

In this survey, we are interested in learning more about your thoughts, feelings, and attitudes about Newton School. We also want to know what goes into people's decisions to stay at the school. The outside consulting firm, Dawn M. Ellis and Associates, LLC, will analyze your responses to protect your privacy. Consider filling out one survey for each family member with opinions. The survey may take around 10 minutes to complete. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Greg Bagnato, Principal of The Newton School, at 802-765-4351. Submit By: 11:30 a.m., Friday, February 1, 2019

1. Check all that apply to you, I am or was a Newton...

- Student
- Parent/ Guardian
- Community Member
- Employee

2. What is your gender?

- Female
- Male
- Other

We would like to know more about you. Please take a few moments to answer the following questions.

3. For students, check one. I am a...

- Child who might attend Newton.
- Current Newton student
- Former Newton student now in grades K-8
- Former Newton student now in grades 9-12
- Other (please specify)

4. If you are a former Newton student, what high school did/do you attend? (check all that apply)

- Thetford Academy
- Hanover High School
- The Sharon Academy
- Other (please specify)

5. For parents/guardians, how would you describe your relationship with Newton school? (check all that apply)

- I might send my child to Newton.
- I currently send my child to Newton.
- My child used to attend Newton.
- Other (please specify)

6. If you are a parent of school age children, what grade levels are your children? (Check all that apply.)

- Pre-K and below
- K-5th
- 6th
- 7-8th
- 9-12th

7. For community members, check all that describe you.

- Year-round resident
- Seasonal resident
- Newton School volunteer
- I attend Newton events
- Newton Family member (not parent/ guardian)

8. For Newton School employees, check the answer which best describes your job.

- Teacher
- Other Educator/ Student Supports Staff
- Administrator
- Staff

9. Do you have personal experience with Newton School (within the last ten years)?

- Yes
- No

In this section, we'd like to know about your feelings and attitudes from your recent experiences with Newton School.

10. How strongly do you agree or disagree with these statements about student relationships at the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Administrators treat students well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Students look up to school adults.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Students like one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teachers care about students.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. How strongly do you agree or disagree with these statements about adult relationships at the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Administrators treat teachers well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
School adults like one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teachers trust administrators to do the right thing.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. How strongly do you agree or disagree with these statements on safety at the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Classrooms feel safe and inviting.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel comfortable at school lunch.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The school helps students work out differences.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The school's approach to discipline works for me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about conflict at the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Students at this school are often bullied.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Students at this school are teased or picked on alot.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It's risky to go to recess.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about school community?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Students enjoy working with this school's adults.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The school environment encourages learning.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
At this school, people listen to each other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parents get involved in the school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I belong at this school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements on academic accessibility at the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
The school encourages all students to reach high levels.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Students with IEP's (Individualized Education Programs) or 504 plans get the support they need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The school meets the needs of students ready for advanced work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Instruction reaches students at the right levels.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. How strongly do you agree or disagree about the following statements on support in the school?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	No Opinion	Agree	Strongly Agree
Teachers give students attention when they need it.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Staff do a good job helping parents know how to support their children's learning at home.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The school makes it easy for me to participate fully.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. Do or did you or a family member attend Newton School in the last five years?

- Yes
- No

In this section, we'd like to learn more about what you think about the level of preparation Newton School gives students for their next educational step.

18. How well do you feel Newton School prepares children for the next academic year?

- Not well at all
- Mildly well
- Fairly well
- Quite well
- Extremely well

19. What level of preparation does Newton give students in the following academic areas?

	Poor	Adequate	Good
Math	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Science	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Writing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
History	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Art	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Music	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Theater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Foreign Language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. What level of preparation does Newton give students in the following skill areas?

	Poor	Adequate	Good
Executive Function Skills (Planning, Time Management, Organizing)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Self-confidence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Relationships	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21. Check school areas that matter to you when choosing to stay in 7th or 8th grade at Newton.

- Education Quality
- Variety of Offerings
- Class Size
- Teacher Variety
- Cost
- Location
- Safety
- School Environment
- Sports
- Extracurricular Activities
- School Discipline

22. Check relationship areas that matter to you when choosing to stay in 7th or 8th grade at Newton.

- Friends
- Relationships with Adults
- Respect
- Embracing of Difference
- Cultural Competency
- Community
- Opportunities to Participate

23. Did you/will you or your child stay at Newton for 7th and 8th grade? (if applicable)

Definitely not	Probably not	Undecided	Probably	Definitely	N/A
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In this section, we'd like to know your opinions about the future of Newton School.

24. How important is it that we have a 7th and 8th grade public school in Strafford?

25. Why do you think that? (Check all that apply.)

- Pride
- Community
- Gathering Place
- Taxes
- Cost
- Education Choices
- Family
- Local Living
- Education Quality
- High School Preparation
- Strafford History
- Family Support Services
- Transportation
- Class size

26. What grade levels should Newton School teach, if any? (Check all that apply.)

- Pre K
- K-5th
- 6th
- 7th- 8th
- None of the above
- Other (please specify)

27. Do you have any comments, explanations, priorities, feedback, or concerns?