

School Climate Survey

Results and Analysis

Manhasset Public Schools
2017-2018 School Year



Project Overview

Positive school climate is an essential component of successful and effective schools. It is defined as the shared beliefs, values, and attitudes that shape interactions between students, teachers, and administrators, while setting the parameters of acceptable behavior and norms for the school.

The Manhasset Public Schools' School Climate Survey asked students, parents, and staff members for feedback on the most important dimensions of school climate. Results will be used to inform future decisions.

K12 *Insight* partnered with Superintendent Vincent Butera and a survey committee to develop the survey, which addressed the following topics:

- Academic support
- Student support
- School leadership
- Safety and behavior
- Family involvement
- Student experience

Details of the Study

The survey was open from April 9 through May 1.

K12 *Insight* provided a survey link for each participant group.

Pre-survey communications included letters, social media messages, phone calls, and videos.

The survey was translated into Spanish.

This report summarizes survey results and breaks them down by participant group.

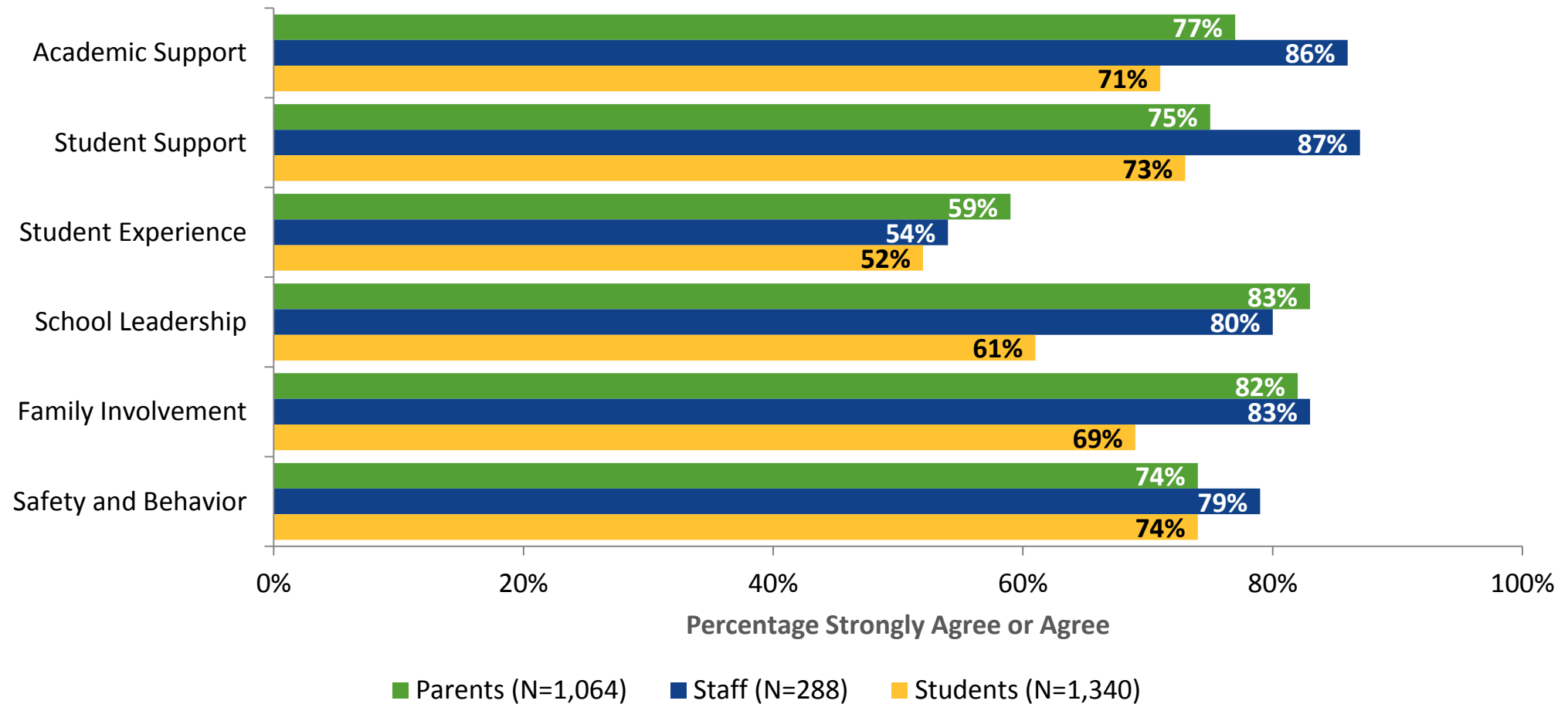
Results do not reflect random sampling; therefore, they should not be generalized to all Manhasset Public Schools students, parents, and staff members. Rather, results reflect only the perceptions and opinions of survey participants.

Findings for each item in the report exclude participants who did not answer. In charts and graphs, data labels less than 5 percent are not shown. Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.

Participation

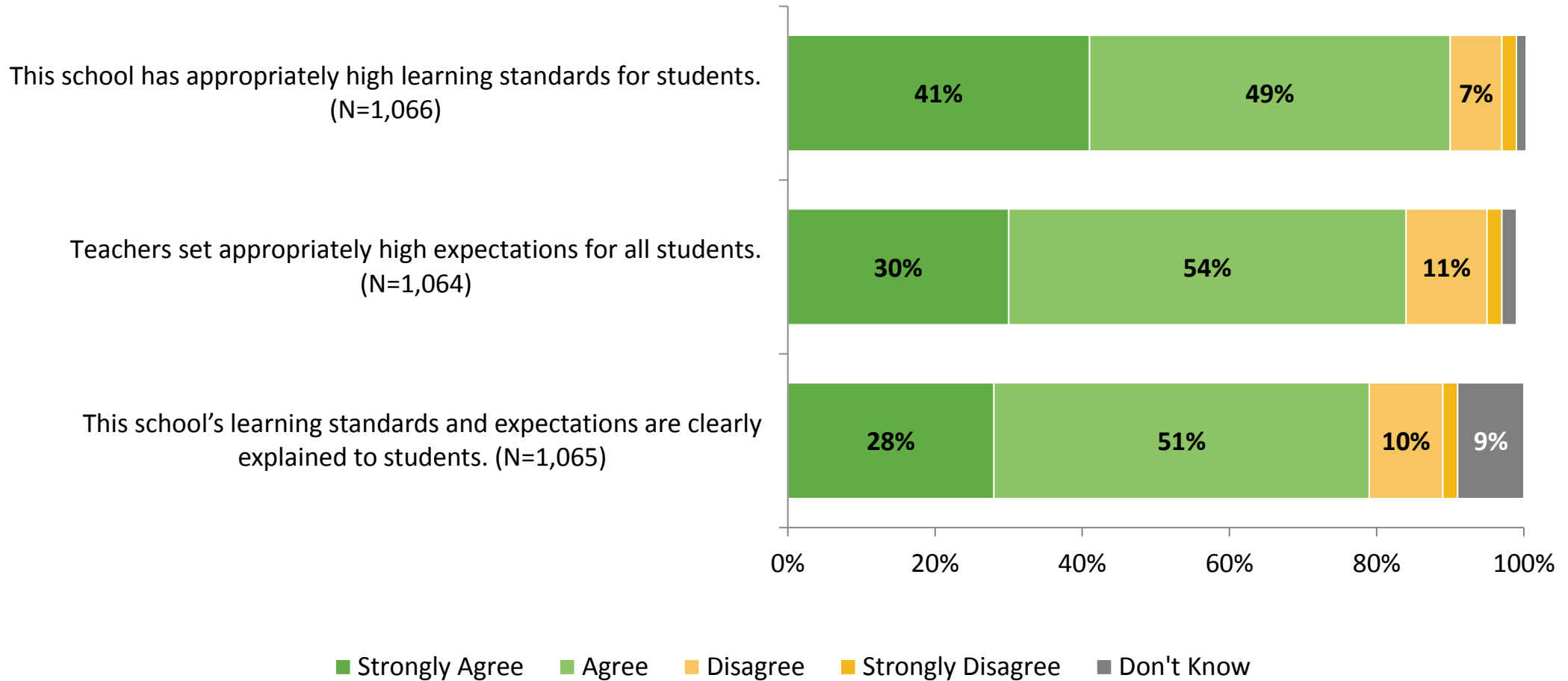
Responding Group	Public-Access Link Responses	Total Responses
Parents	1,075	1,075
Staff	293	293
Students	1,352	1,352

Dimension Scores: Comparison by Respondent Type



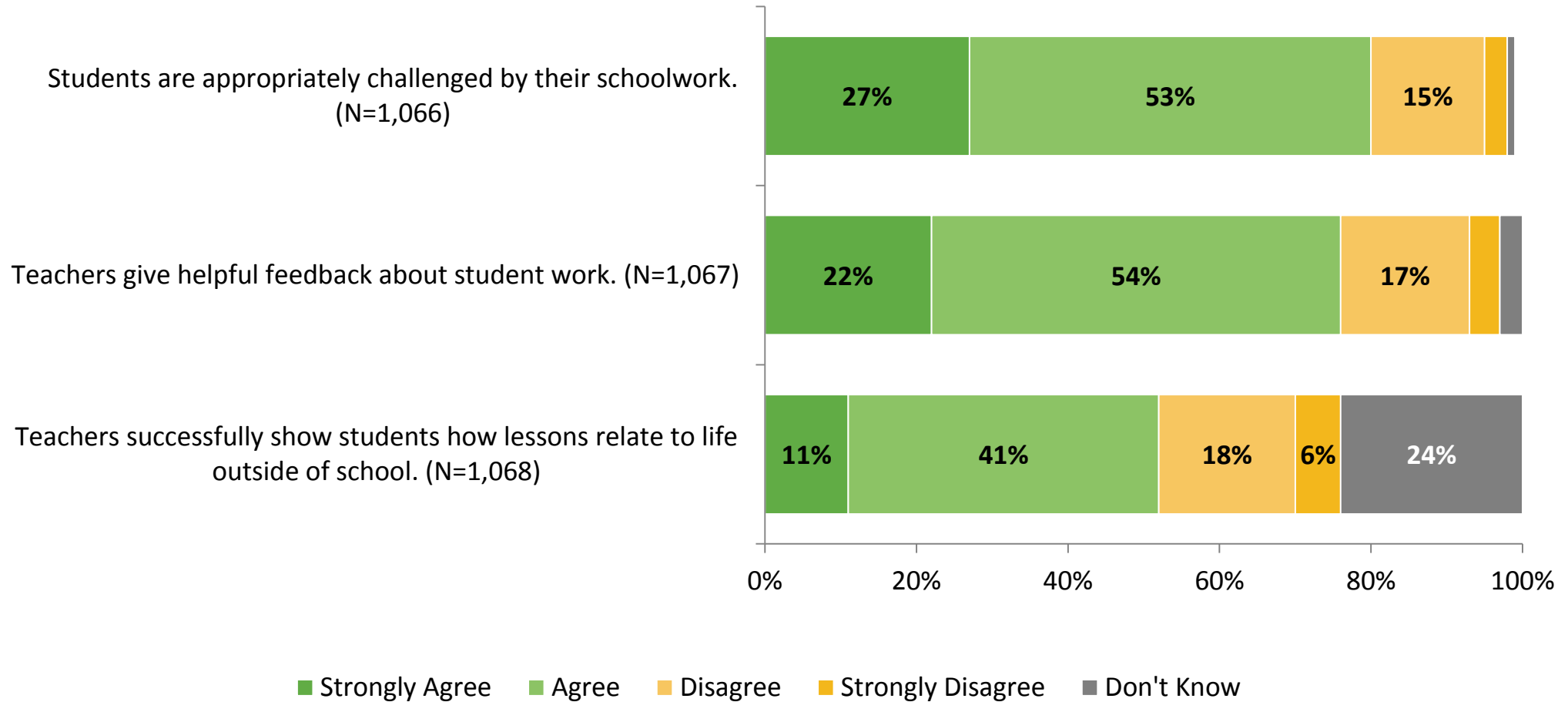
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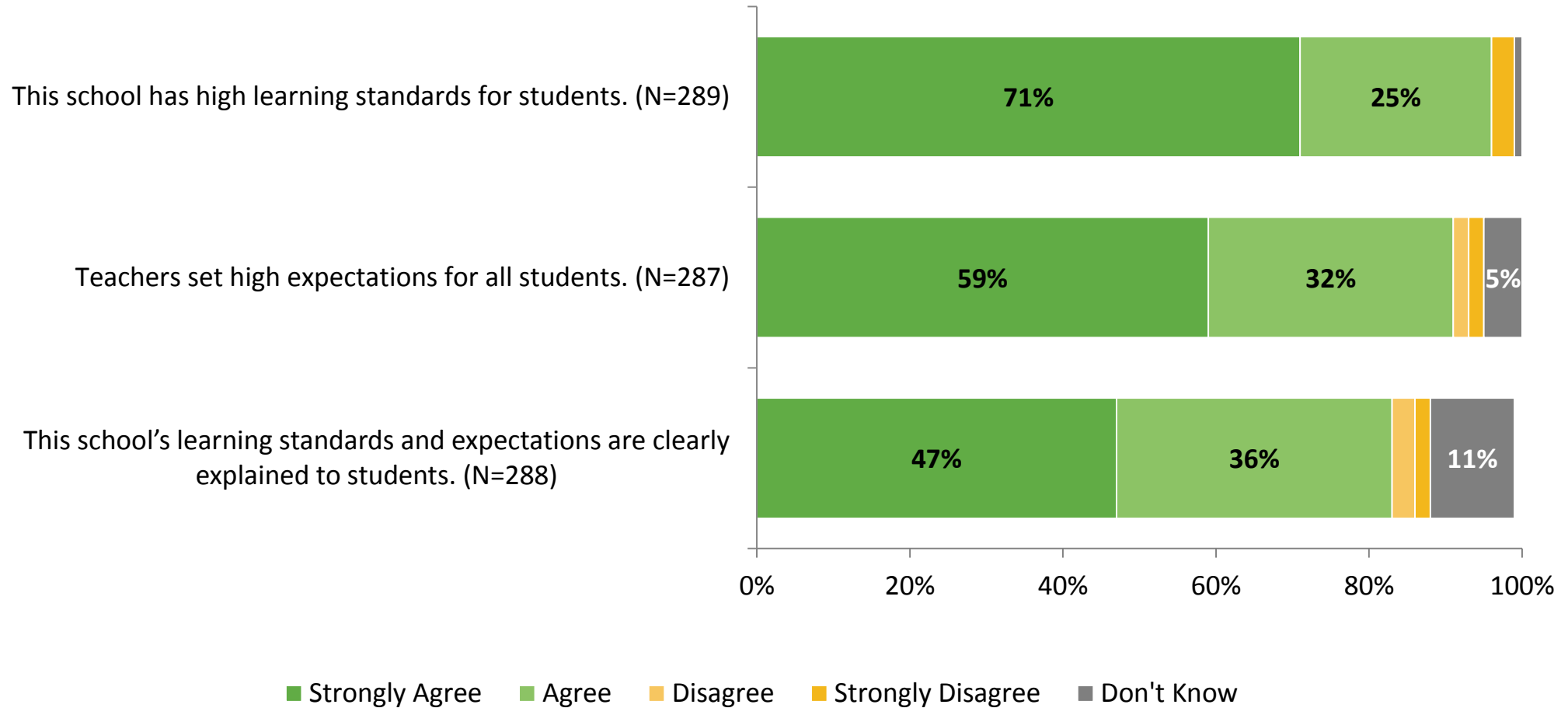
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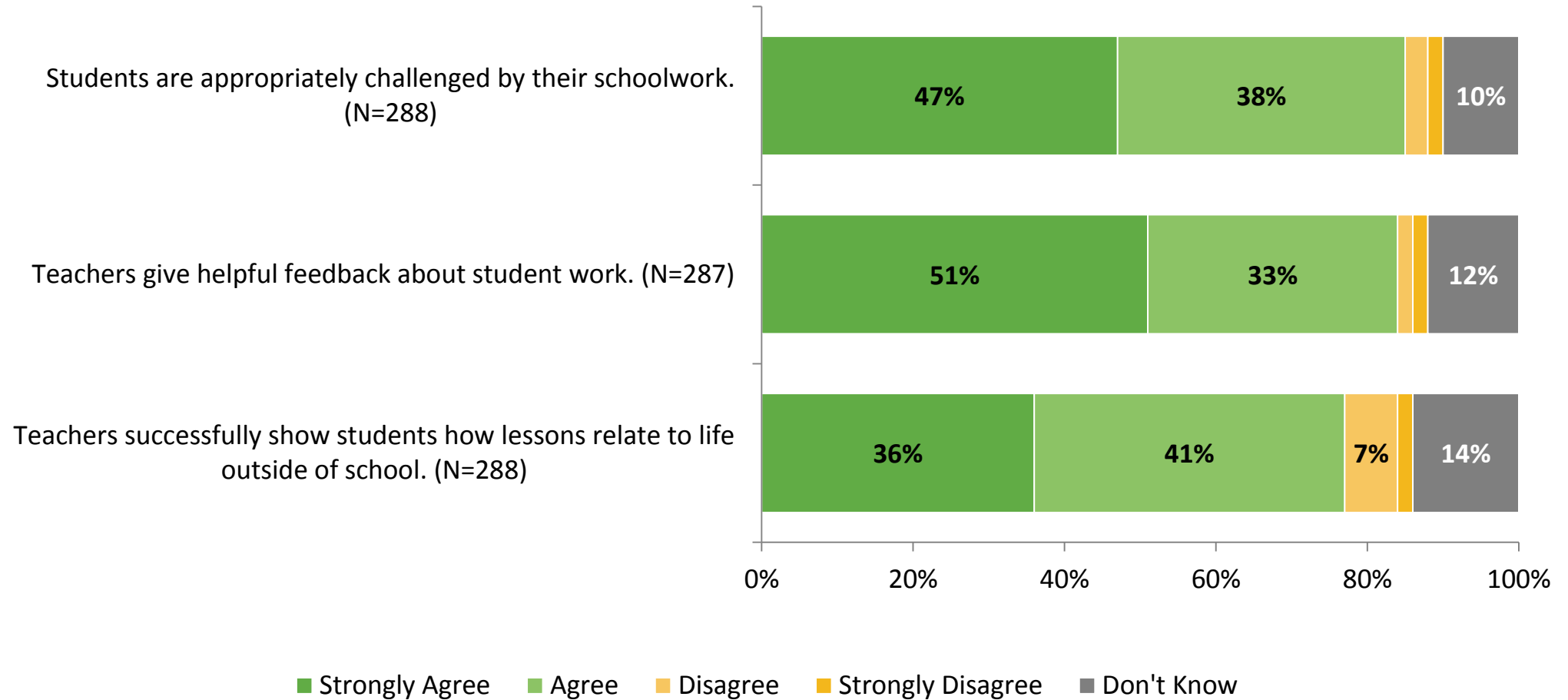
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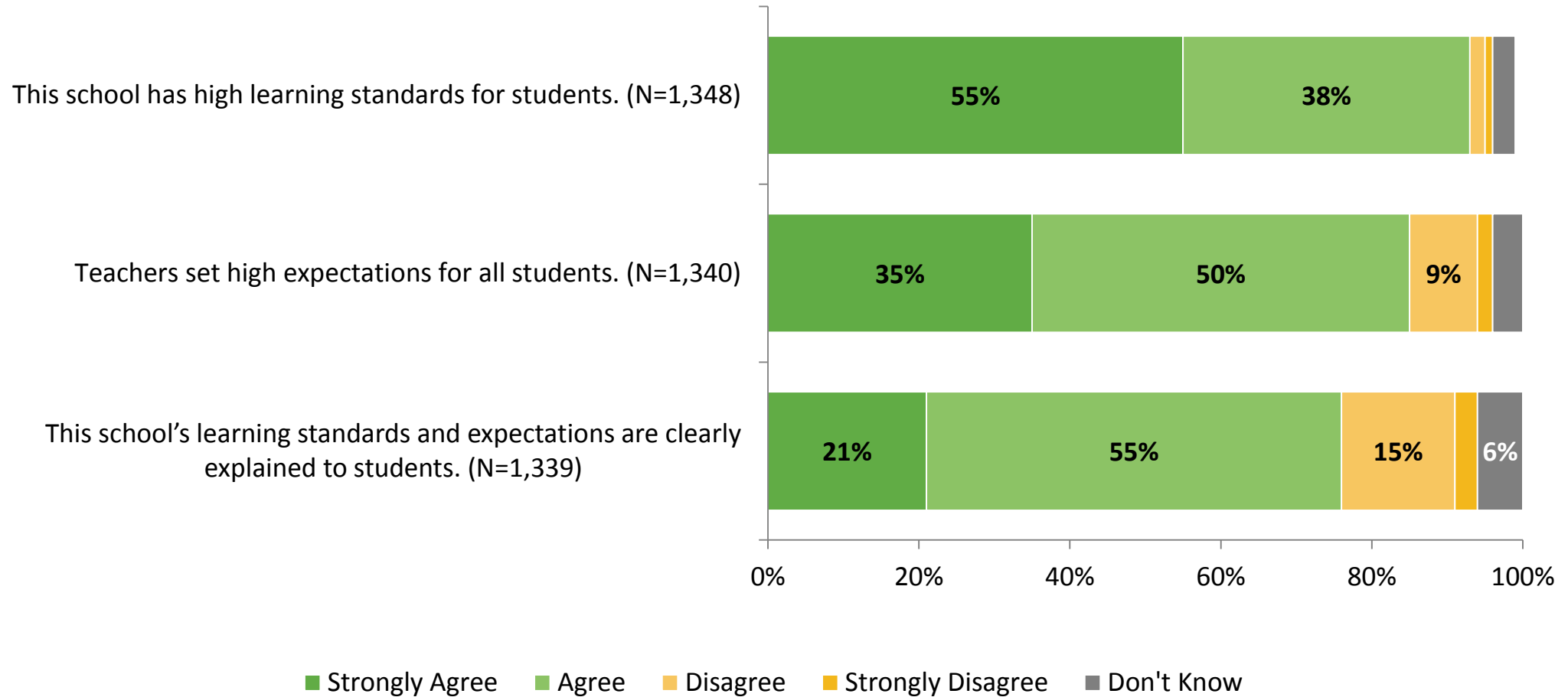
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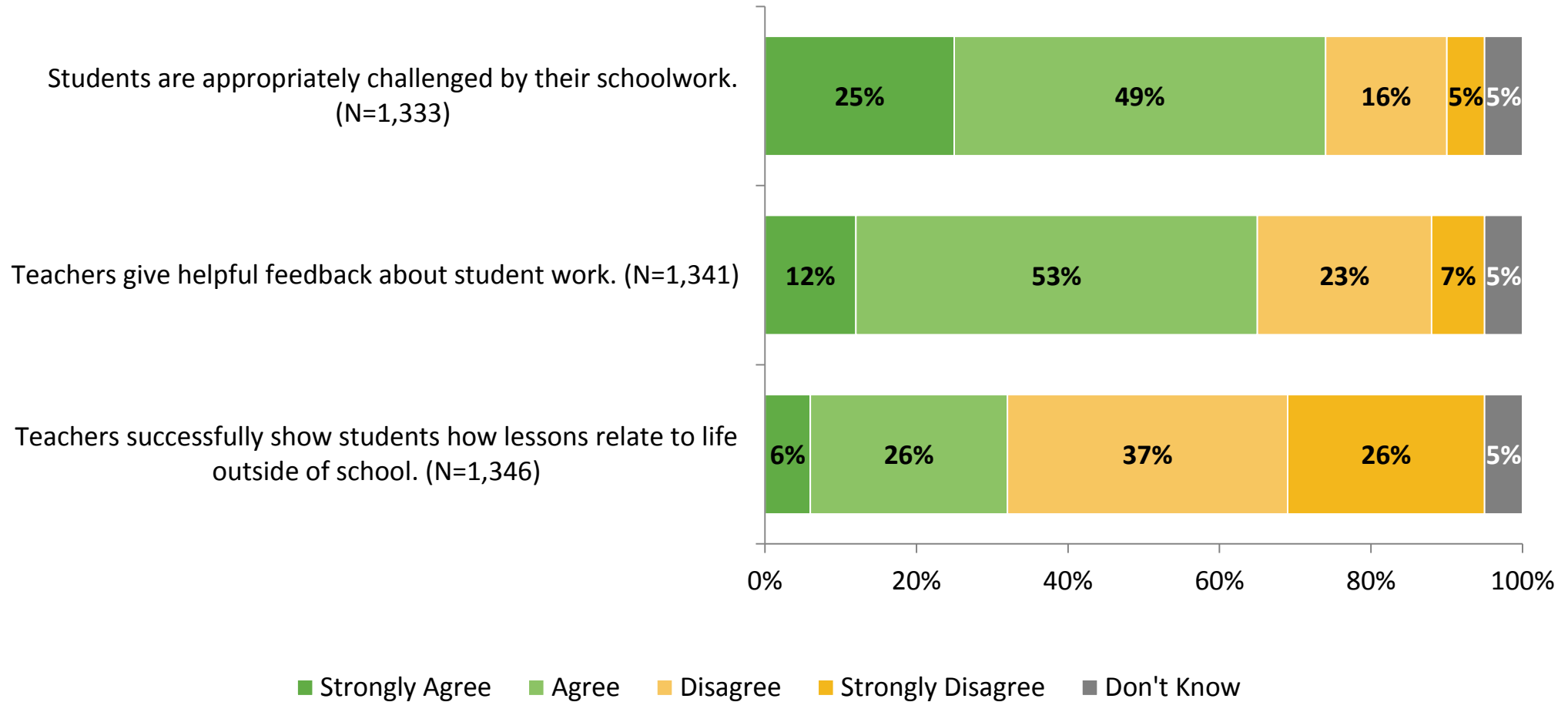
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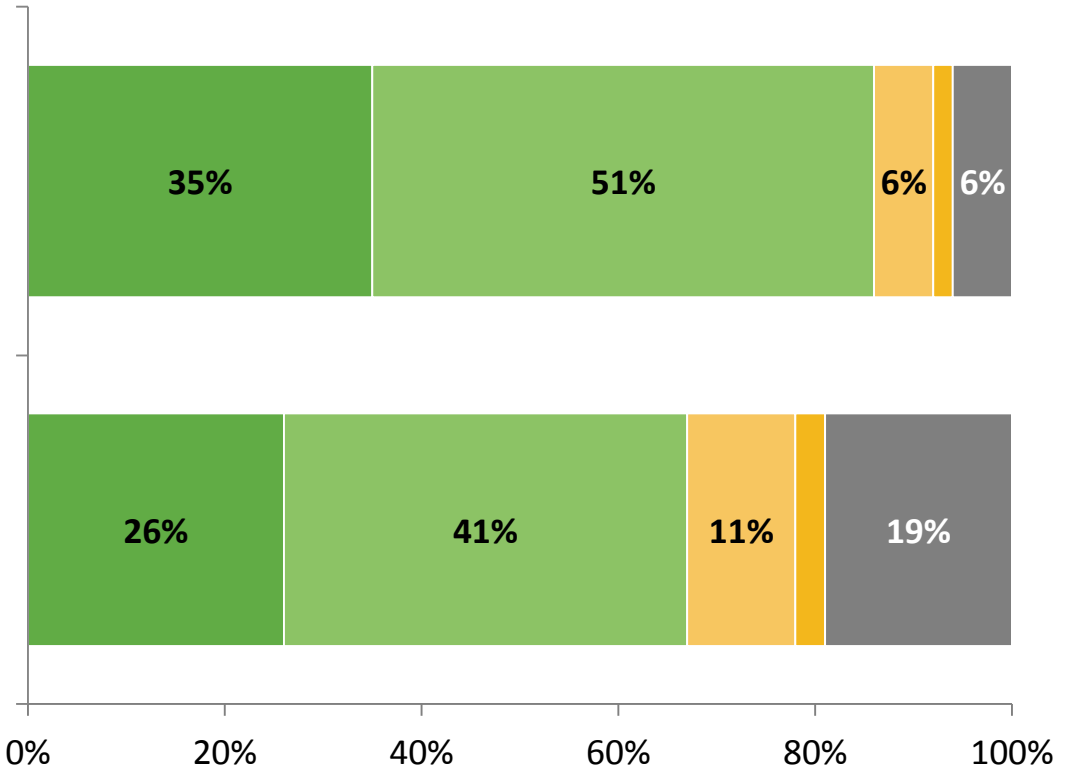
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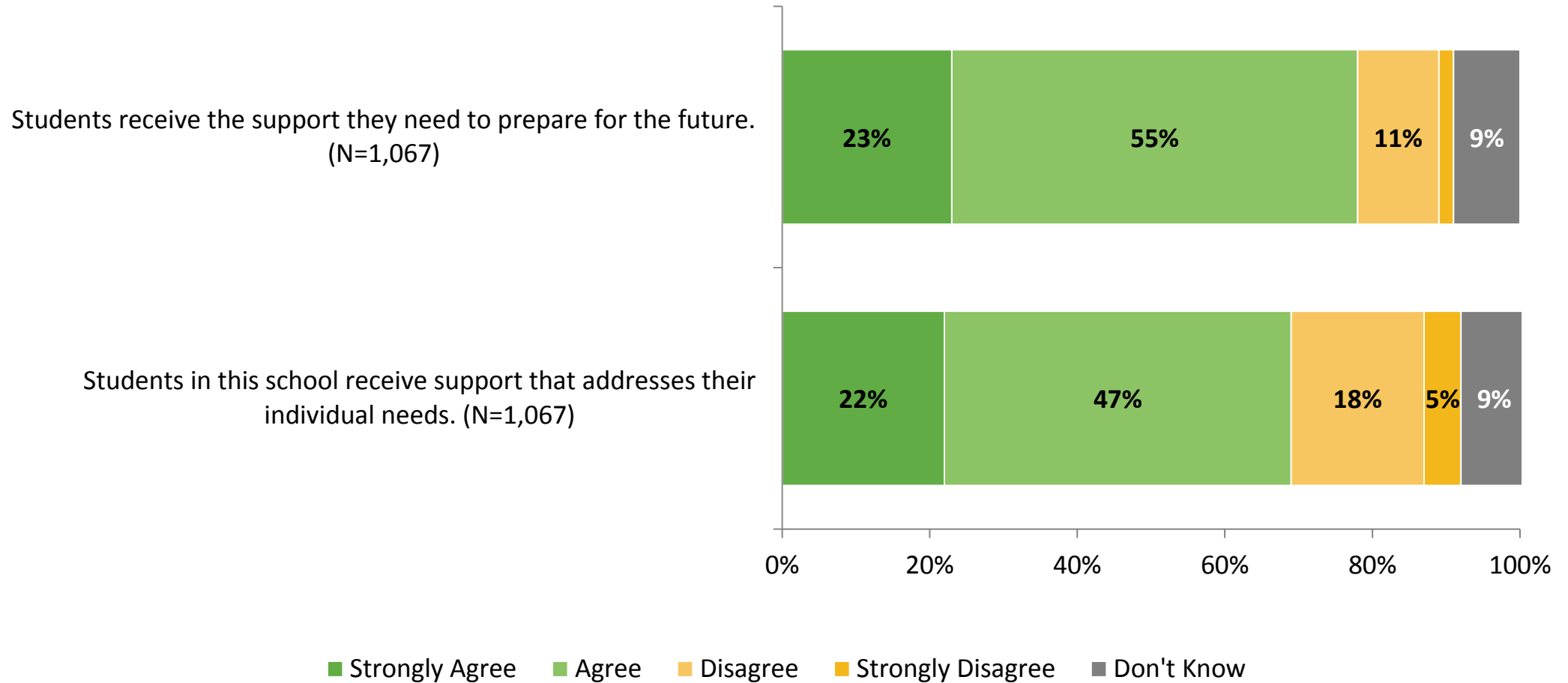
There is a teacher, counselor, or other staff member to whom a student can go for help with a school problem. (N=1,069)



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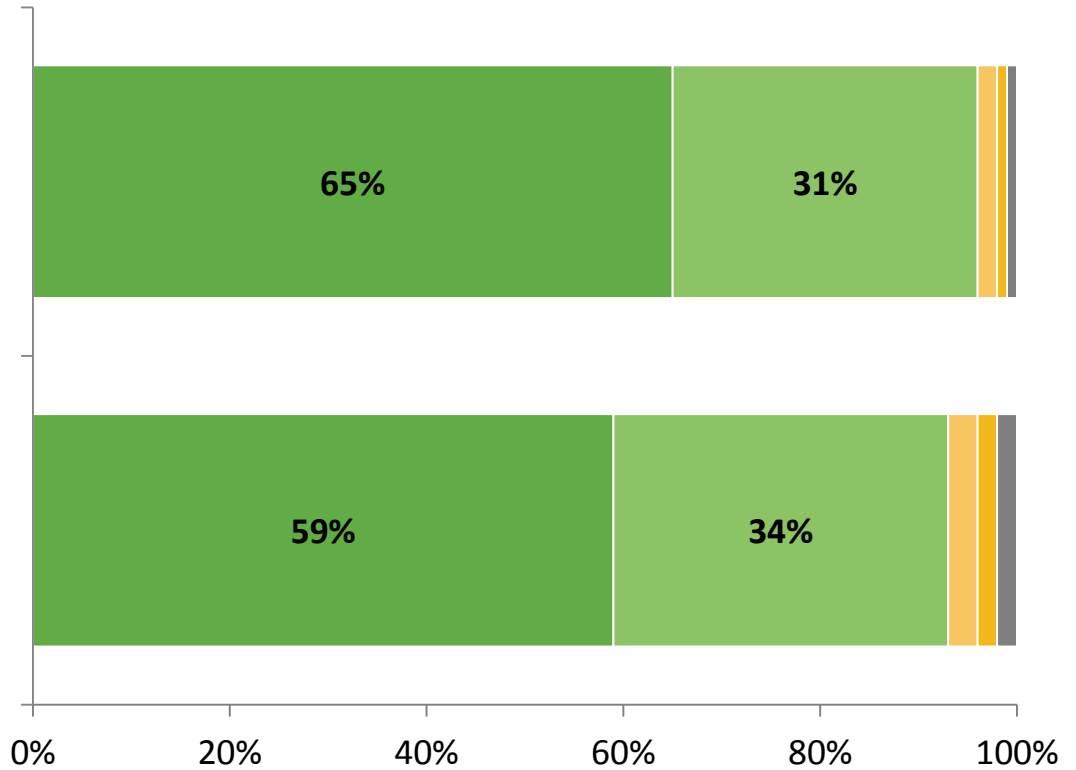
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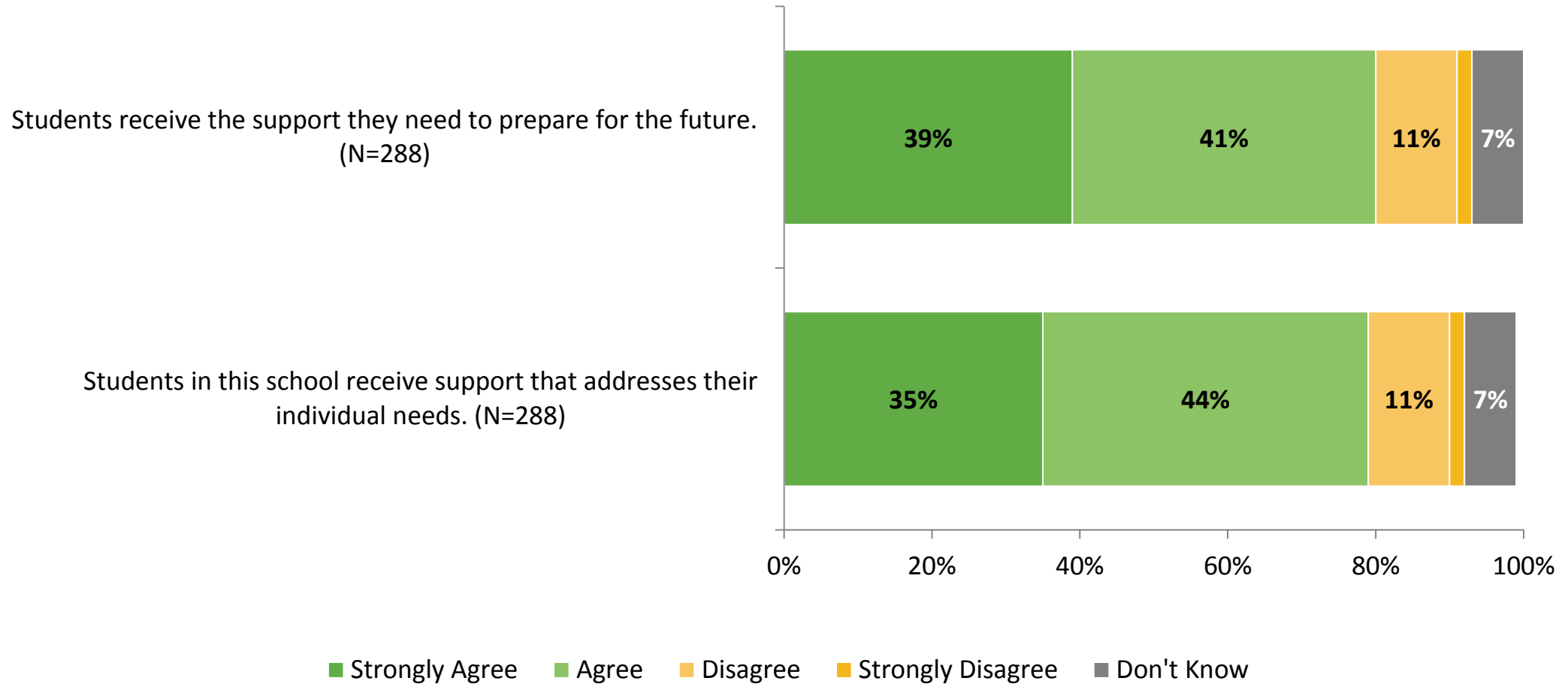
There is a teacher, counselor, or other staff member to whom a student can go for help with a school problem. (N=288)



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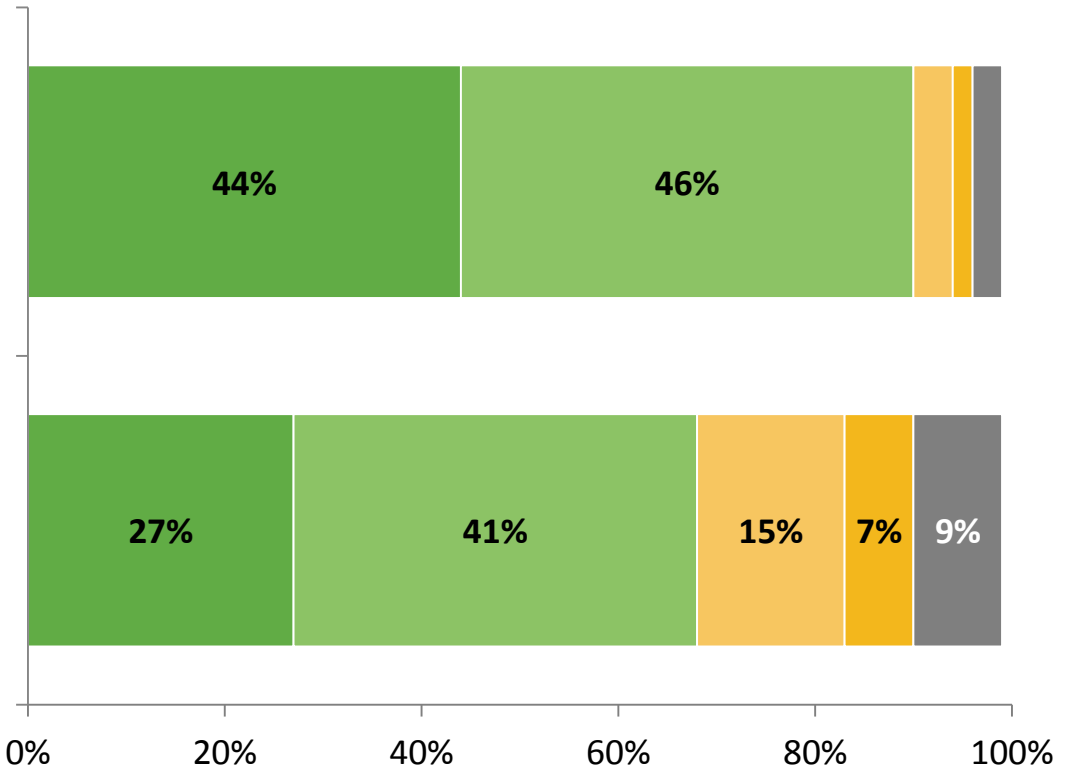
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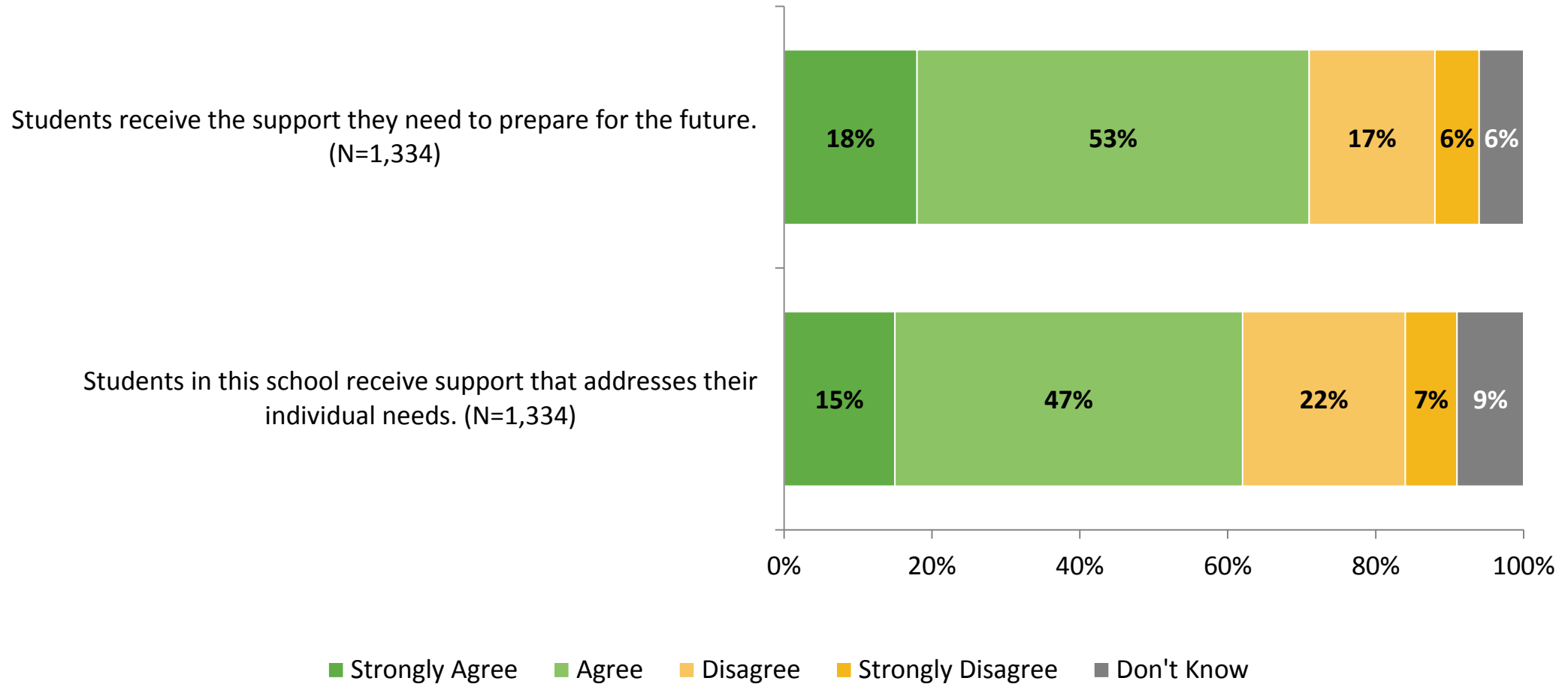
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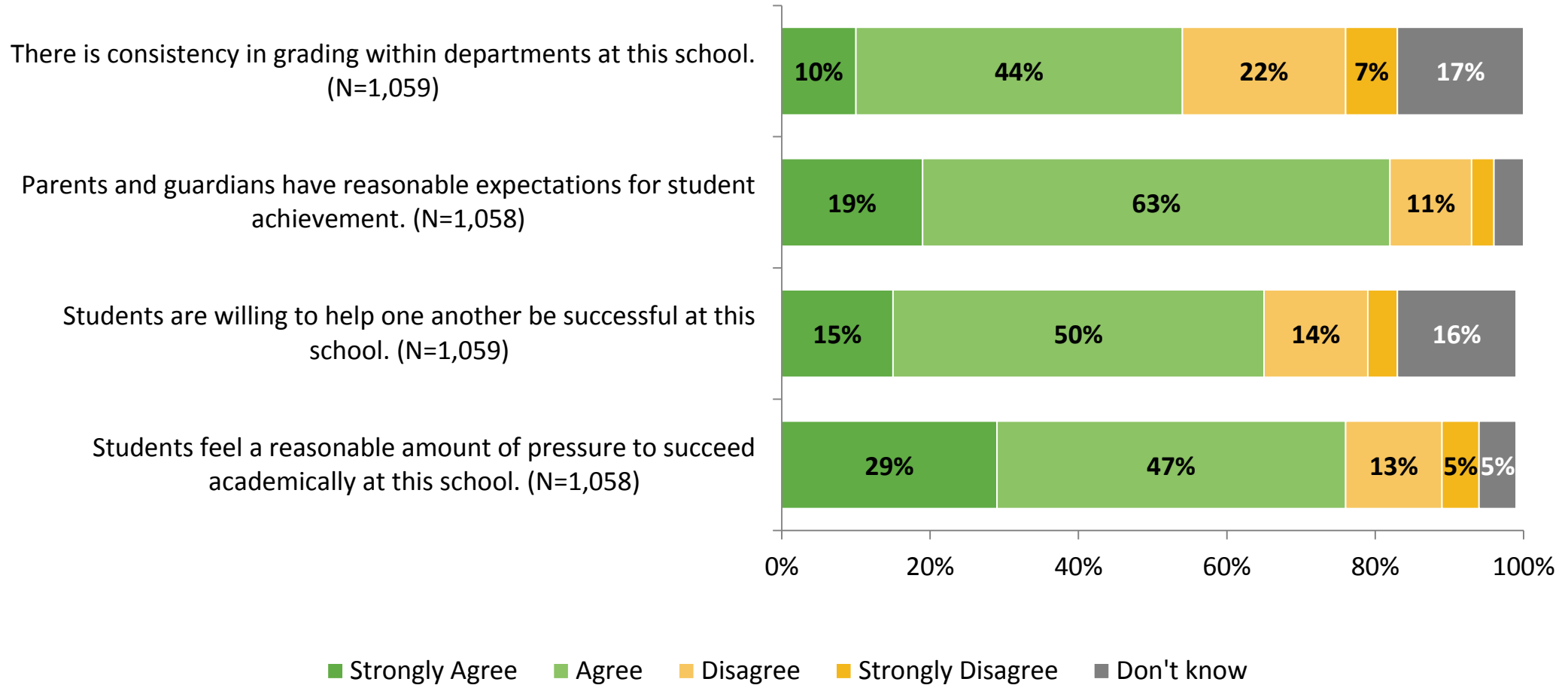
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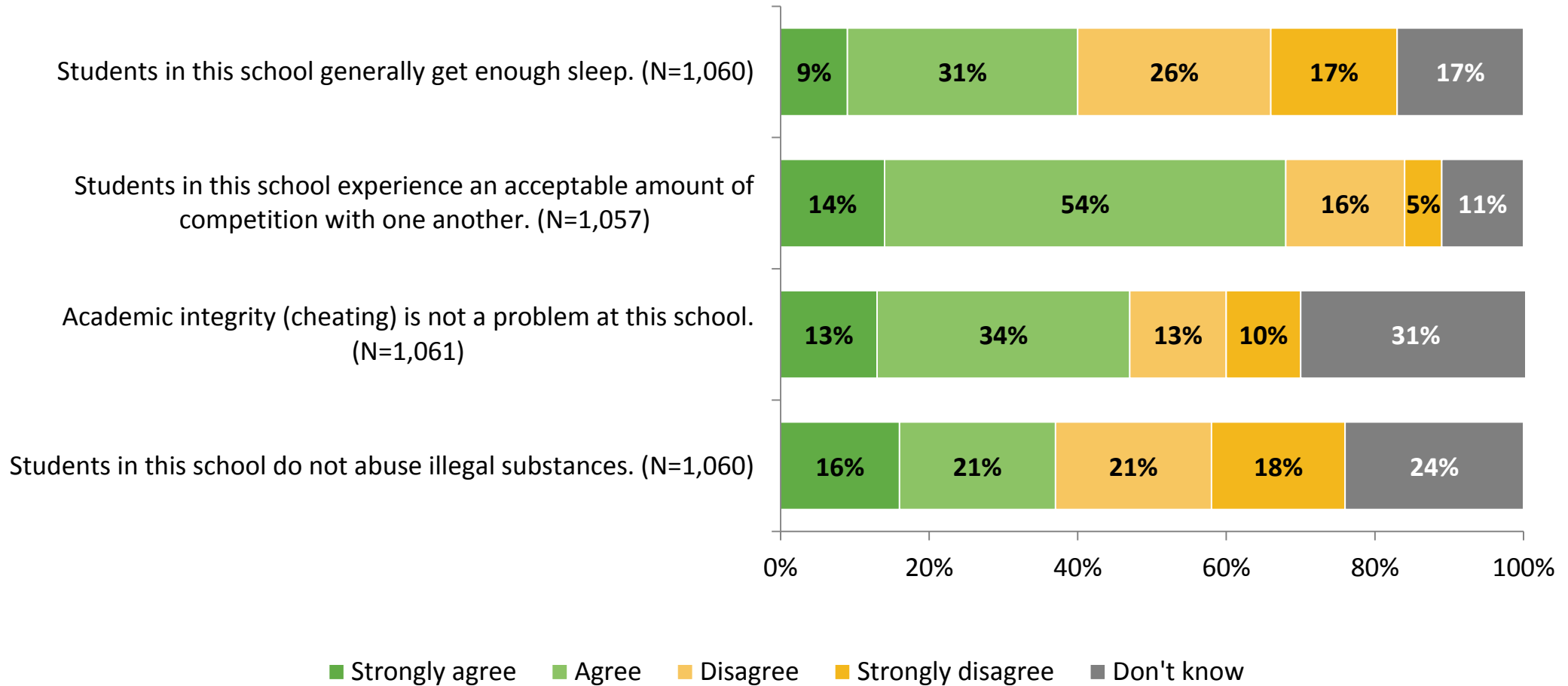
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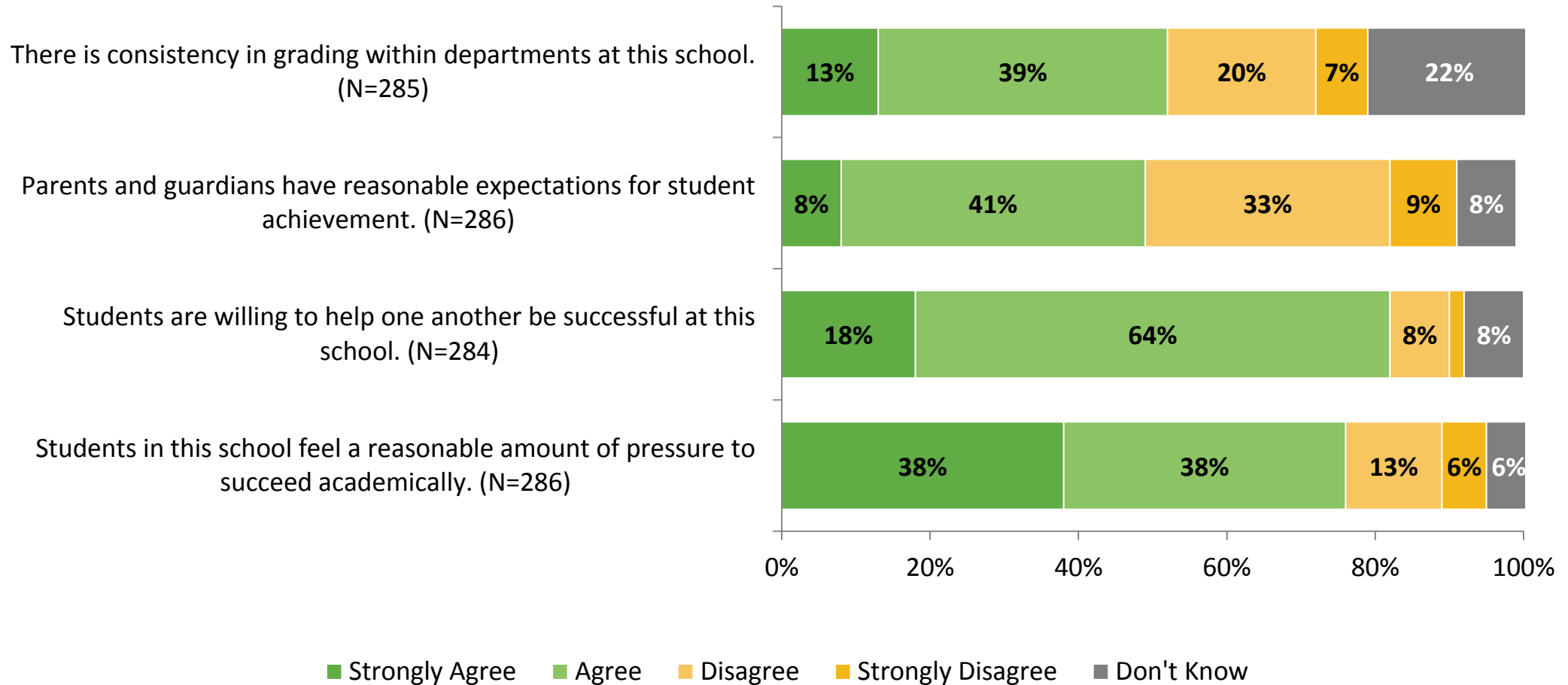
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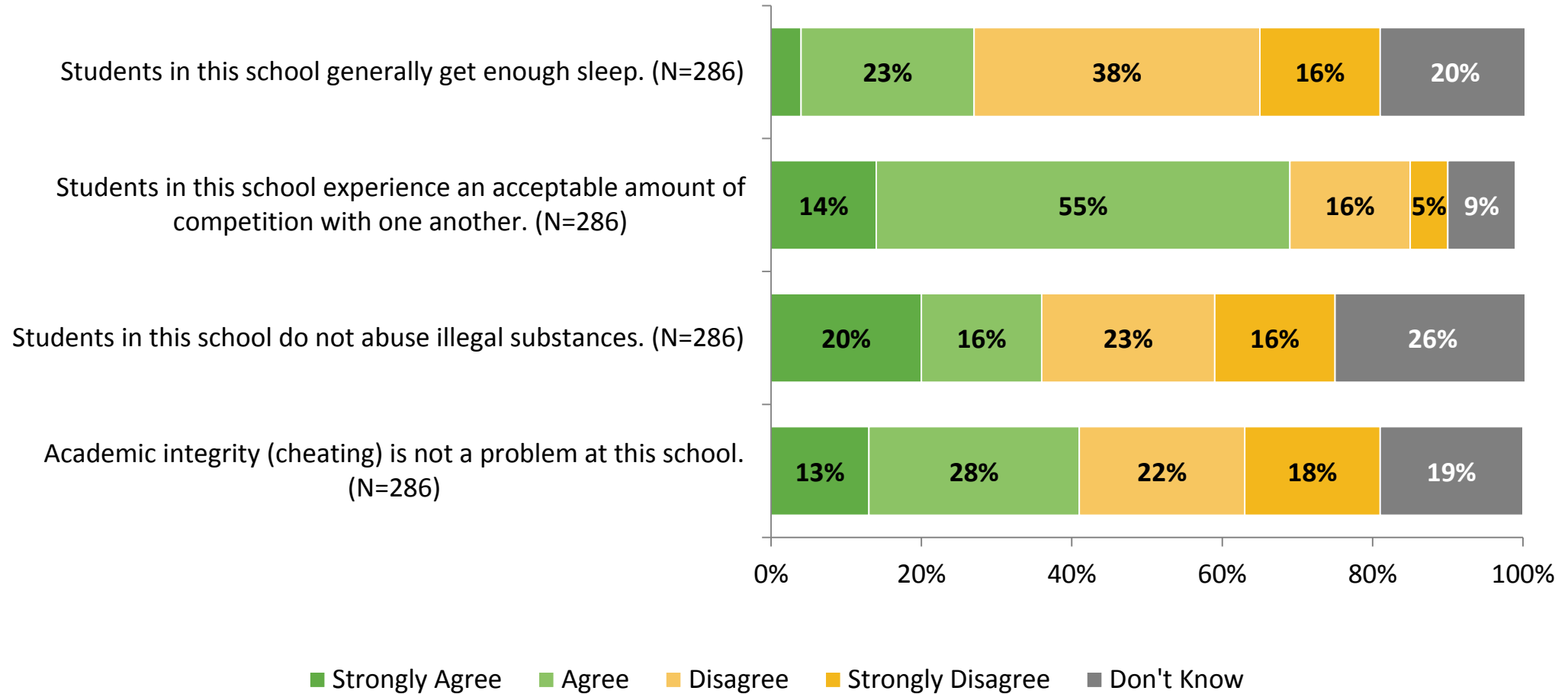
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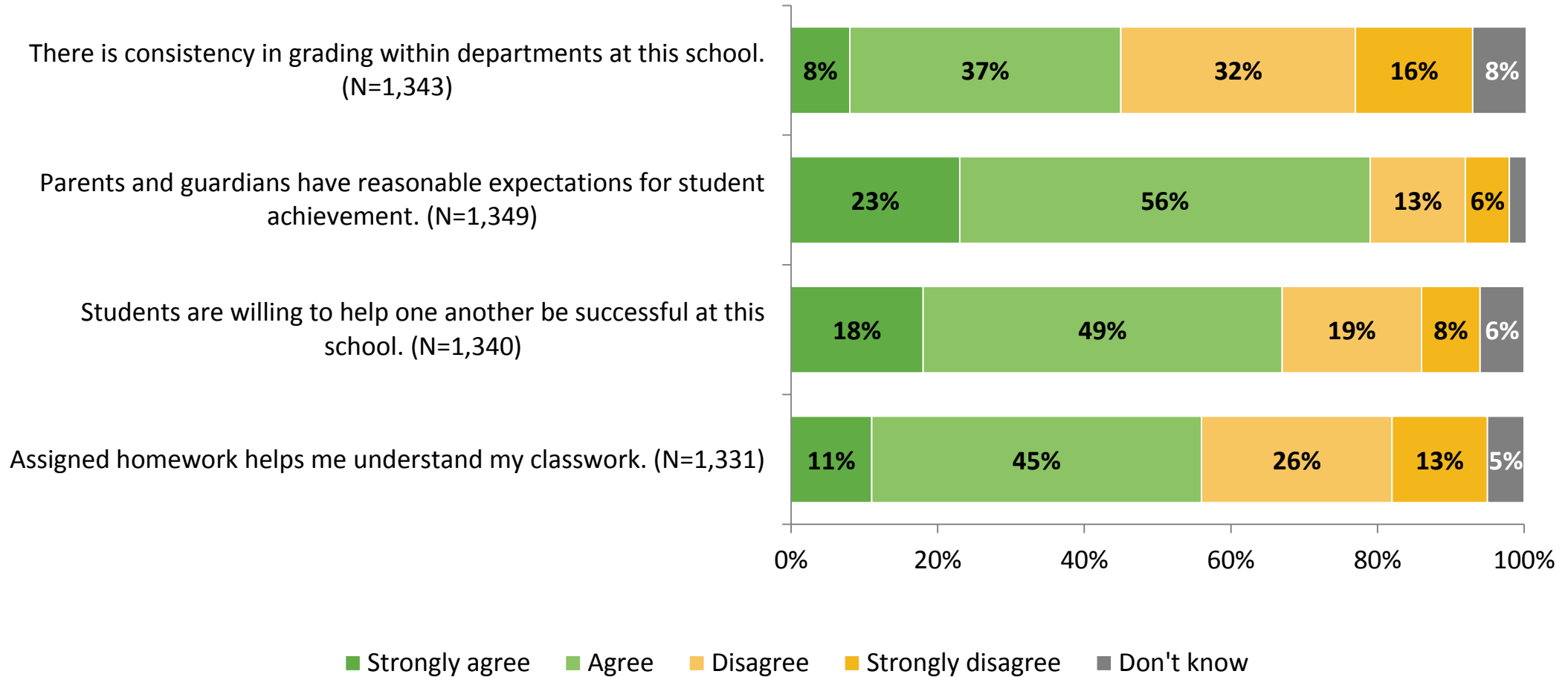
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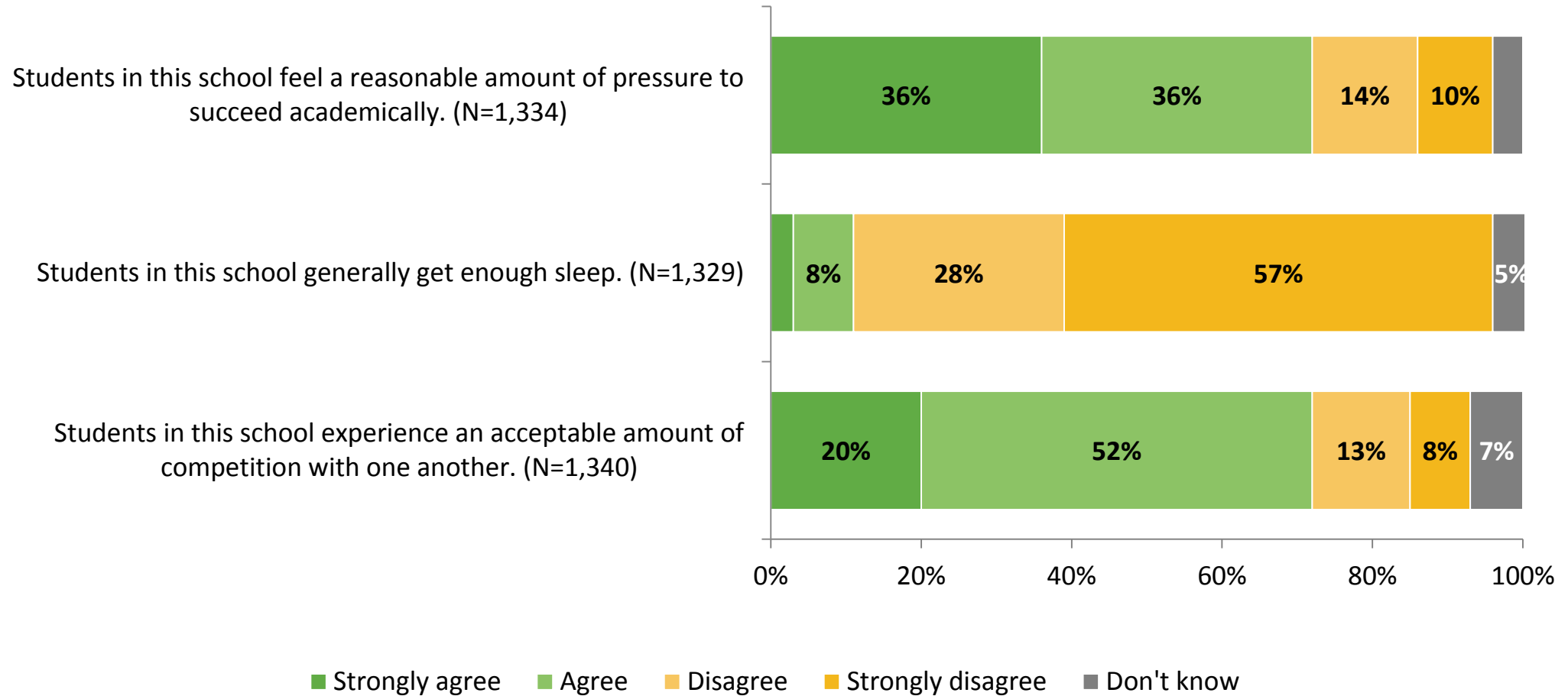
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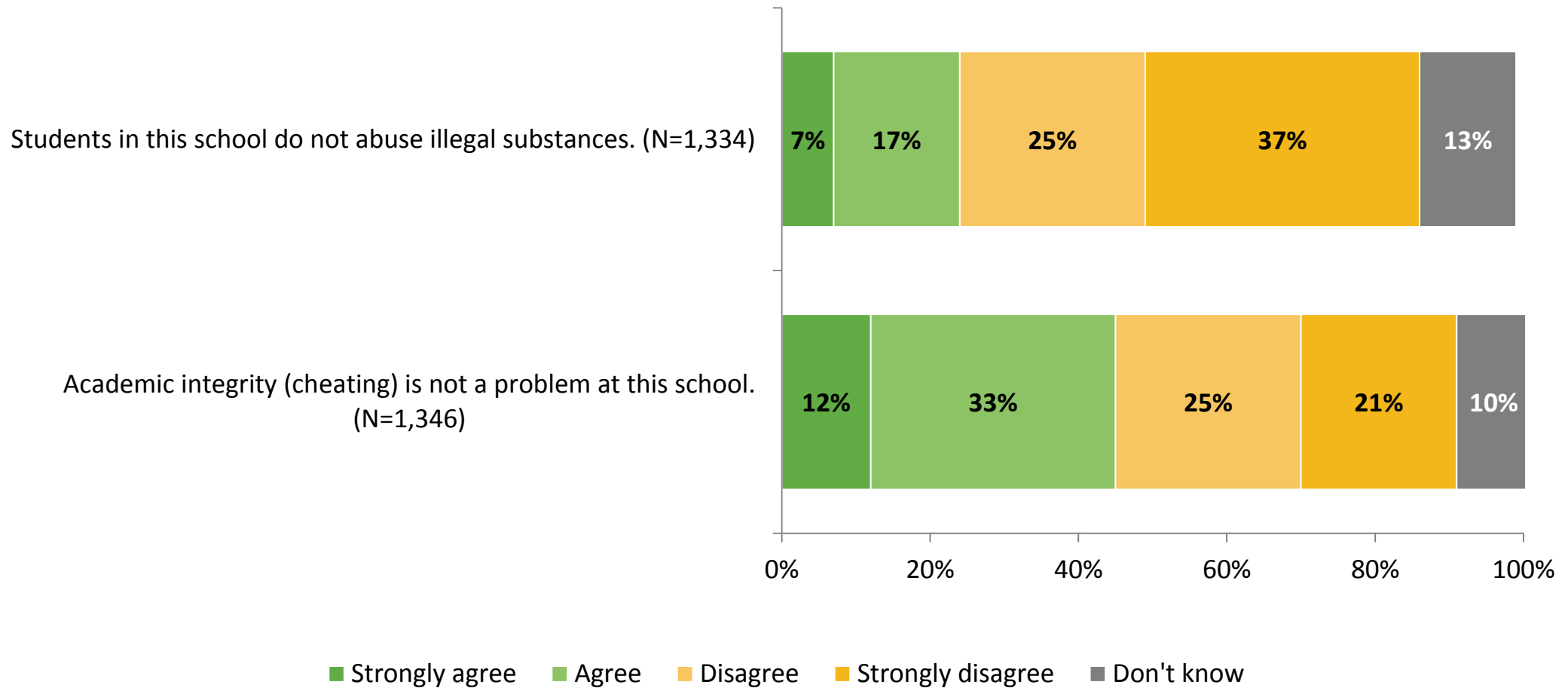
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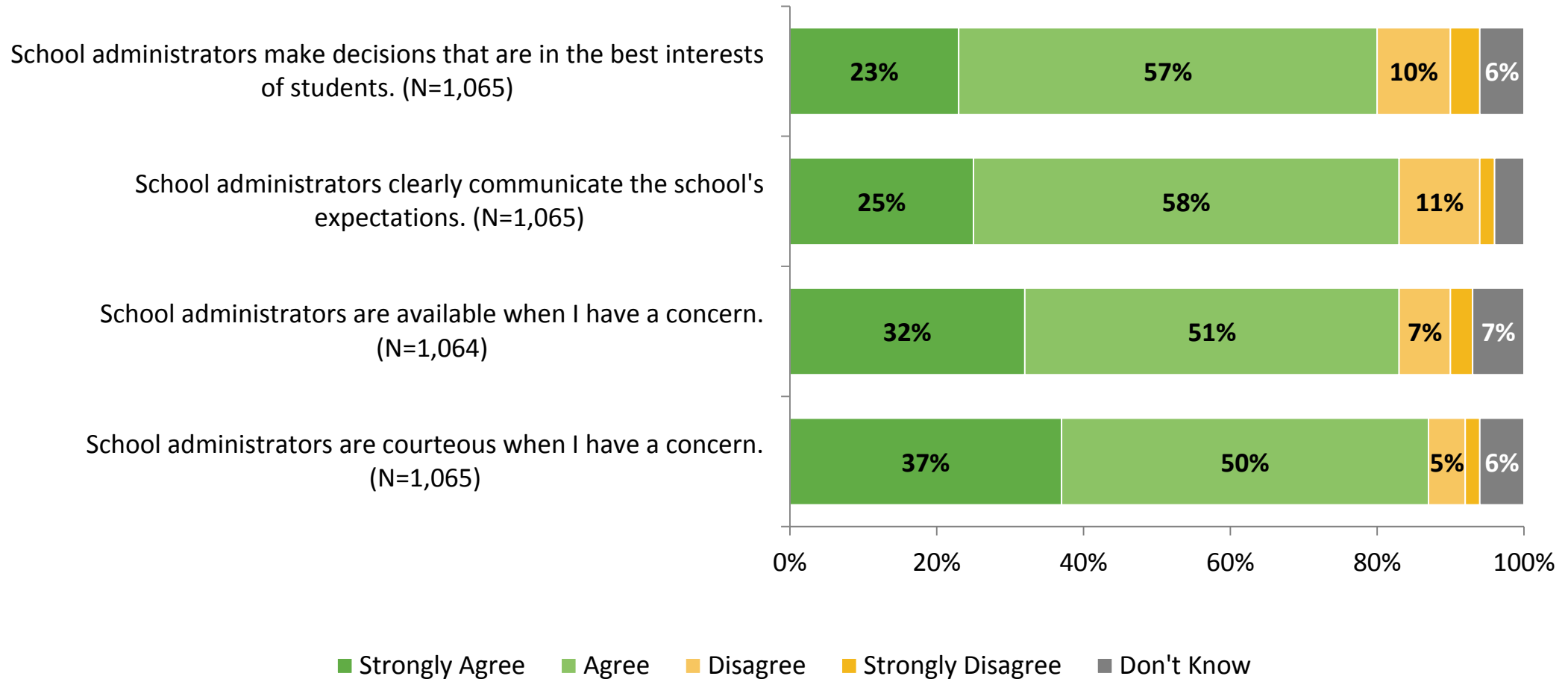
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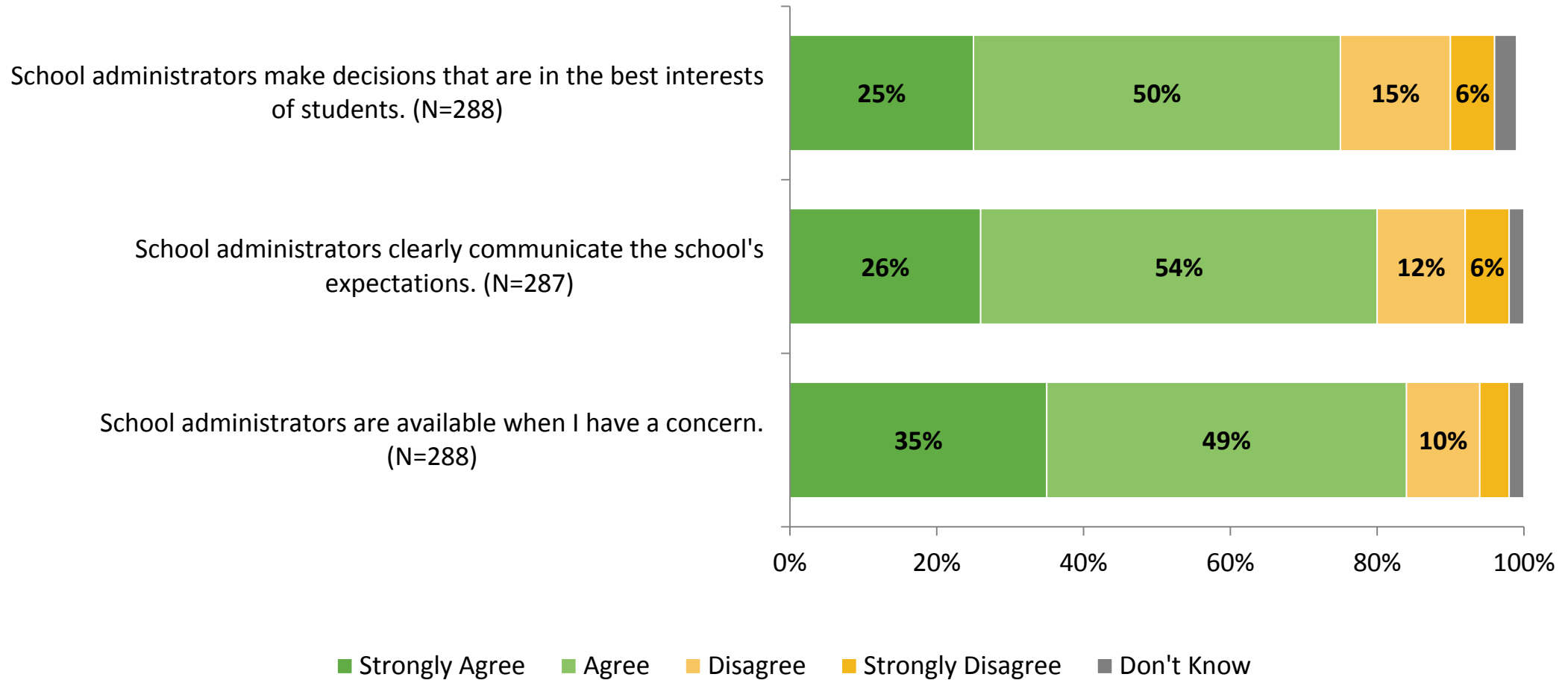
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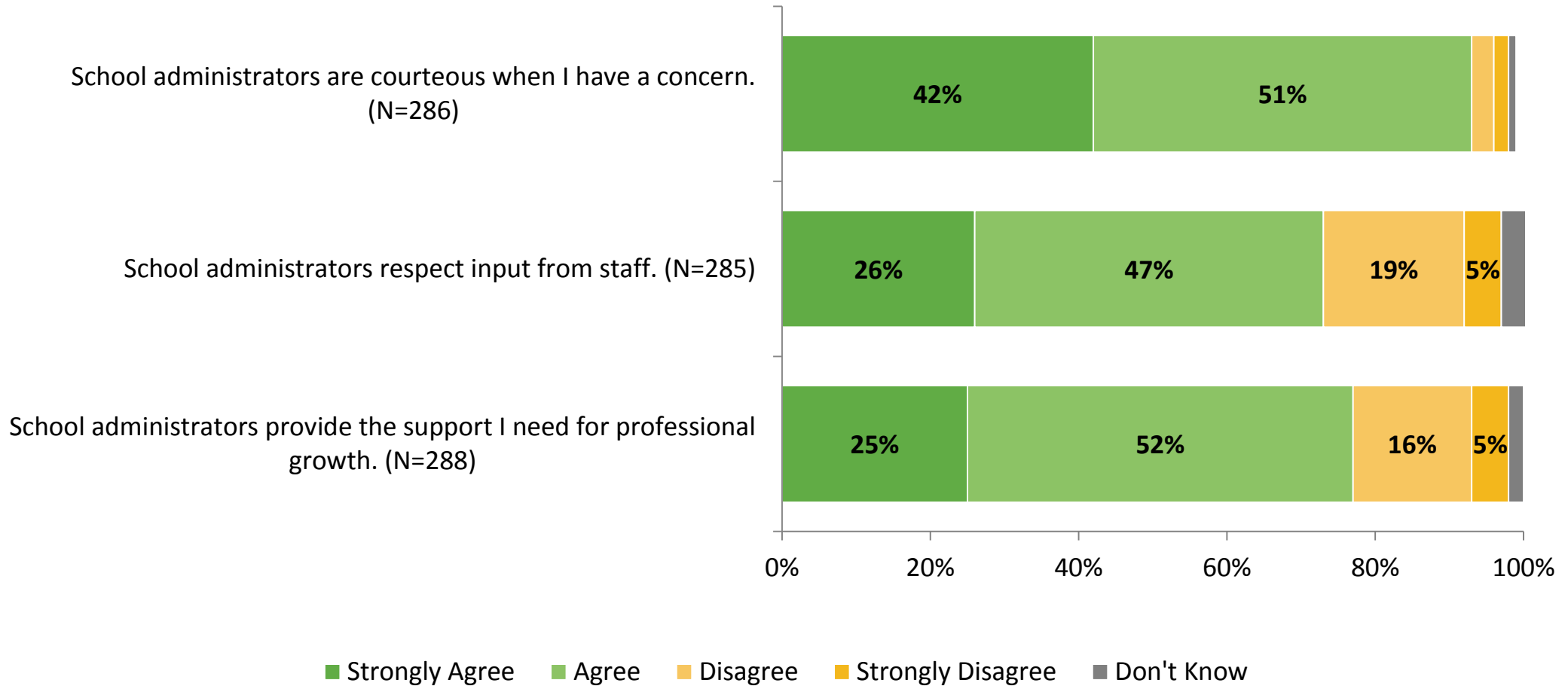
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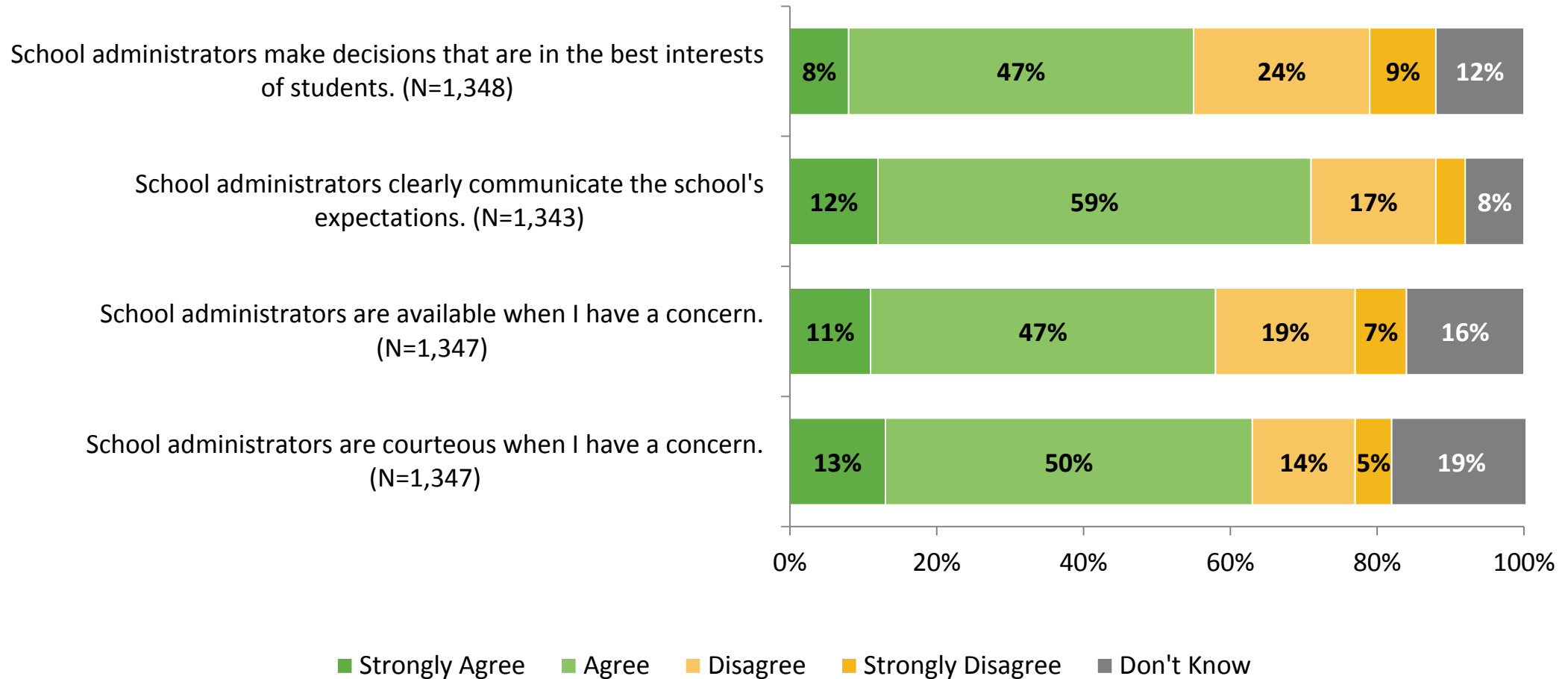
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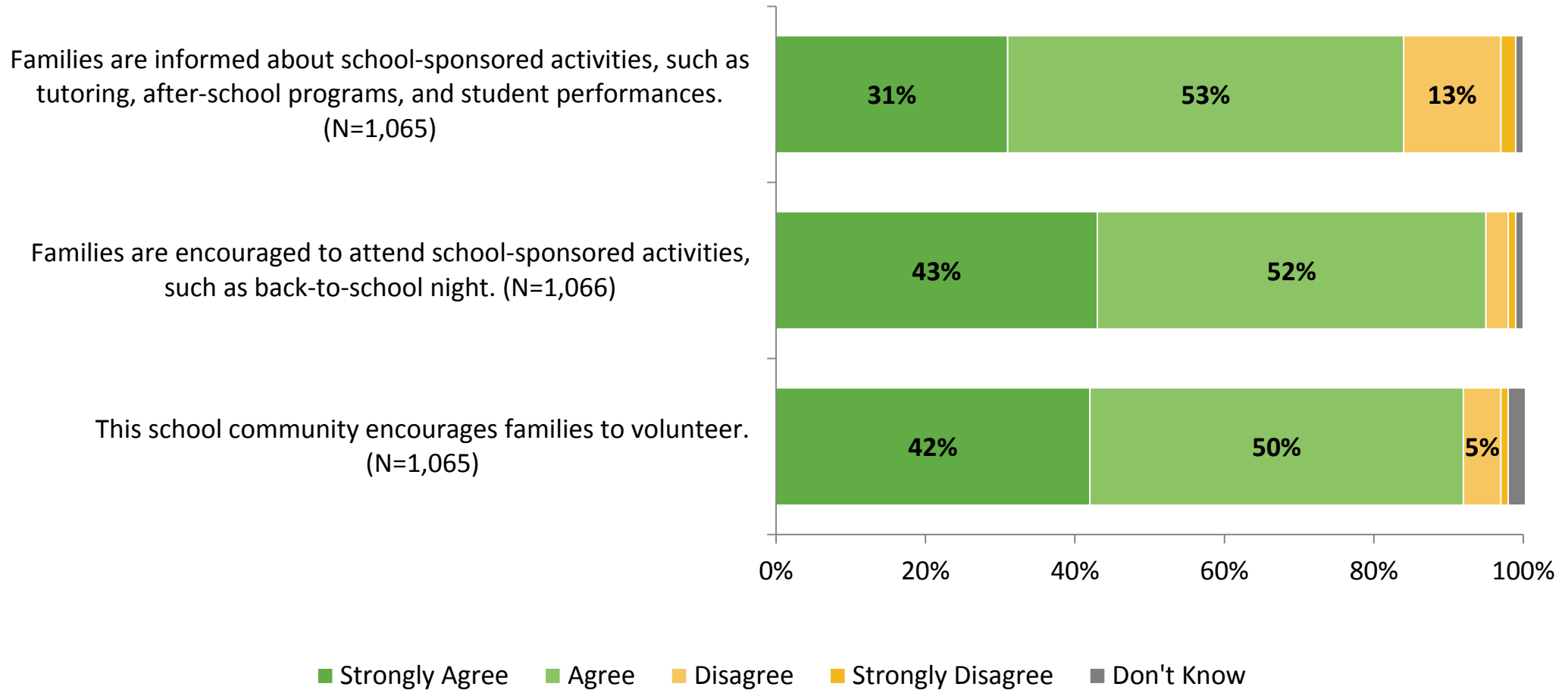
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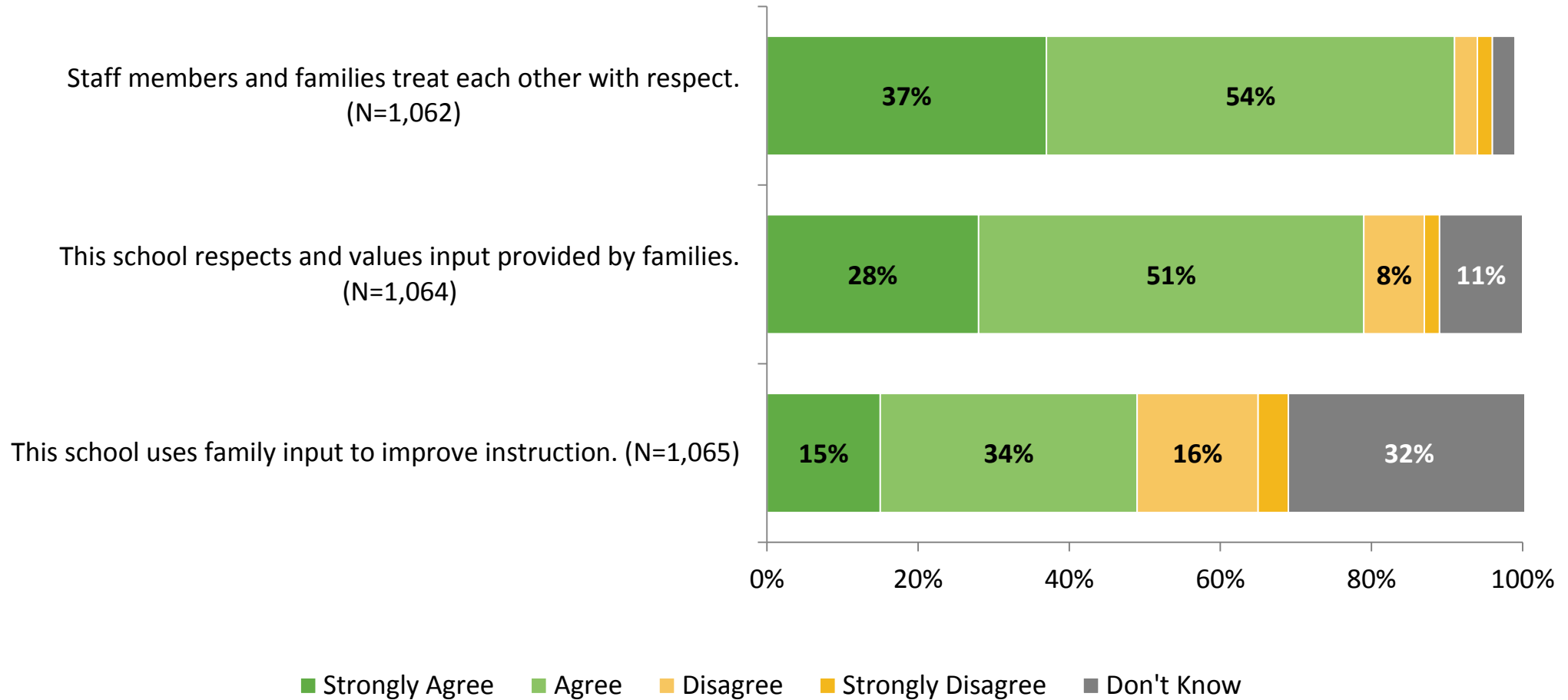
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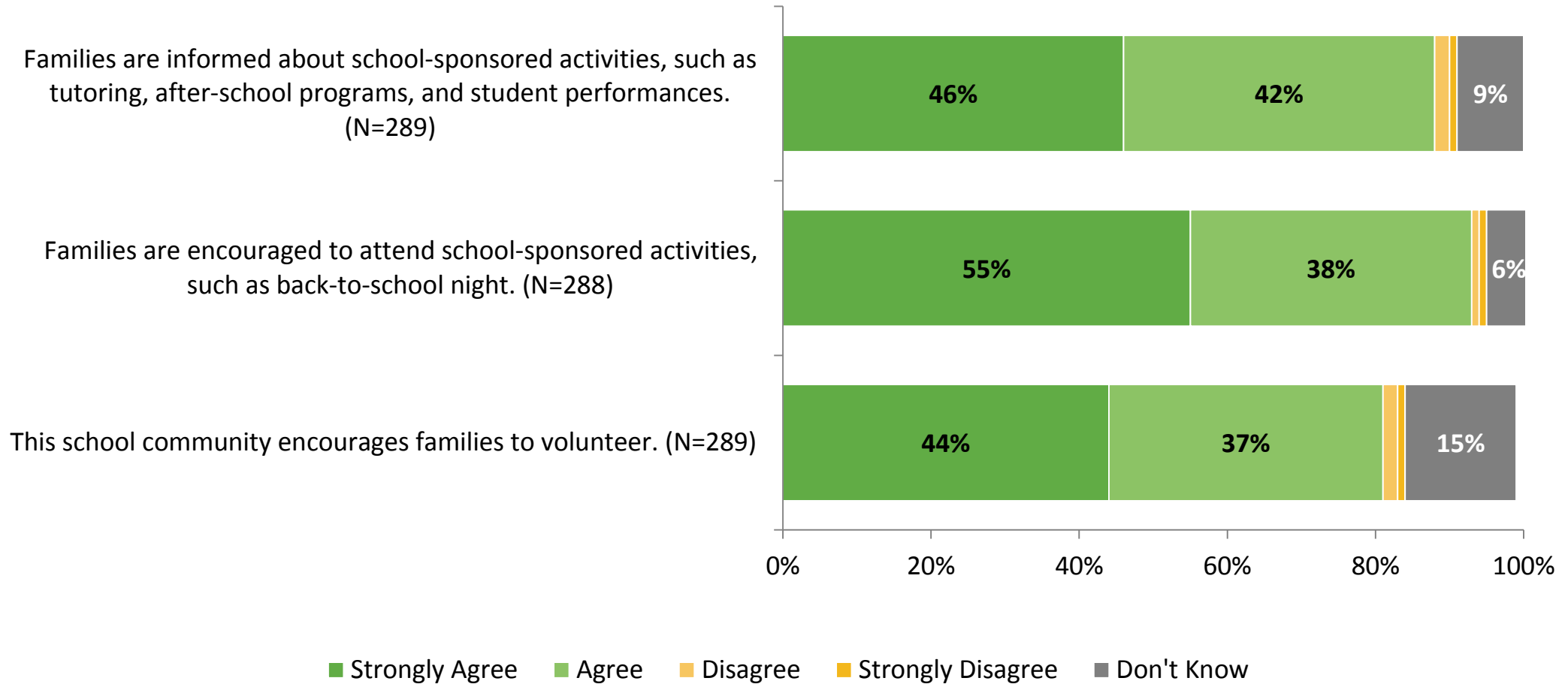
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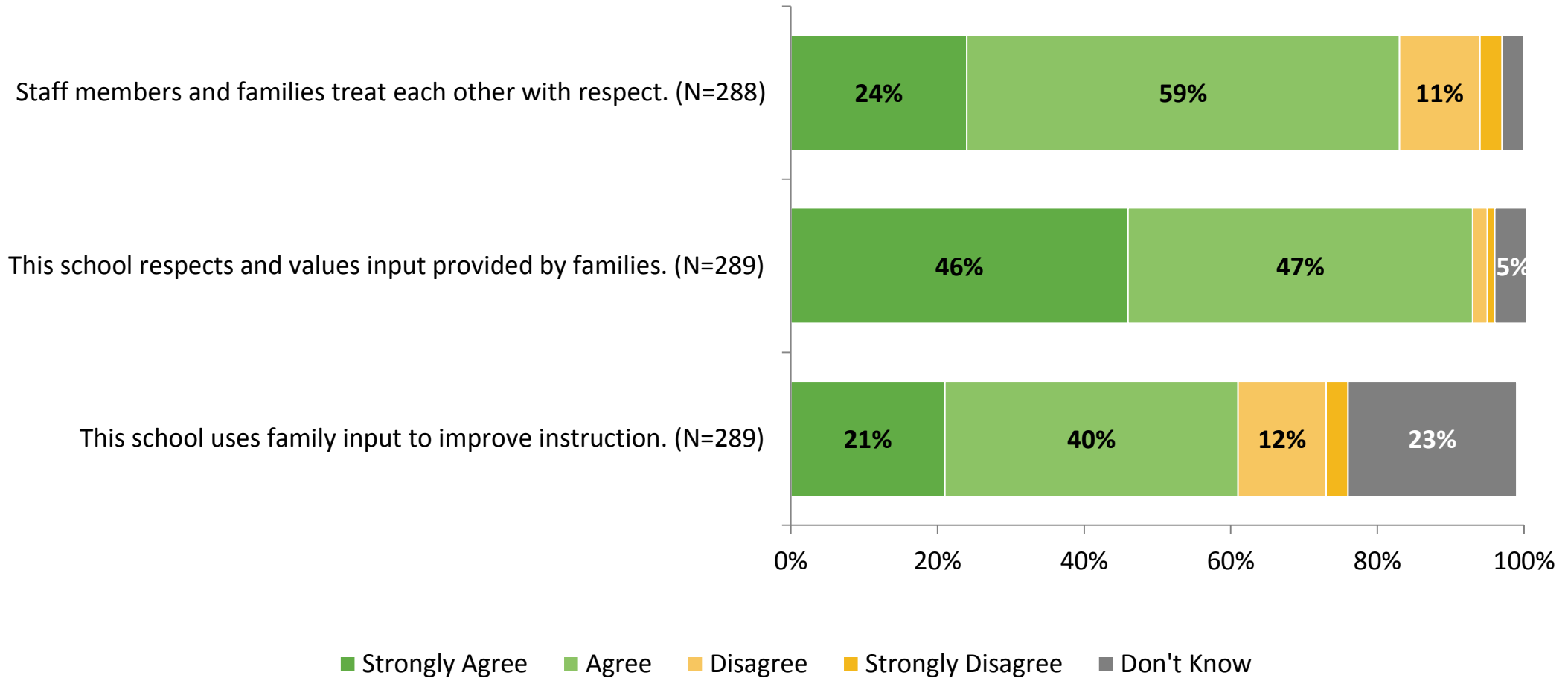
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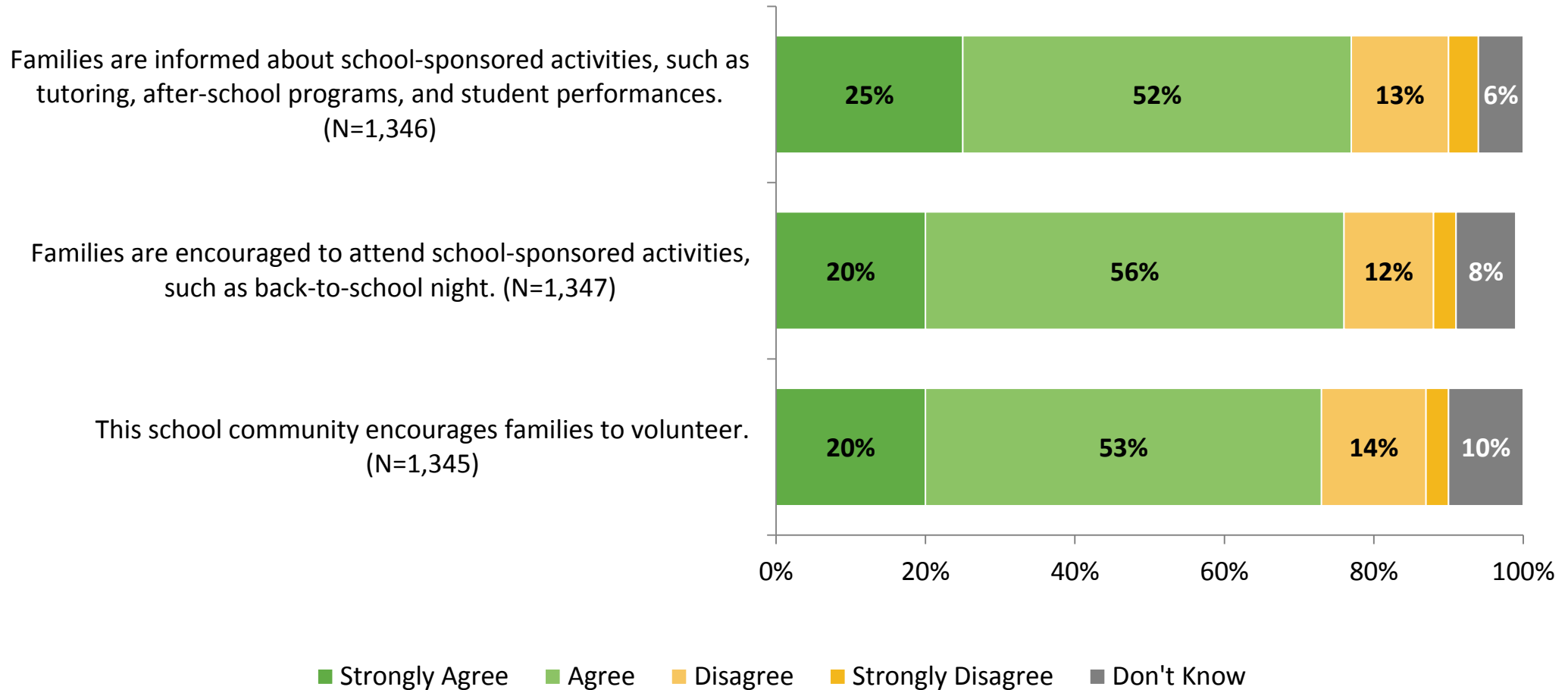
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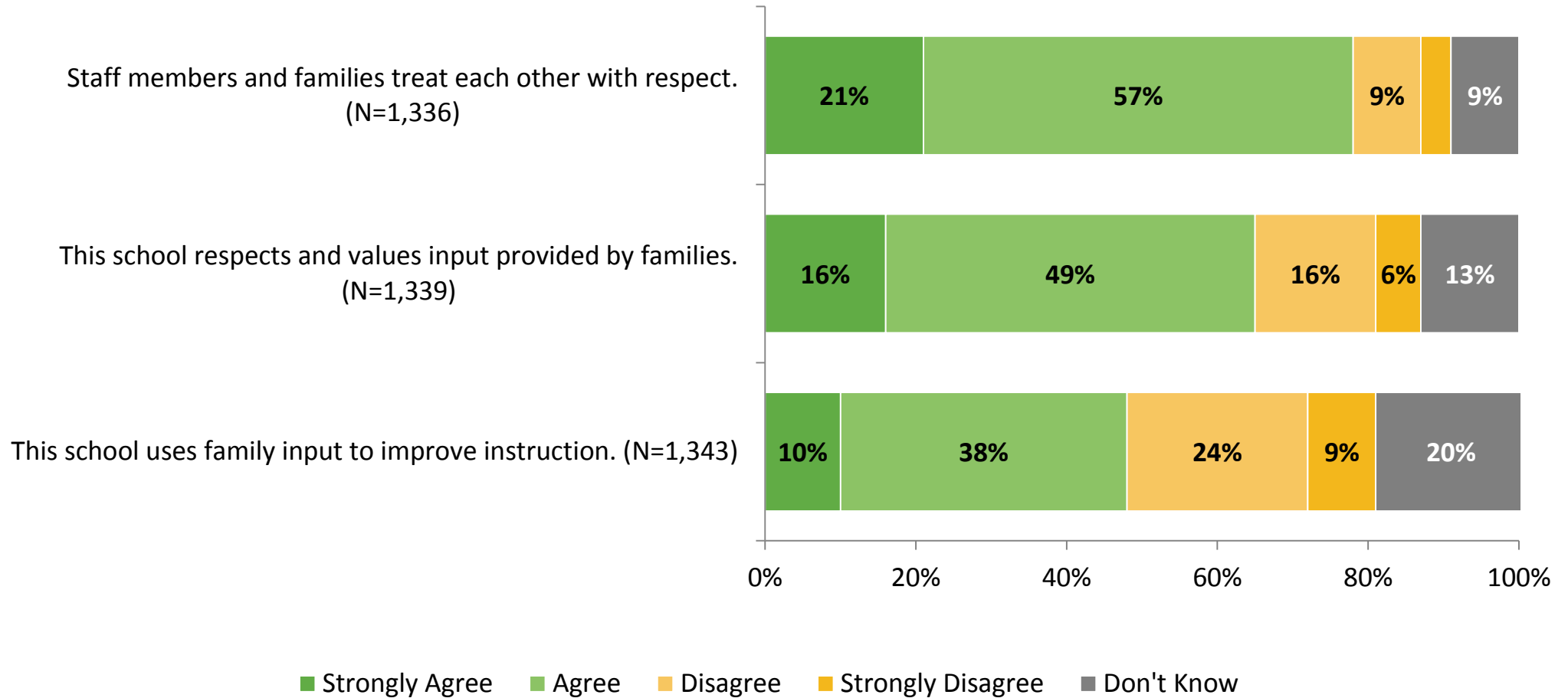
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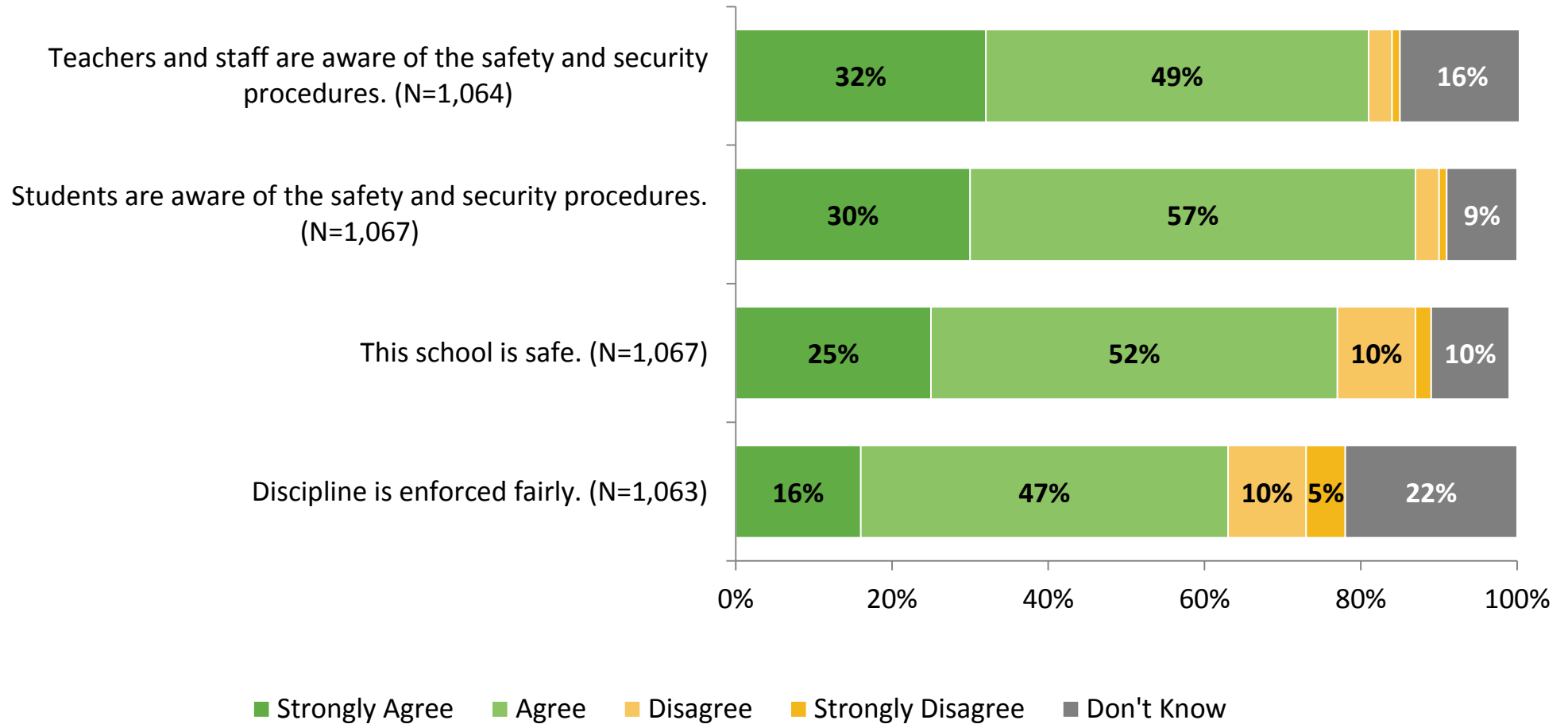
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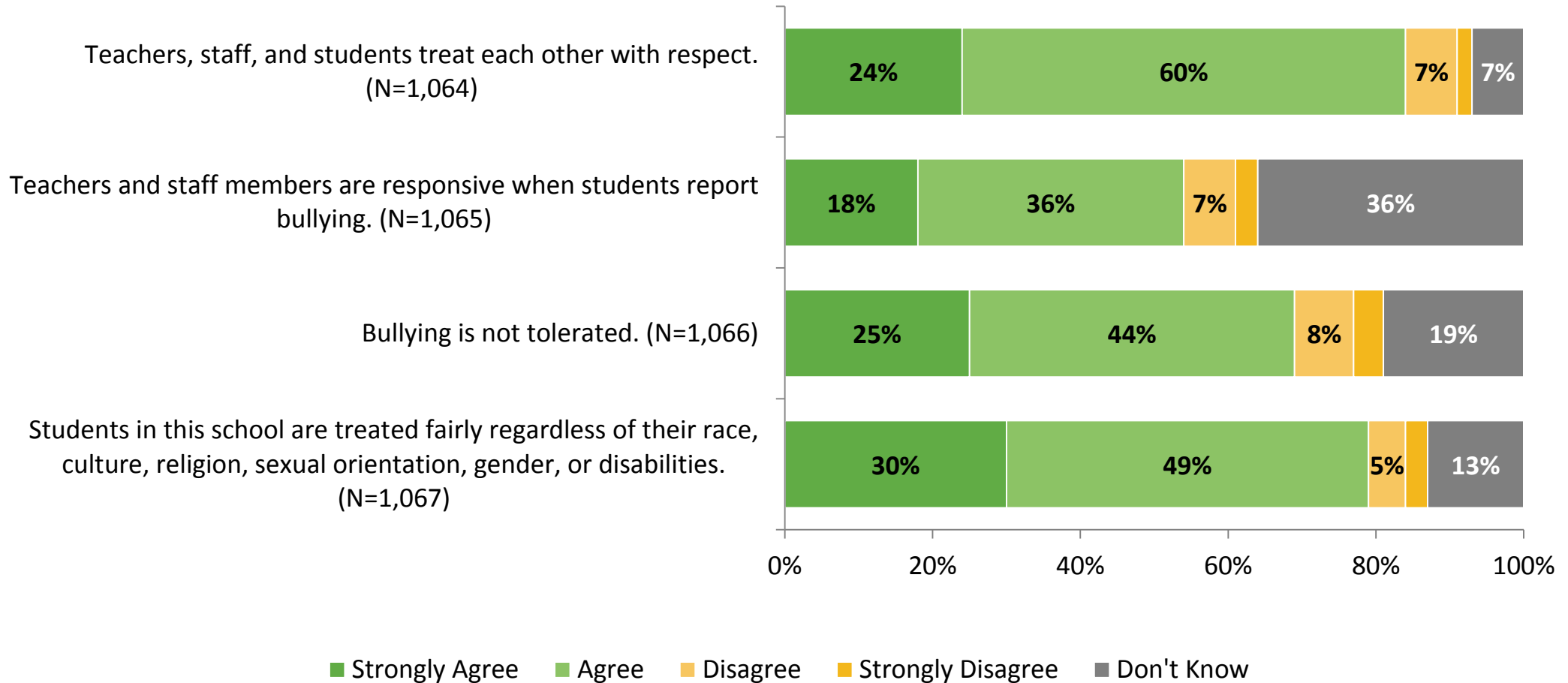
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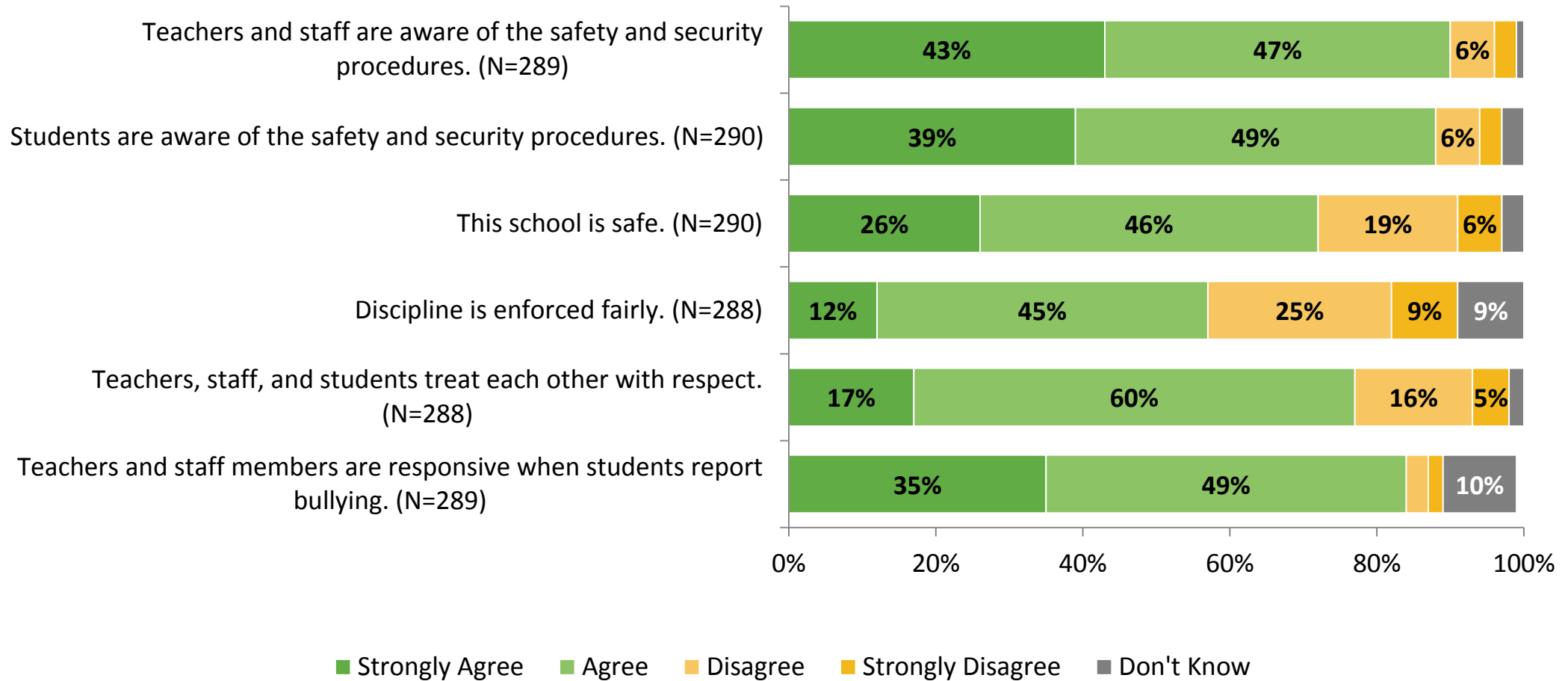
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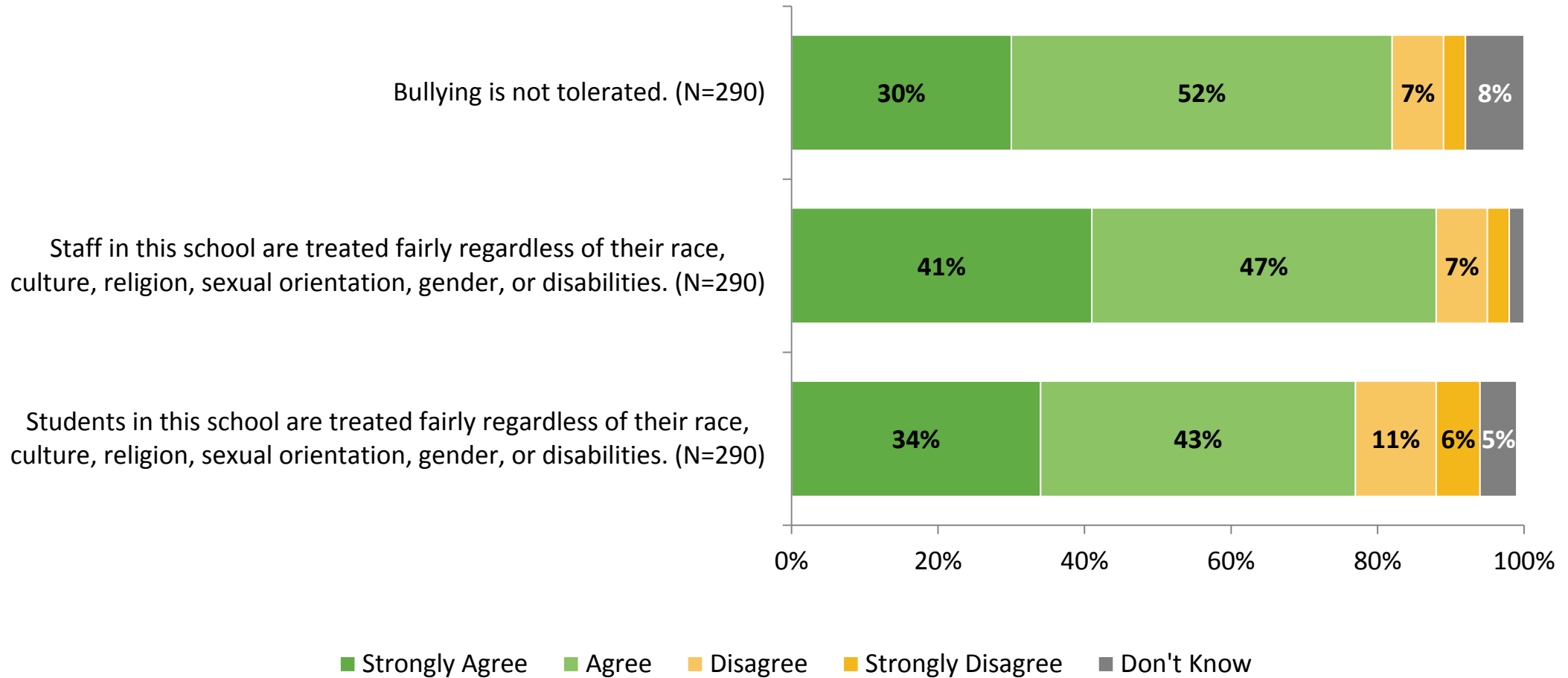
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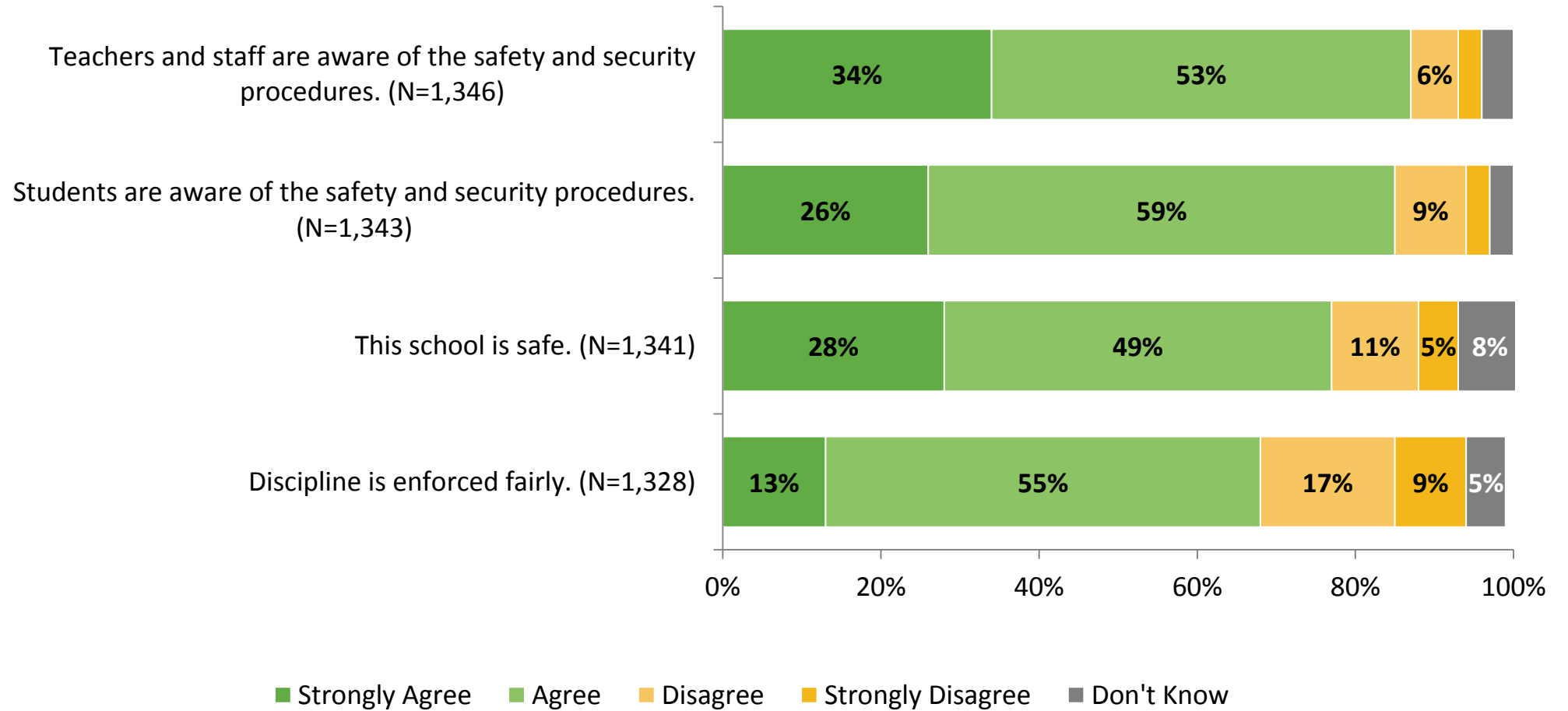
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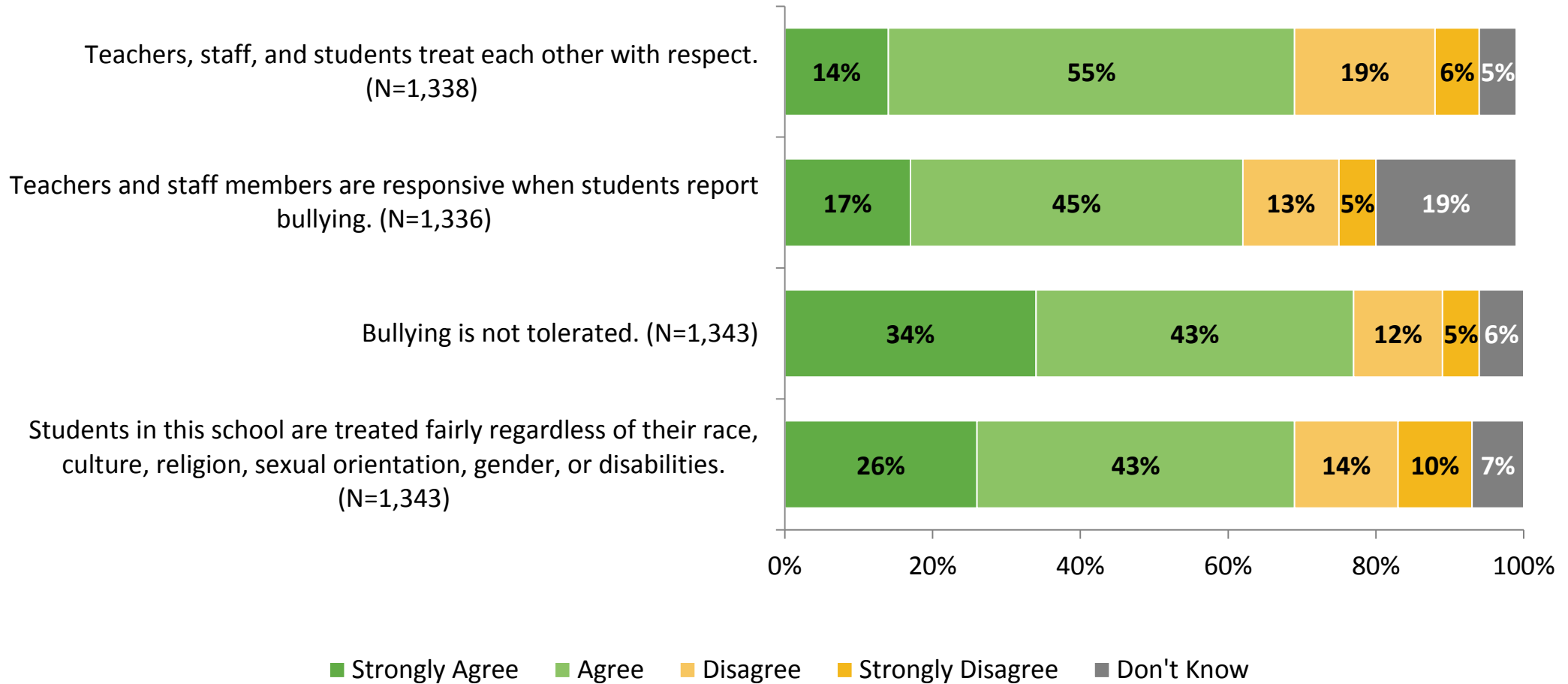
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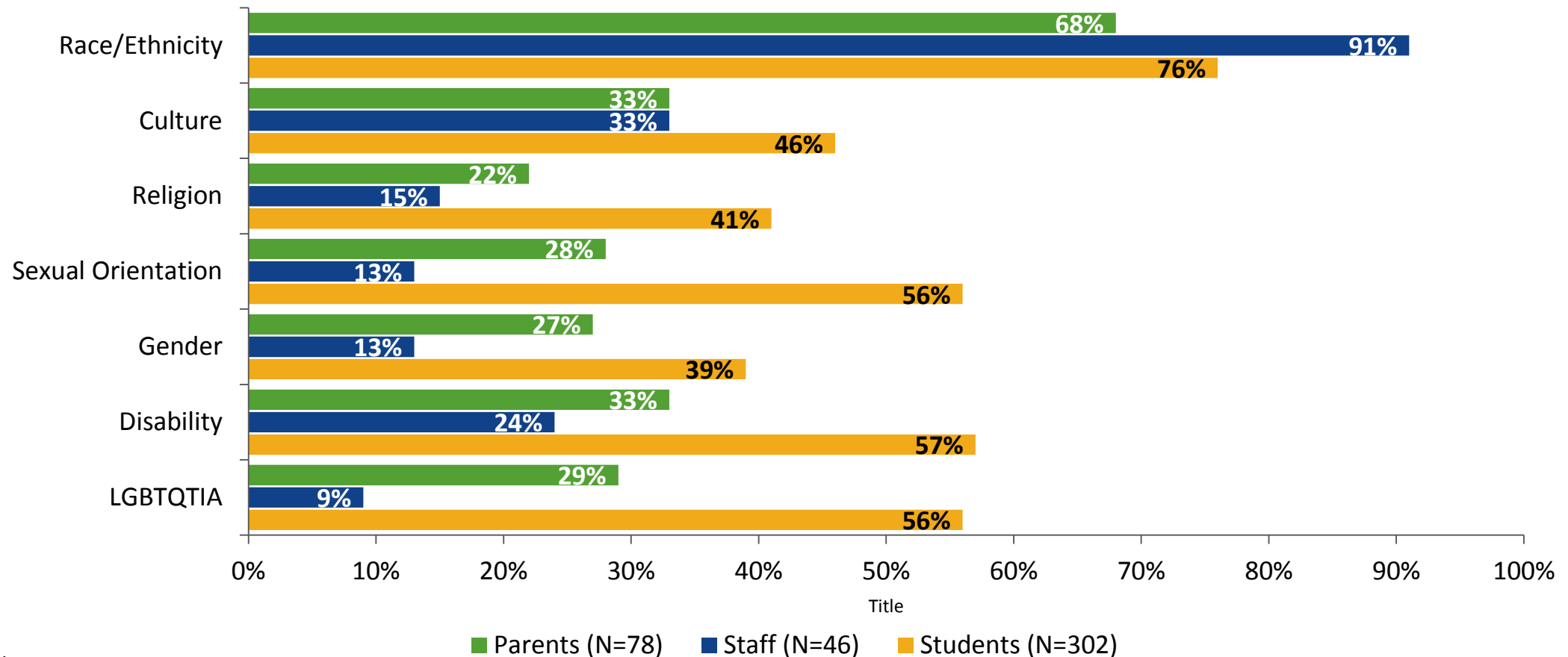
Safety and Behavior (Continued)

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Unfair Treatment: Comparison by Respondent Type

For which of the following are students treated unfairly?



Notes:

- The wording of the survey question differed slightly for each respondent group. This bar graph uses wording from the student survey.
- Percentage totals may exceed 100 since participants could select more than one answer.

Highest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Agree or Agree (%)	School Climate Dimension
Families are encouraged to attend school-sponsored activities, such as back-to-school night.	95%	Family Involvement
This school community encourages families to volunteer.	92%	Family Involvement
Staff members and families treat each other with respect.	92%	Family Involvement
This school has appropriately high learning standards for students.	89%	Academic Support
School administrators are courteous when I have a concern.	87%	School Leadership

Lowest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Disagree or Disagree (%)	School Climate Dimension
Students in this school generally get enough sleep.	43%	Student Experience
Students in this school do not abuse illegal substances.	38%	Student Experience
There is consistency in grading within departments at this school.	29%	Student Experience
Teachers successfully show students how lessons relate to life outside of school.	25%	Academic Support
Students in this school receive support that addresses their individual needs.	23%	Student Support

Highest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Agree or Agree (%)	School Climate Dimension
This school has high learning standards for students.	96%	Academic Support
There is a teacher, counselor, or other staff member to whom a student can go for help with a school problem.	95%	Student Support
There is a teacher, counselor, or other staff member to whom a student can go for help with a personal problem.	93%	Student Support
School administrators are courteous when I have a concern.	93%	School Leadership
Families are encouraged to attend school-sponsored activities, such as back-to-school night.	92%	Family Involvement

Lowest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Disagree or Disagree (%)	School Climate Dimension
Students in this school generally get enough sleep.	53%	Student Experience
Parents and guardians have reasonable expectations for student achievement.	42%	Student Experience
Academic integrity (cheating) is not a problem at this school.	40%	Student Experience
Students in this school do not abuse illegal substances.	39%	Student Experience
Discipline is enforced fairly.	33%	Safety and Behavior

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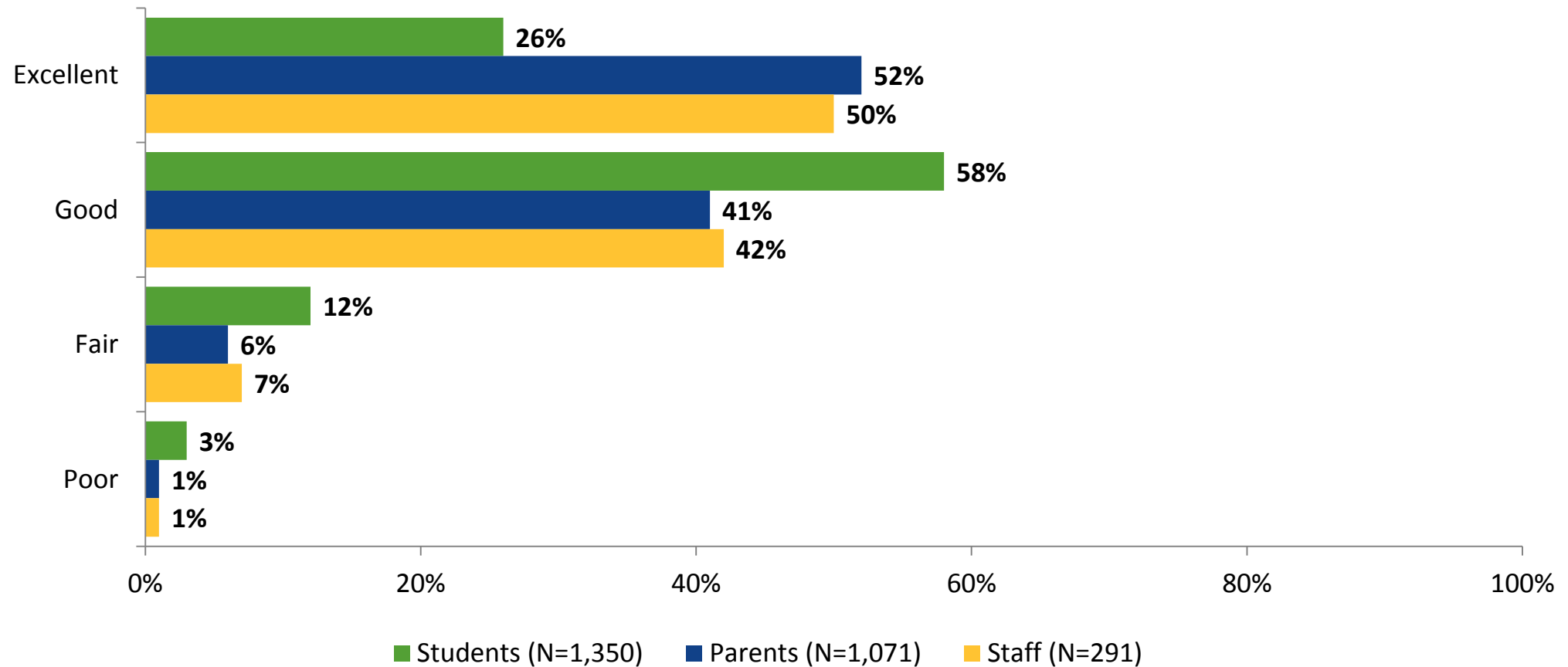
Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Agree or Agree (%)	School Climate Dimension
This school has high learning standards for students.	94%	Academic Support
There is a teacher, counselor, or other staff member to whom a student can go for help with a school problem.	90%	Student Support
Teachers and staff are aware of the safety and security procedures.	87%	Safety and Behavior
Teachers set high expectations for all students.	86%	Academic Support
Students are aware of the safety and security procedures.	85%	Safety and Behavior

Lowest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Disagree or Disagree (%)	School Climate Dimension
Students in this school generally get enough sleep.	85%	Student Experience
Teachers successfully show students how lessons relate to life outside of school.	63%	Academic Support
Students in this school do not abuse illegal substances.	63%	Student Experience
There is consistency in grading within departments at this school.	48%	Student Experience
Academic integrity (cheating) is not a problem at this school.	45%	Student Experience

Overall School Quality: Comparison by Respondent Type

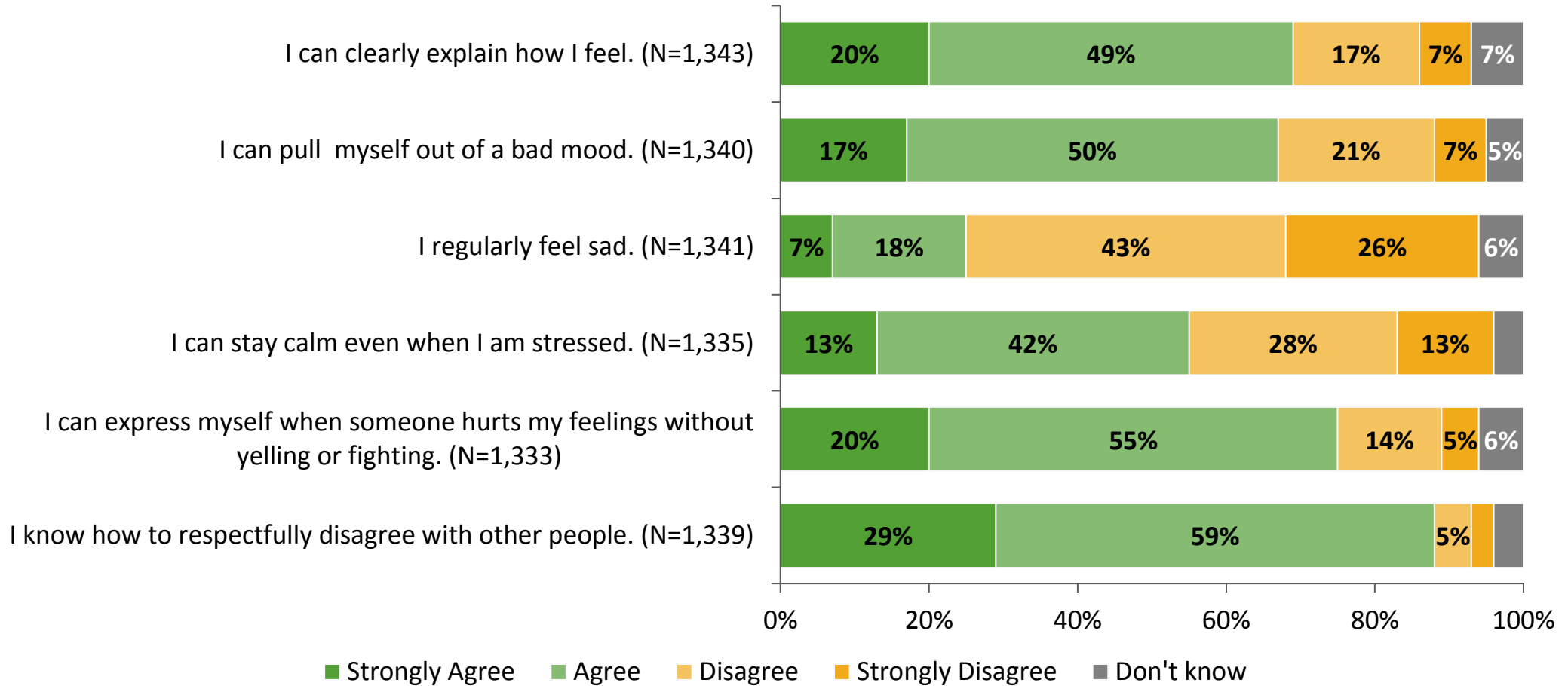
How would you rate the overall quality of this school?



Additional Questions for Students Only

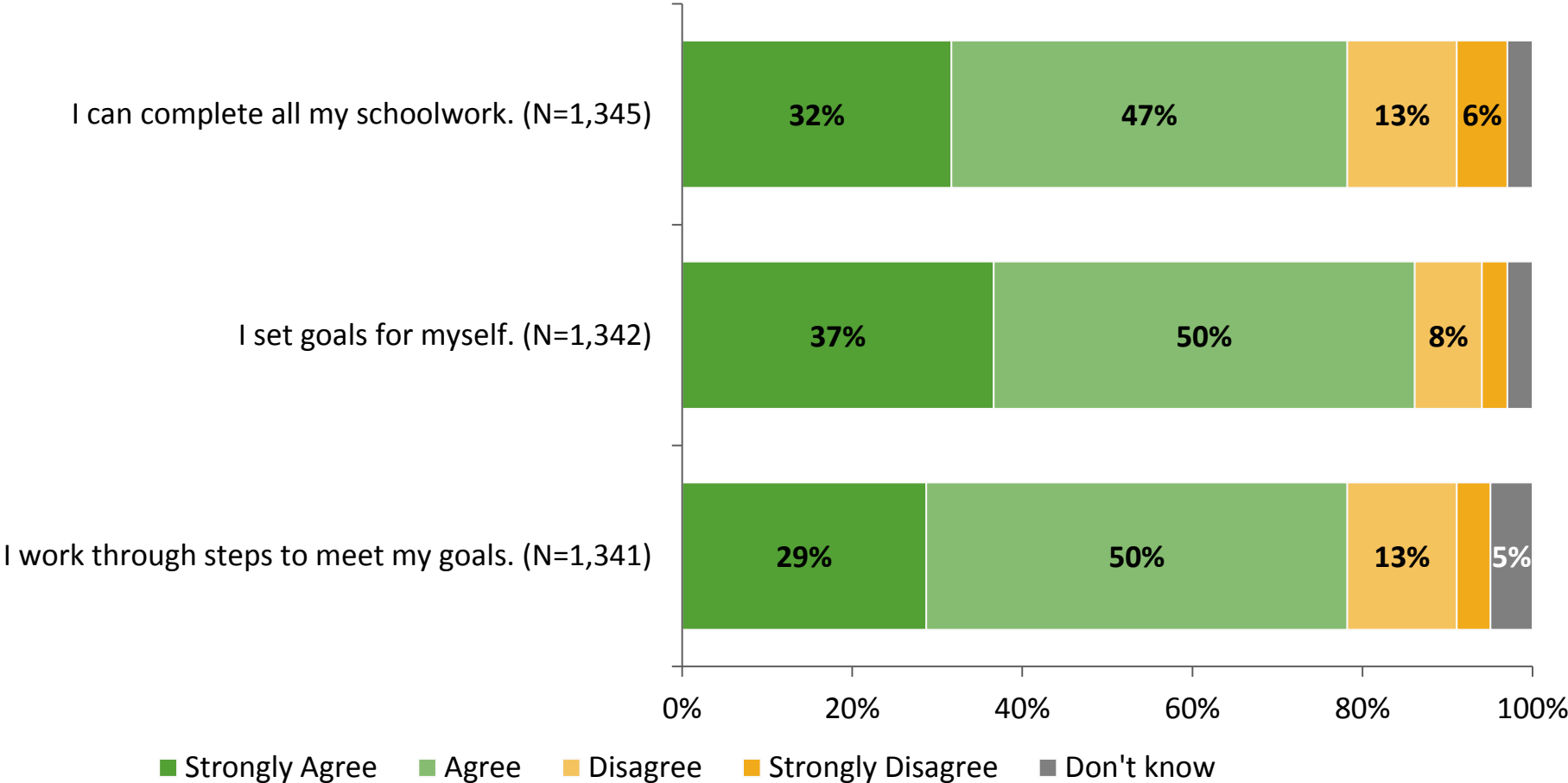
Managing Your Feelings

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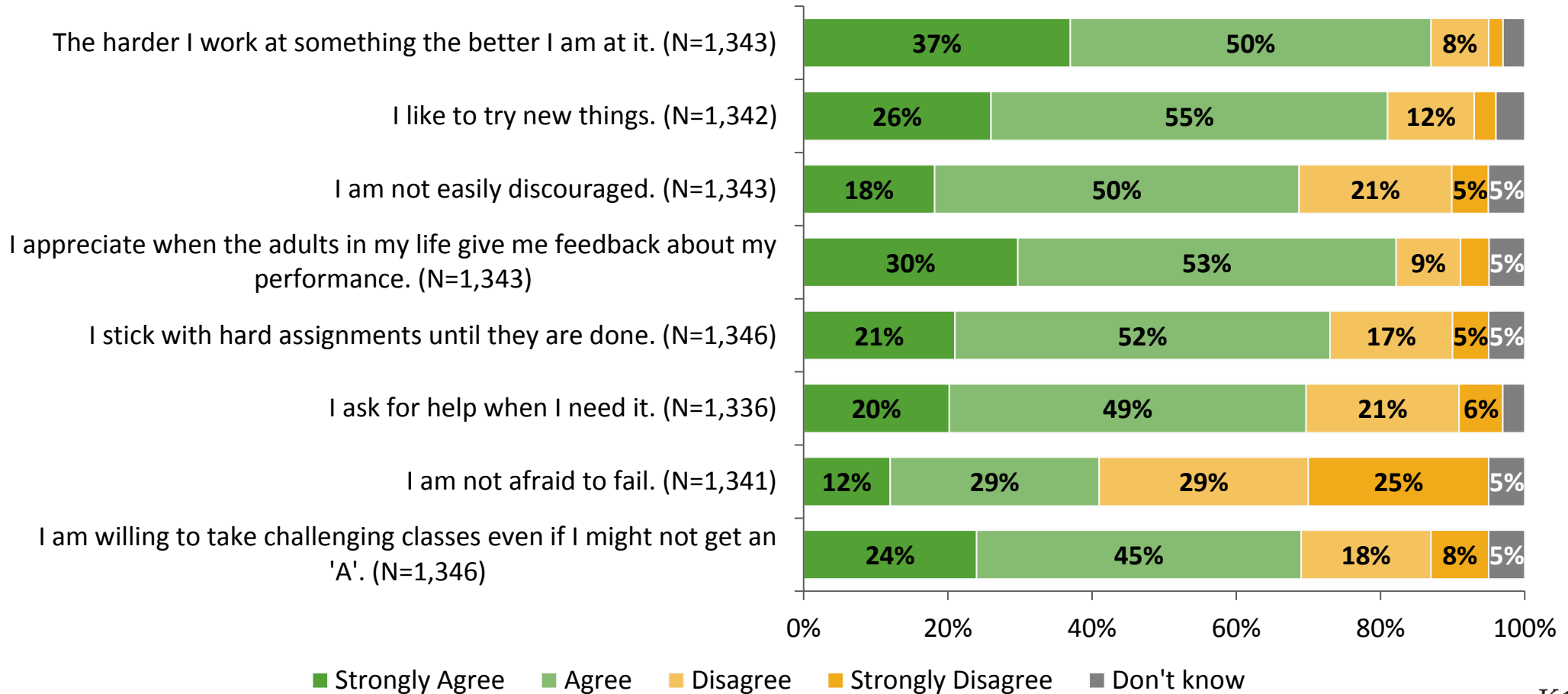
Being Successful

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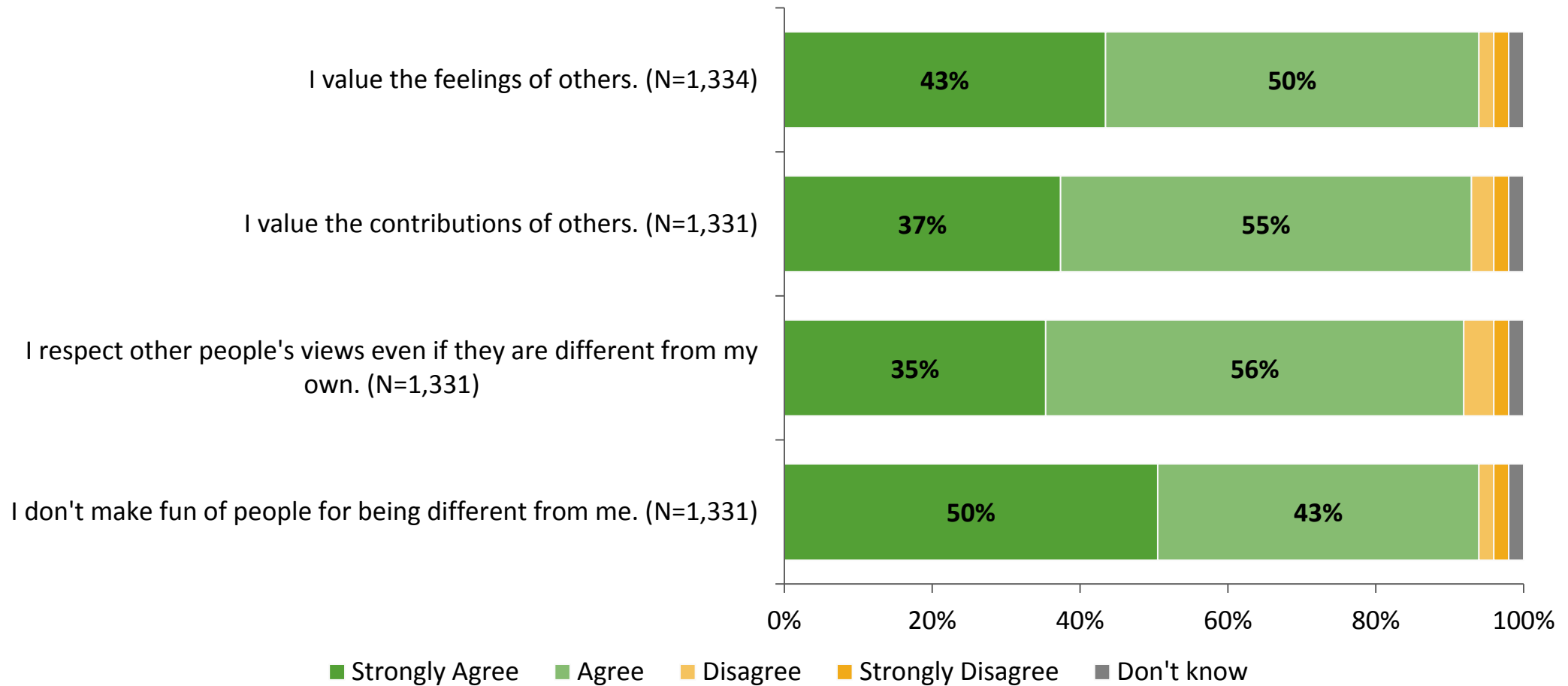
Growth Mindset

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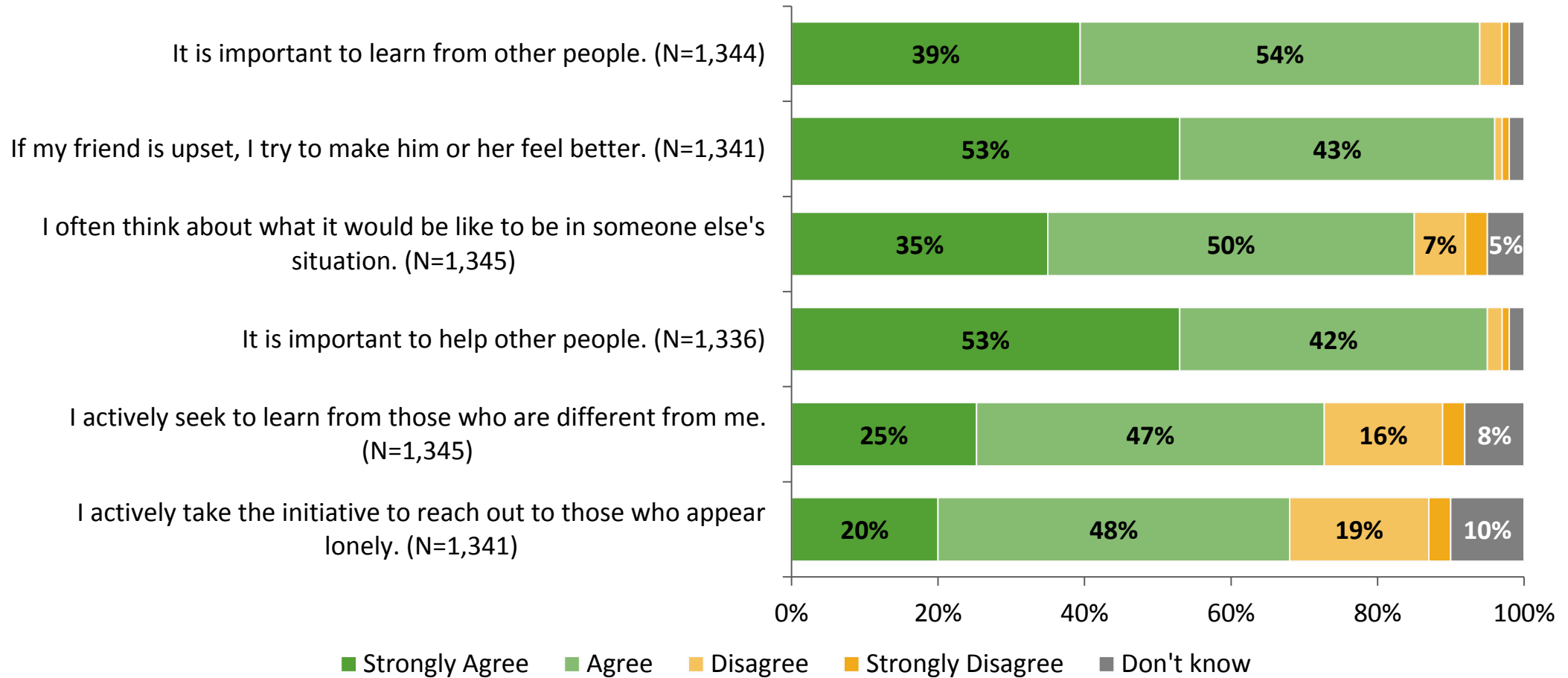
Respect for Others

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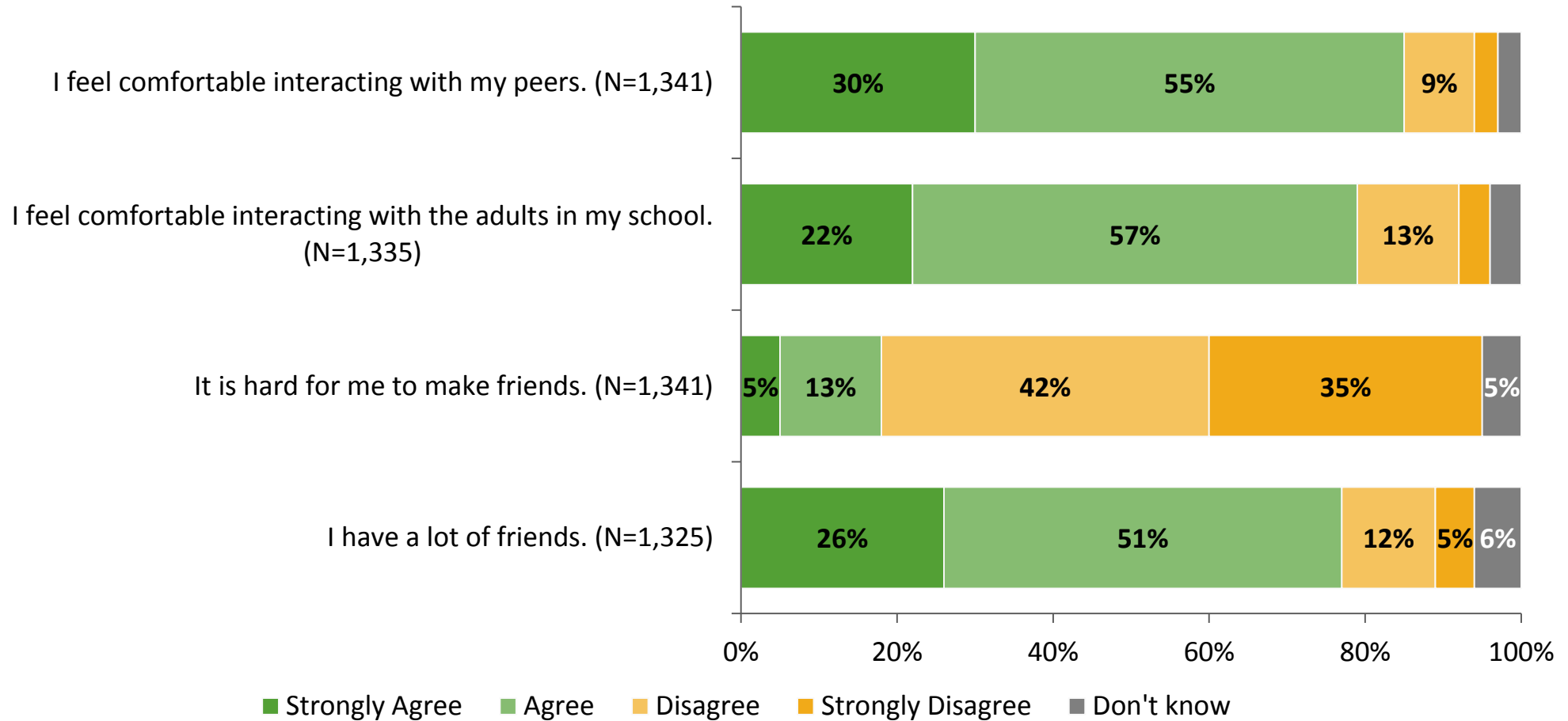
Empathy

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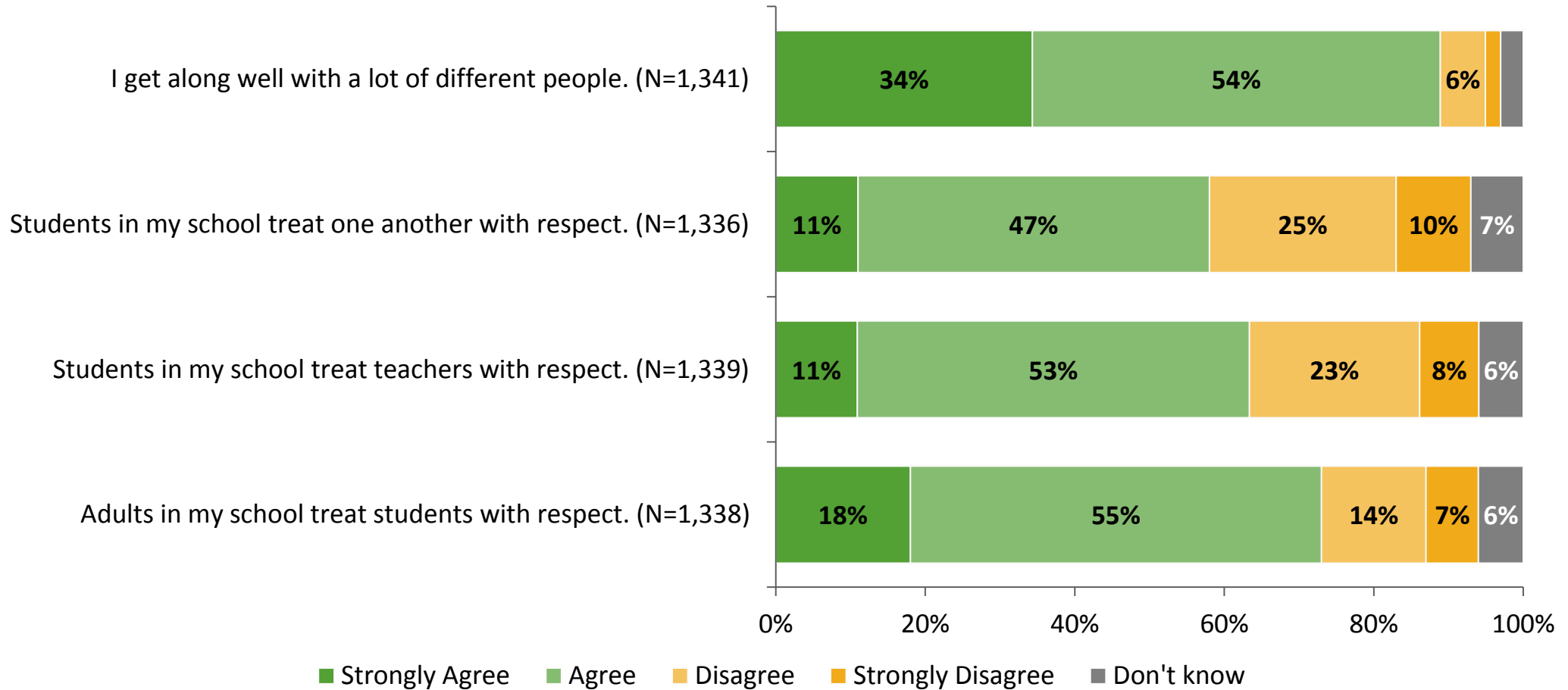
Relationship Skills

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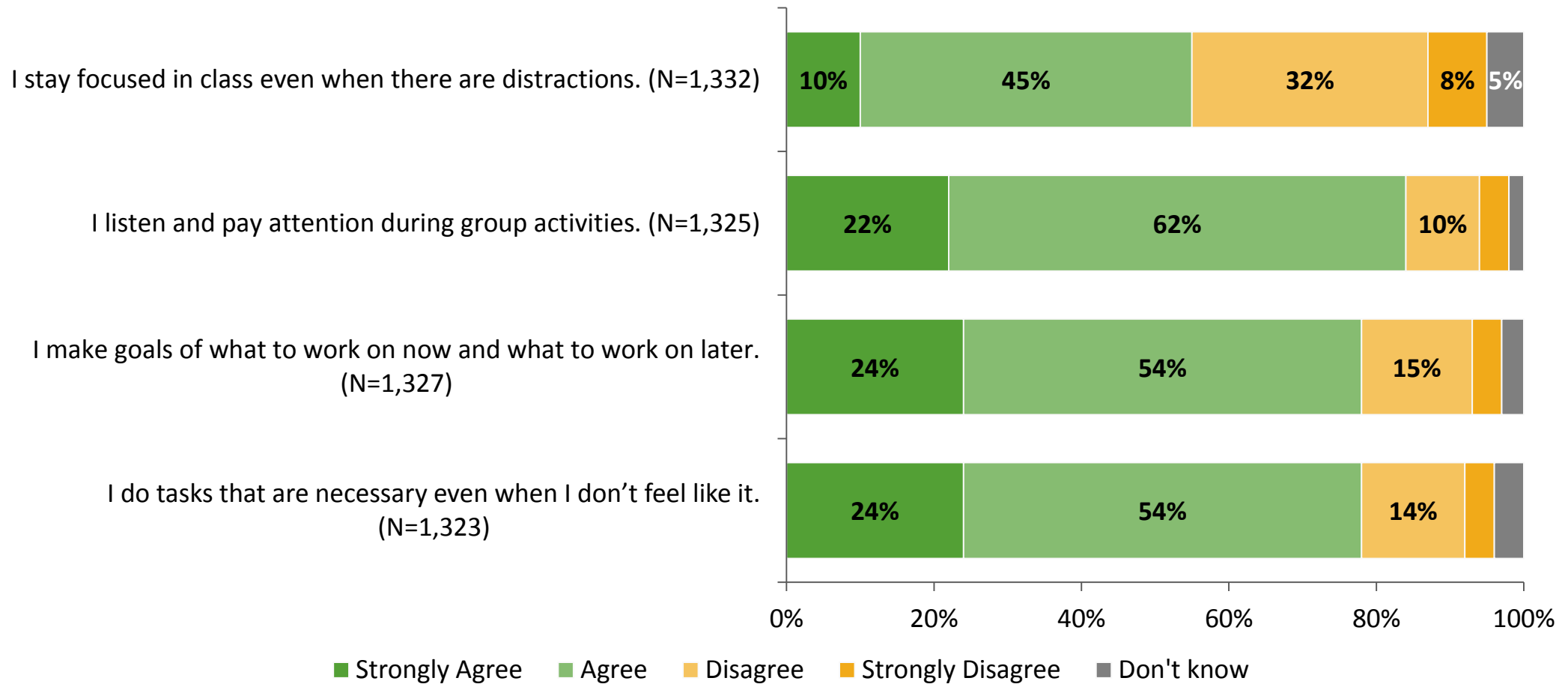
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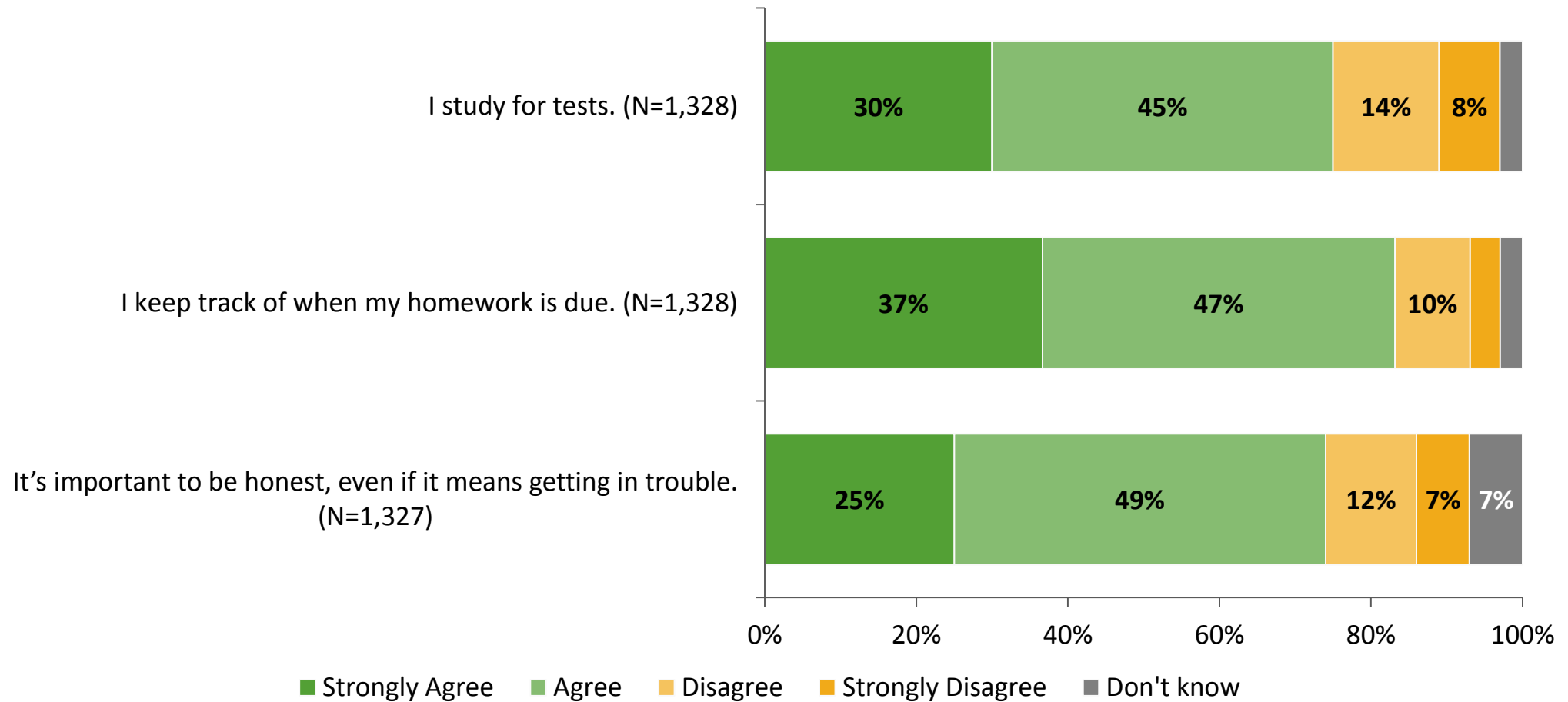
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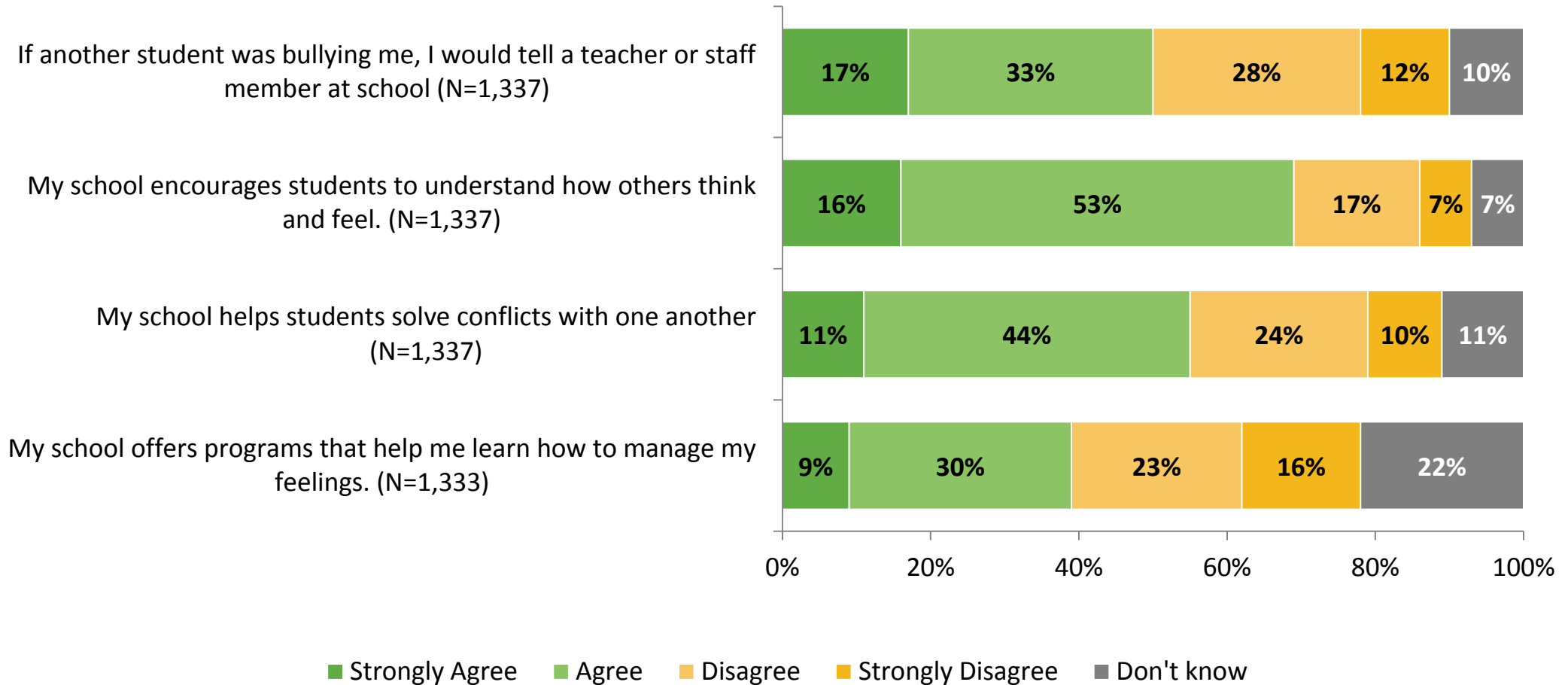
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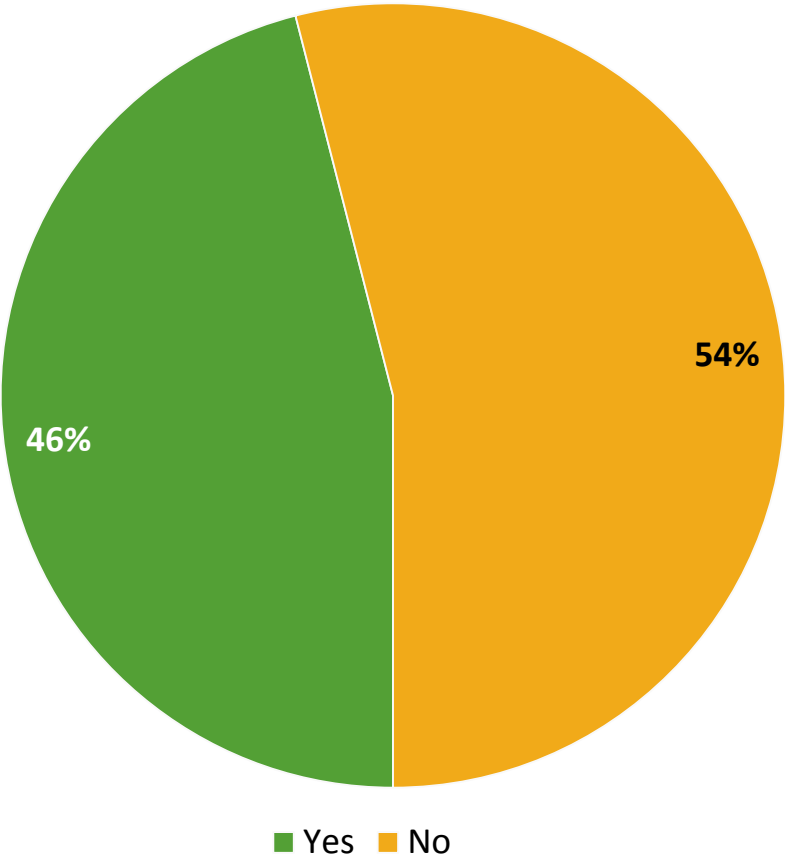
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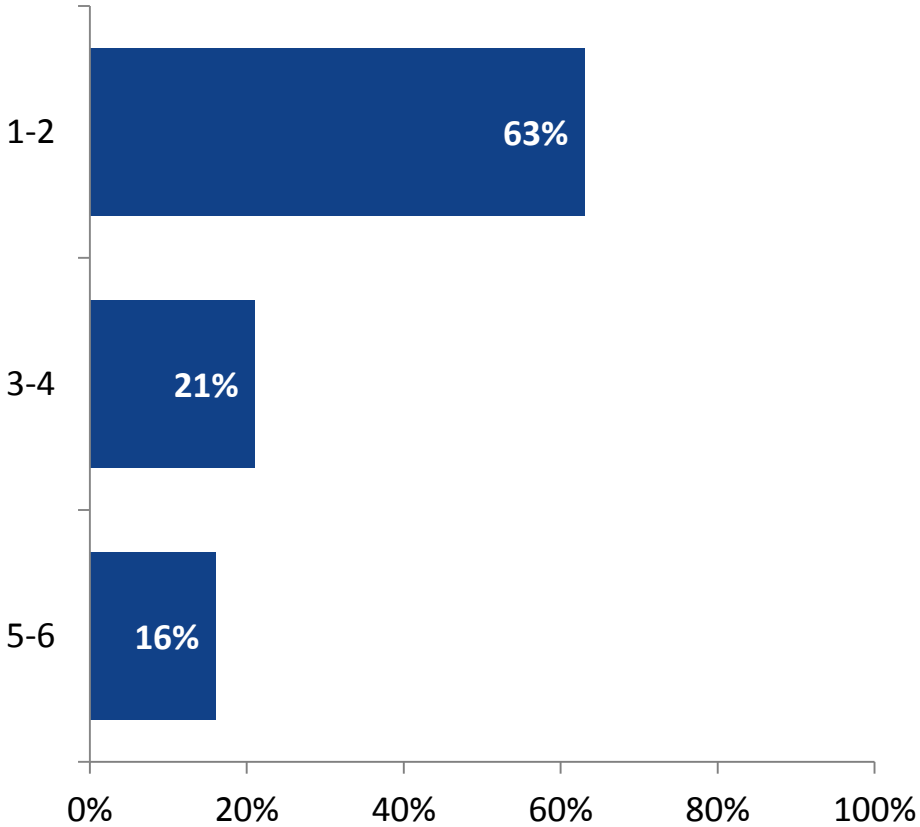


Advanced Placement

Are you currently taking Advanced Placement (AP) classes?
(N=1,338)



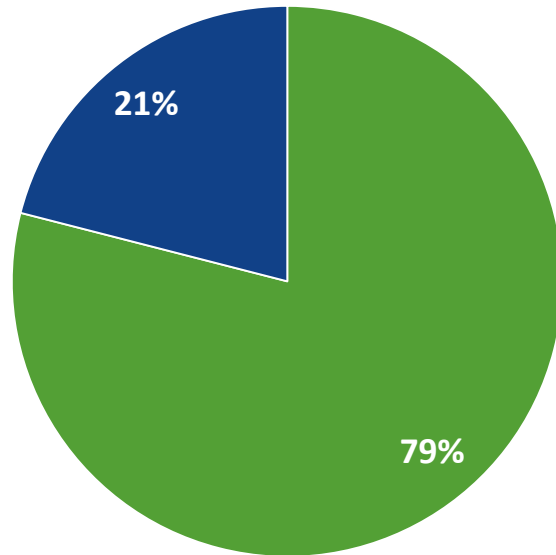
How many AP classes are you currently taking? (N=616)



Gender

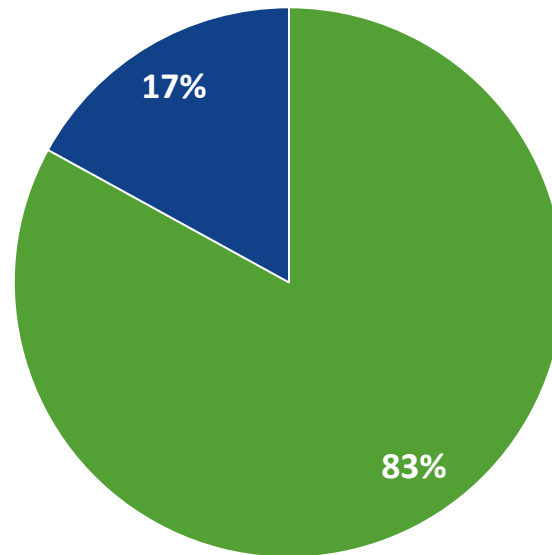
Please select your gender.

Parents (N=1,026)



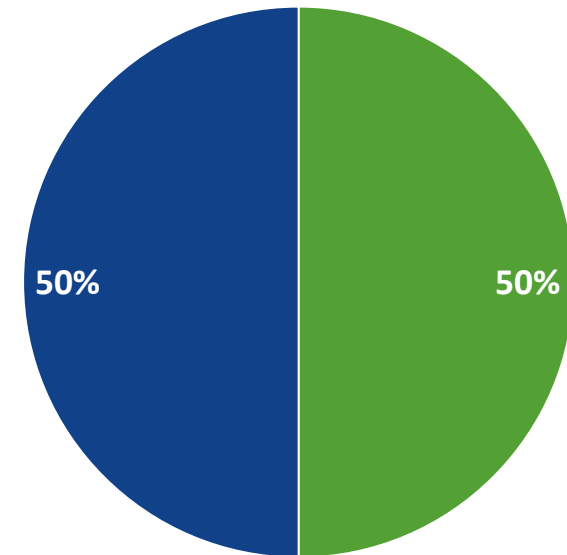
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Staff (N=266)



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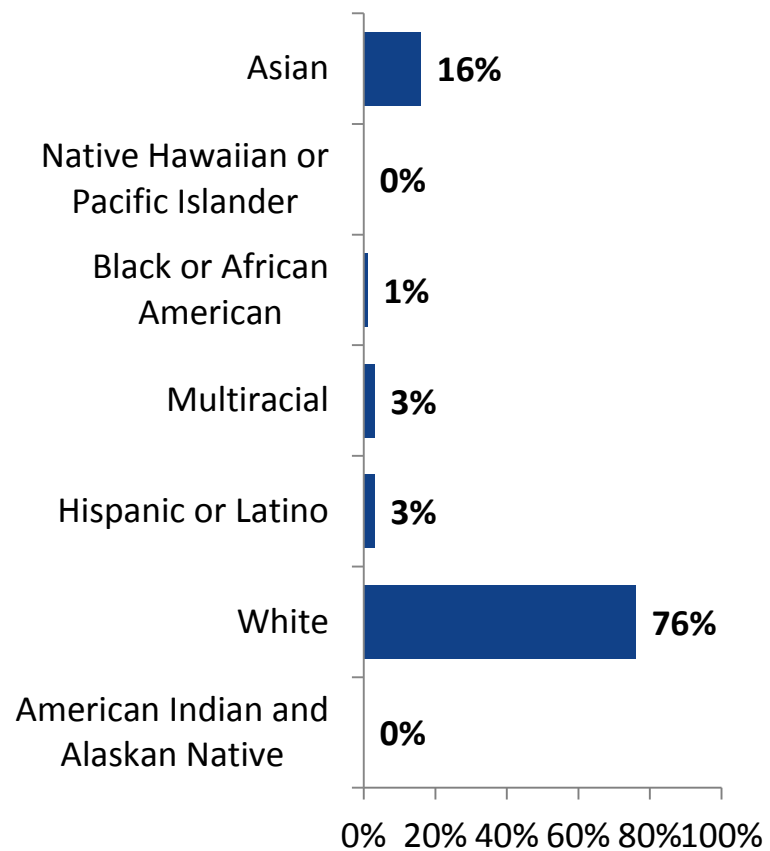
Students (N=1,337)



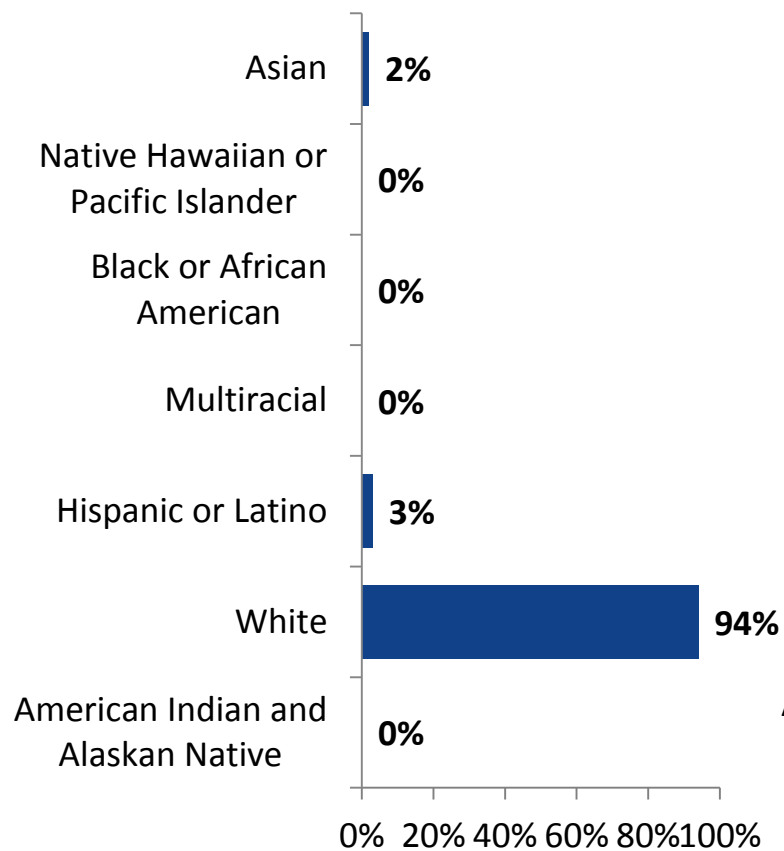
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Race/Ethnicity

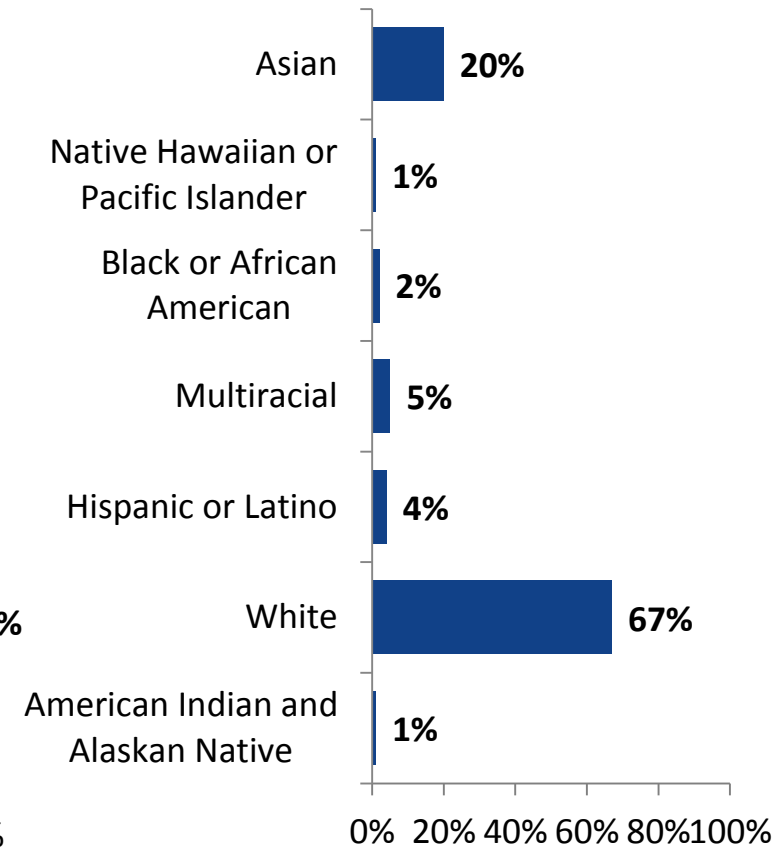
Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?



Parents (N=1,007)



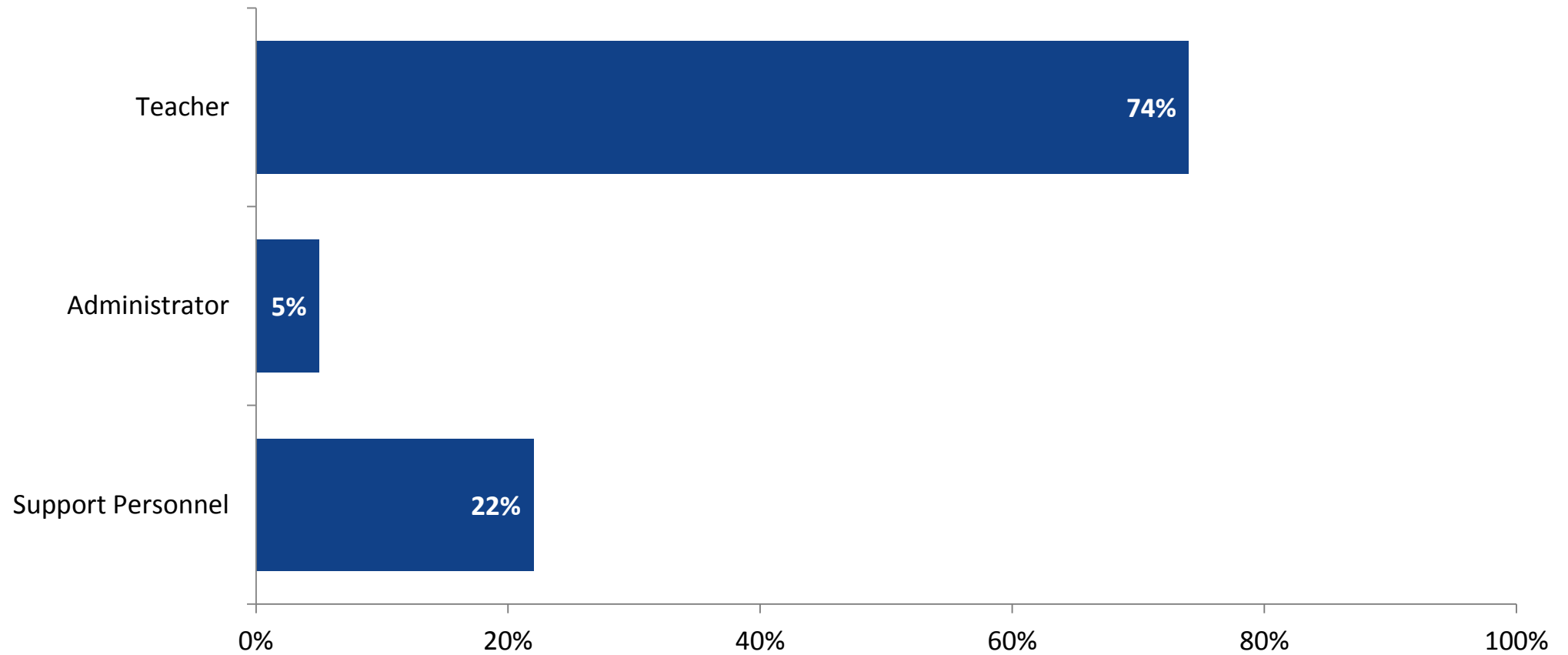
Staff (N=253)



Students (N=1,332)

Position

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Key Insights

- 93% of parents, 92% of staff members, and 84% of students who took the survey rated their school as excellent or good
- 90% of parents, 96% of staff members, and 93% of students who took the survey agreed their school has high learning standards for all students.
- 77% of participating staff agreed that “Teachers connect lessons to life outside of school.” However, 24% of participating parents disagreed and 24% said they don’t know, and 63% of participating students disagreed.
- 82% of participating parents said they have reasonable expectations of students, but only 49% of participating staff members and 79% of students agreed.
- All groups indicated that students do not get enough sleep.
- 62% of participating students disagreed that “Students in this school do not abuse illegal substances.”
- Fewer than half of all participants indicated that academic integrity (cheating) is not a problem in this school.
- Within the school leadership dimension, there were very favorable responses (over 50%) to all question items.
- Within the family involvement dimension, there were favorable responses (over 50%) to all question items except, “This school uses family input to improve instruction.” Over a fifth of all participants responded that they didn’t know the answer to this item.
- Over 70% of all participants agreed that their school is safe.
- Only 41% of participating students indicated that they are not afraid to fail.
- Students responded very favorably (over 90% agreement) to all items within the respect for others section.



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