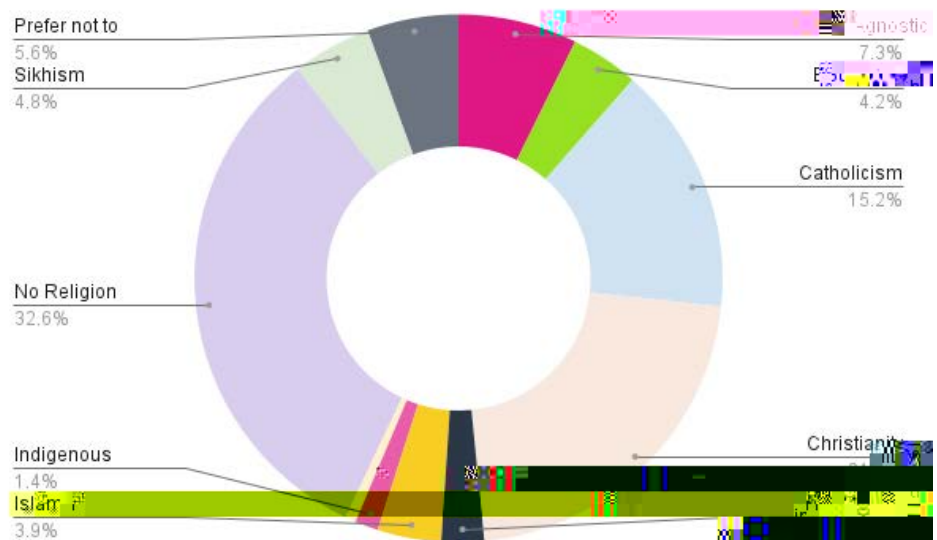


GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION

We heard that the overwhelming majority of respondents are cisgender men or women (58.6% and 41%), with a small contingent of genderqueer folks. We also heard that the sample is overwhelmingly straight or heterosexual (89.2%), with the rest of the respondents identifying as asexual, bisexual, gay, lesbian, two-spirit, or queer.

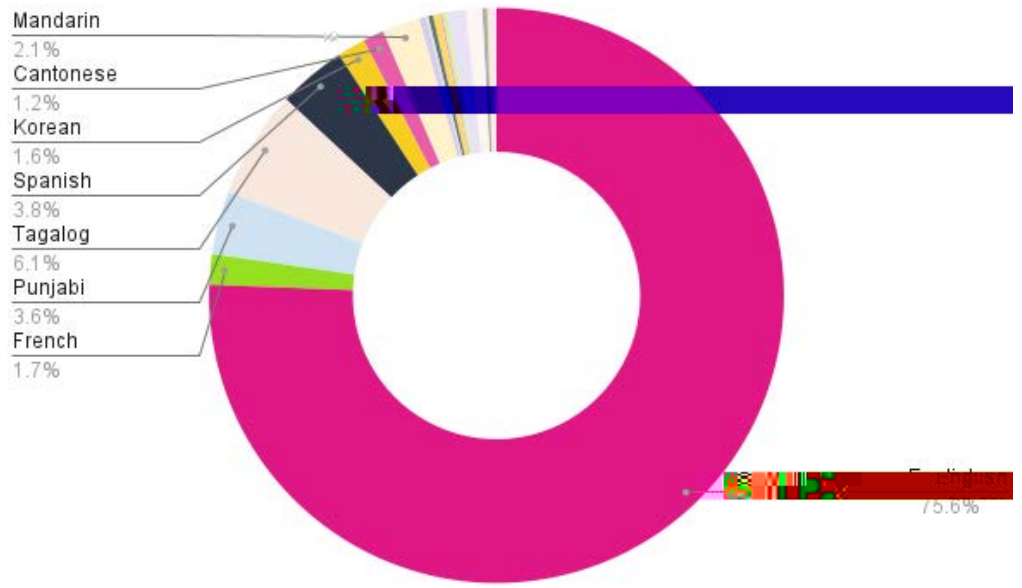
RELIGION

We heard that respondents have a very diverse group of faiths and beliefs represented.



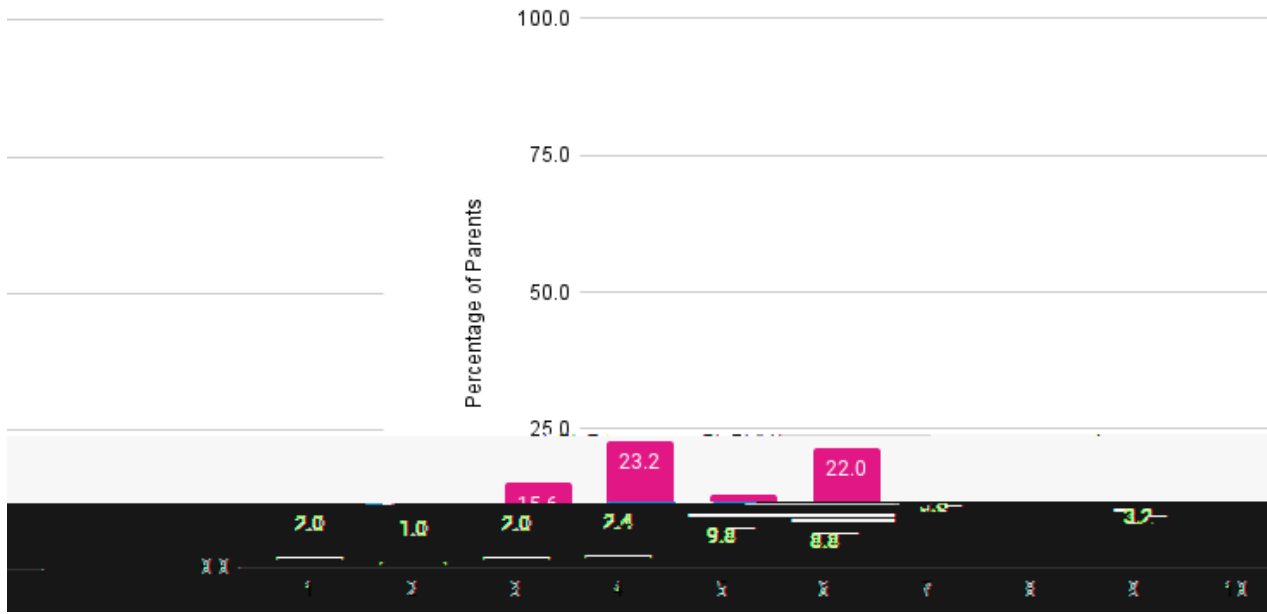
*This includes 0.5% Judaism not labelled on the above graph.





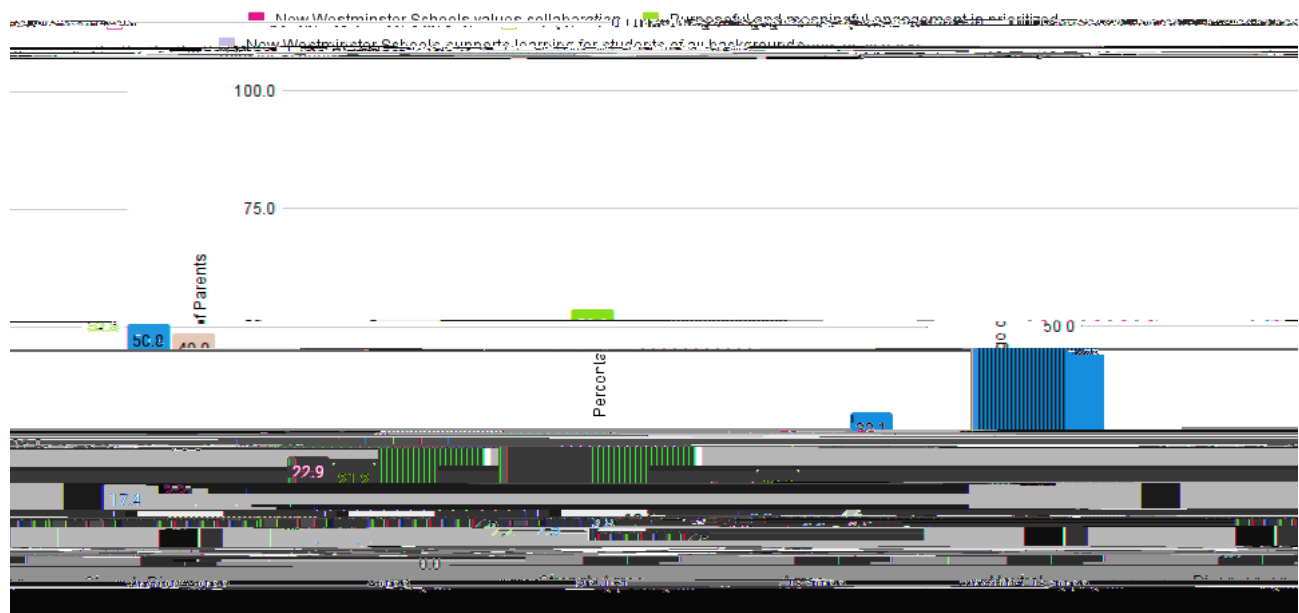
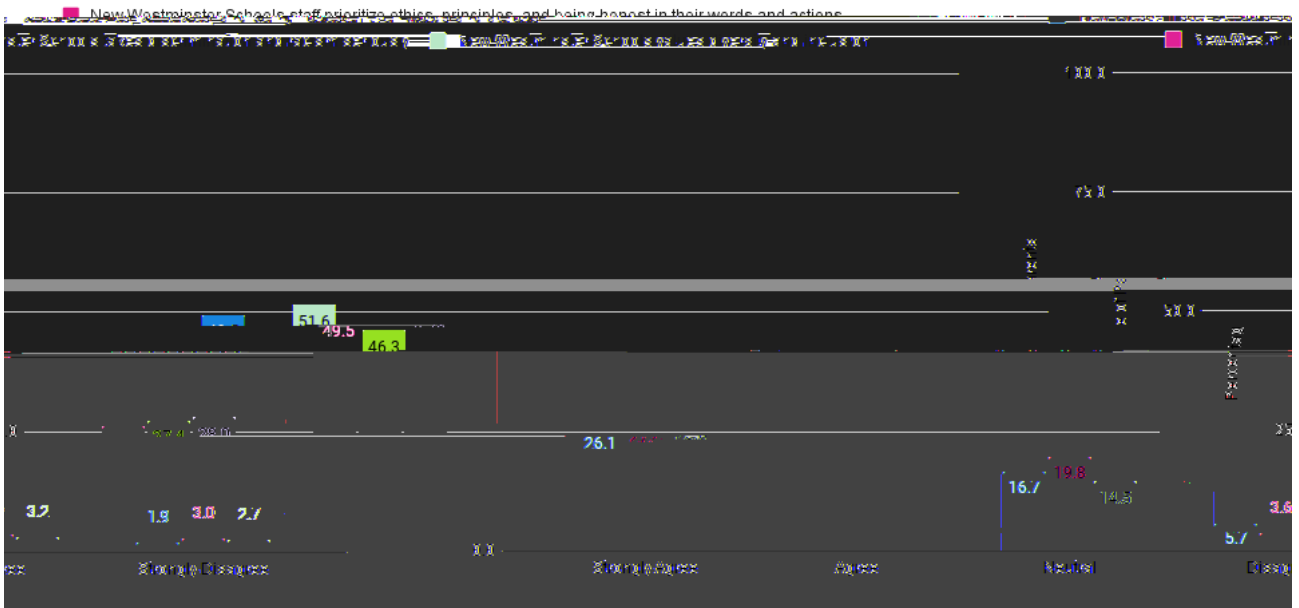


How well does New Westminster Schools do in terms of supporting diversity and inclusion?



How diversity and inclusion is supported as well as how claims of discrimination are handled had 15- 20% of respondents selecting brackets 8,10, and 7.





Parents, guardians, or community members are often not the first people who



PART FIVE

Overview

As part of the qualitative work done for School District 40, Bakau Consulting was contracted to complete seven focus groups with several stakeholder groups within the school district environment. These focus groups centred around the topics of engagement with the school district, staff and students, exploring the relationships within and the power dynamics there, and providing background knowledge on these experiences through the use of personal interviews. As these focus groups represent an even smaller sample, the purpose of them is to identify additional trends within the quantitative data through this storytelling. Overarching themes are presented as discussed in a conversation of different topics so that greater cohesion can be determined across the groups and provide a means of tackling changes. Recommendations for this section are included toward the end of the analysis summary.

The relevant stakeholder groups were identified by Bakau Consulting and the District and contained up to twelve participants each. For the student focus group, a member of district staff was available specifically for emotional support.

- Two student focus groups
- Two staff focus groups
- Two parent and community member focus groups
- One district leadership group

OVERARCHING TRENDS

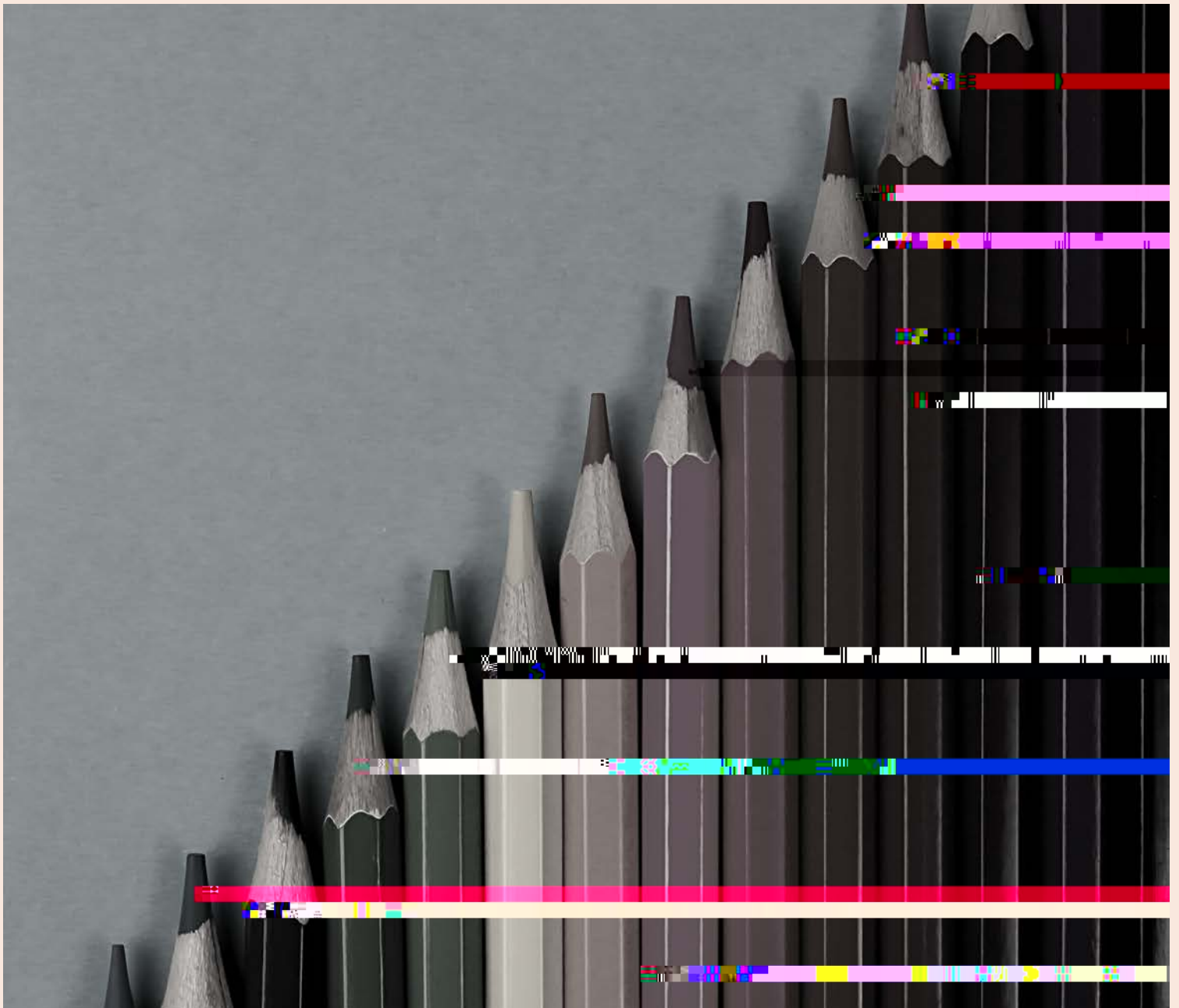
- Proposals about immediate steps forward that the District can take forward in order to support justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion.
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ADVANCING INCLUSION AT SD 4

Respondents noted across all focus groups that advancing inclusion is a stated and confirmed priority of district leadership, which is confirmed by healthy participation of the surveys disseminated by Bakau. Some of the common statements included that for some folks, there's a clear cut desire to prioritize anti-

PART SIX

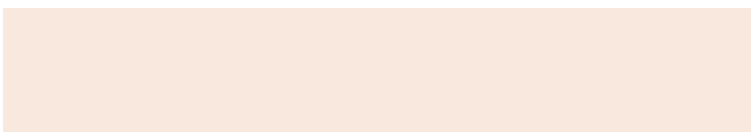
Reconstructions



Recommendations

In this section, we aim to provide a deeper analysis of the District through recommendations based on the data from students, District staff including teachers and parents. Recommendations provided should be understood to be introductions and a non-exhaustive list. It should be treated as a starting point for further learning and as a pathway to reaching your JEDI goals. Many of the recommendations listed in some sections will also be relevant in other sections. I.E something listed in race, ethnicity and religion may apply to gender and sexuality. This is due to intersectionality, or the fact that these systems have lots in common so that the recommendations can be useful across the board. We also acknowledge that there is significant amounts of overlap between stakeholder groups as well, so these will be prepared in aggregate.

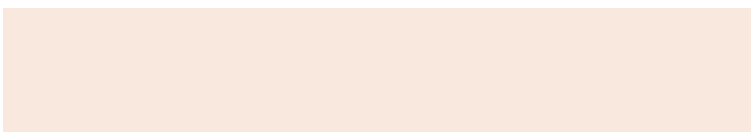
RACE, ETHNICITY, RELIGION & LANGUAGE



- Learning about issues and systems of oppression as well as celebrating days such as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Black History month is important. However, we can often busy ourselves with feeling like we are taking real action in doing so. We believe it's not one or the other. You can celebrate Asian Heritage Month and facilitate discussions on how the District can help Asian families, students, and staff feels safe and protected in the wake of anti-Asian hate and attacks.

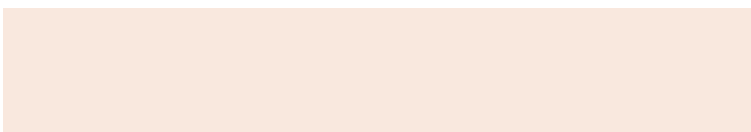
DISABILITY, NEURODIVERGENCY & ACCESSIBILITY

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CONFLICT RESOLUTION, REPORTING, AND SAFE SPACE

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PART SEVEN

KEY THEMES & FINDINGS

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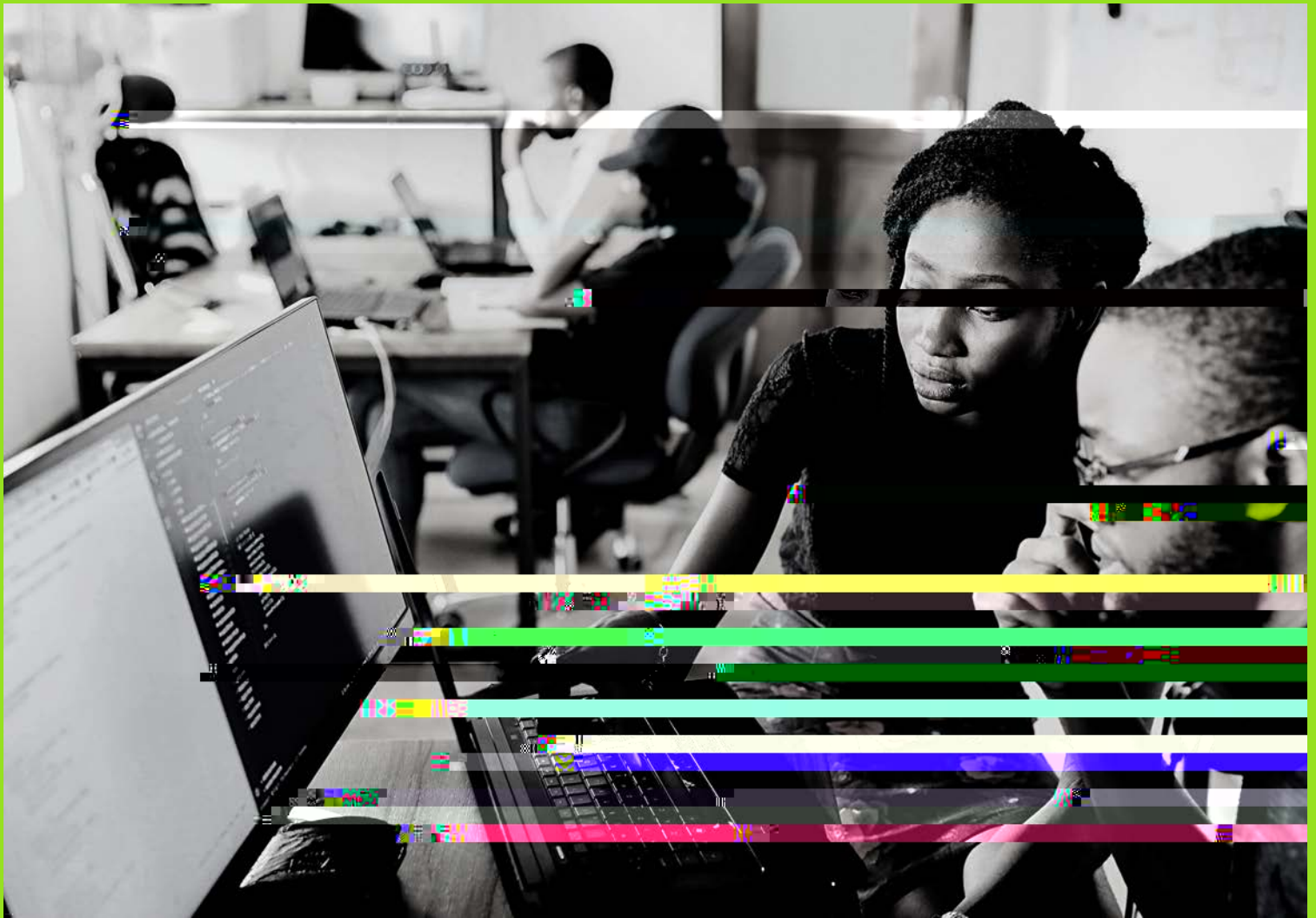
In our analysis, we examined the District documents by asking questions like:

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There is no mention of intersectionality within the policies and documents we

PART EIGHT

Helpful Information



Resources & Readings

GENERAL

[BC Human Rights Clinic: Harassment](#)

[WorkSafe BC: Bullying & Harassment](#)

[Courageous Conversations: Achieving Equity](#)

[Toolkit for Developing a Diversity and Inclusion Strategy](#)

[Does Teacher Diversity Matter in Student Learning?](#)

[All the Ways Hiring Algorithms Can Introduce Bias](#)

[Culture Fit vs Values Fit: A Look from Diversity](#)

[A Teacher Mispronouncing a Student's Name Can Have a Lasting Impact](#)

[StopBullying.gov/bullying/effects](#)

[Decolonization in an Educational Context](#)

[Creating an Equitable, Diverse and Inclusive Research Environment: A Best Practices Guide for Recruitment, Hiring and Retention](#)

[The Insidiousness of Unconscious Bias in Schools](#)

[Tips for Community Consultation](#)

[The White Saviour Industrial Complex](#)

[Reclaiming Abuelita Knowledge As A Brown Ecofeminista](#)

[Emergent Strategy: Shaping Change, Changing Worlds](#)

Resources & Readings

GENDER & SEXUALITY

[Gender Diversity Alone is Not Enough](#)

[3 Examples of Everyday Cissexism](#)

[Here Are 20 Examples of Cissexism That We've Probably All Committed at Some Point](#)

[Mayo Clinic - Children and Gender Identity: Supporting Your Child](#)

[Two Spirits, One Heart, Five Genders](#)

[5 ways that queerphobia affects the LGBTIQ community](#)

[Community Resources](#)

[7 Myths About Coming Out at Work](#)

[Queer at Work](#)

[Forbes - Why You Should Not Say Preferred Gender Pronouns](#)

[Sexual orientation, gender identity and leadership](#)

[Teachers and the Gender Gaps in Student Achievement](#)

DISABILITY

[Main Barriers to Education for Students with Disabilities](#)

[16 Recommendations for Accessibility](#)

[This Is Disability Justice](#)

["Disabled": Just # SayTheWord](#)

Thank you...

