

Comparative Data between JMG and “My Voice” Surveys Conducted by the Quaglia Institute for Student Aspirations 6/20/06

The word “teacher” was replaced with “Specialist” on all JMG surveys.
The word “school/class” was replaced with JMG/Project Reach on all JMG surveys.

QUESTIONS	My Voice Student Combined Aggregate n = 52,529	JMG n = 1,167
	MY VOICE	JMG
BELONGING		
School is a welcoming and friendly place.	63.2%	95.2%
I feel accepted for who I am at school.	77.1%	90.3%
I have difficulty fitting in at school.	12.0%	11.6%
Teachers care about my problems and feelings.	45.2%	84.9%
I am proud of my school.	50.2%	83.4%
I feel comfortable going to the cafeteria for lunch.	69.0%	85.6%
I think bullying is a problem at my school.	30.6%	18.6%
HEROES		
Students respect teachers.	41.0%	85.6%
I have a teacher who is a positive role model for me.	65.8%	85.6%
Teachers care about me as an individual.	49.7%	84.2%
Teachers care if I am absent from school.	49.8%	76.7%
If I have a problem, I have a teacher with whom I can talk.	50.5%	82.0%
Teachers respect students.	54.7%	91.1%
Students respect each other.	30.3%	65.9%

	MY VOICE	JMG
SENSE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT		
Tests are an important part of my education.	66.2%	68.8%
Teachers recognize students who are kind and helpful.	70.5%	89.5%
I have never been recognized for something positive at school.	21.3%	16.3%
I give up when schoolwork is difficult.	19.4%	21.5%
Teachers recognize me when I try my best.	59.9%	84.5%
I put forth my best effort at school.	66.5%	83.4%
Getting good grades is important to me.	84.1%	82.4%
FUN & EXCITEMENT		
I enjoy being at school.	49.7%	92.9%
Teachers enjoy working with students.	58.0%	90.9%
Teachers make school an exciting place to learn.	31.6%	74.9%
School is boring.	46.2%	10.6%
I enjoy participating in my classes.	56.0%	86.5%
Teachers have fun at school.	38.5%	85.0%
Learning can be fun.	64.6%	76.3%
CURIOSITY & CREATIVITY		
I feel comfortable asking questions in class.	65.6%	88.7%
My teachers present lessons in different ways.	72.4%	87.7%
At school I am encouraged to be creative.	57.1%	84.6%
My classes help me understand what is happening in my everyday life.	39.0%	67.5%
I enjoy learning new things.	77.0%	86.2%
I learn new things that are interesting to me at school.	67.1%	85.3%
What I learn in school will benefit my future.	76.8%	85.4%

	MY VOICE	JMG
SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE		
I am afraid my friends won't like me if I do well in school.	5.0%	6.4%
I push myself to do better academically.	75.0%	73.4%
Students are supportive of each other.	40.5%	67.7%
I am afraid to try something if I think I may fail.	24.2%	23.3%
Teachers help me learn from my mistakes.	57.7%	79.4%
Teachers think I can be successful.	71.5%	89.7%
I am excited to tell my friends when I get good grades.	54.6%	65.0%
LEADERSHIP & RESPONSIBILITY		
I see myself as a leader.	59.4%	60.6%
Other students see me as a leader.	34.8%	41.8%
Teachers encourage students to make decisions.	63.7%	87.1%
I think about others' feelings when I make decisions.	67.3%	75.0%
I am a good decision maker.	63.8%	73.3%
I know the goals my school is working on this year.	35.9%	77.3%
CONFIDENCE TO TAKE ACTION		
I believe I can be successful.	91.5%	92.1%
I believe I can make a difference in this world.	64.0%	63.0%
Teachers expect me to be successful.	77.8%	87.1%
Going to college is important for my future.	86.3%	82.3%
I work hard to reach my goals.	79.2%	83.3%
I am excited about my future.	77.1%	84.0%
I think it is important to set high goals.	77.2%	79.8%
School is preparing me well for my future.	64.5%	87.0%