

2018 School Quality Survey: Foothill High

Results

School Year 2017-2018



Participation

Responding Group	Number of Invitations Delivered (NMax)	Number of Responses (N)	Response Rate	Public Access Link Responses	Total Responses
Parents		180		60	240
Staff		67			67
Students		226			226

Purpose of the Study

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

The Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) asked students in grades 6–12, parents, and staff members for feedback on the most important dimensions of school climate. Results will inform decisions at both the school and district levels. This was the first administration of the survey.

K12 Insight partnered with district leaders to develop the survey, which addressed the following topics:

- Overall school quality
- Academic support
- Student support
- School leadership
- Family involvement
- Safety and behavior
- Communication and community building

Details of the Study

The survey was open April 30 to May 23.

Email invitations with unique survey links were sent to parents and staff members. Parents could also access the survey via a public link on the district's website. Paper surveys were available on request. The parent survey was translated into Chinese and Spanish.

Students used their student IDs to access the survey in school.

Pre-survey communications included email, letters to parents, and social media posts. Reminders were sent on April 18, 20, 24, and 30, and May 3 and 8.

Understanding the Results

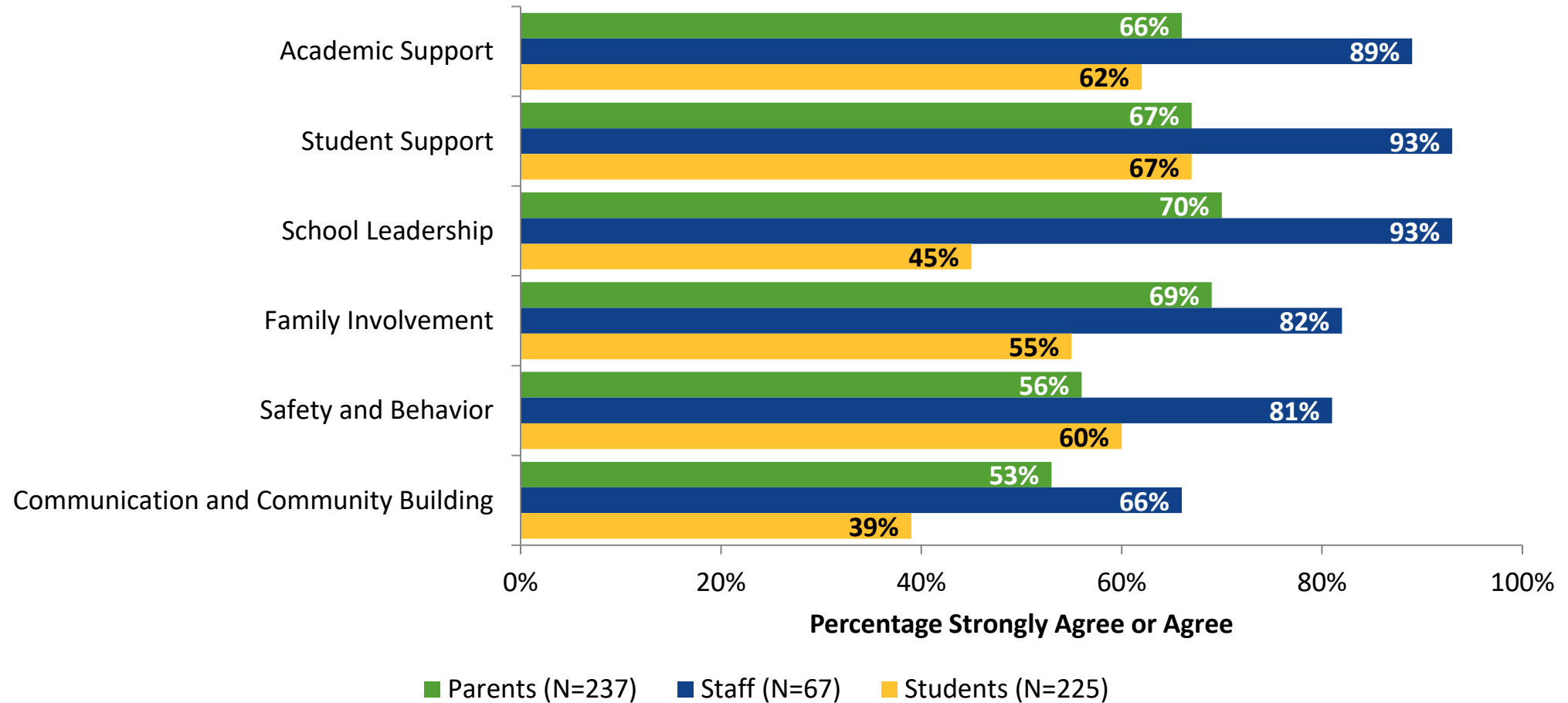
This report summarizes survey results, which are broken down by group: parents, students, and staff.

Results do not reflect random sampling; therefore, they should not be generalized to the all PUSD students in grades 6–12, 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.

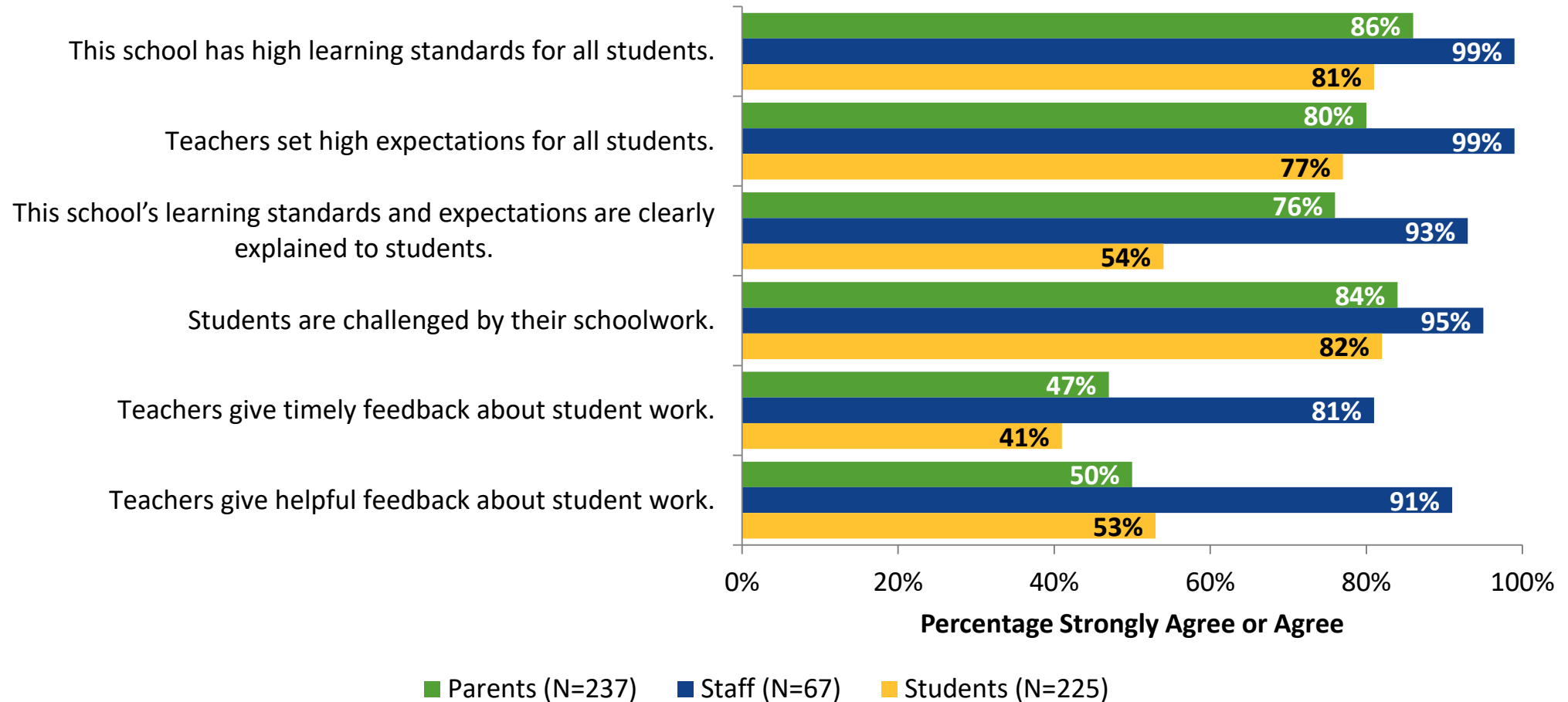
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Dimension Scores: Comparison by Respondent Type



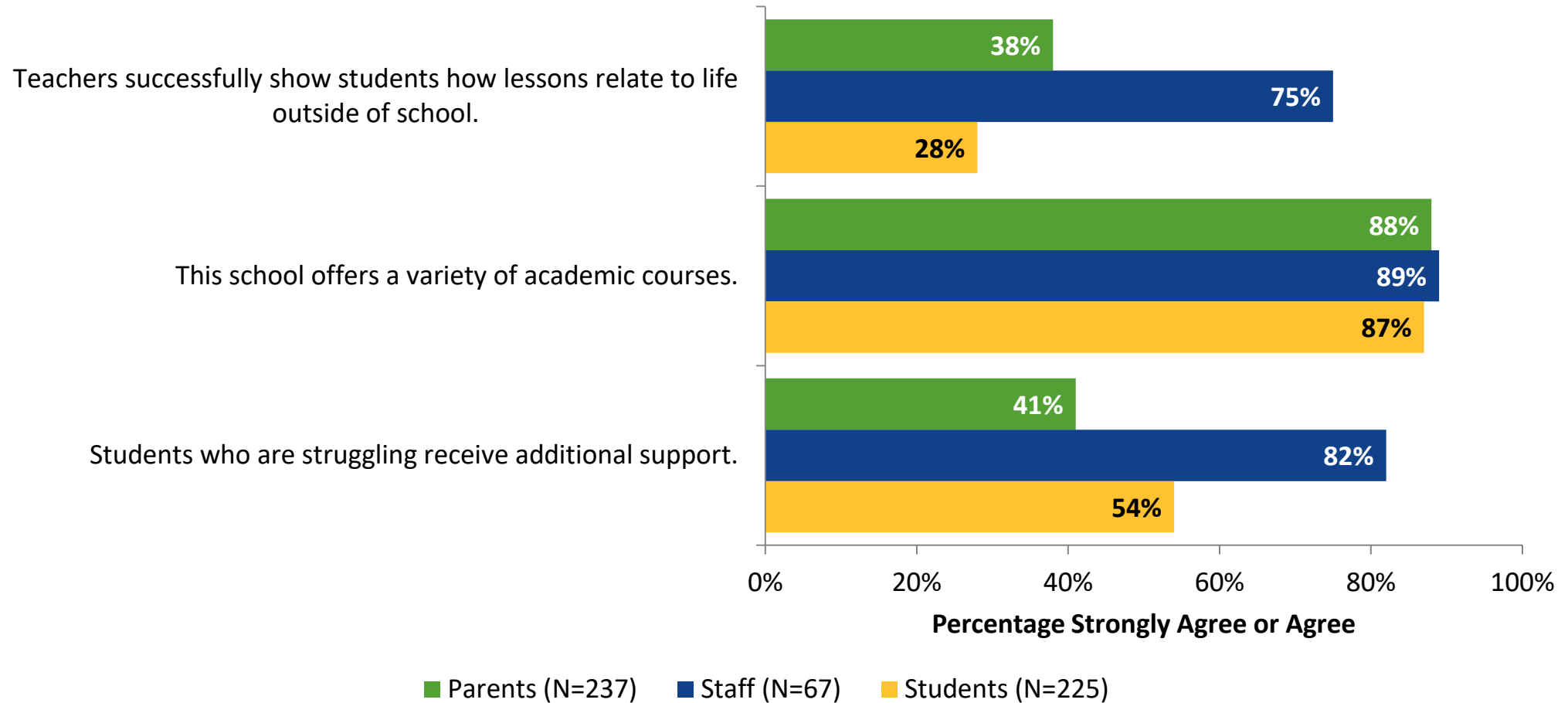
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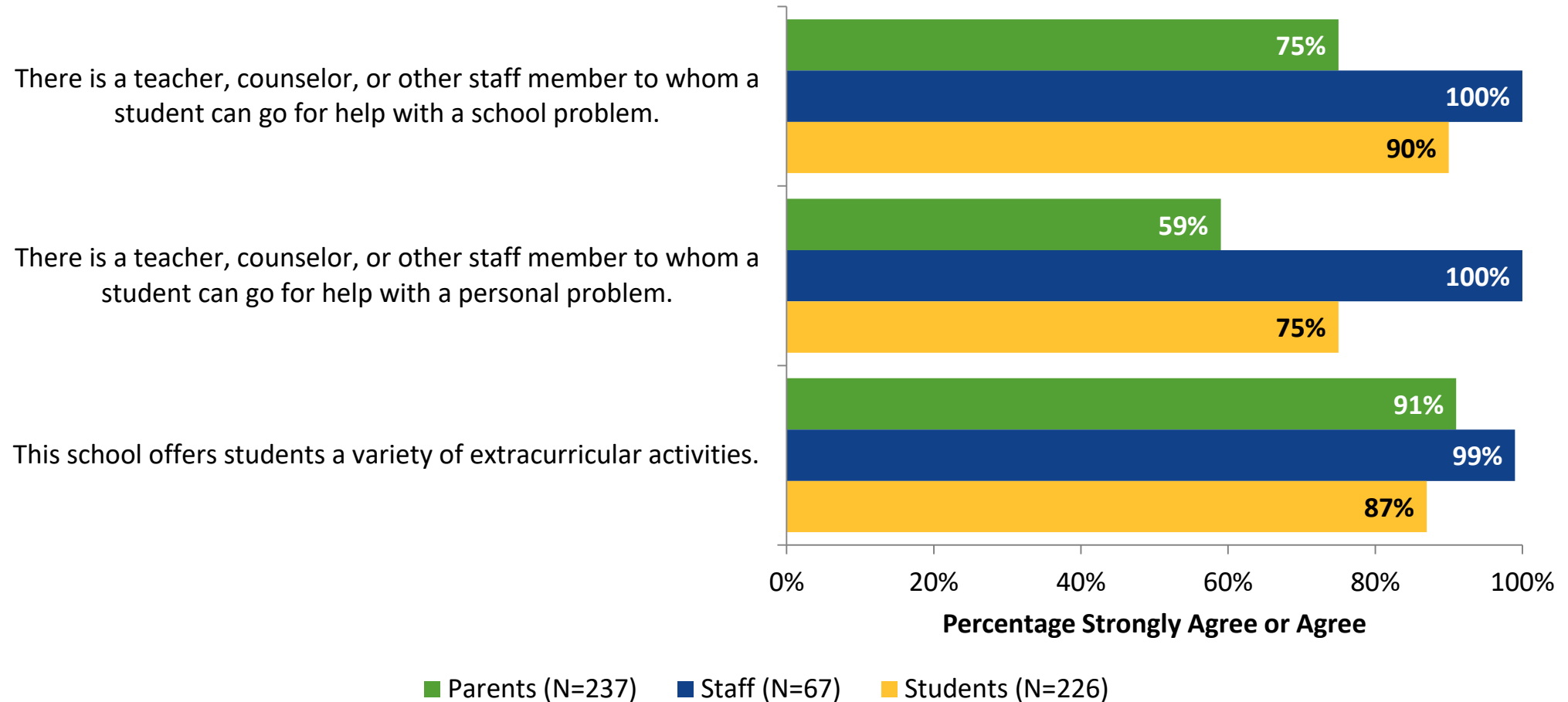
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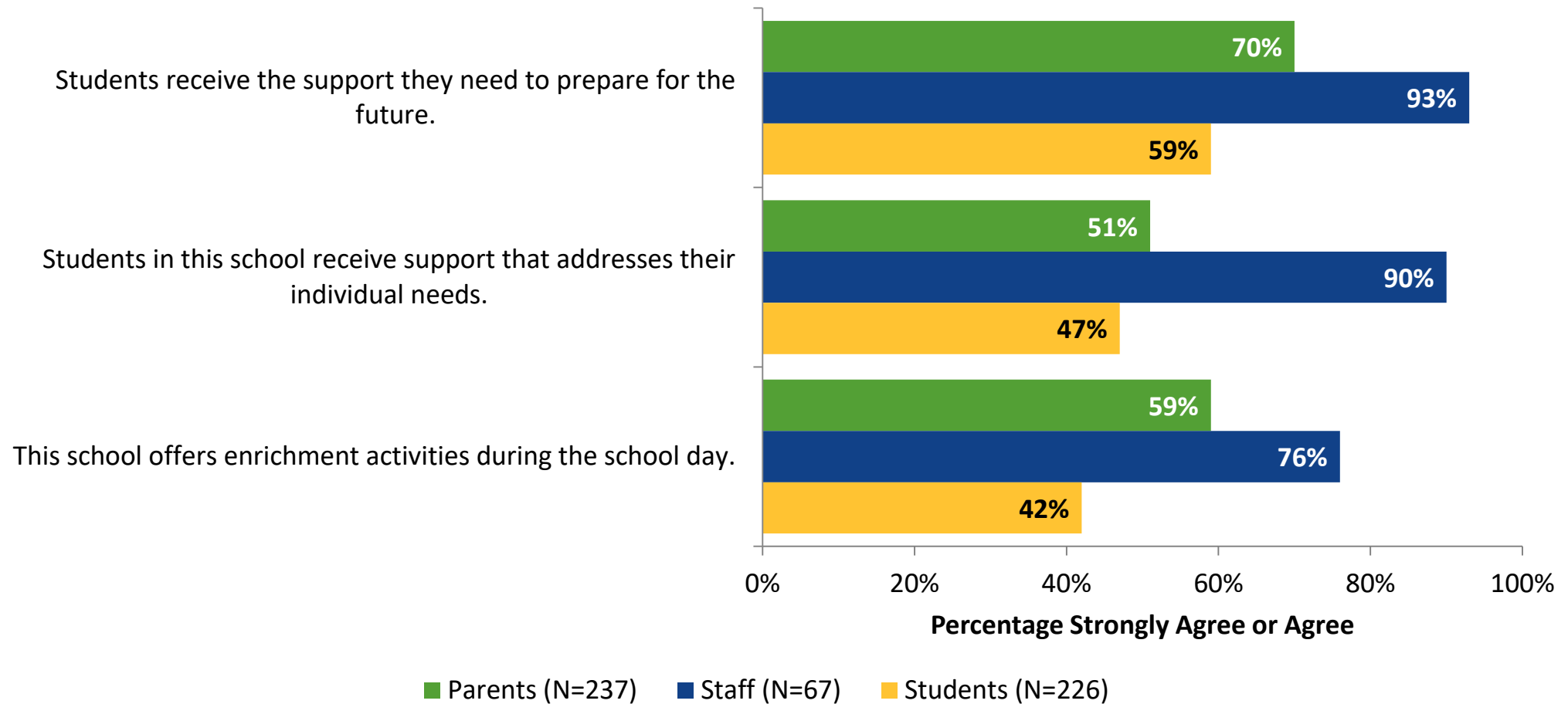
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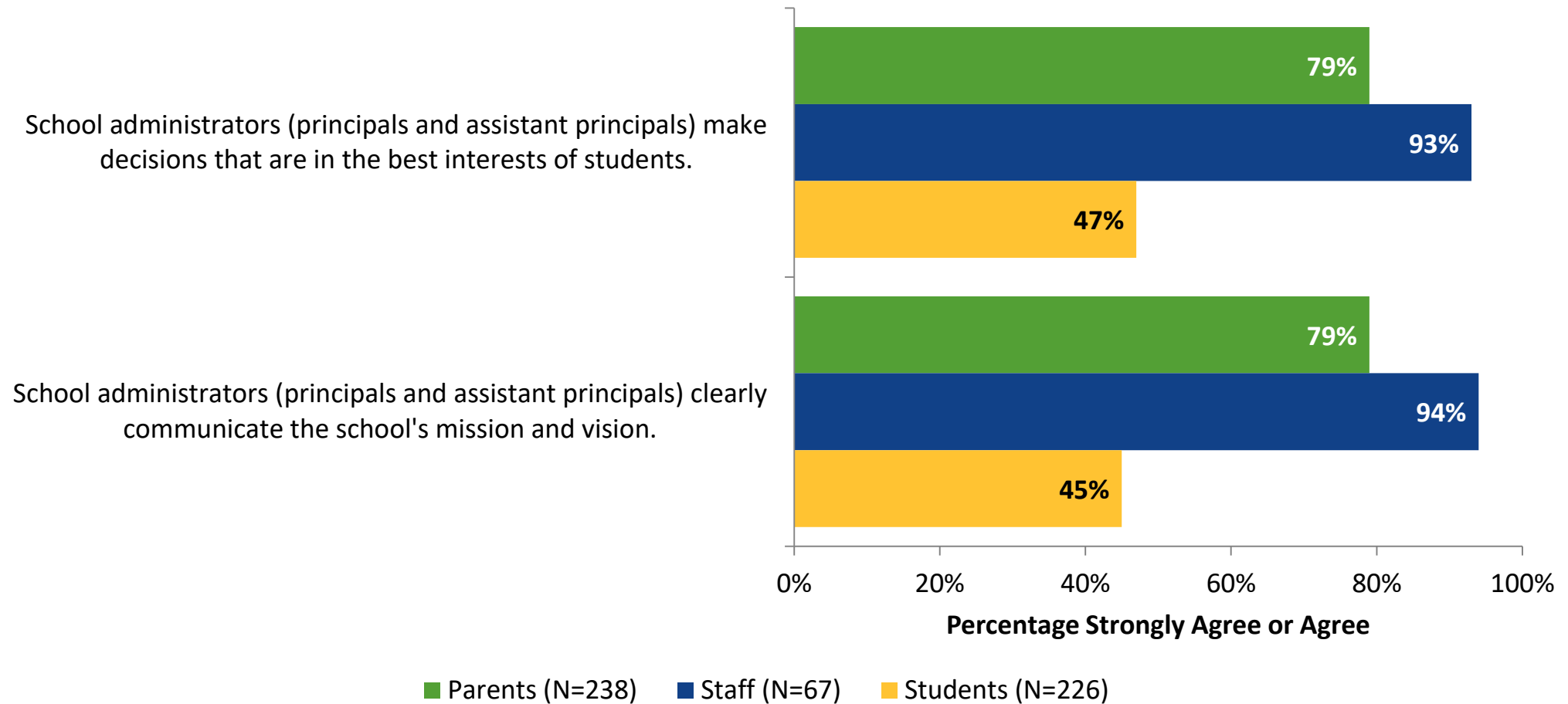
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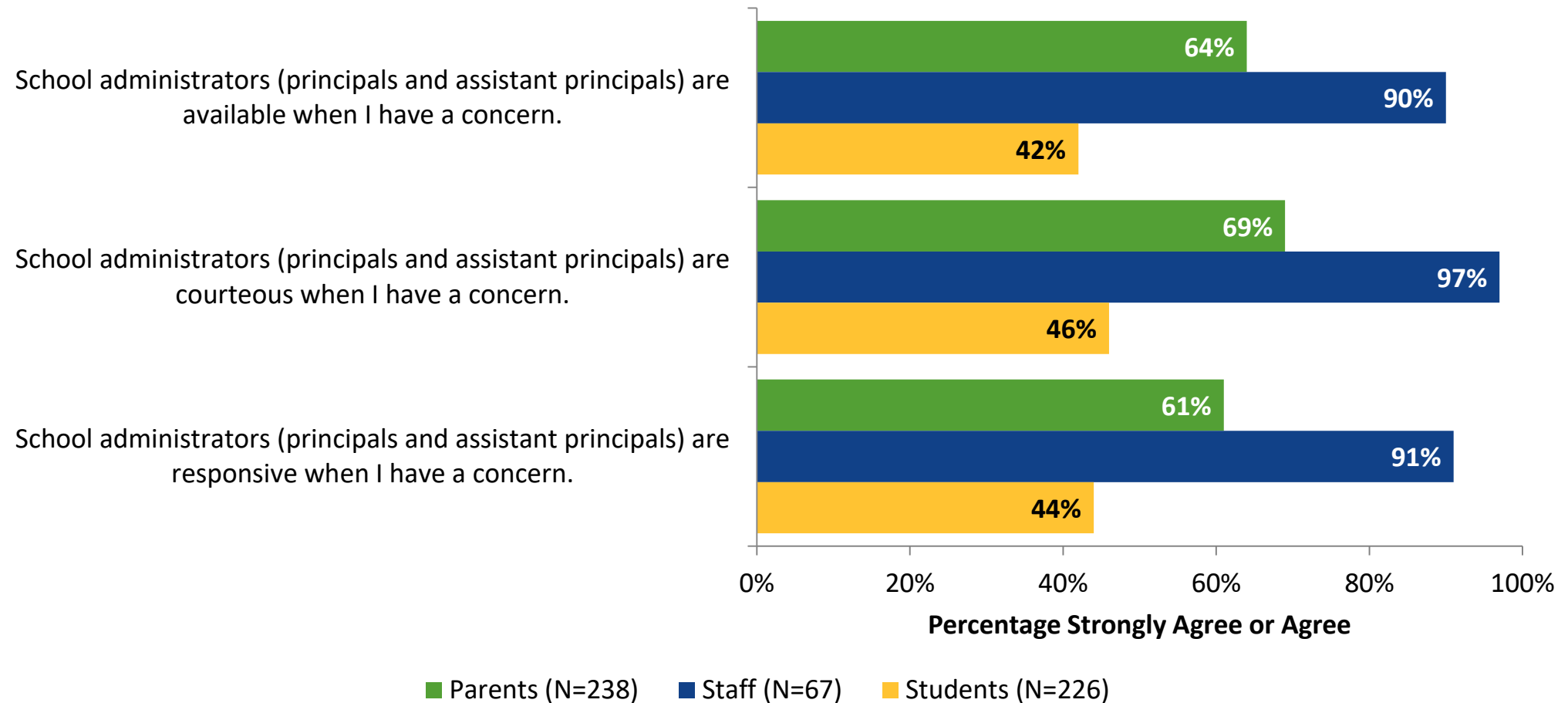
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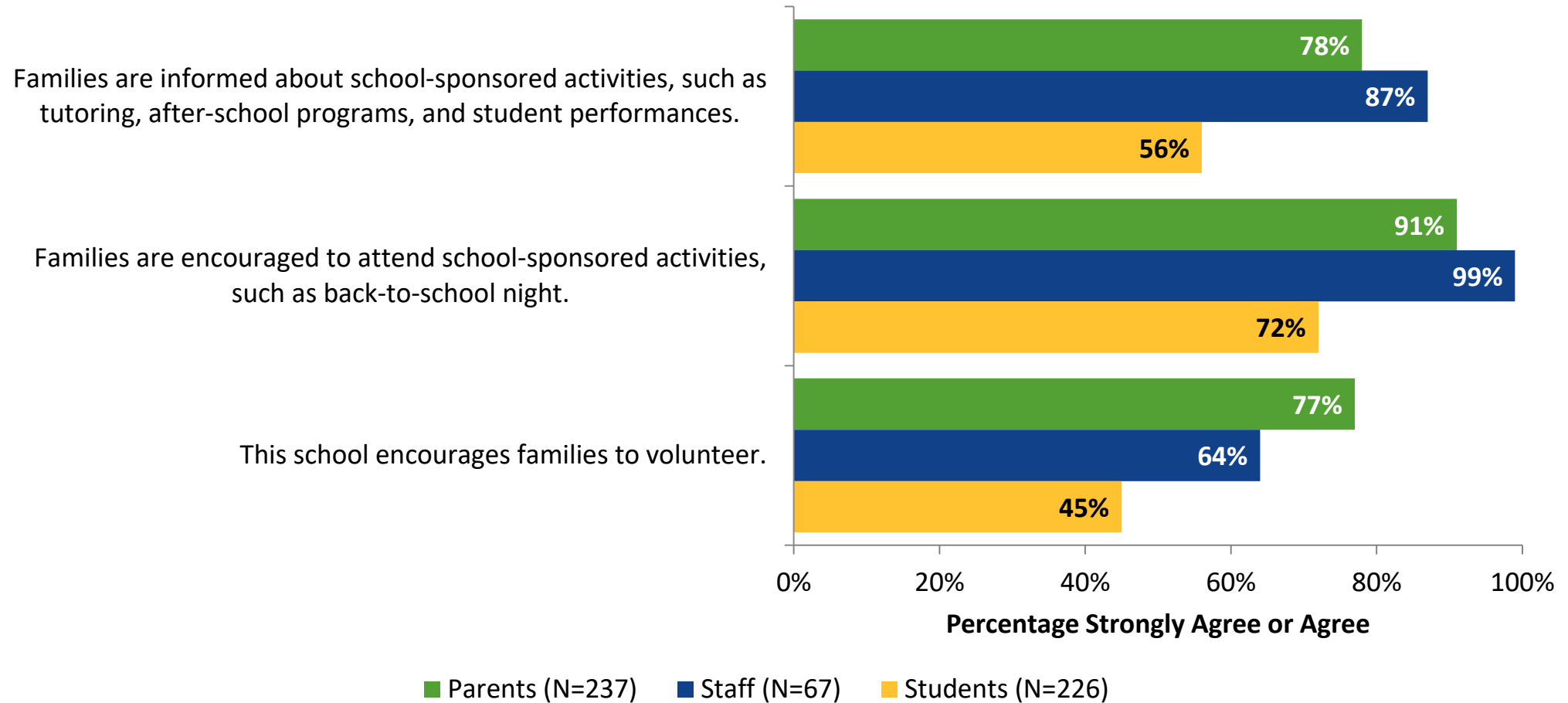
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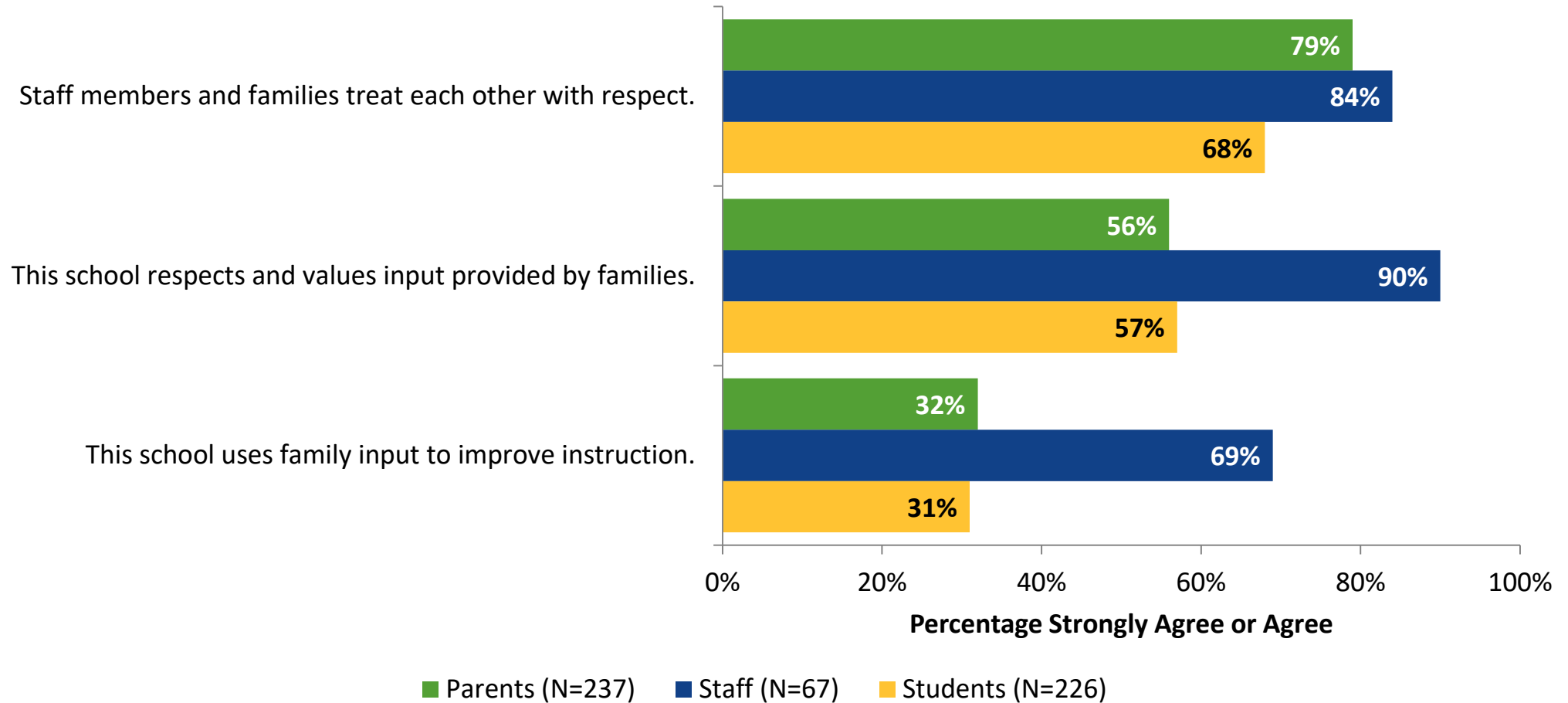
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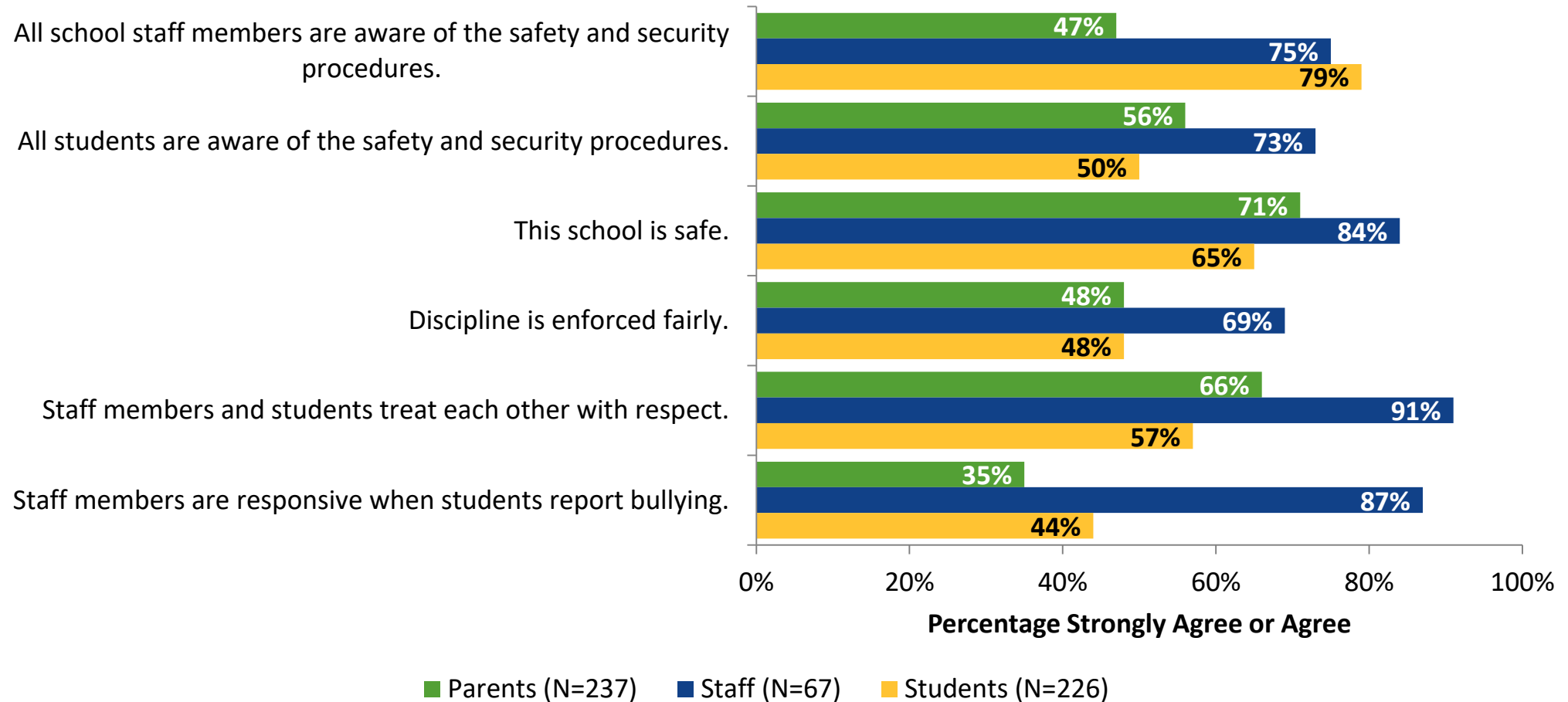
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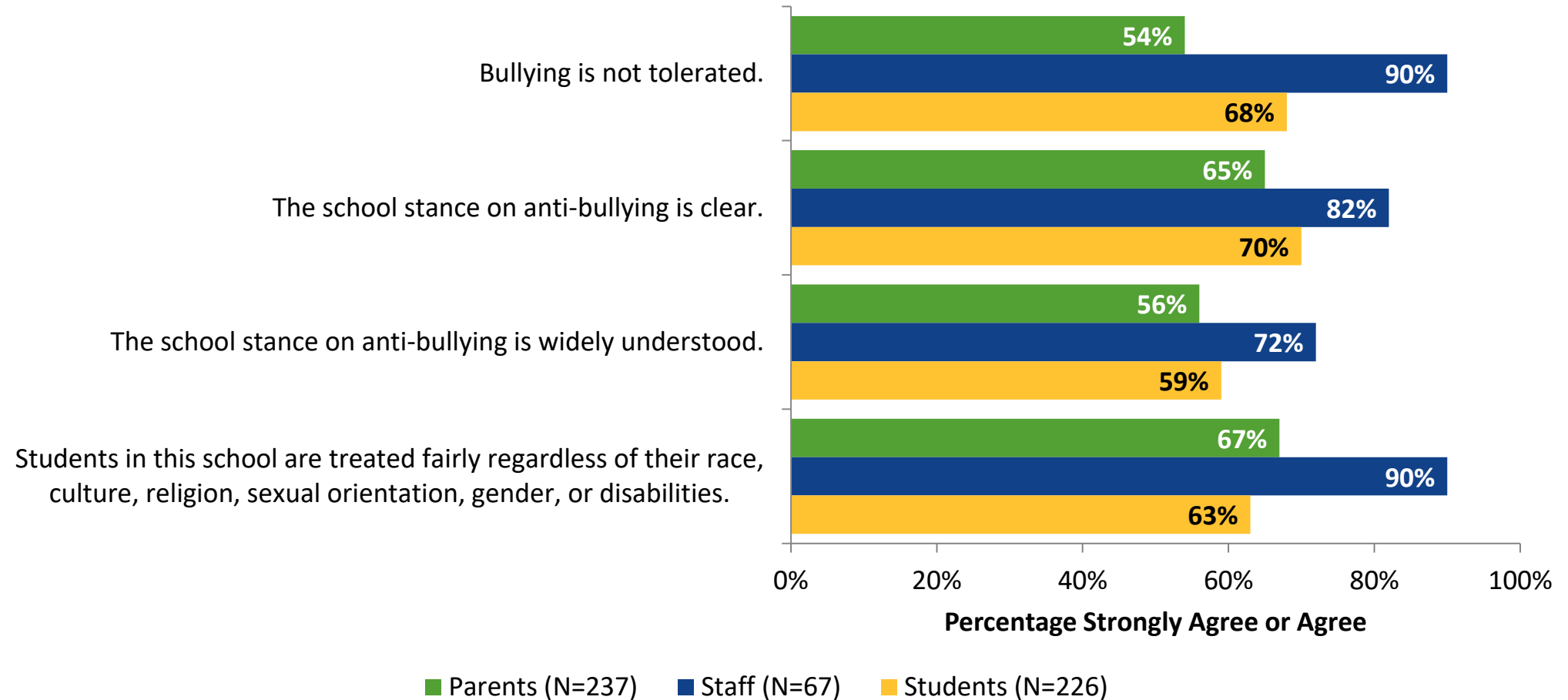
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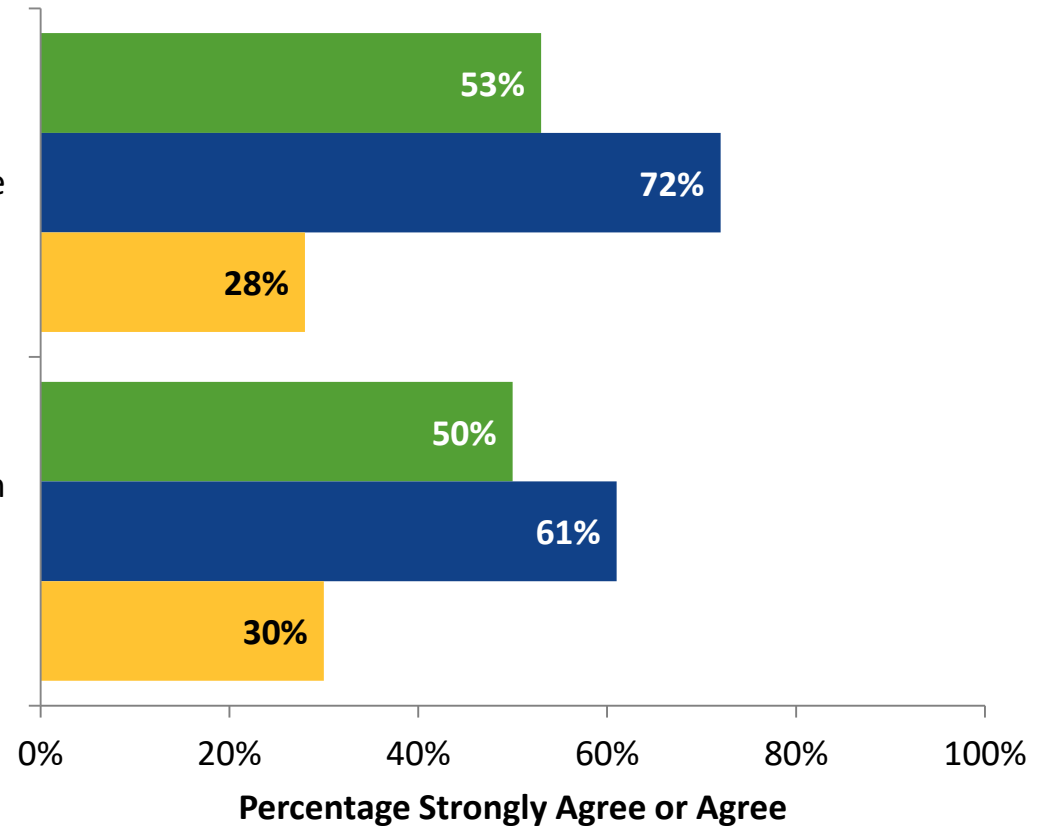


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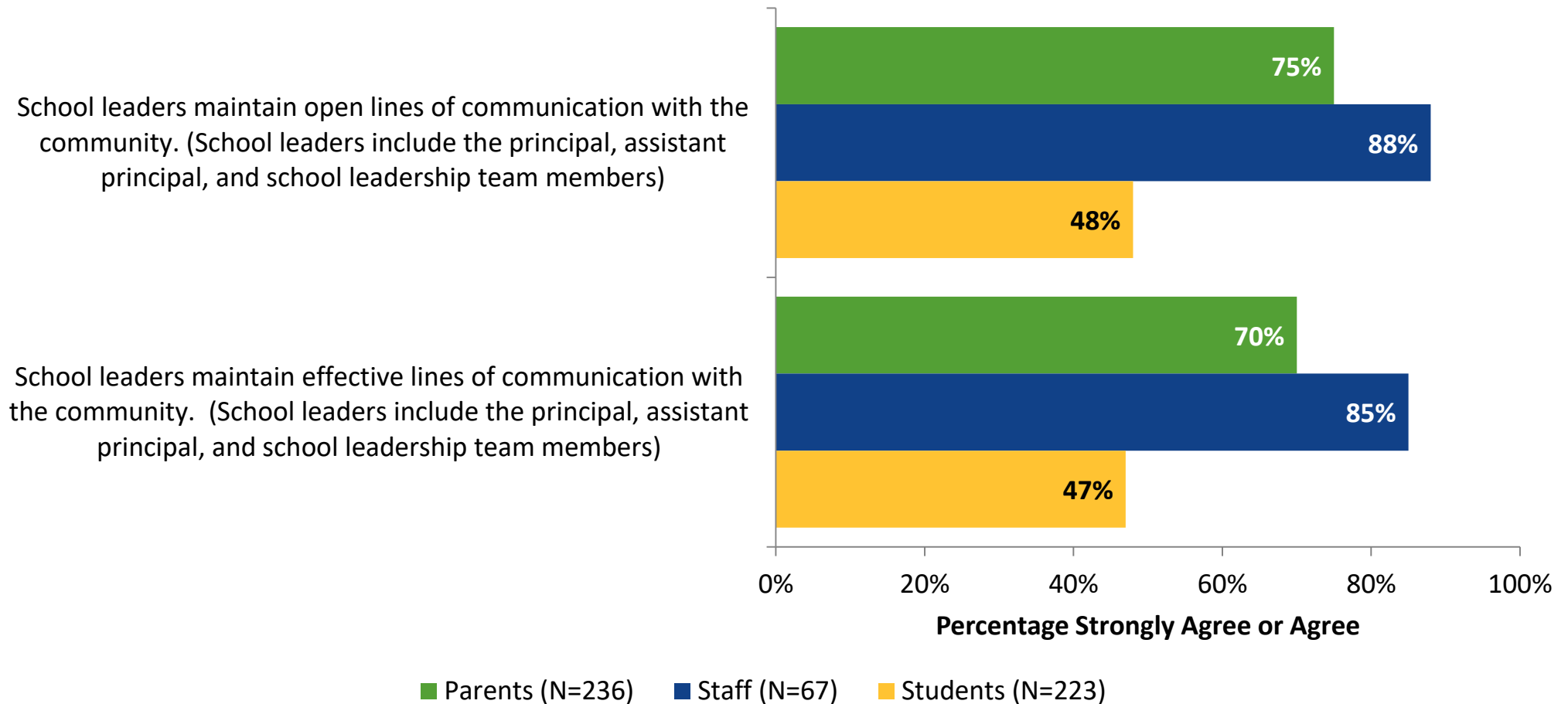
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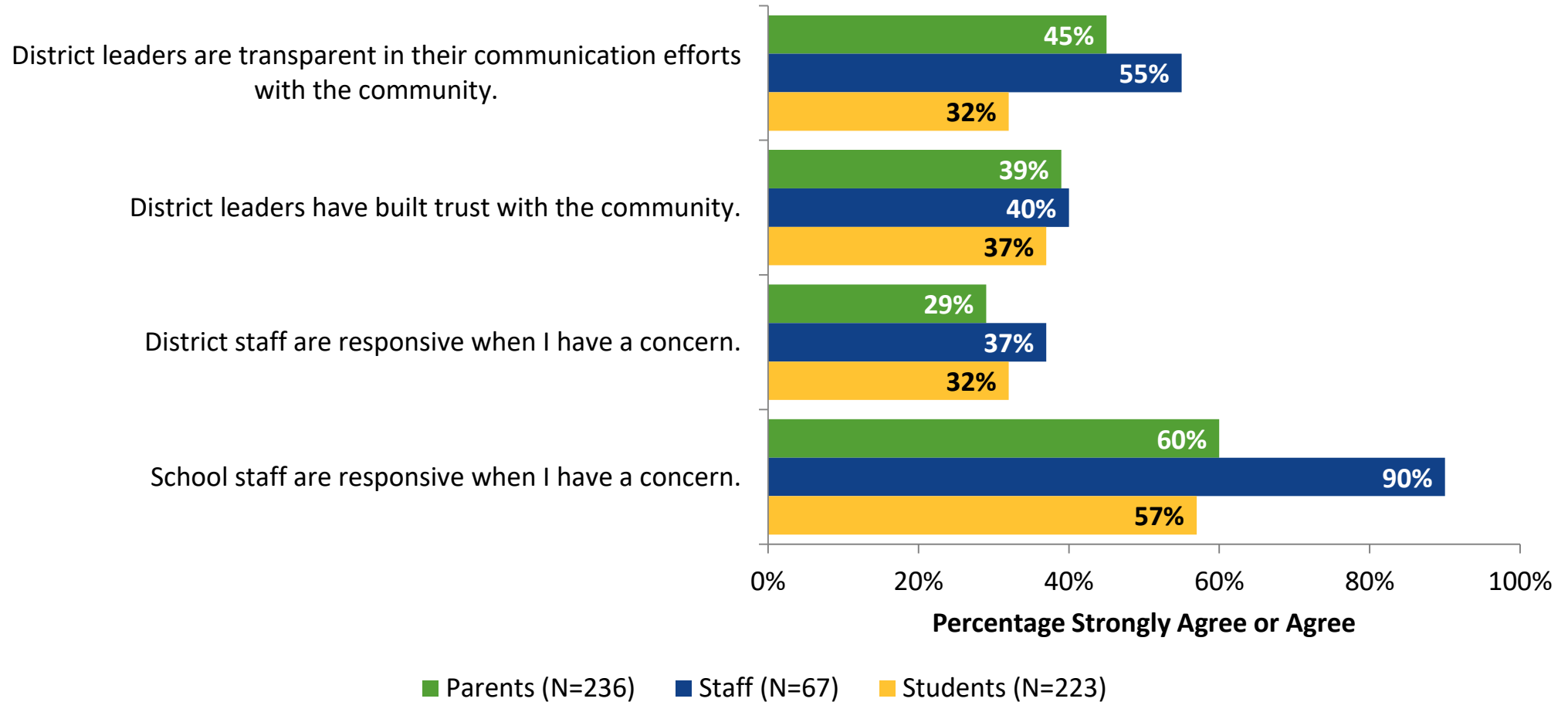
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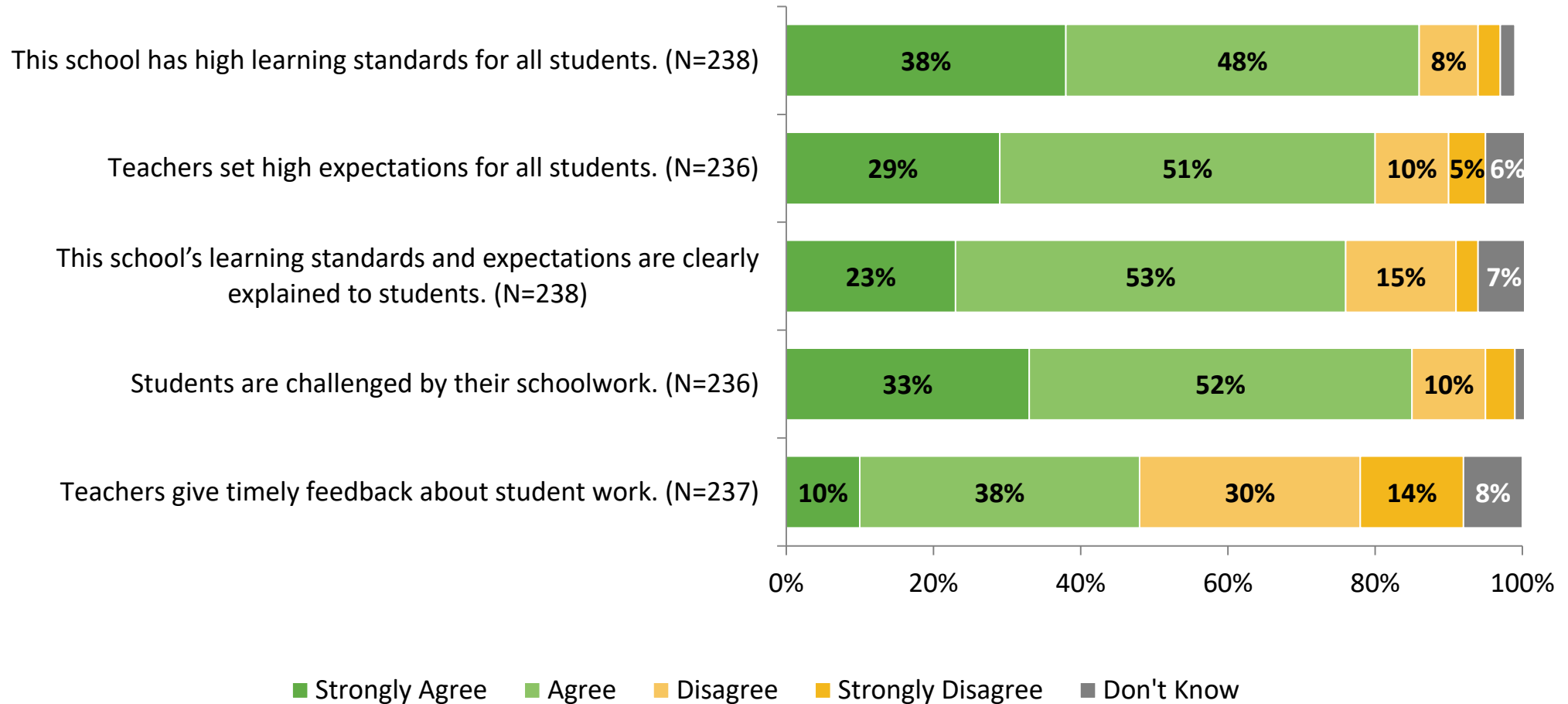
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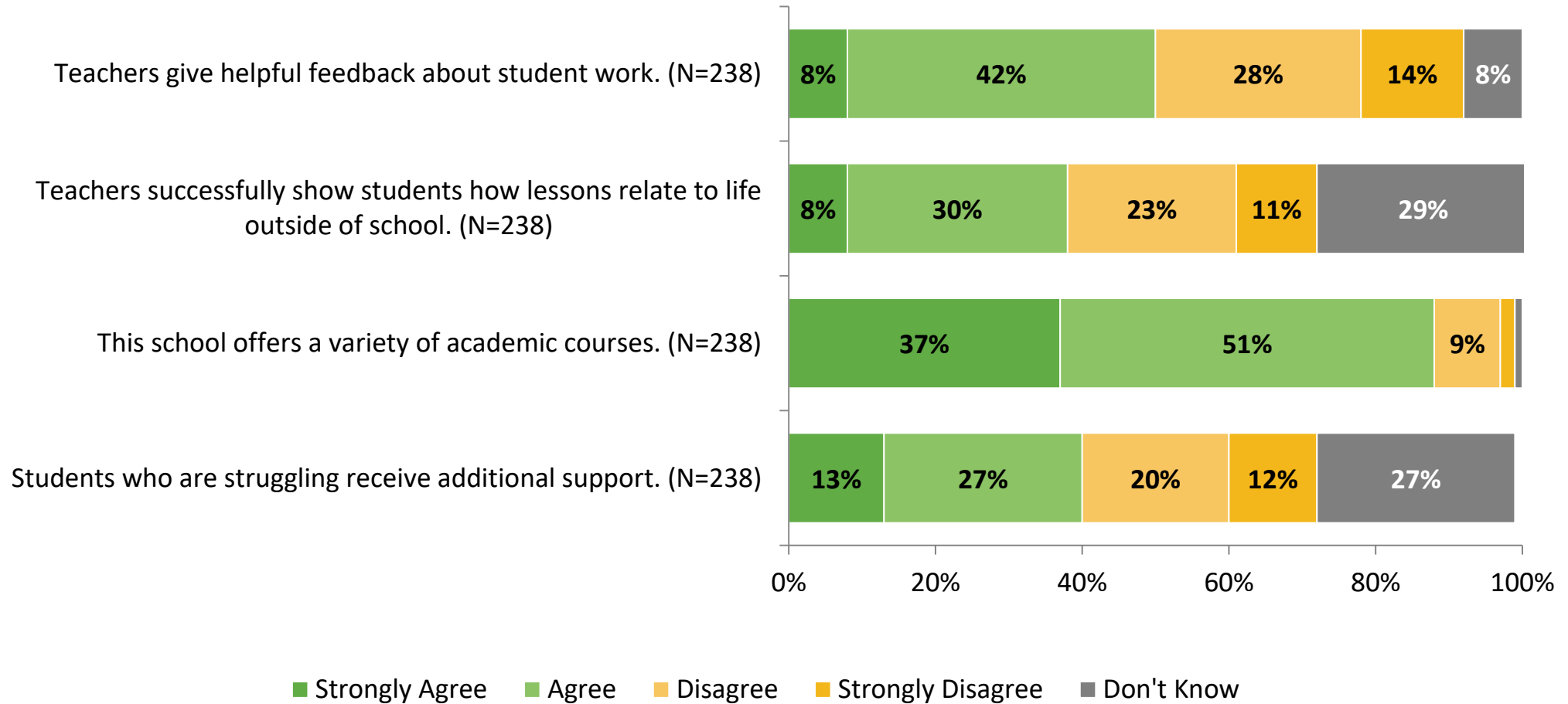
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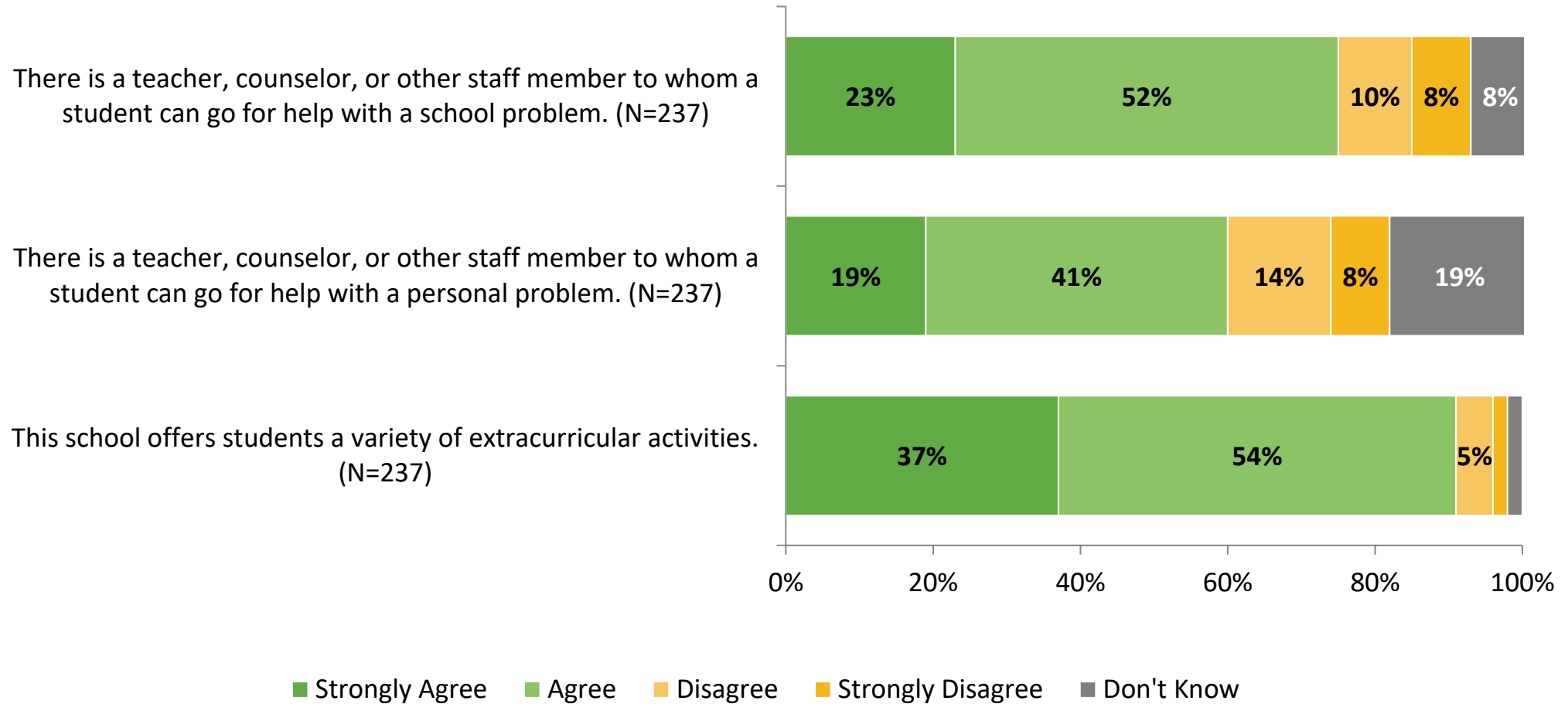
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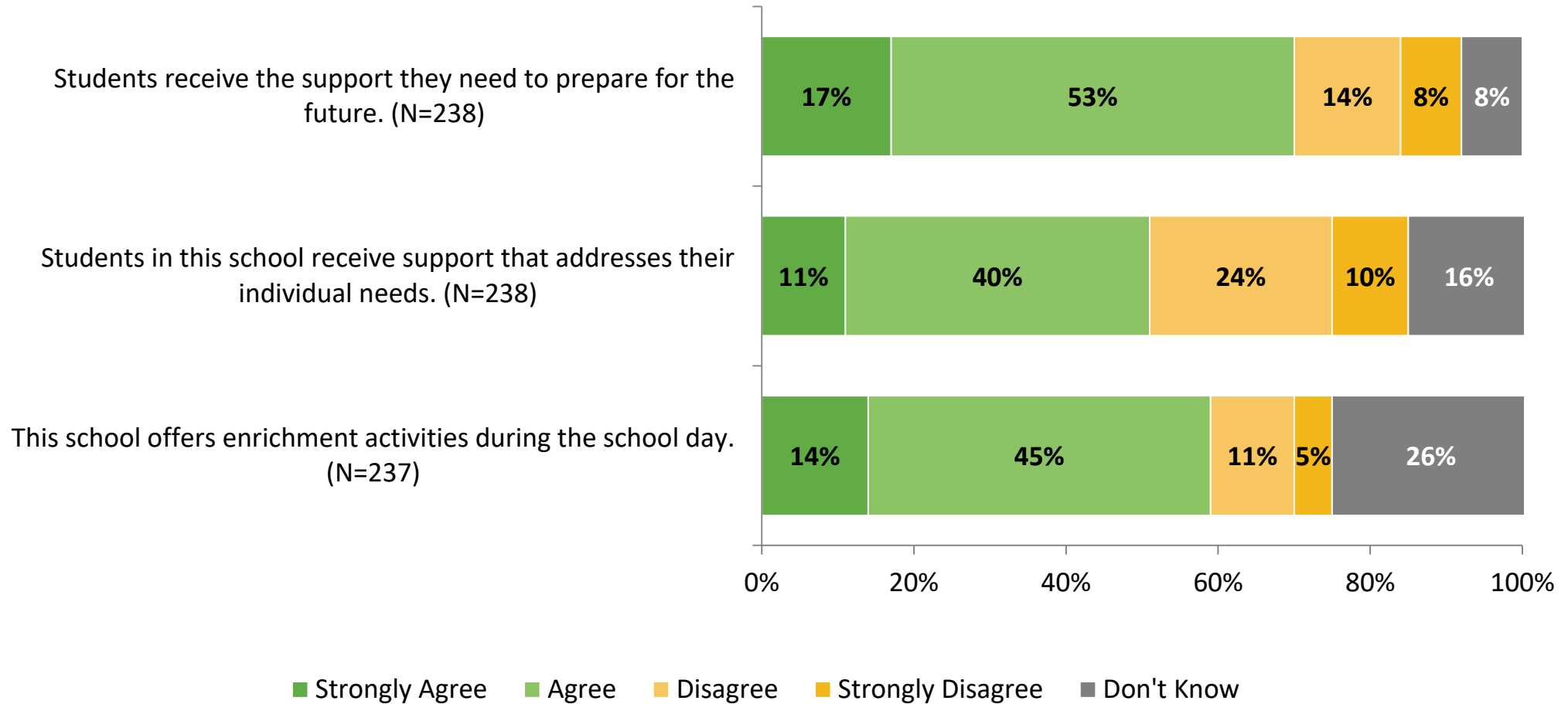
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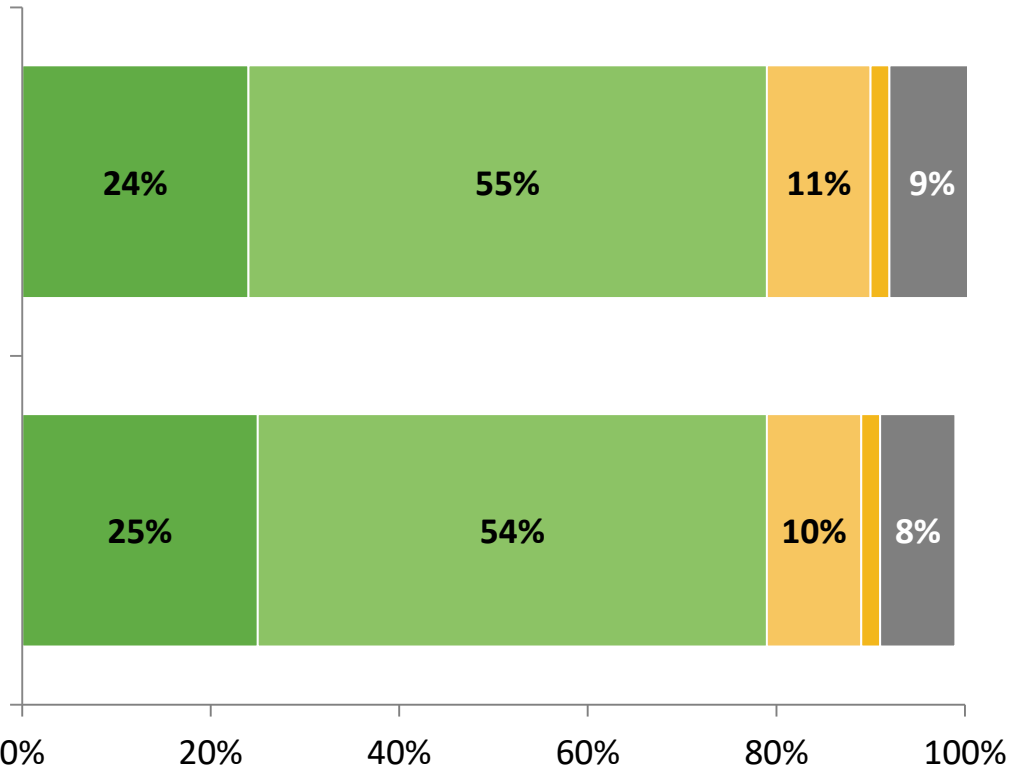
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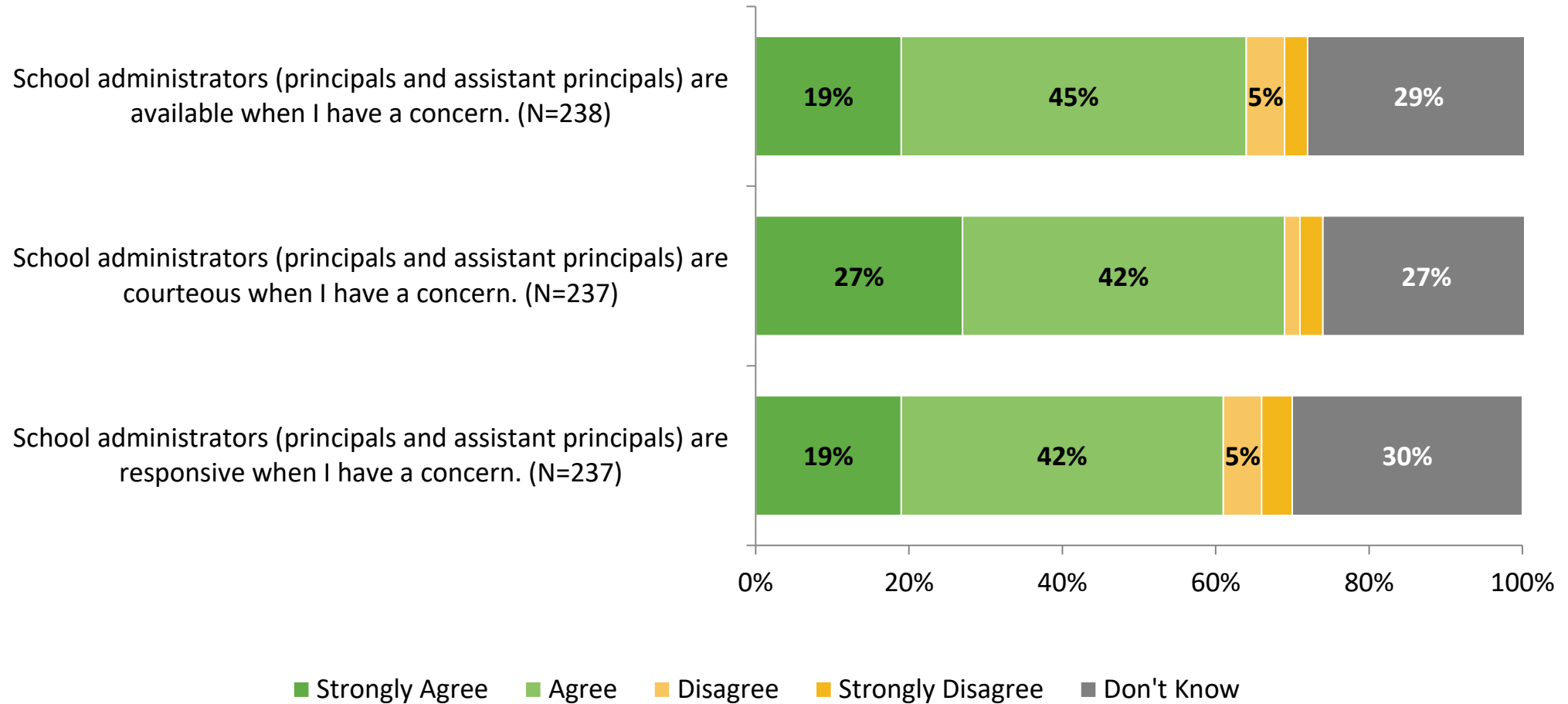
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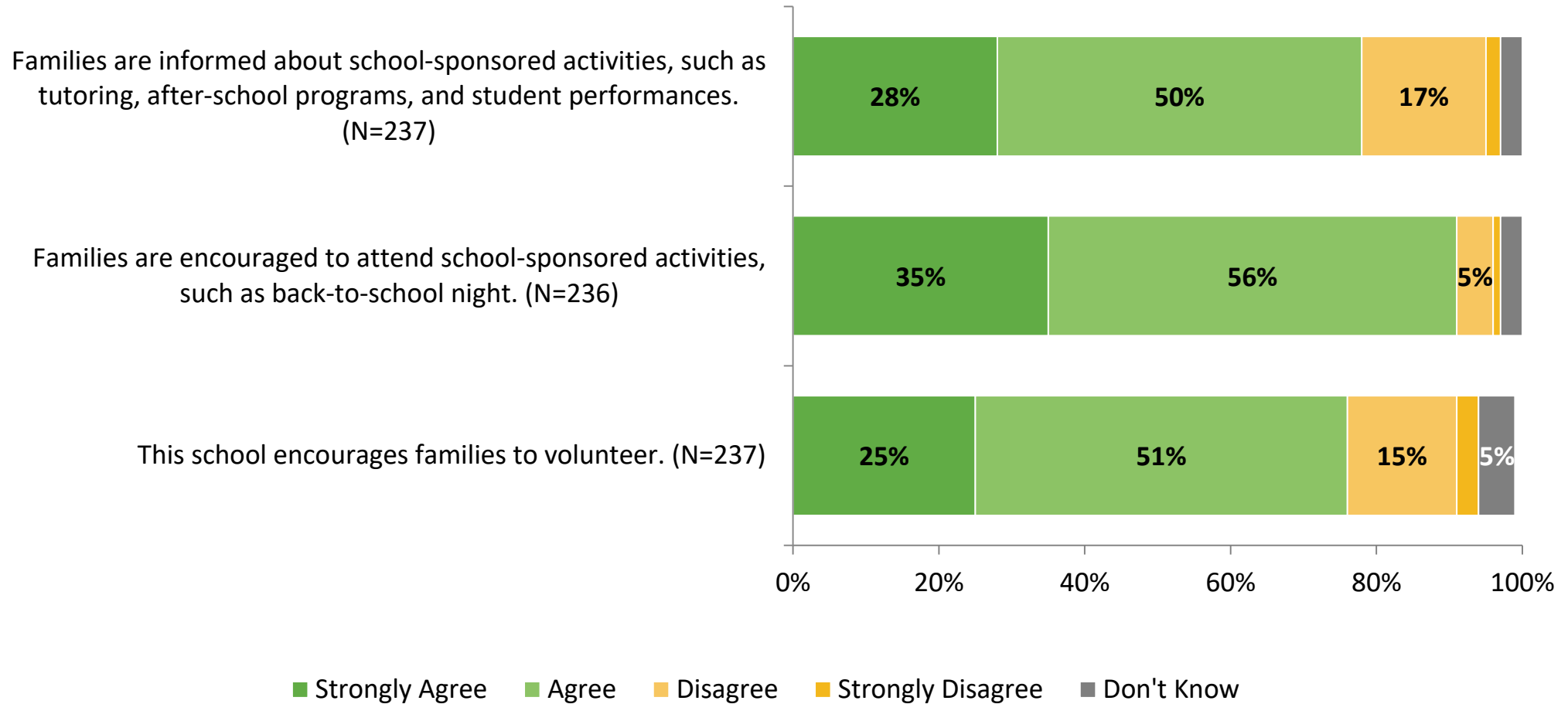
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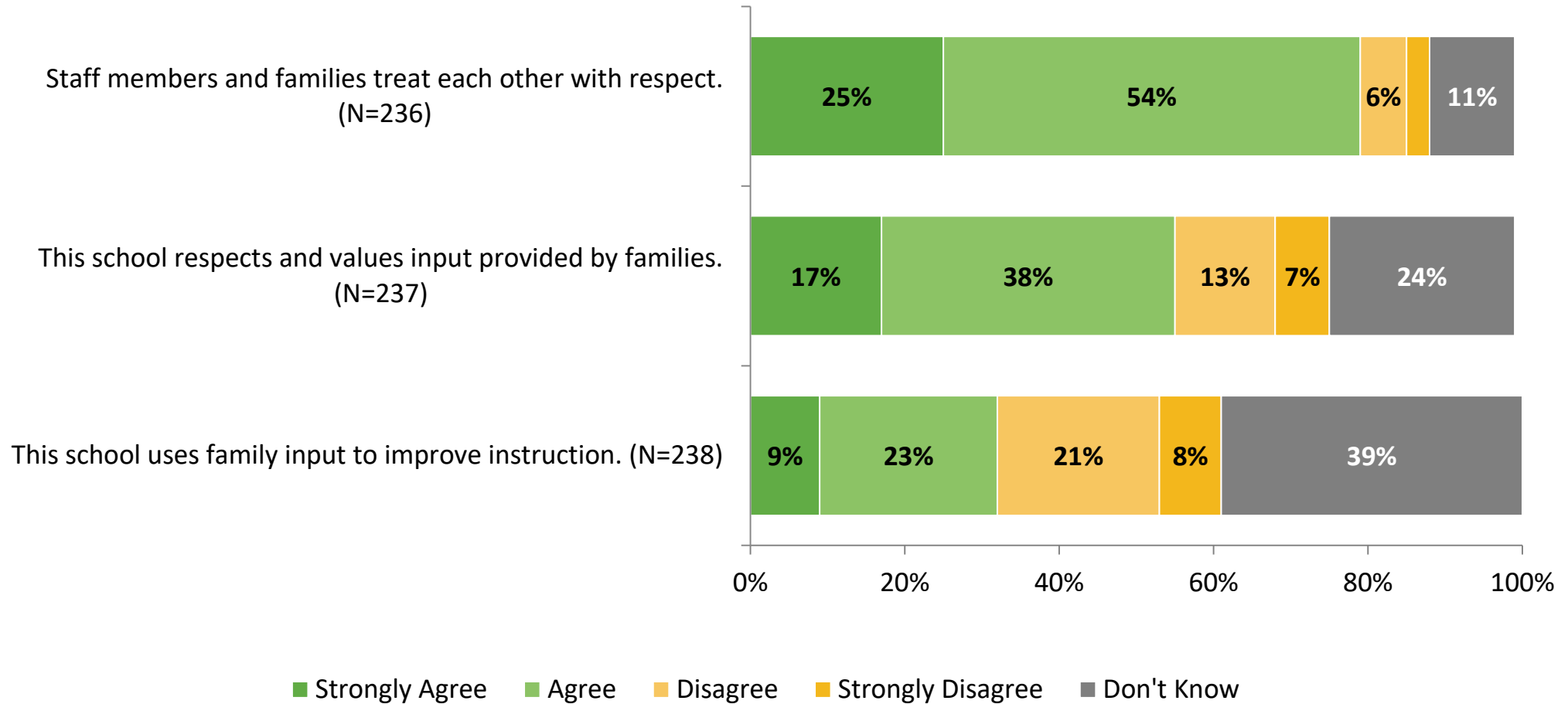
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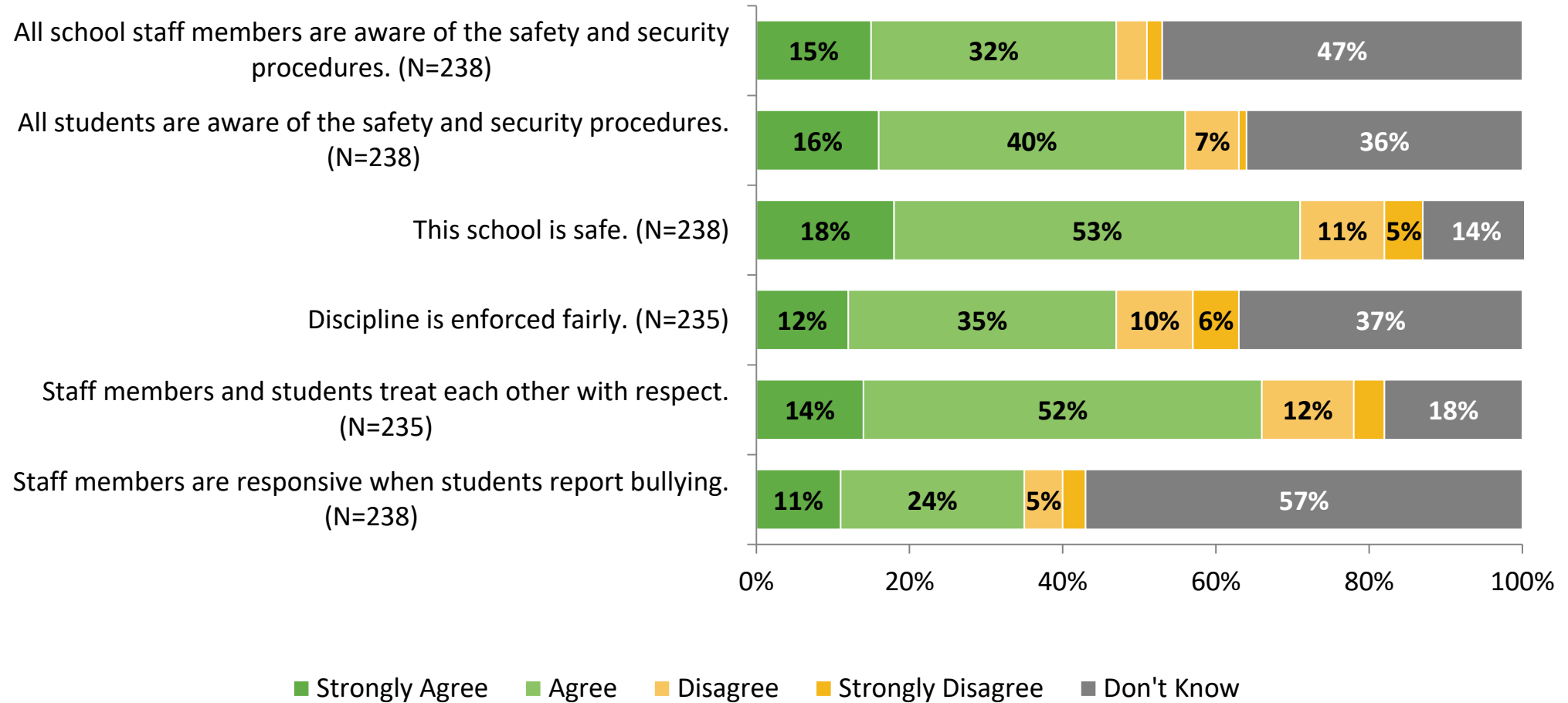
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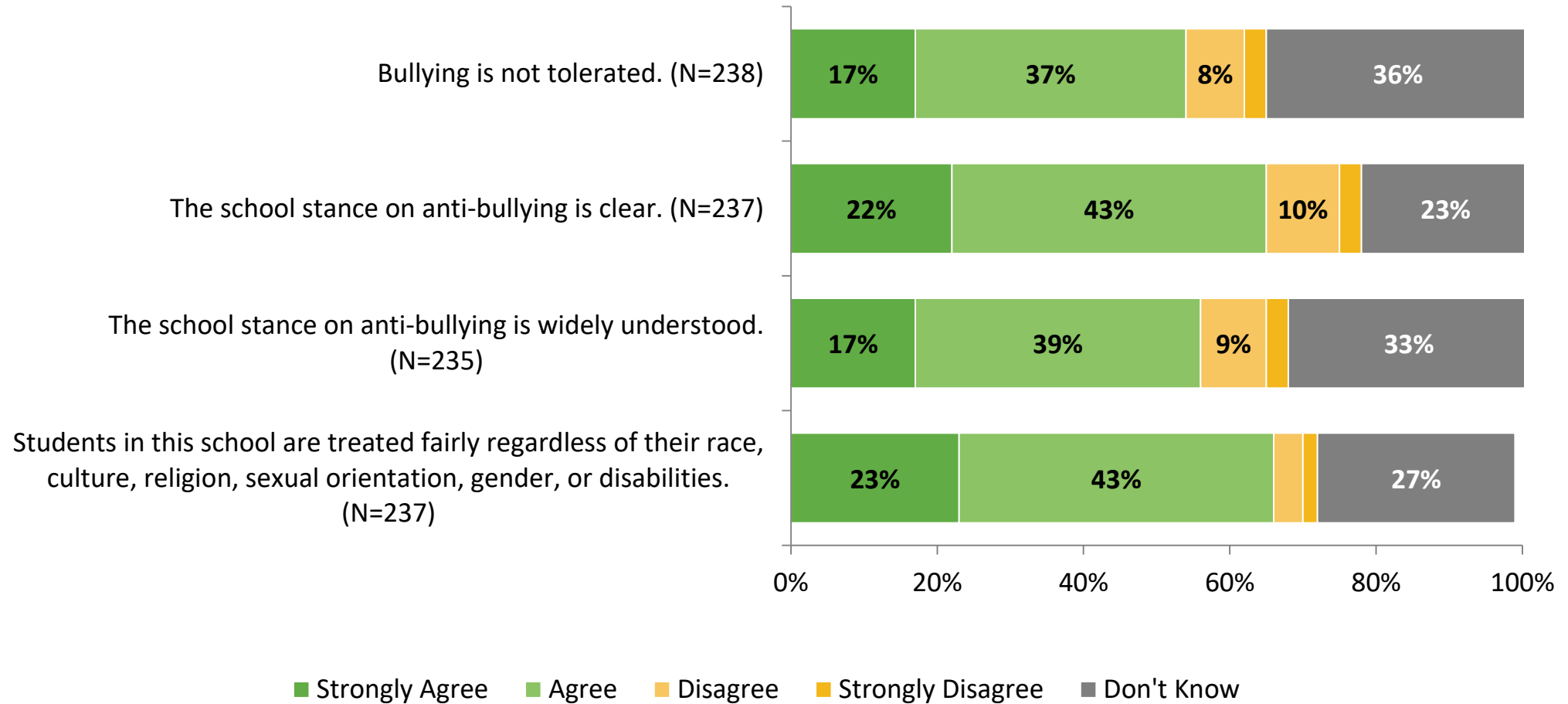
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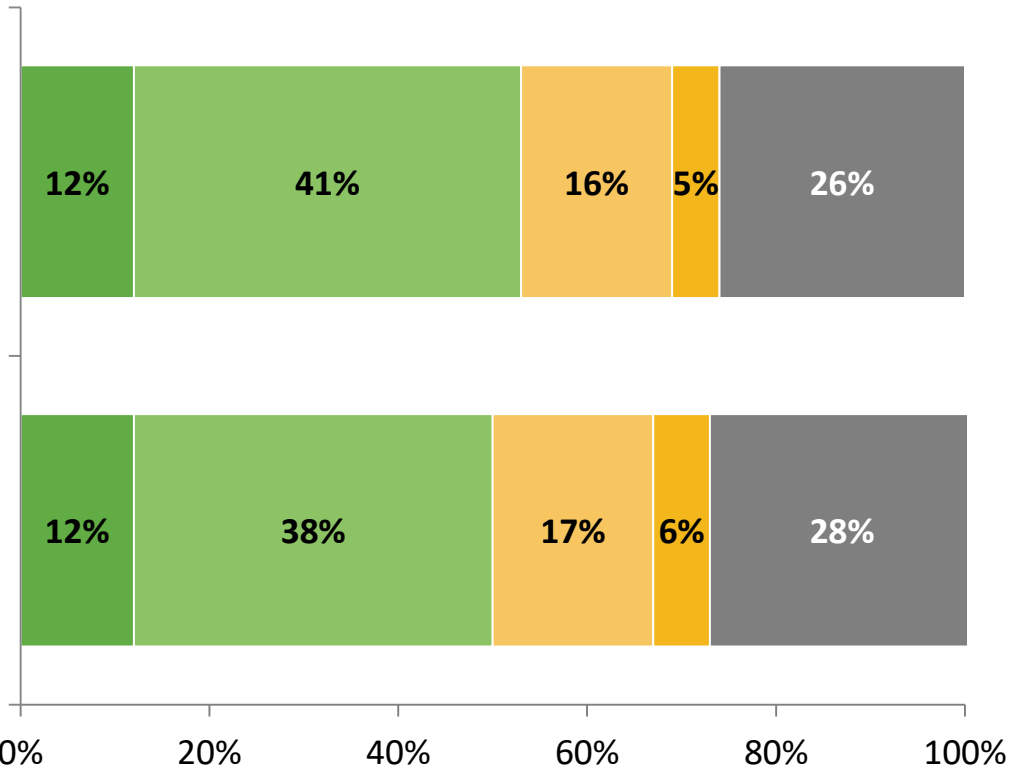
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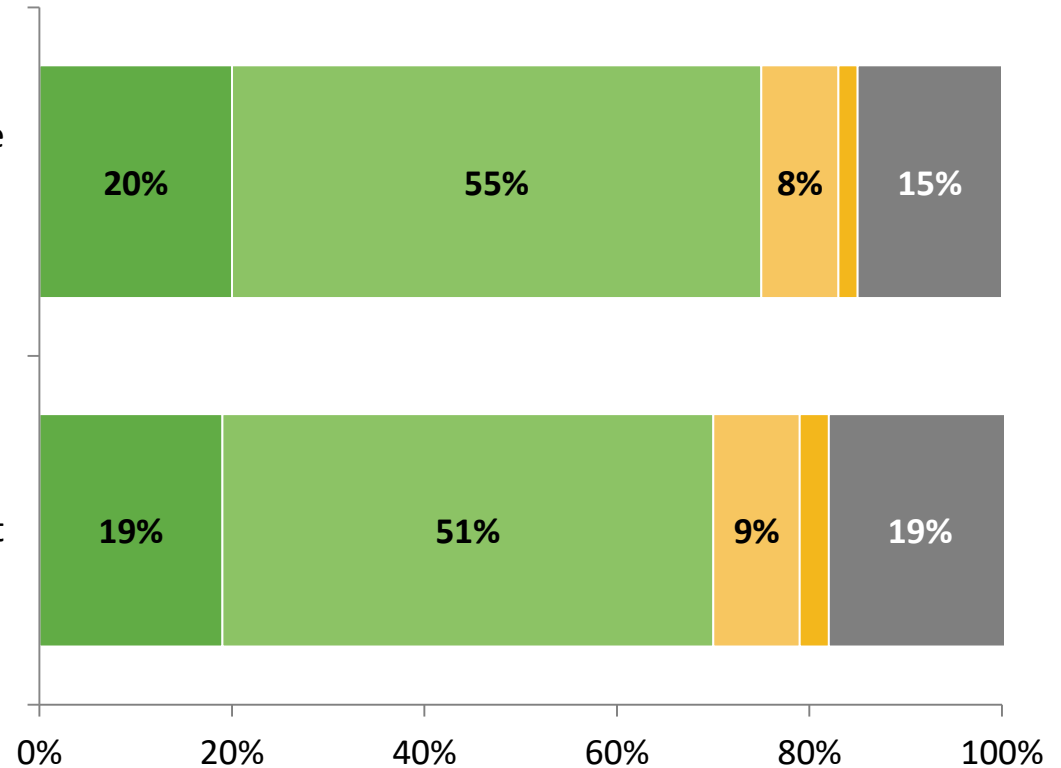
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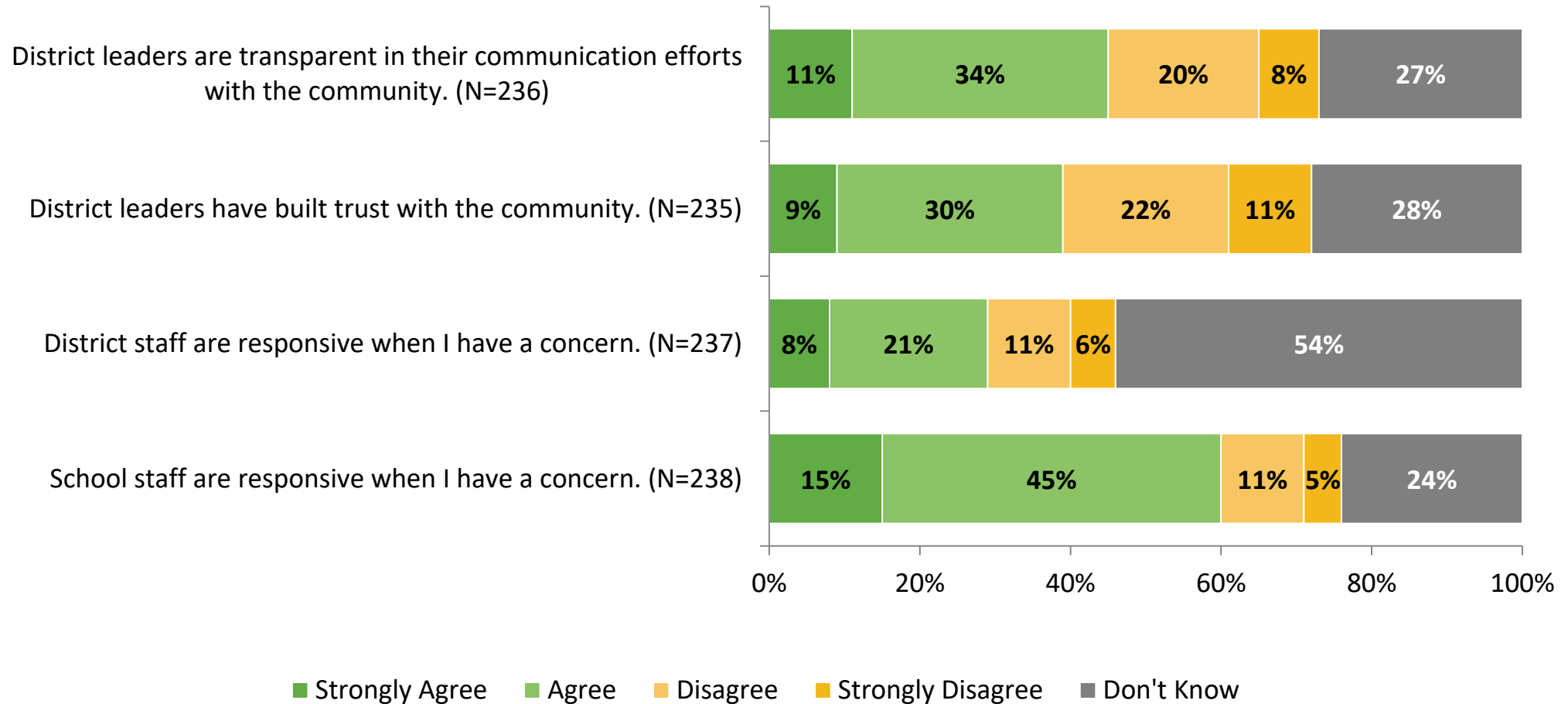
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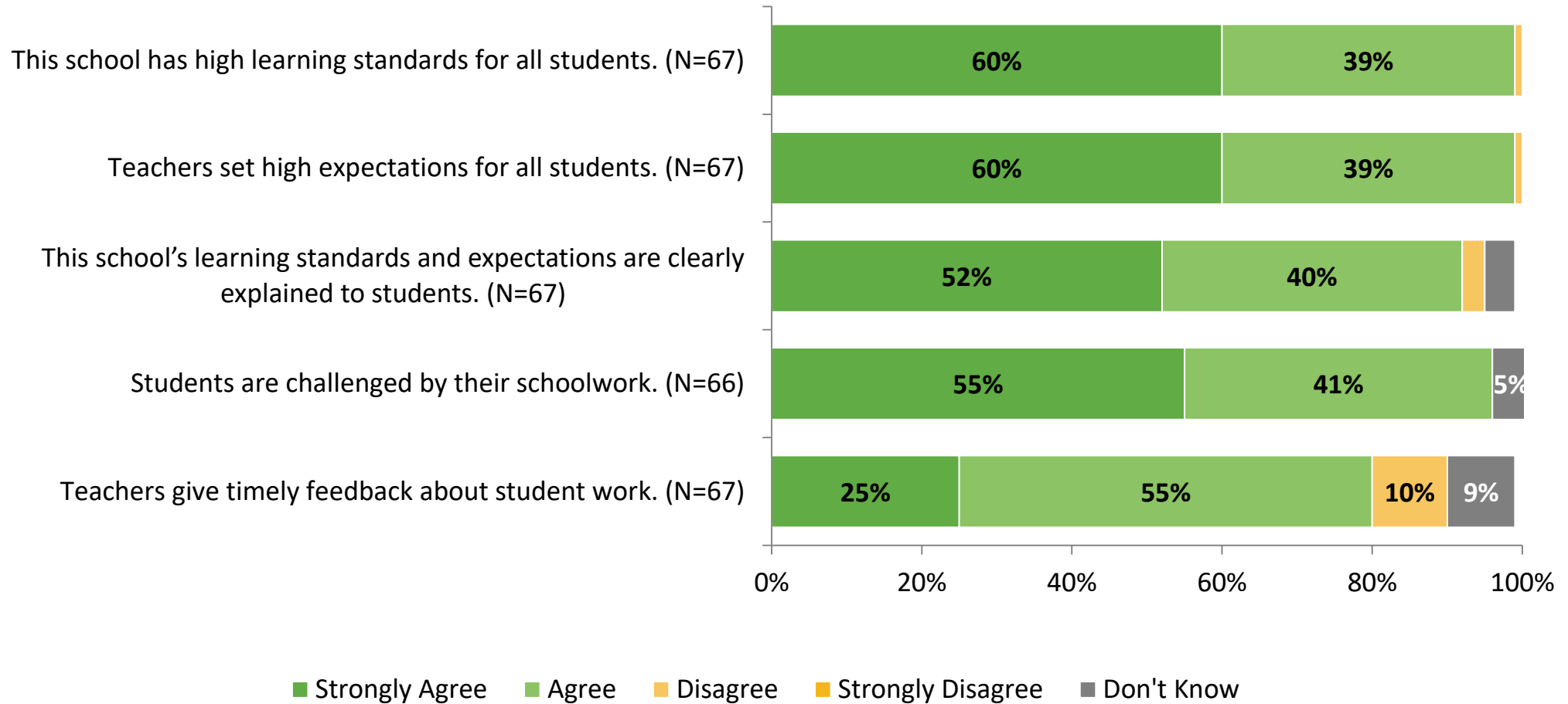
Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Agree or Agree (%)	School Climate Topic
This school offers students a variety of extracurricular activities.	91%	Student Support
Families are encouraged to attend school-sponsored activities, such as back-to-school night.	91%	Family Involvement
This school offers a variety of academic courses.	88%	Academic Support
This school has high learning standards for all students.	86%	Academic Support
Students are challenged by their schoolwork.	84%	Academic Support

Lowest Ranking Indicators

Survey Item	Percentage Strongly Disagree or Disagree (%)	School Climate Topic
Teachers give timely feedback about student work.	45%	Academic Support
Teachers give helpful feedback about student work.	42%	Academic Support
Students in this school receive support that addresses their individual needs.	34%	Student Support
District leaders have built trust with the community.	33%	Pleasanton USD Custom
Teachers successfully show students how lessons relate to life outside of school.	33%	Academic Support

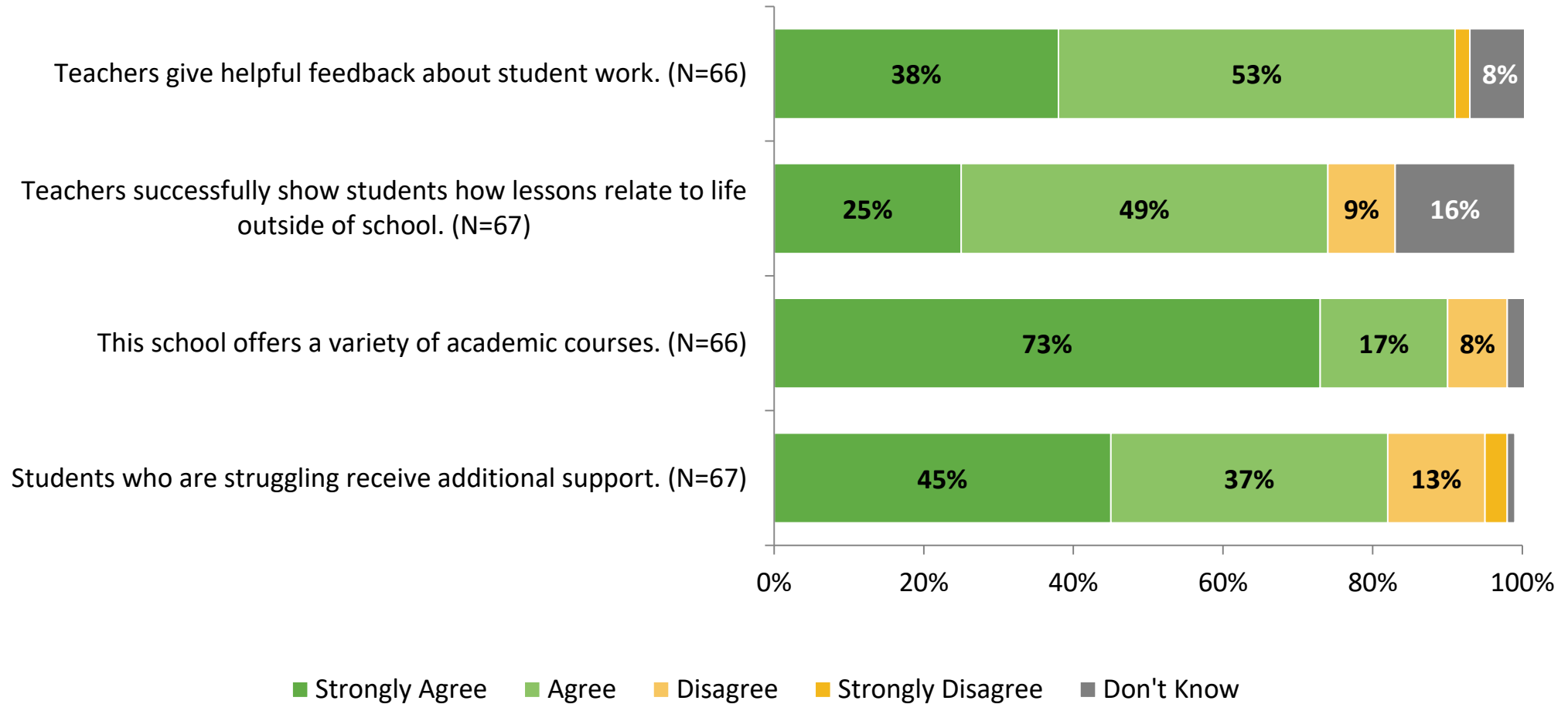
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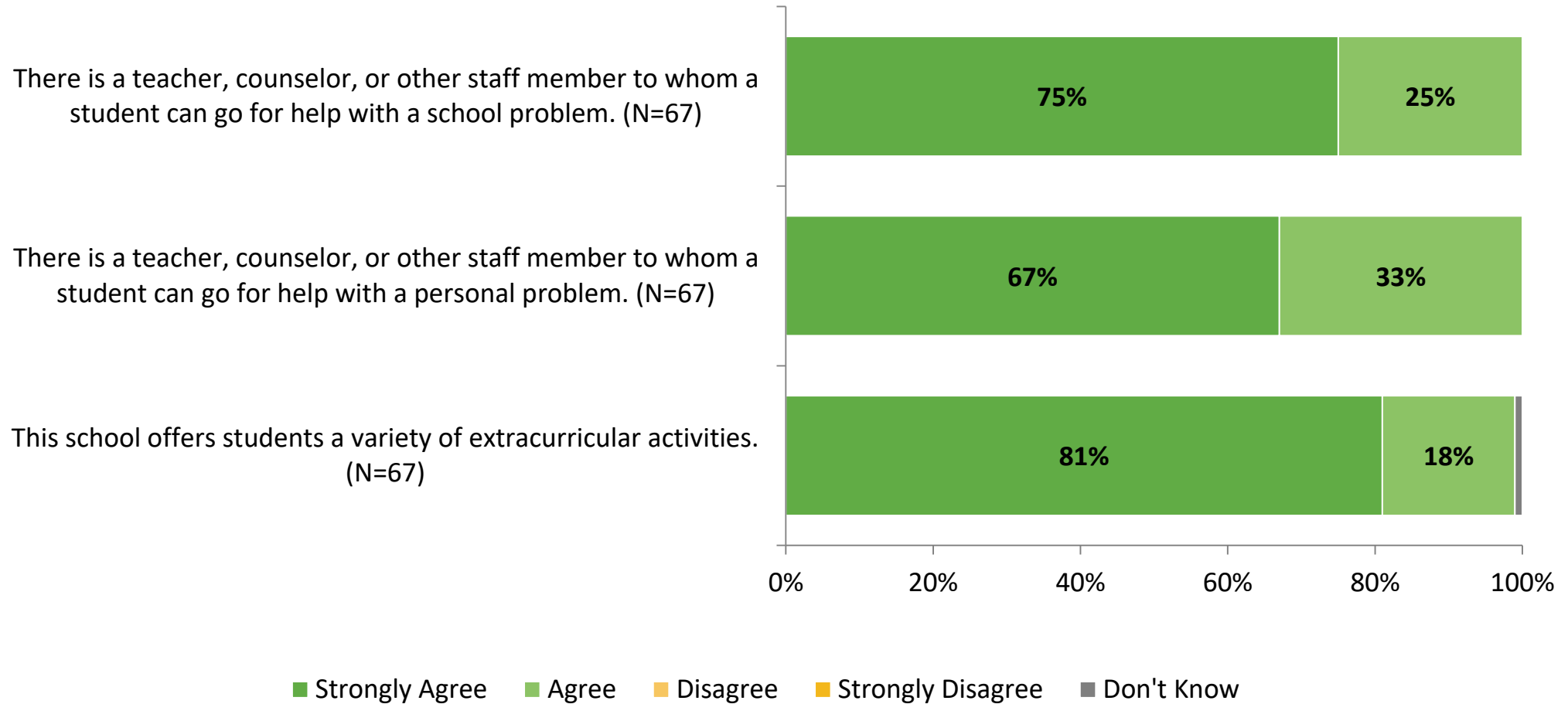
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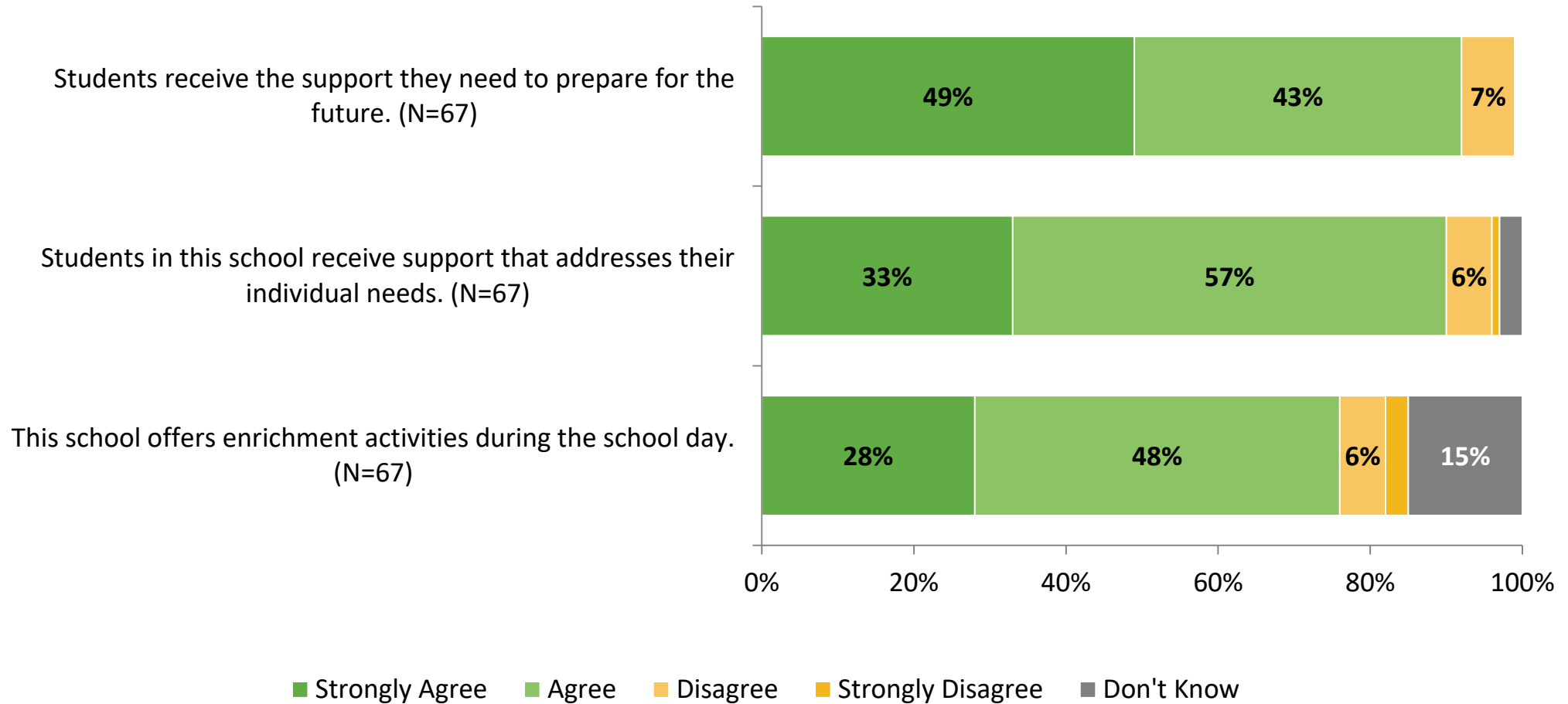
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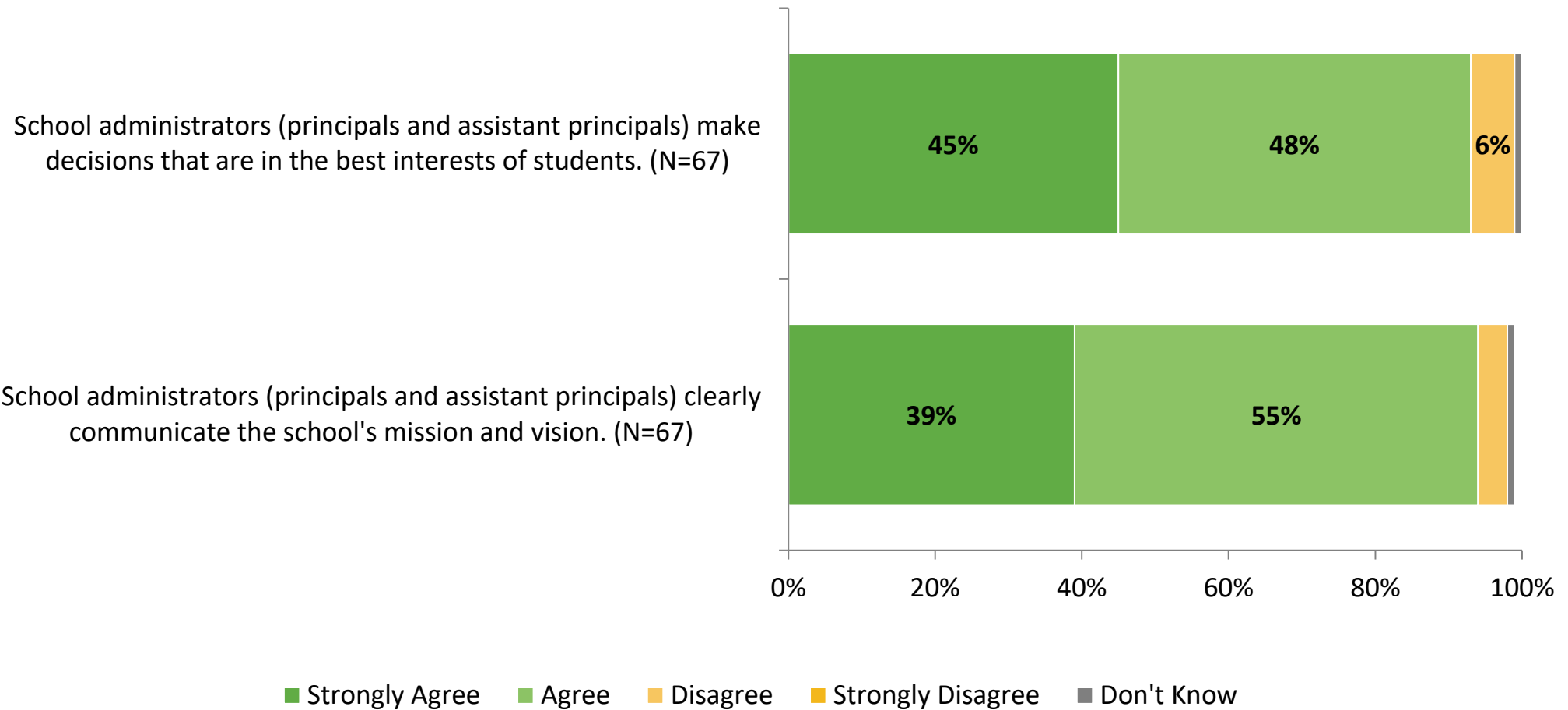
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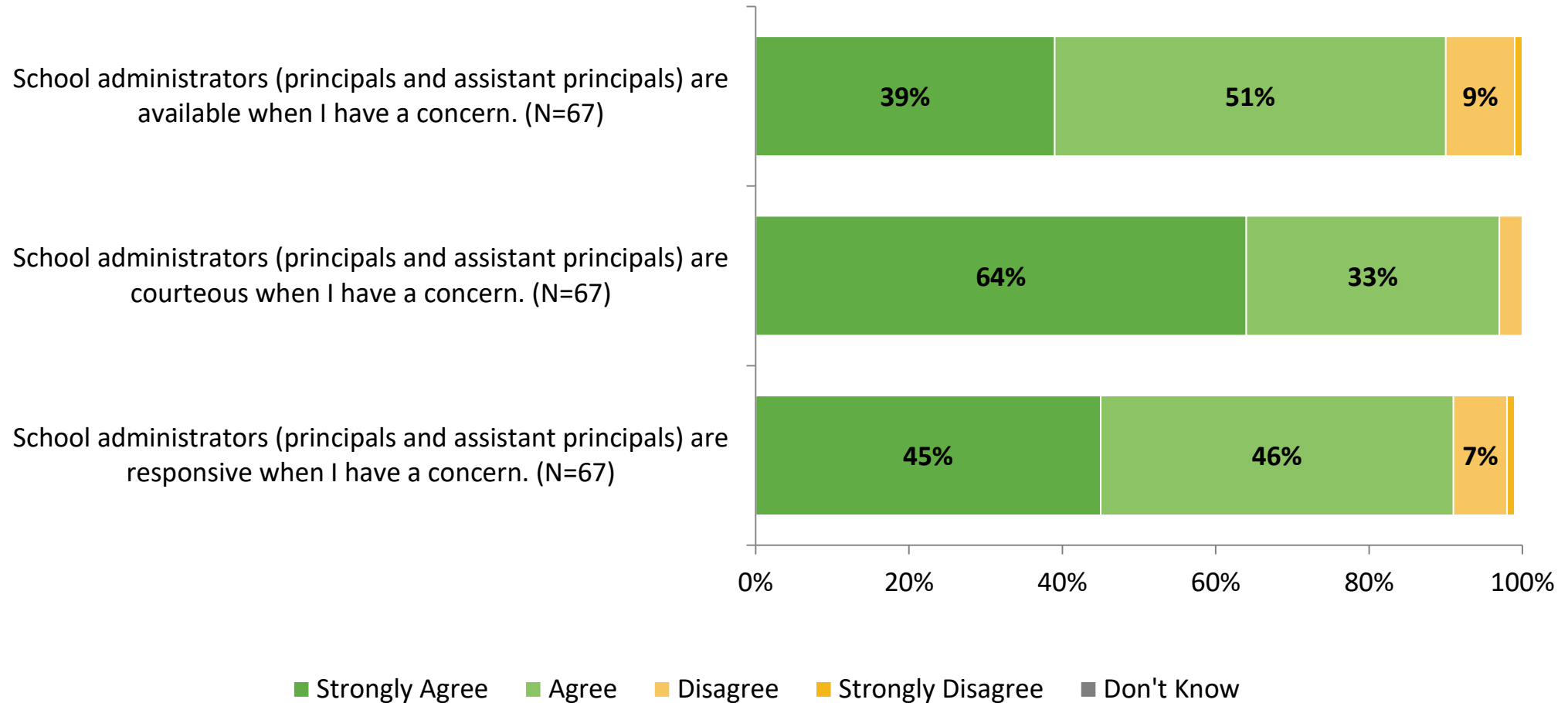
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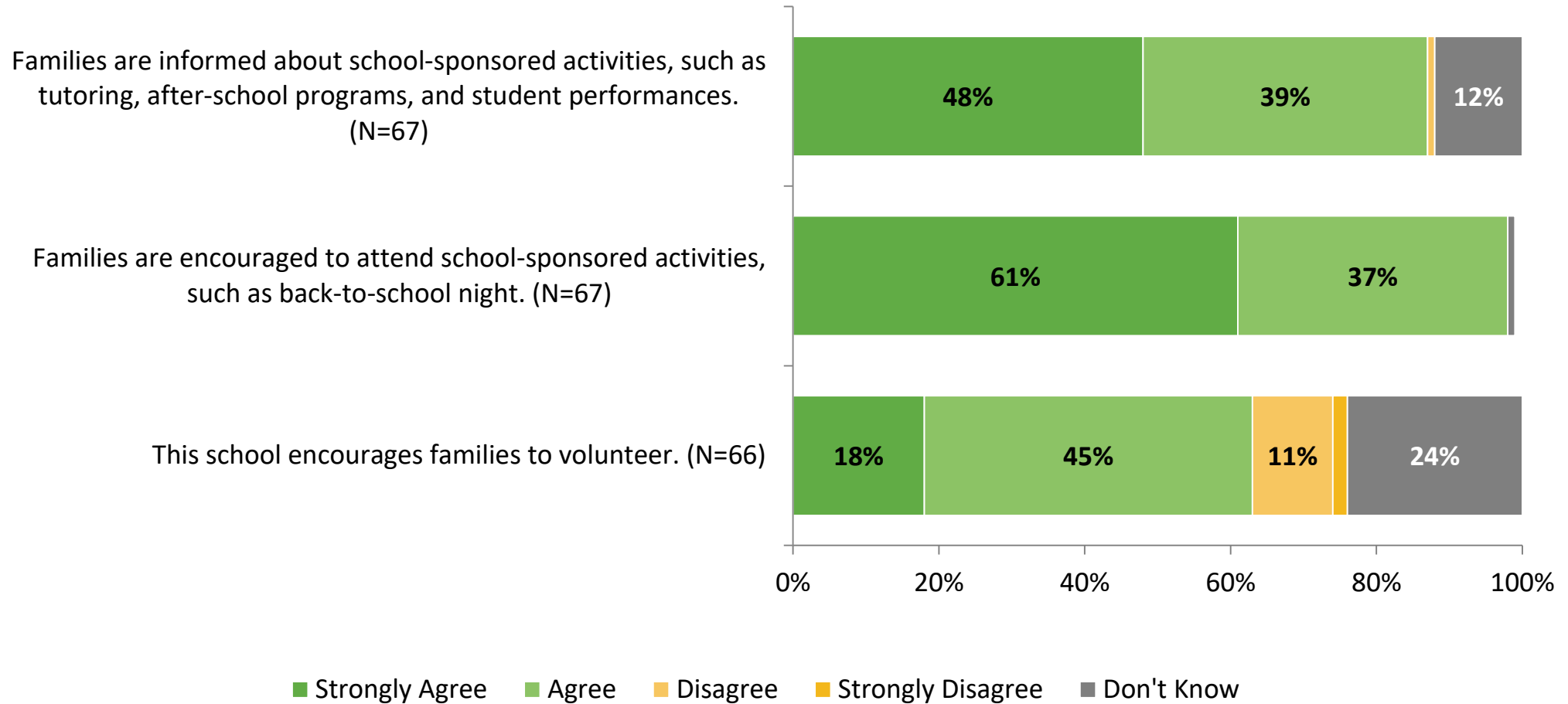
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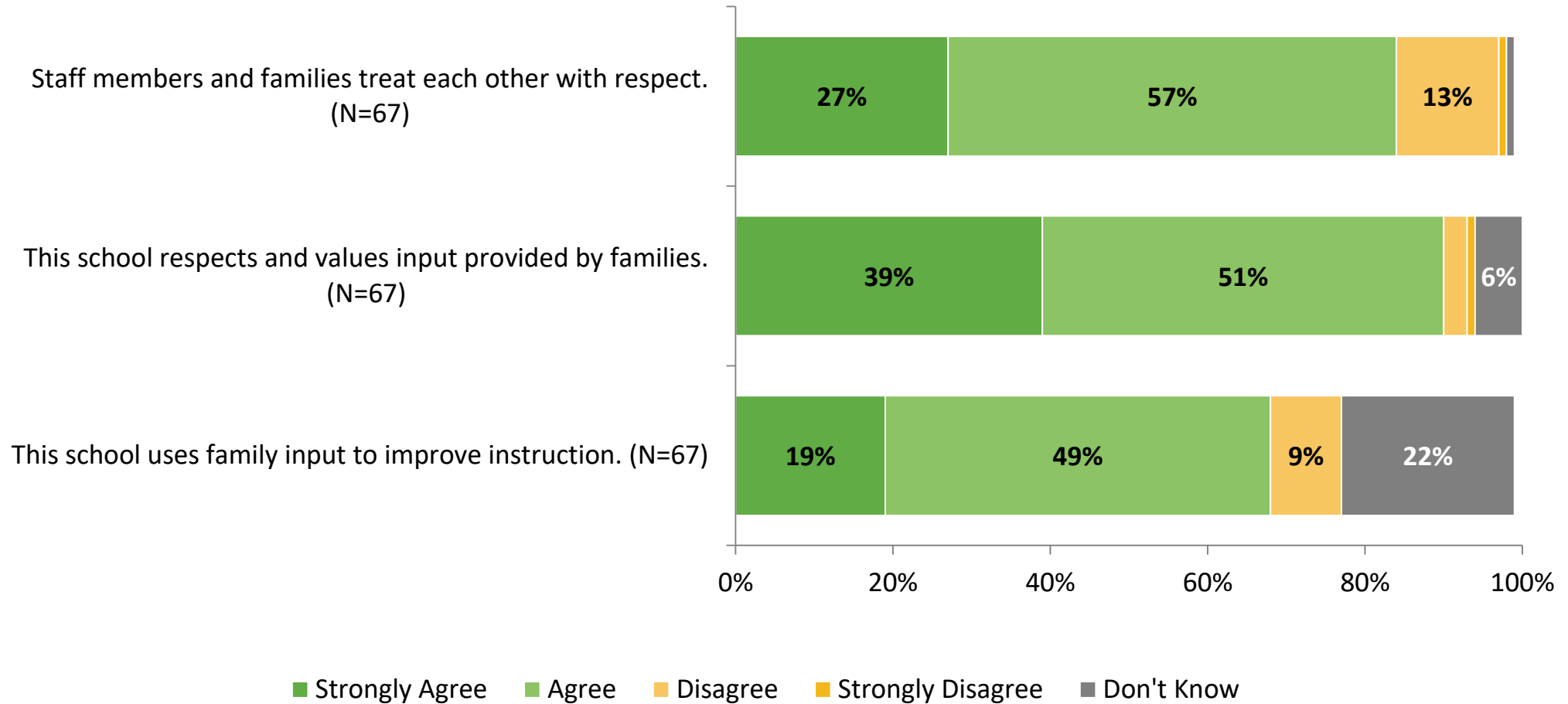
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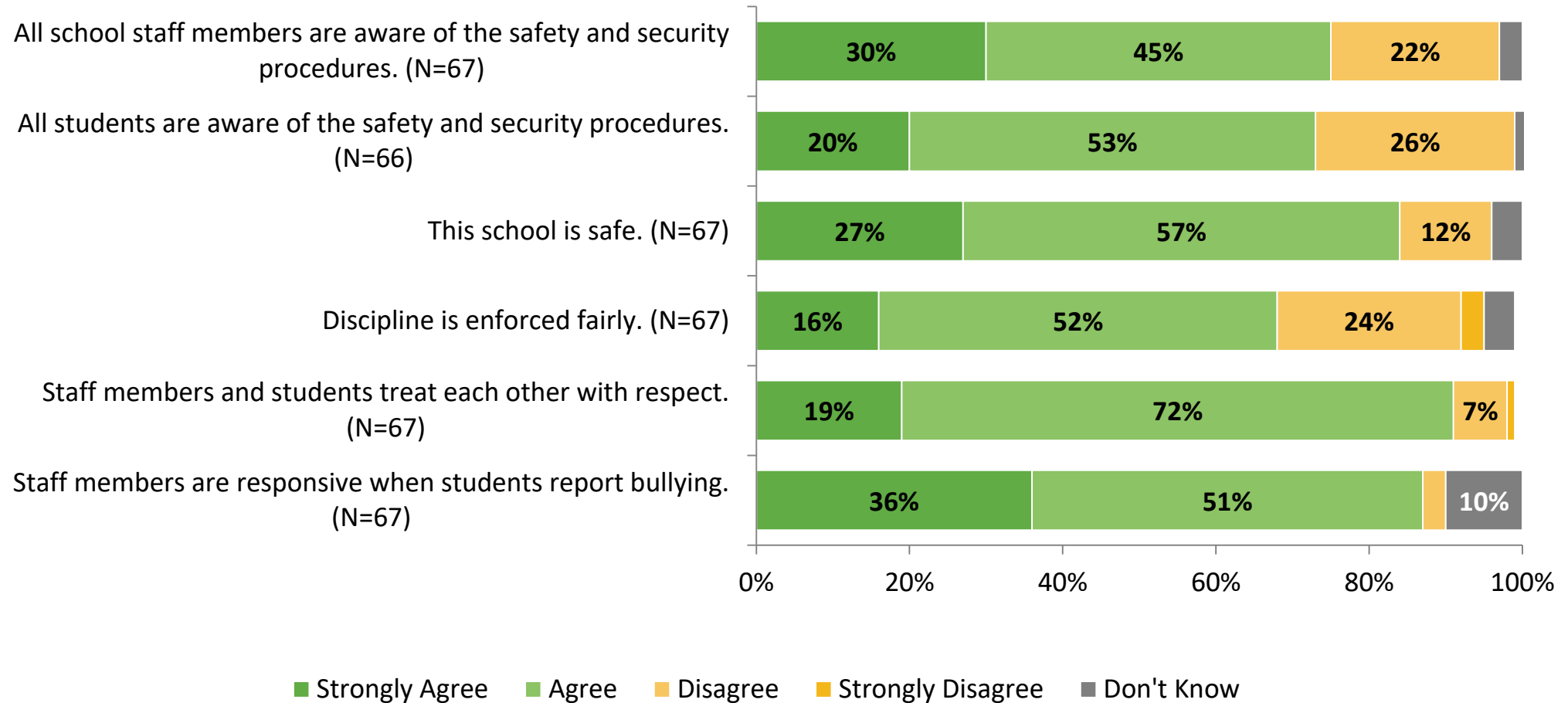
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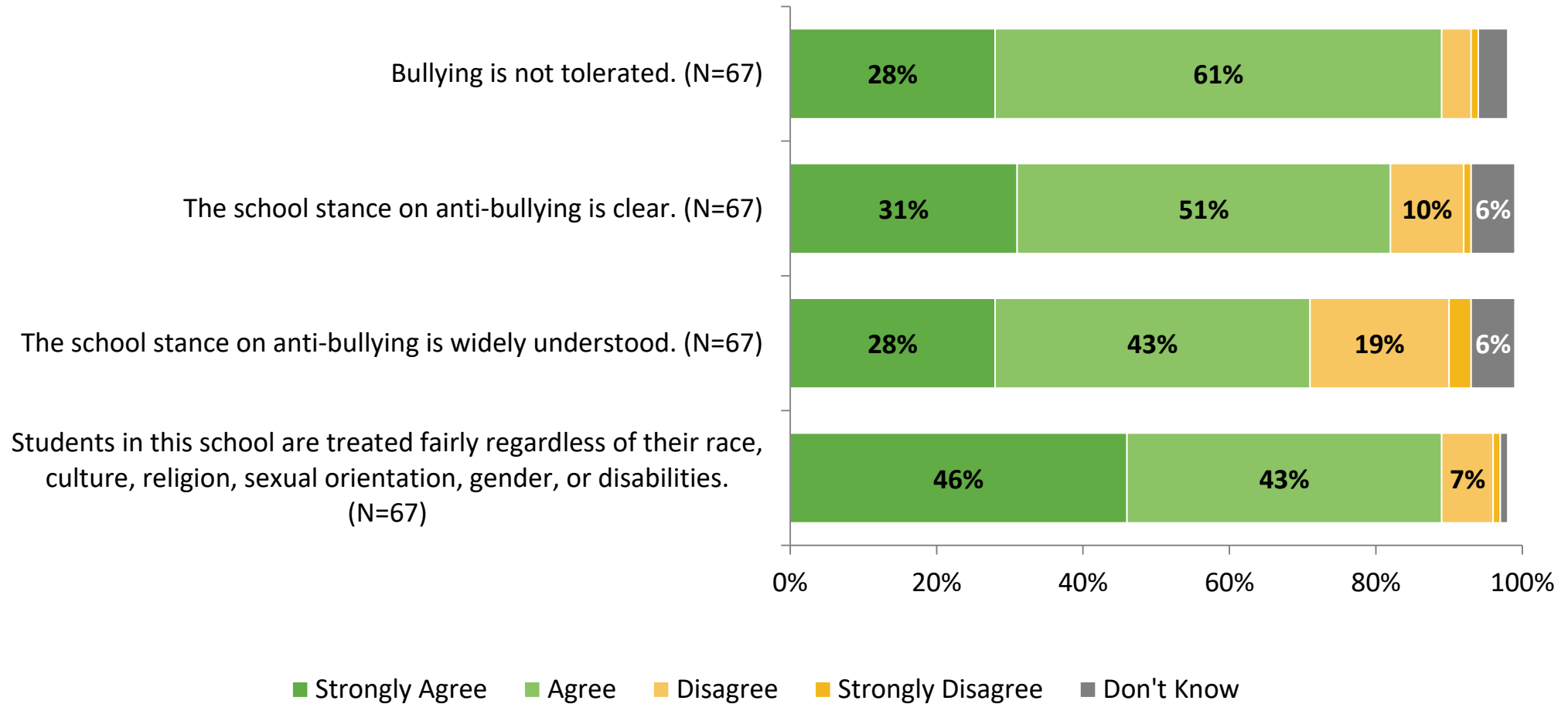
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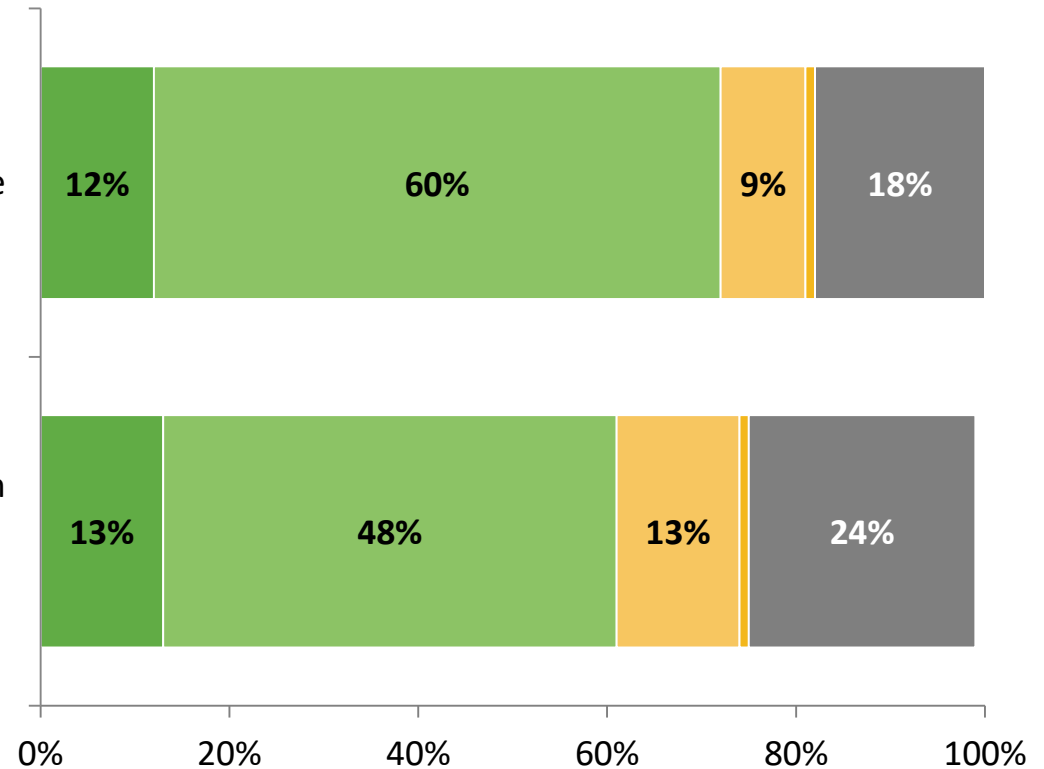


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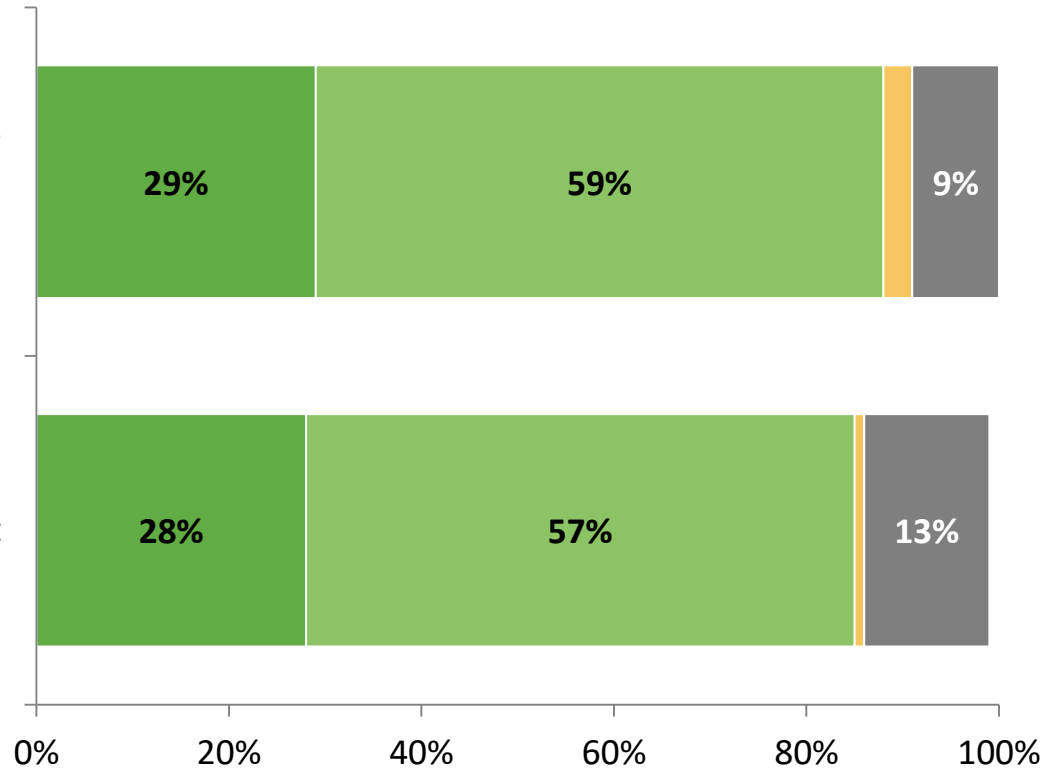
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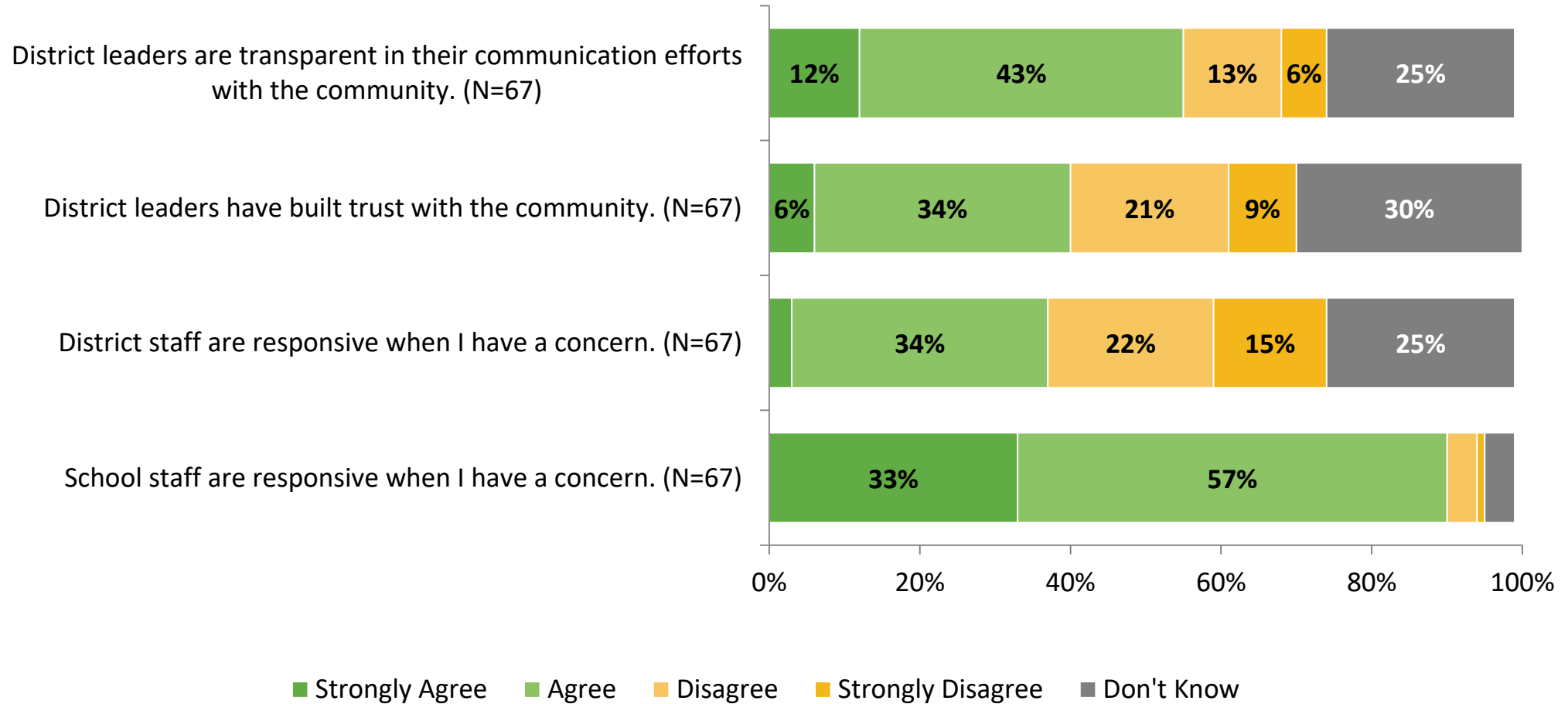
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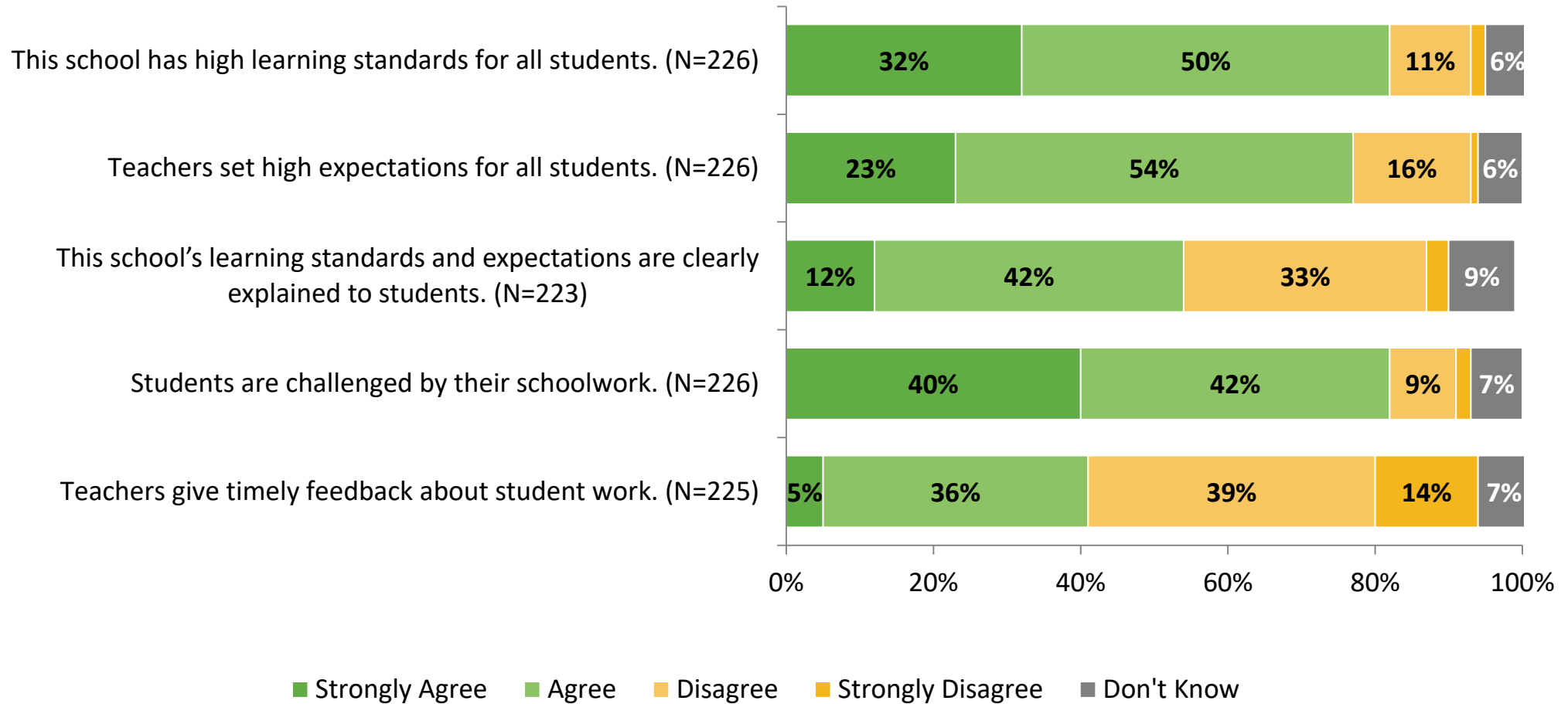
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This school has high learning standards for all students.	99%	Academic Support
Teachers set high expectations for all students.	99%	Academic Support
This school offers students a variety of extracurricular activities.	99%	Student Support

Lowest Ranking Indicators

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District staff are responsive when I have a concern.	37%	Pleasanton USD Custom
District leaders have built trust with the community.	30%	Pleasanton USD Custom
Discipline is enforced fairly.	27%	Safety and Behavior
All students are aware of the safety and security procedures.	26%	Safety and Behavior
All school staff members are aware of the safety and security procedures.	22%	Safety and Behavior

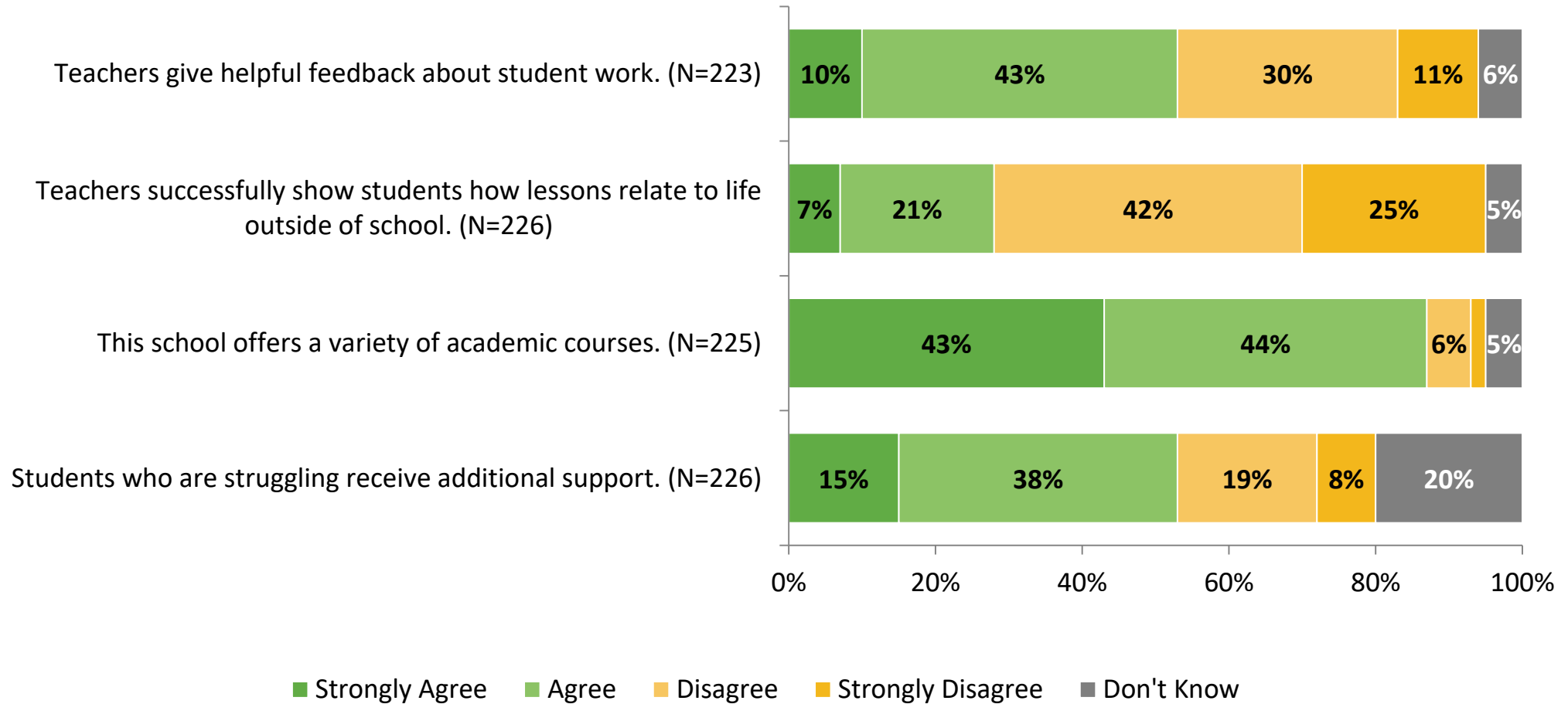
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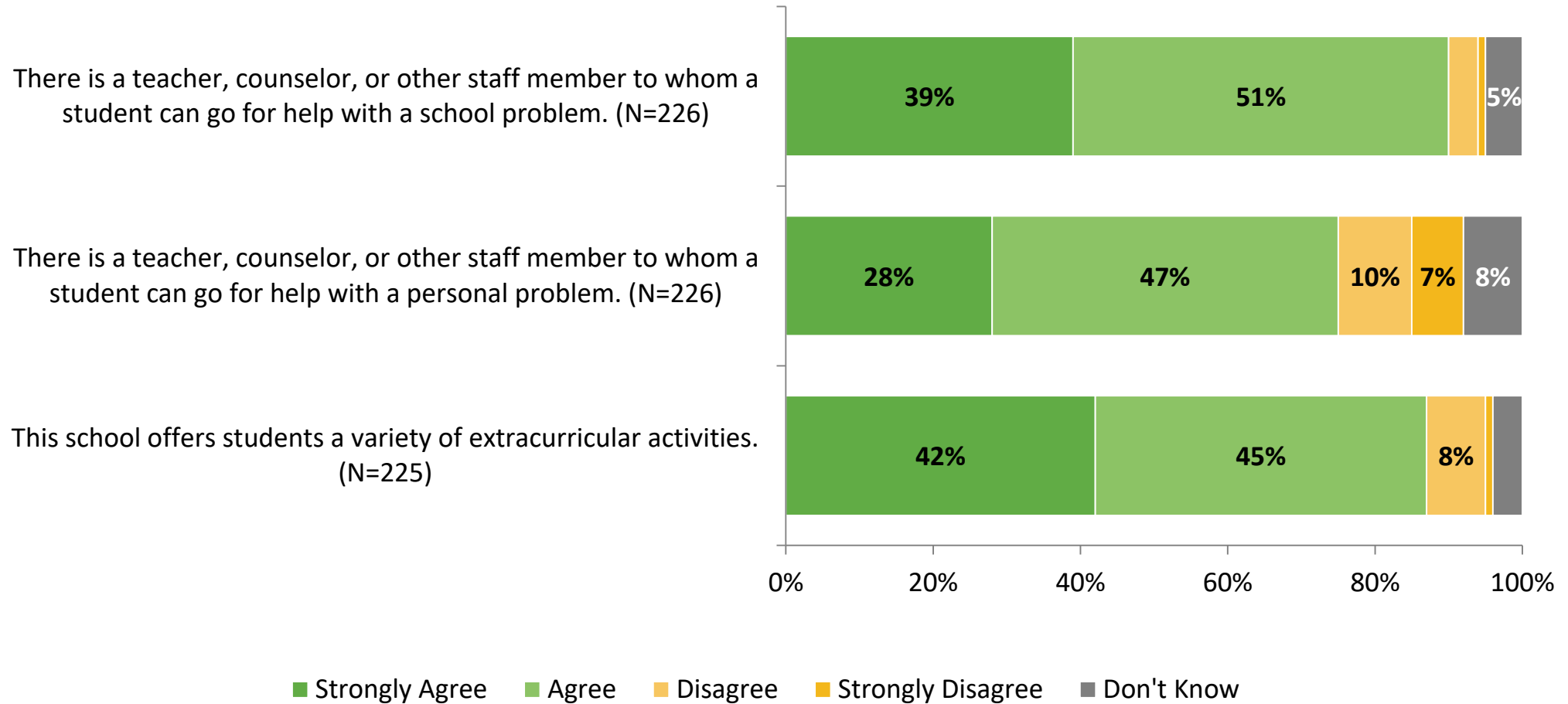
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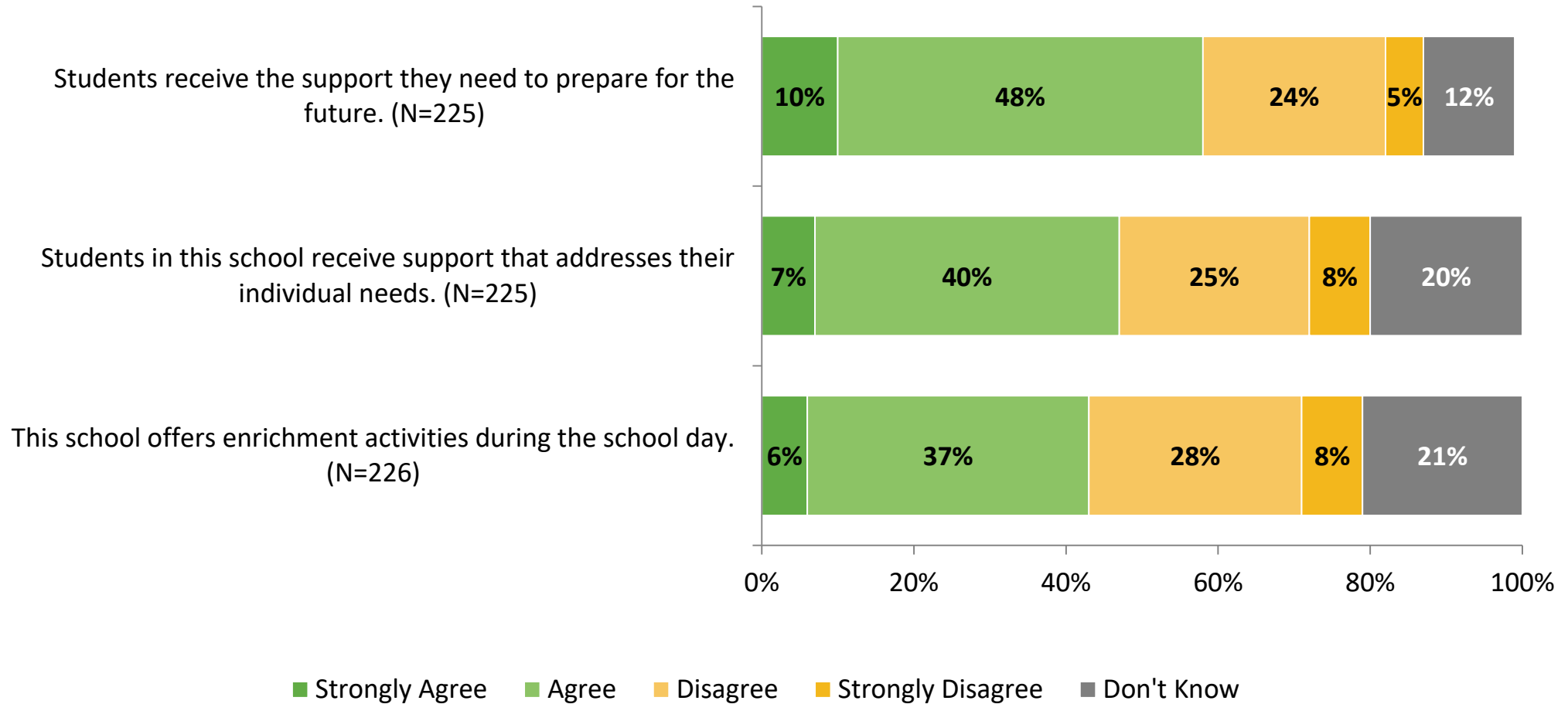
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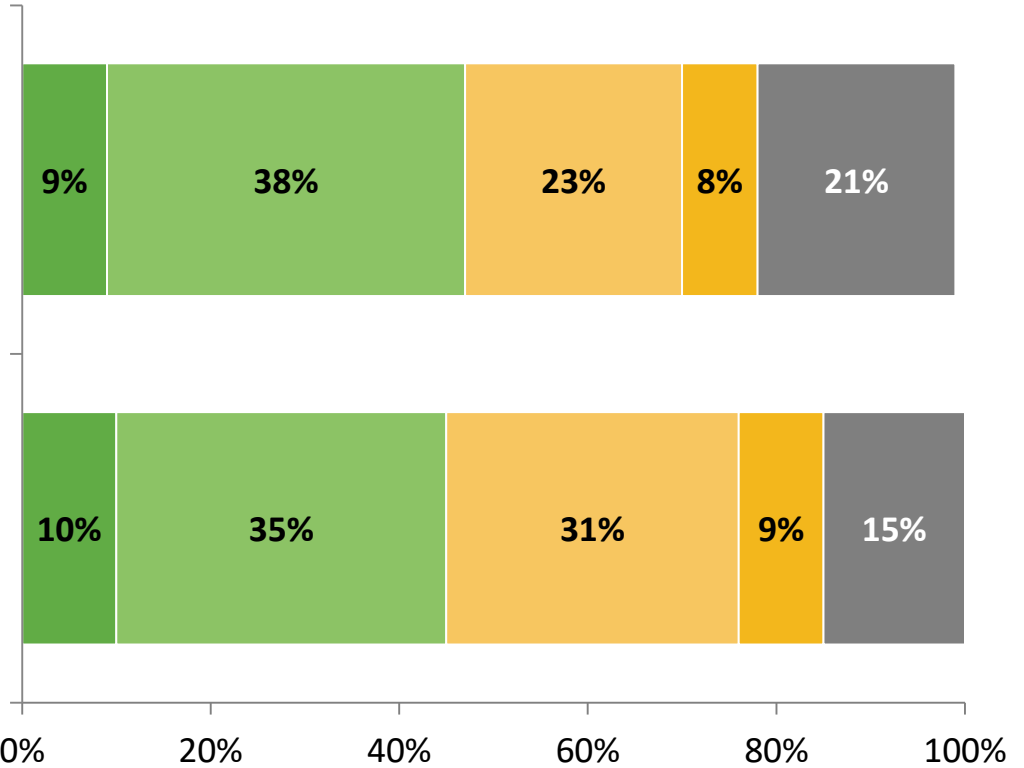
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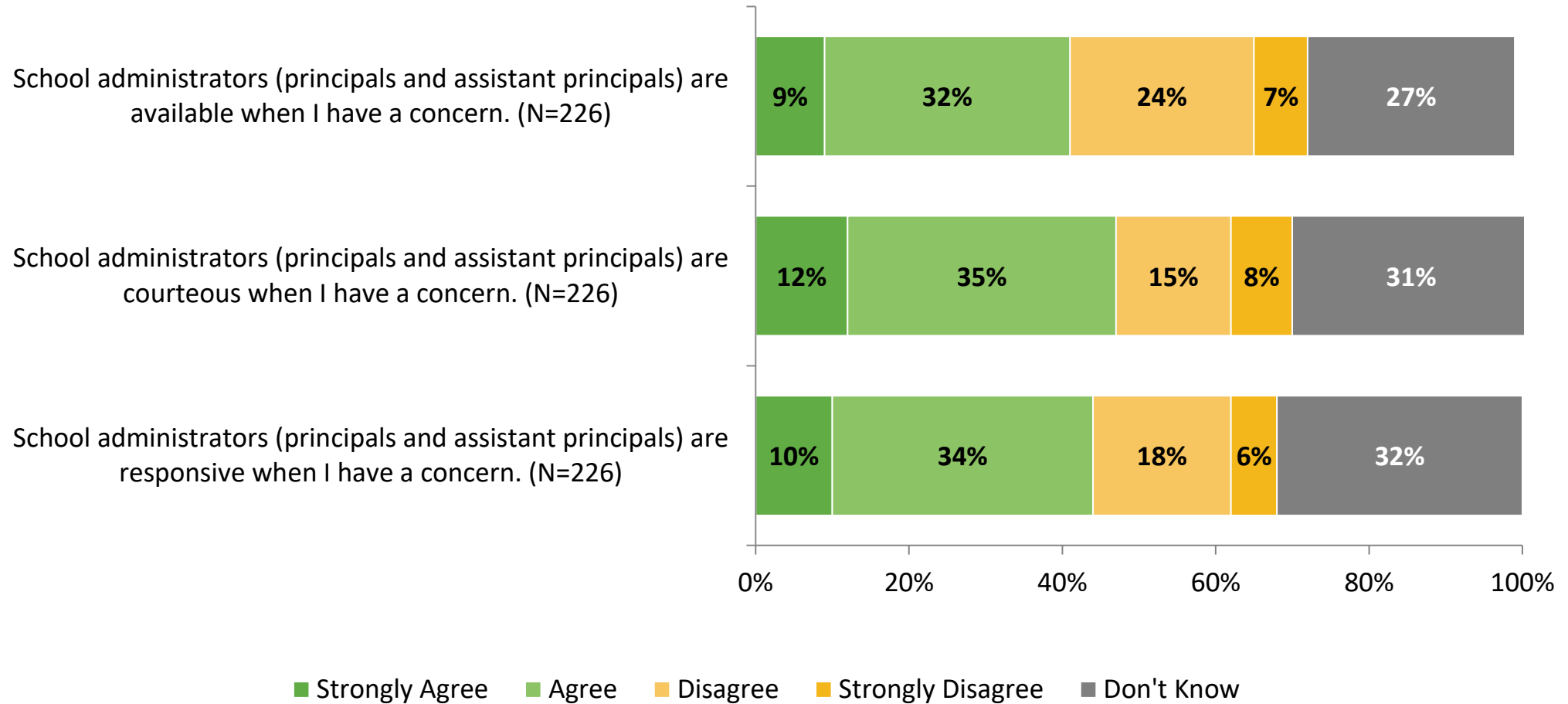
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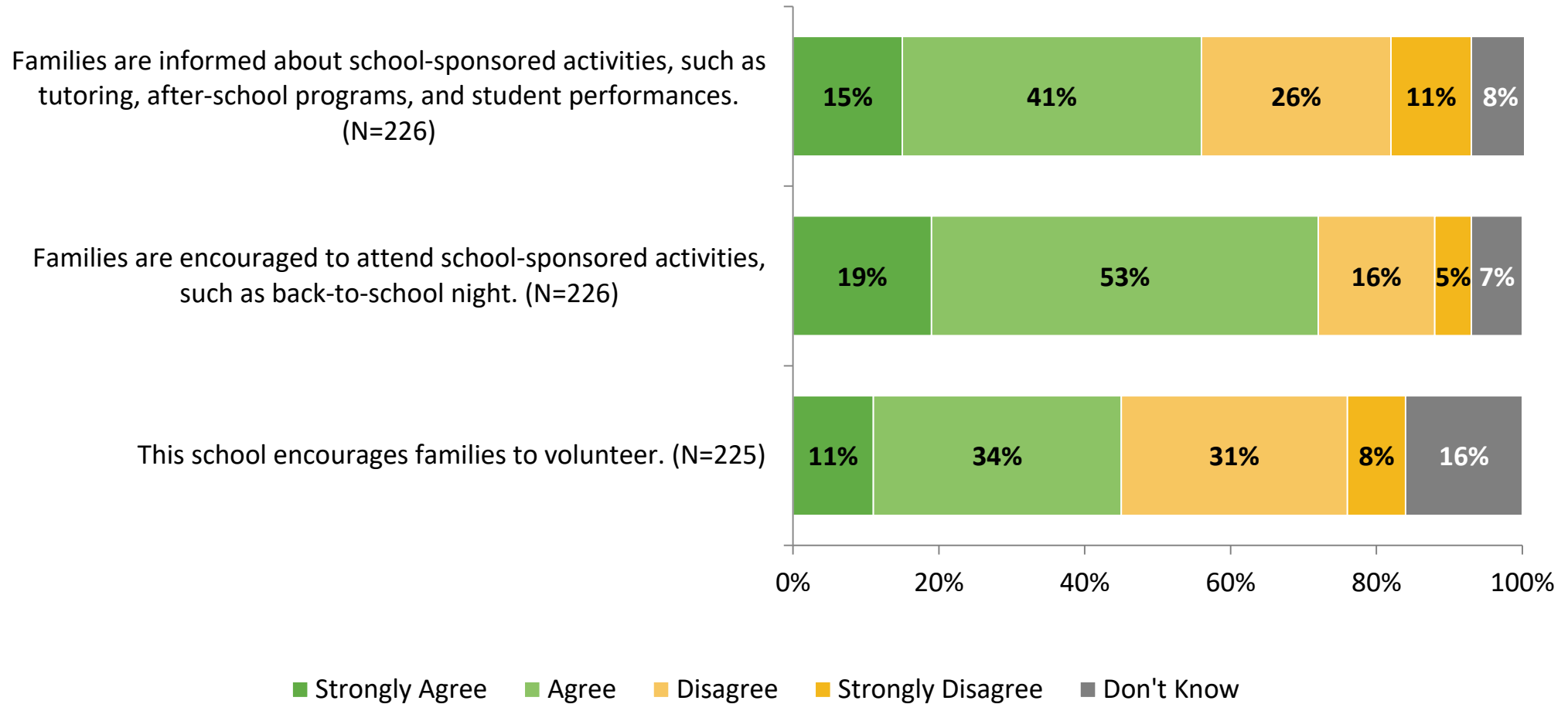
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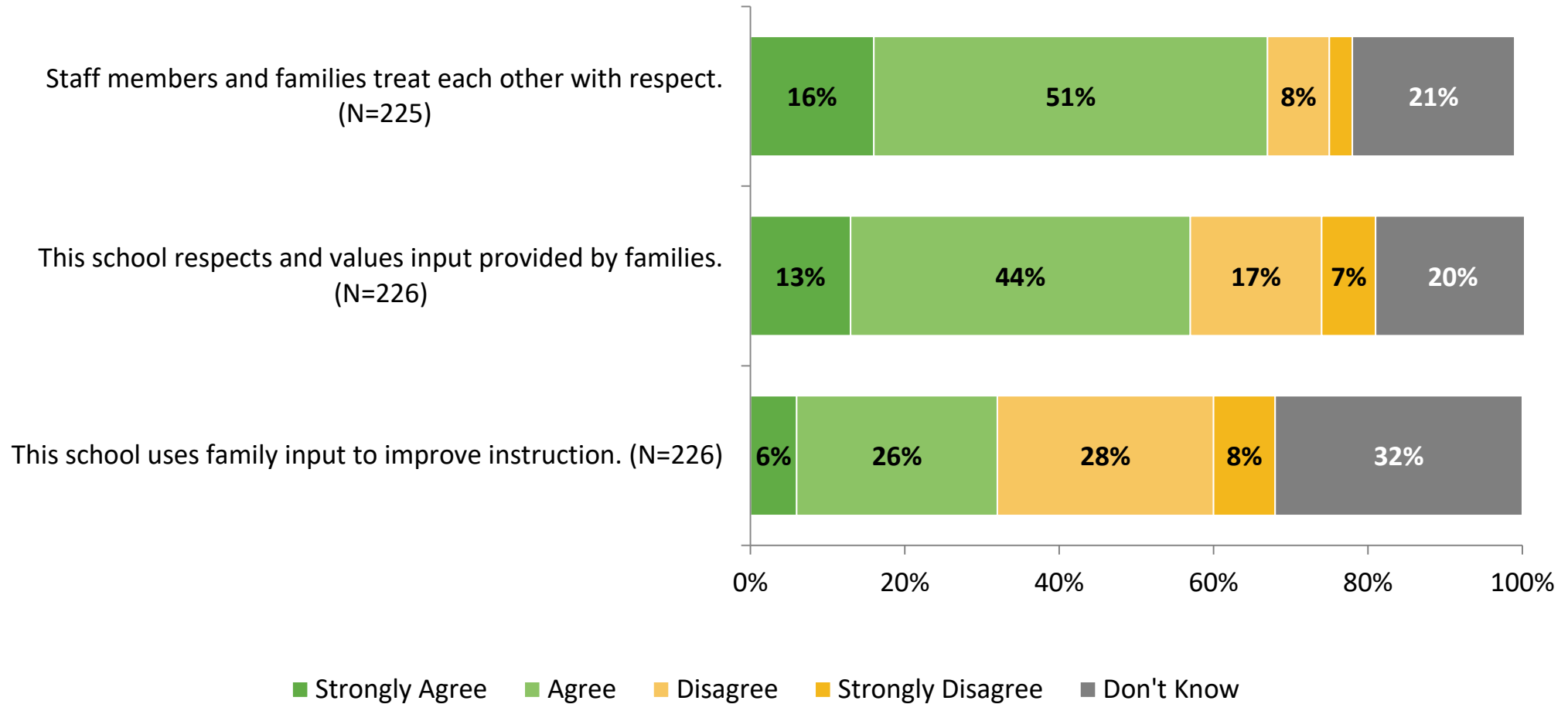
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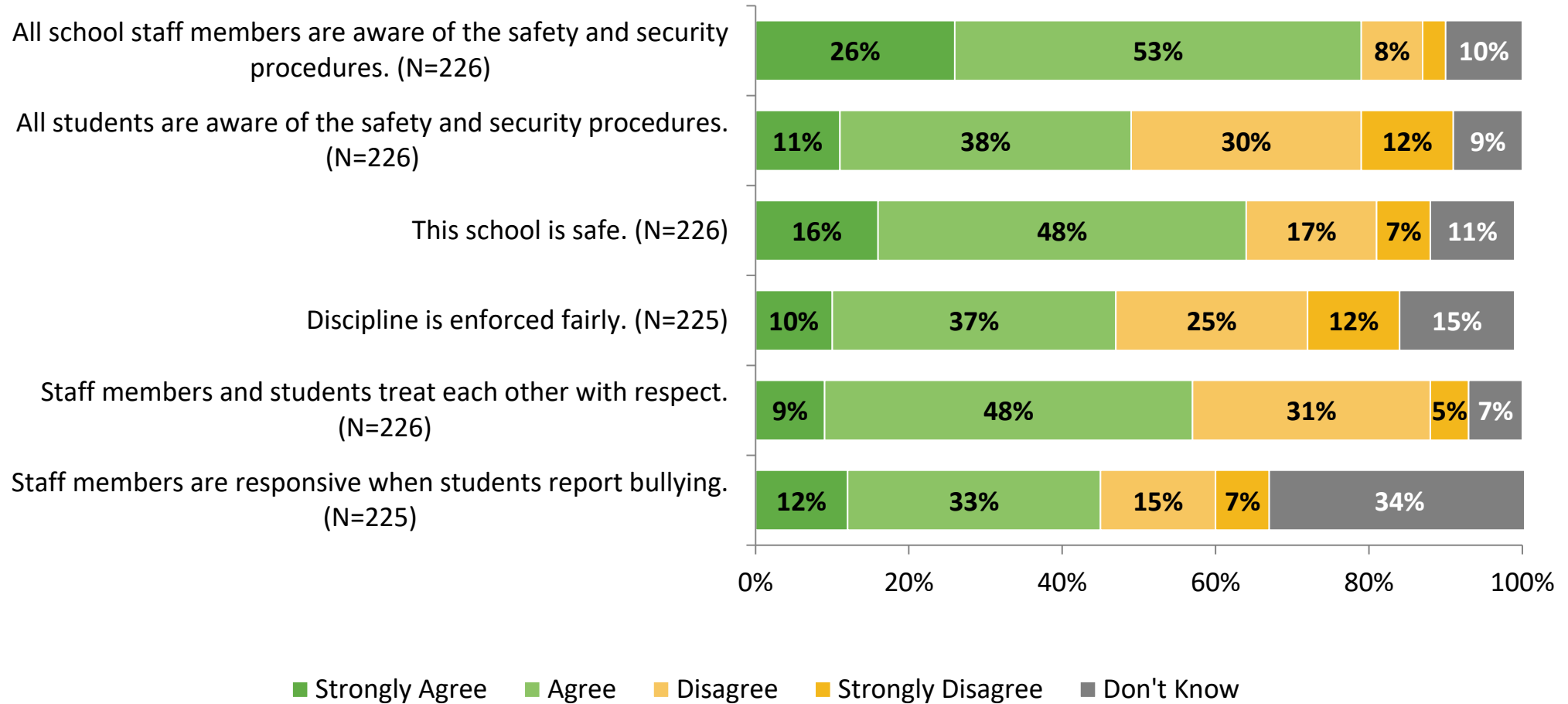
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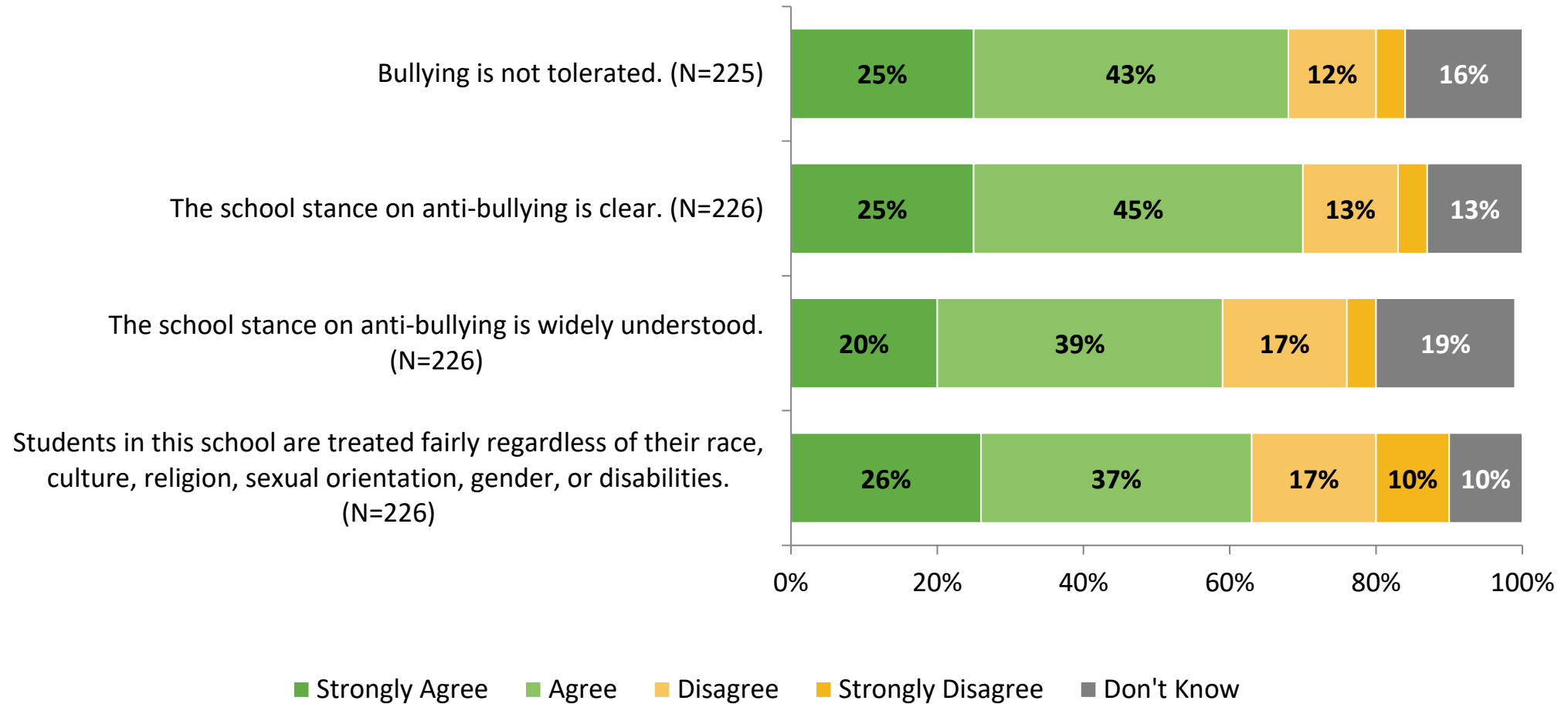
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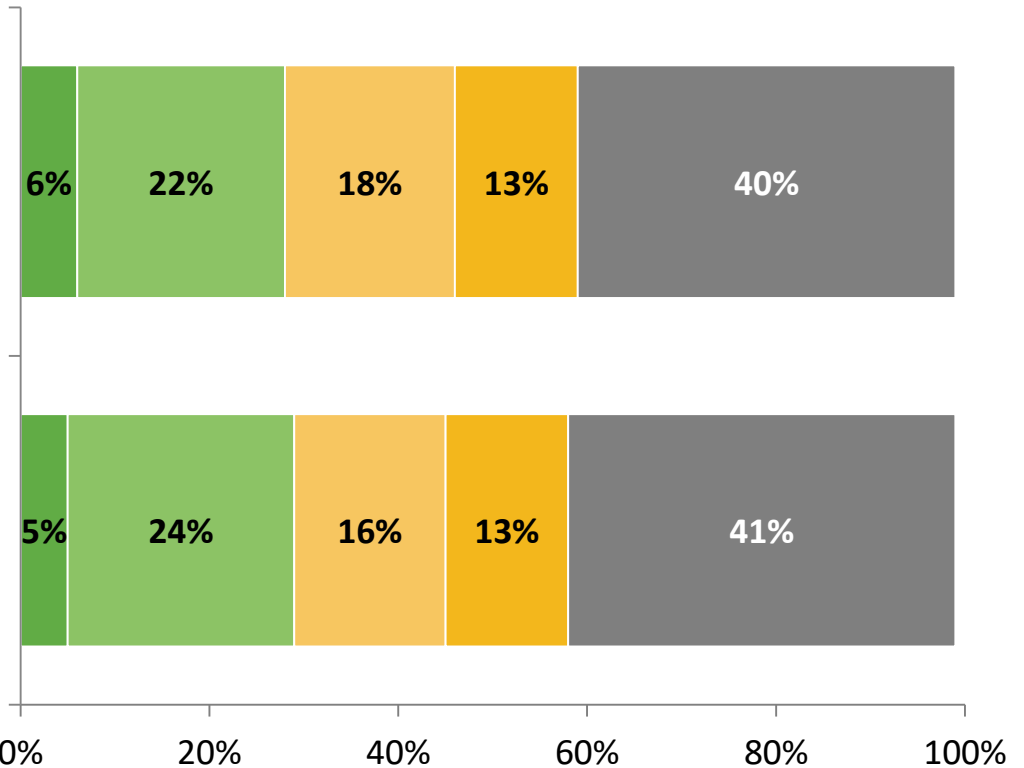
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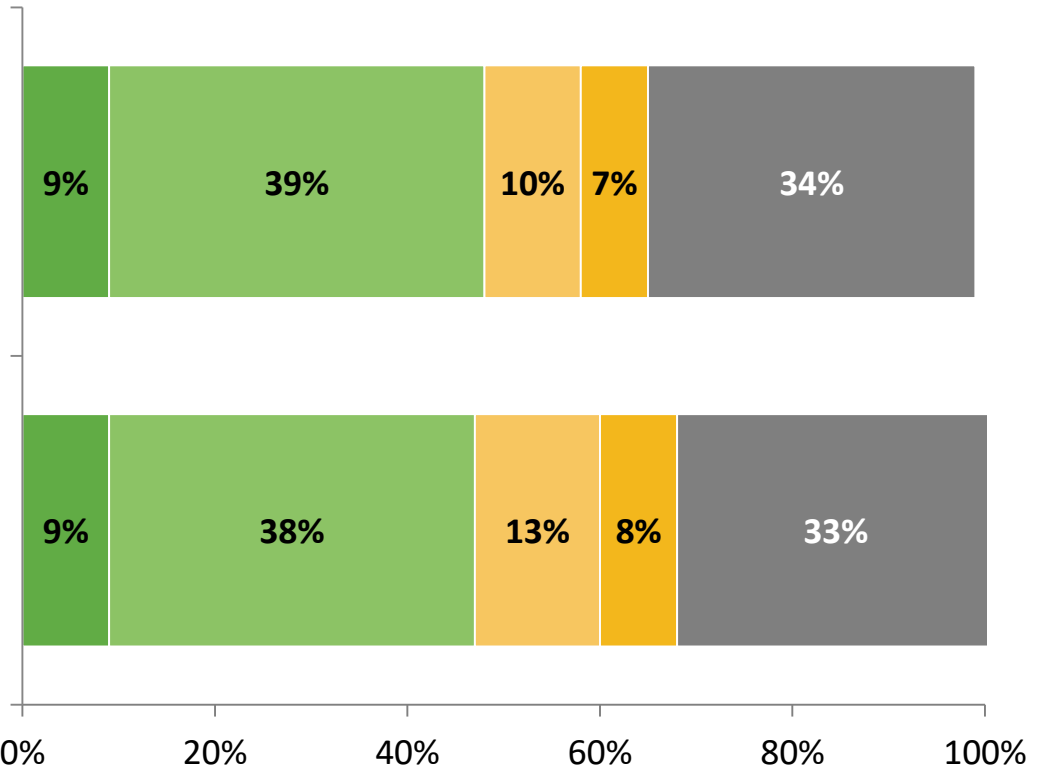


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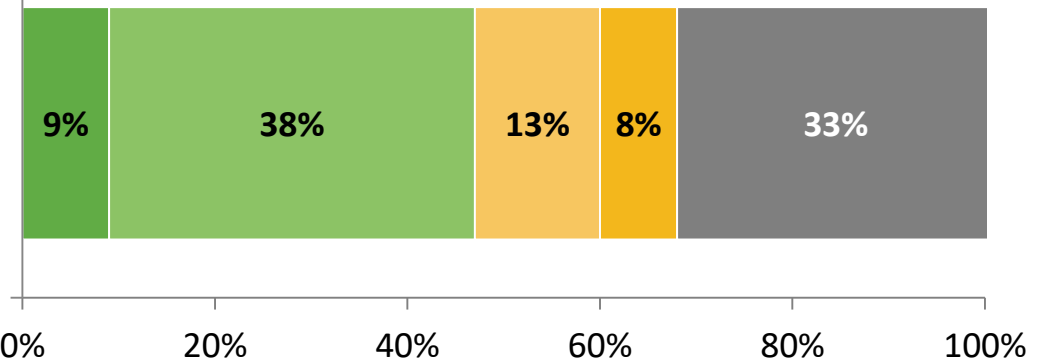
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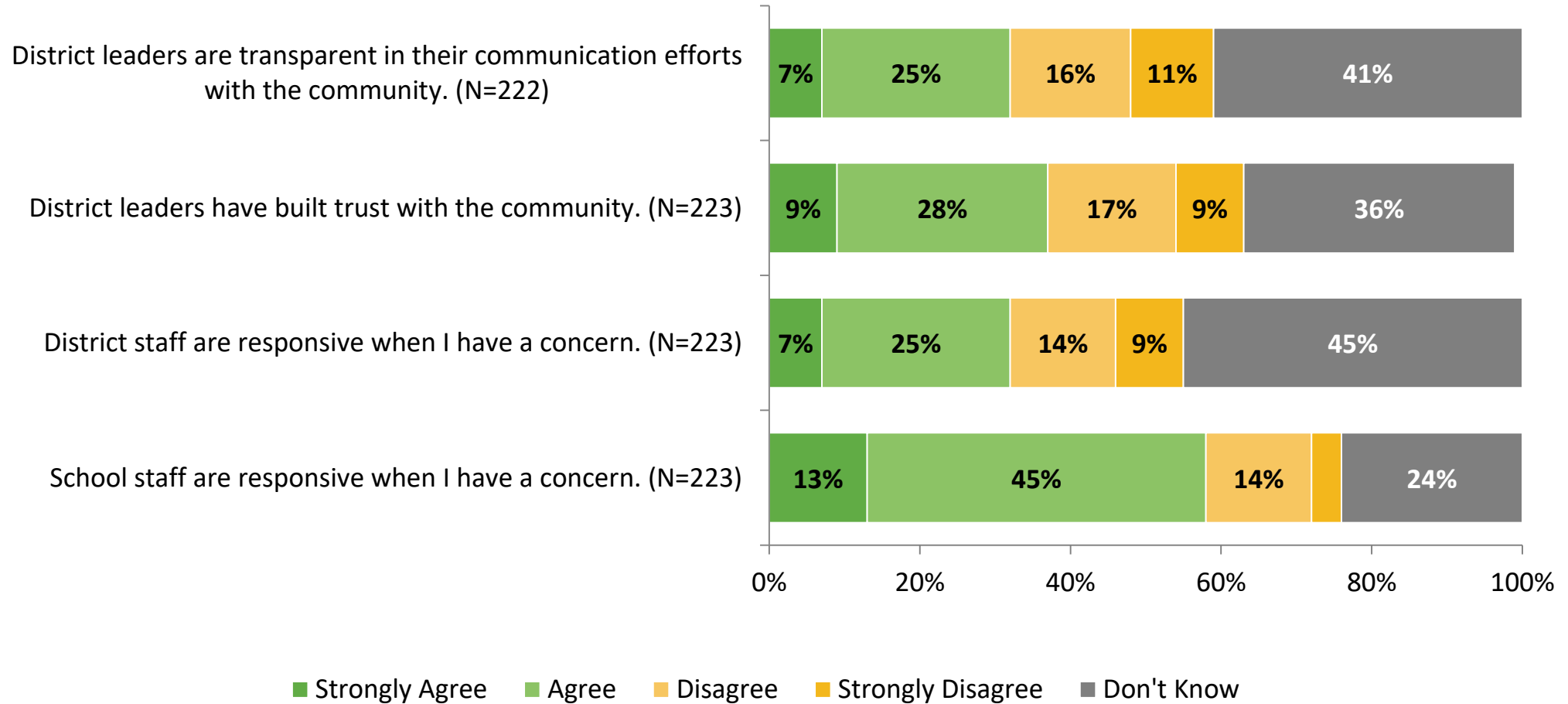
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Teachers successfully show students how lessons relate to life outside of school.	67%	Academic Support
Teachers give timely feedback about student work.	52%	Academic Support
All students are aware of the safety and security procedures.	42%	Safety and Behavior
Teachers give helpful feedback about student work.	41%	Academic Support
School administrators (principals and assistant principals) clearly communicate the school's mission and vision.	40%	School Leadership