



# The Herald

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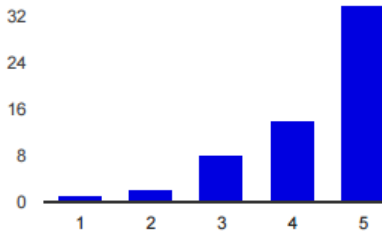
## Annual Survey Results

Voltaire, a French philosopher who lived from 1694 to 1778, is famous for quoting “good is the enemy of great.” Often in our society we don’t have *great* institutions because we have *good* institutions. It takes more to make something great than it does to make something that’s good. At MCA, we constantly strive to be a great school. We have programs in place for continuous development of our faculty and staff, we continually examine and work to improve our curriculum, and we strive to promote the intellectual and moral development of every student to their full capability.



One way we keep a pulse on how we’re doing is our annual survey. The 2015 annual parent survey indicated that MCA families are generally pleased with every area explored. School leadership is already considering ways to maintain the commendations and to address the suggestions. The graphs below tally and chart the responses with one being low, five being high, and a sixth category which means the responder had no experience or did not know how to answer that particular item. As stated before, MCA will always strive for excellence in our mission to educate your children. We thank all of you that took time to respond to this survey, and we certainly appreciate all your comments and suggestions.

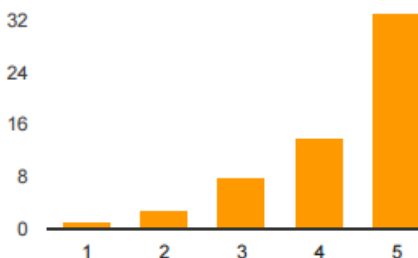
### Teaching of reading?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	1	1.5%
2	2	3%
3	8	11.9%
4	14	20.9%
5	34	50.7%
No experience	8	11.9%

### Teaching of writing?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	1	1.5%
2	3	4.5%
3	8	11.9%
4	14	20.9%
5	33	49.3%
No experience	8	11.9%

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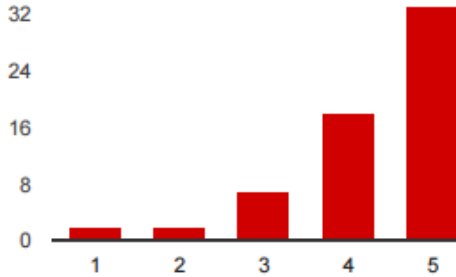
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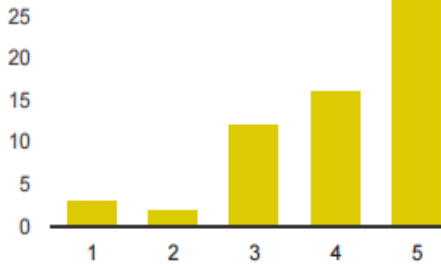
### Teaching of science?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	2	3%
2	2	3%
3	7	10.4%
4	18	26.9%
5	33	49.3%
No experience	5	7.5%

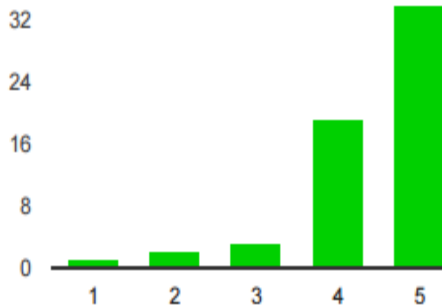
### Teaching of mathematics?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	3	4.5%
2	2	3%
3	12	17.9%
4	16	23.9%
5	29	43.3%
No experience	5	7.5%

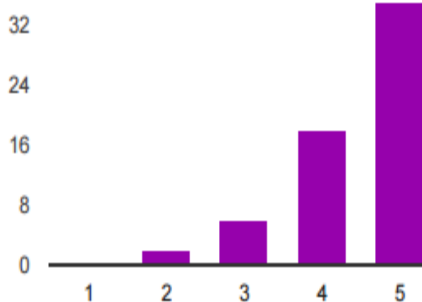
### Teaching of technology?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	1	1.5%
2	2	3%
3	3	4.5%
4	19	28.4%
5	34	50.7%
No experience	8	11.9%

### Teaching of English, language arts?



### Choice Respondents Total Percentage

1	0	0%
2	2	3%
3	6	9%
4	18	26.9%
5	35	52.2%
No experience	6	9%

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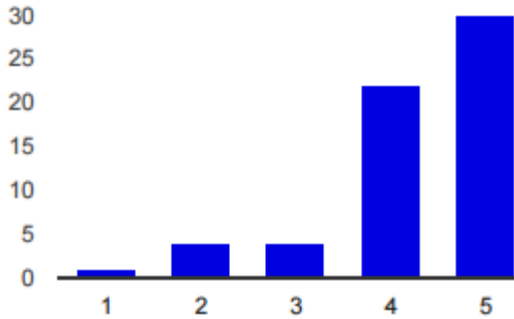
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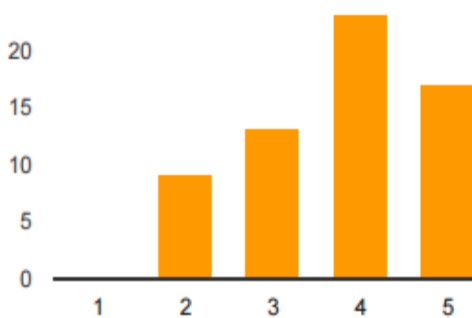


### Teaching of history, geography, and social studies?



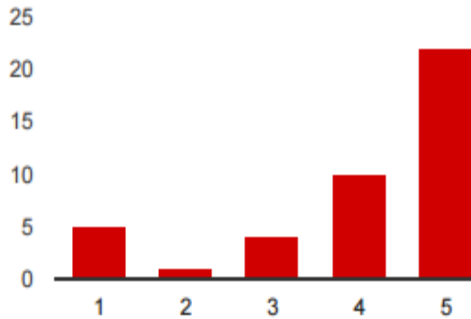
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	1	1.5%
2	4	6%
3	4	6%
4	22	32.8%
5	30	44.8%
No experience	6	9%

### Proper amount of homework?



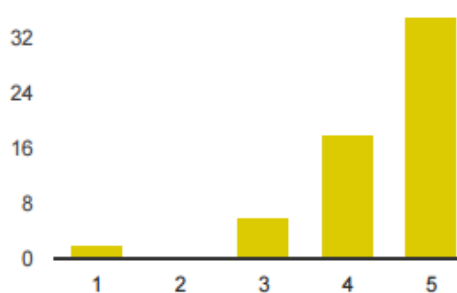
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	0	0%
2	9	13.4%
3	13	19.4%
4	23	34.3%
5	17	25.4%
No experience	5	7.5%

### 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade electives?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	5	7.5%
2	1	1.5%
3	4	6%
4	10	14.9%
5	22	32.8%
No experience	25	37.3%

### Moral Character Development?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	2	3%
2	0	0%
3	6	9%
4	18	26.9%
5	35	52.2%
No experience	6	9%

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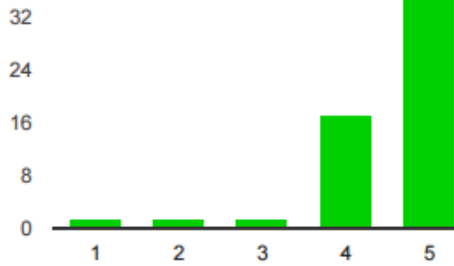
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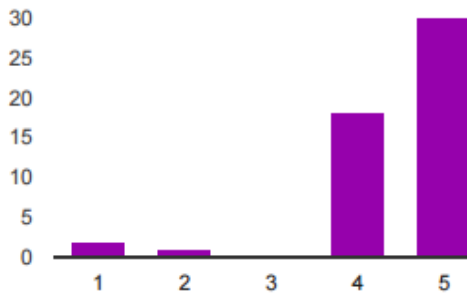


### Implementation of the Core Knowledge Curriculum ?



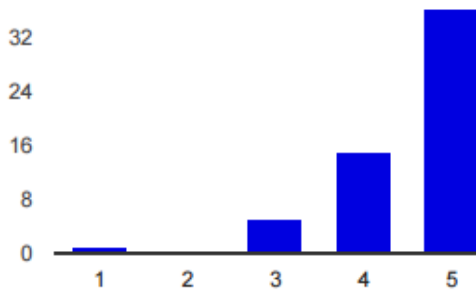
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	1	1.5%
2	1	1.5%
3	1	1.5%
4	17	25.4%
5	35	52.2%
No experience	12	17.9%

### Implementation of Common Core and Essential Standards?



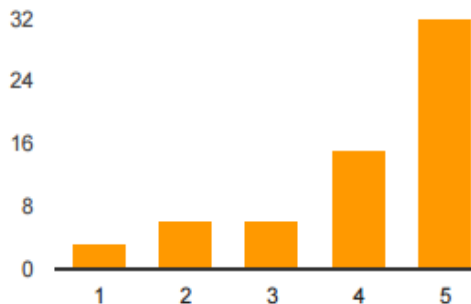
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	2	3%
2	1	1.5%
3	0	0%
4	18	26.9%
5	30	44.8%
No experience	16	23.9%

### Use of technology ?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	1	1.5%
2	0	0%
3	5	7.5%
4	15	22.4%
5	36	53.7%
No experience	10	14.9%

### School / home communication ?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	3	4.5%
2	6	9%
3	6	9%
4	15	22.4%
5	32	47.8%
No experience	5	7.5%

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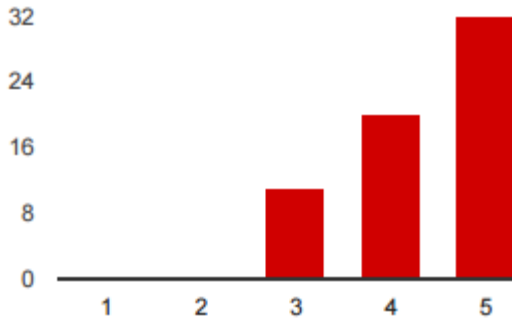
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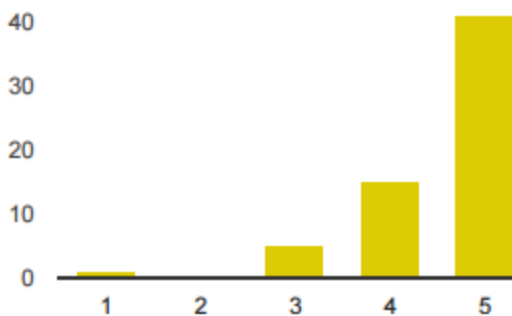
### Parental involvement ?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	11	16.4%
4	20	29.9%
5	32	47.8%
No experience	4	6%

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3	11	16.4%
4	20	29.9%
5	32	47.8%
No experience	4	6%

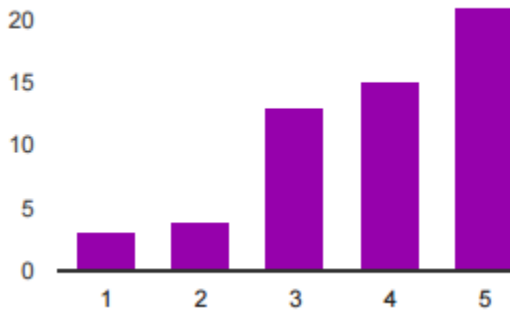
### Facility and campus ?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	1	1.5%
2	0	0%
3	5	7.5%
4	15	22.4%
5	41	61.2%
No experience	5	7.5%

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2	0	0%
3	5	7.5%
4	15	22.4%
5	41	61.2%
No experience	5	7.5%

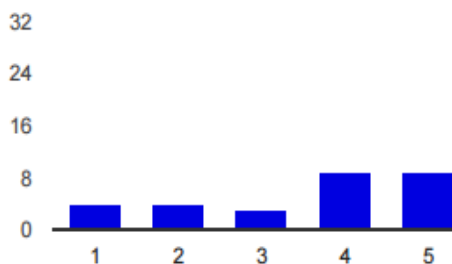
### Athletic program (interscholastic grades 6-8 and clubs K-9)?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	3	4.5%
2	4	6%
3	13	19.4%
4	15	22.4%
5	21	31.3%
No experience	11	16.4%

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2	4	6%
3	13	19.4%
4	15	22.4%
5	21	31.3%
No experience	11	16.4%

### Challenge Center?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	4	6%
2	4	6%
3	3	4.5%
4	9	13.4%
5	9	13.4%
No experience	38	56.7%

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5	9	13.4%
No experience	38	56.7%

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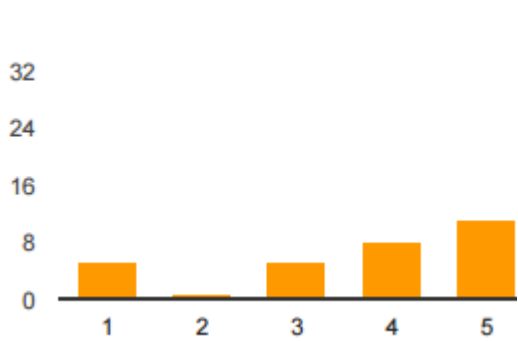
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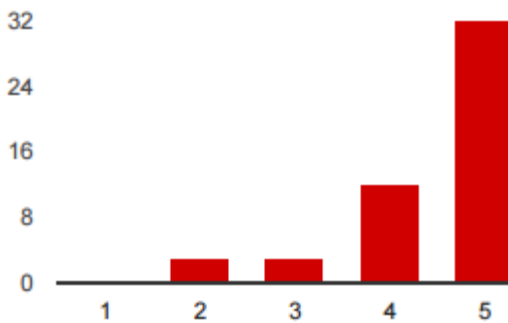


### Exceptional children's program ?



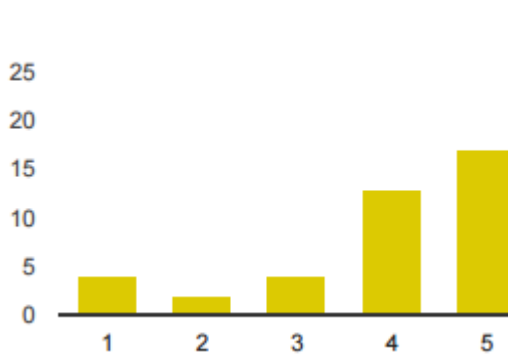
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	5	7.5%
2	1	1.5%
3	5	7.5%
4	8	11.9%
5	11	16.4%
No experience	37	55.2%

### Lower School (grades K-5)?



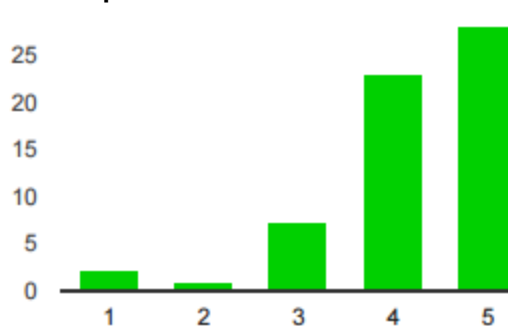
Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
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2	3	4.5%
3	3	4.5%
4	12	17.9%
5	32	47.8%
No experience	17	25.4%

### Upper School (grades 6-9)?



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	4	6%
2	2	3%
3	4	6%
4	13	19.4%
5	17	25.4%
No experience	27	40.3%

### Information about high school expansion



Choice	Respondents	Total Percentage
1	2	3%
2	1	1.5%
3	7	10.4%
4	23	34.3%
5	28	41.8%
No experience	6	9%

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