
Kenai Alternative HS



KPBSD School Board Presentation
February 5, 2024

Our School

51 Students

- 31 seniors, 14 juniors, 6 sophomores

Embracing Diversity

- 29 caucasian, 6 hispanic, 6 Alaska Native, 9 two or more races, 1 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Overcoming Adversity

- Over 60% low income, multiple students in the foster care system, multiple students in the SIT program...

All with a story to tell...



School Structure

6 rotations - 6 weeks in length

4 classes per day

Students earn 1.5 credits in a rotation

- 9-9.5 credits per year

Daily schedule includes a Morning Meeting/mentorship period and academic support period at the end of the day



School Goals for SY 2023-24

1. For SY 2023-2024, Kenai Alternative High School will increase the graduation rate to 55% and reduce the dropout rate to less than 25% by offering increased credit earning opportunities through the restructuring of the rotation and daily schedule, the offering of enrichment courses, and the implementation of an intervention system that is data driven.
 2. For SY 2023-2024, Kenai Alternative High School will increase student ability to accurately identify and effectively respond to their emotions by 23% (to 80%) and increase student ability to remain calm even when under stress by 8% (to 80%) on the KPBSD Climate and Mindset annual survey through development and implementation of SEL and restorative practice strategies in mentorship classes and daily access to a full-time school counselor.
 3. For SY 2023-2024, Kenai Alternative High School will increase the attendance rate to 73% by emphasizing relationship building in mentorship classes and community-focused programs and the implementation of an attendance promotion.
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School Culture

KENAI ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

FOUNDATION

FAMILY

FIGHT

FOCUS

FINISH

STANDARDS

- Kenai Alternative staff and students will demonstrate **FIGHT** through persistent pursuit of identified personal goals and maintaining a respectful understanding of the growth process.
- Kenai Alternative staff and students will become a supportive **FAMILY** that is built upon trust, open communication, and a sense of loyalty that promotes connection amongst all members.
- Kenai Alternative staff and students will maintain a **FOCUS** that is sharpened by a positive and confident mindset motivated by growth opportunity.
- Kenai Alternative staff and students will adhere to a **FINISH** mentality by finding strength and composure in his/her commitment to the process and relentlessly fighting to never give up.

EXPECTATIONS

- Come everyday with a positive and growth mindset.
- Maintain an effective work ethic - stay on task.
- Eliminate outside distractions - remember why you are here and what you are trying to accomplish.
- Respect yourself. You have to be able to respect yourself in order to truly respect others. Then you must be respectful of all students, staff, and the school. Doing so will allow you to garner the respect of others.
- Stay focused on and accomplish the little things - you must be able to do the little things before the big things can become a reality.
 - Little things include - showing up everyday, being on time to class, using your class time wisely, picking up after yourself, communicating with staff, and choosing to do the right thing (even if no one is looking).
- Always seek to improve - never be satisfied with where you are. You can be proud of what you have accomplished but you should always be working to take the next step.
- Don't just be accountable for your actions - be responsible. Those that are responsible for what they have done will seek to grow from the situation. Those that take accountability are often looking to move on.
- Be supportive of yourself, your peers, the staff, and the school. Take care of yourself and those around you. Always celebrate a success, no matter how small.
- Maintain a finish mentality. Sprint through the finish line - never coast. Success comes to those who actively pursue it.
- Embrace the family culture. Lean on the support and help around you. Success is a team effort - embrace those around you.

Telling our story...

Providing students with opportunities to take ownership in their lives

Community Partnerships

- Breakfast Club
- Resiliency Nights
- Postsecondary mentoring
- Service projects
- Career Prep Week

Outdoor Adventure Program

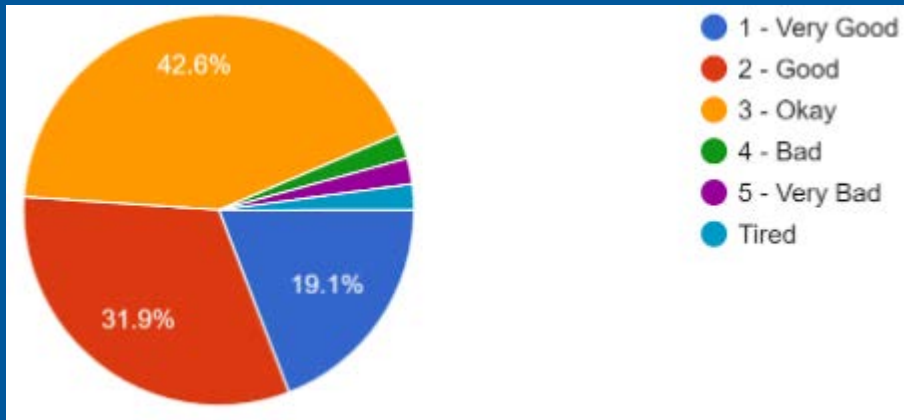
- AASC grant
- Promote outdoor living and healthy lifestyle

Trauma Informed Practices

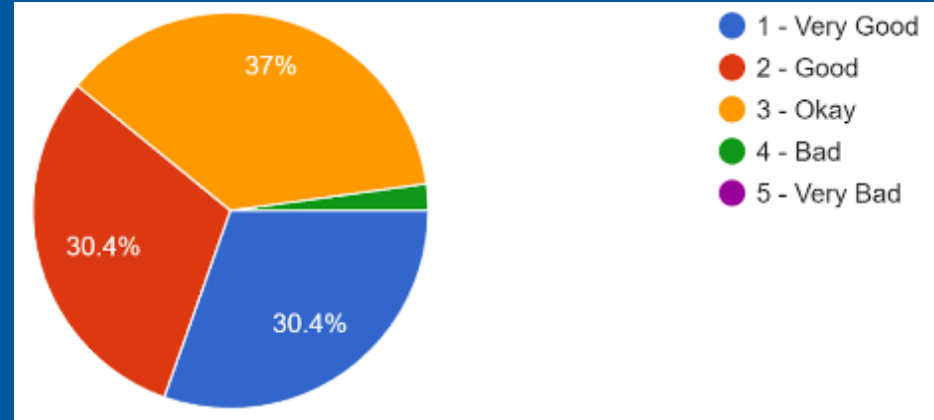
- AASC and SRS grants
 - Mentorship period
 - Full time counselor
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How is your day going?

September (N=47)

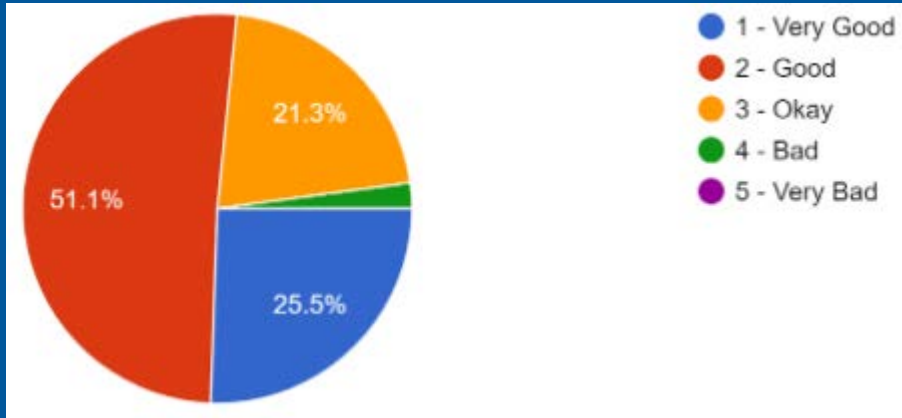


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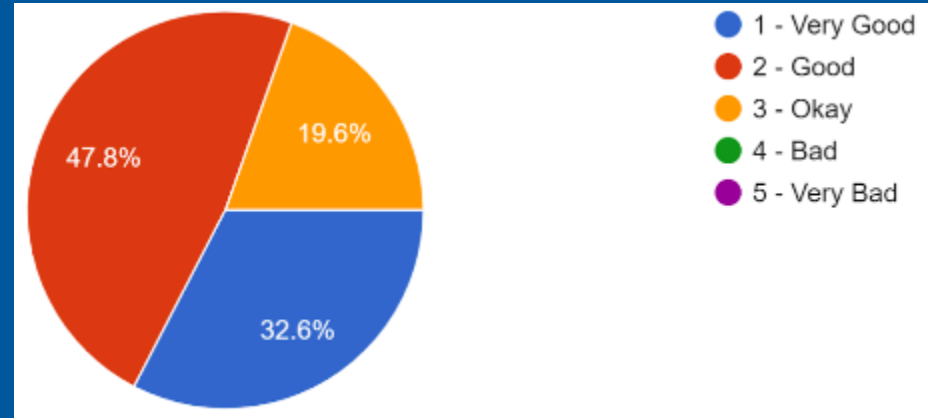


How is your school year going?

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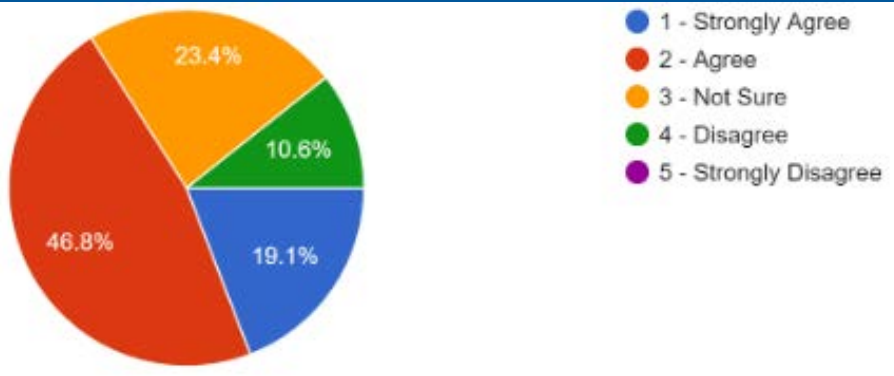


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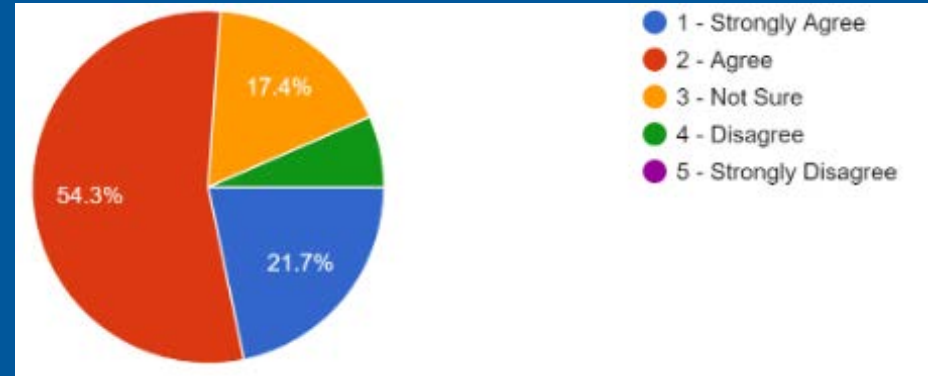


I can clearly describe my feelings (Hanover Survey)

September (N=47)



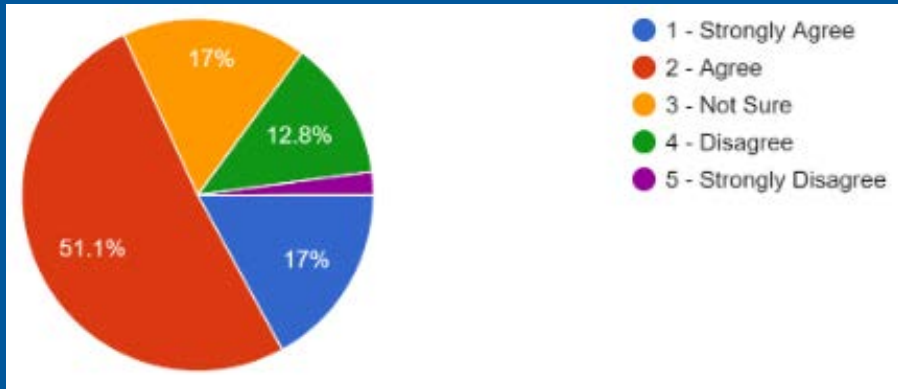
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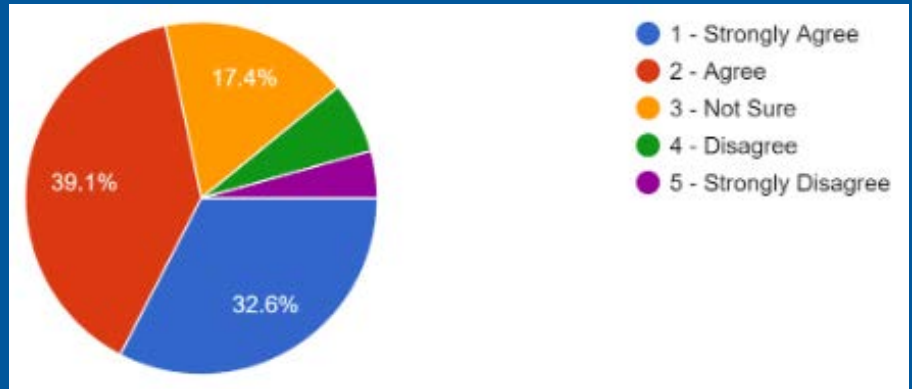
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 - In January 76% of students either strongly agreed or agreed that they can clearly describe their feelings. This is up by 10.1% from September and only 4% below our goal of 80%.
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I can remain calm even when under stress (Hanover Survey)

September (N=47)



January (N=47)



- For SY 2023-2024, Kenai Alternative High School will increase student ability to remain calm even when under stress by 8% (to 80%) on the annual KPBSD Hanover Climate and Mindset Survey.
 - In January 71.7% of students either strongly agreed or agreed that they can remain calm even when under stress. This is up by 3.6% since September and 8.3% below our goal of 80%.
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Telling their stories...

The student perspective and their experiences

Kayley R.



Zach W.



Sonia M.



Levin H.



Kaleb F.



How has KALT helped you?



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**Thank you for this
opportunity.**

Questions?