

LHS - IBPA

LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
International Baccalaureate Parents Association

2020 LHS - IBPA Survey Results

May 15, 2020



Summary

The LHS - IBPA is here to support all IB and IB prep students and their families.

The 2019-2020 LHS – IBPA board is interested in input and feedback from IB and IB prep parents and guardians, specifically:

- Interest on IB and other topics for monthly general meetings; anticipated attendance
- Interest on social and special events and ideas for remote events
- Volunteers for LHS – IBPA leadership and support opportunities
- Additional areas of support by the LHS – IBPA; overall rating of the organization

SurveyMonkey was utilized to ask 10 questions, which solicited feedback, input and ideas on general meeting and support topics, social and special events, volunteer opportunities, additional support ideas, and an overall rating of the LHS - IBPA.

The anonymous survey was open from April 24, 2020 through May 4, 2020 and was accessible via links contained within email notice/updates from the LHS IB office, LHS – IBPA website, and LHS – IBPA Instagram and Facebook accounts.

110 respondents provided feedback. Multiple answers were allowed, and questions could be skipped.

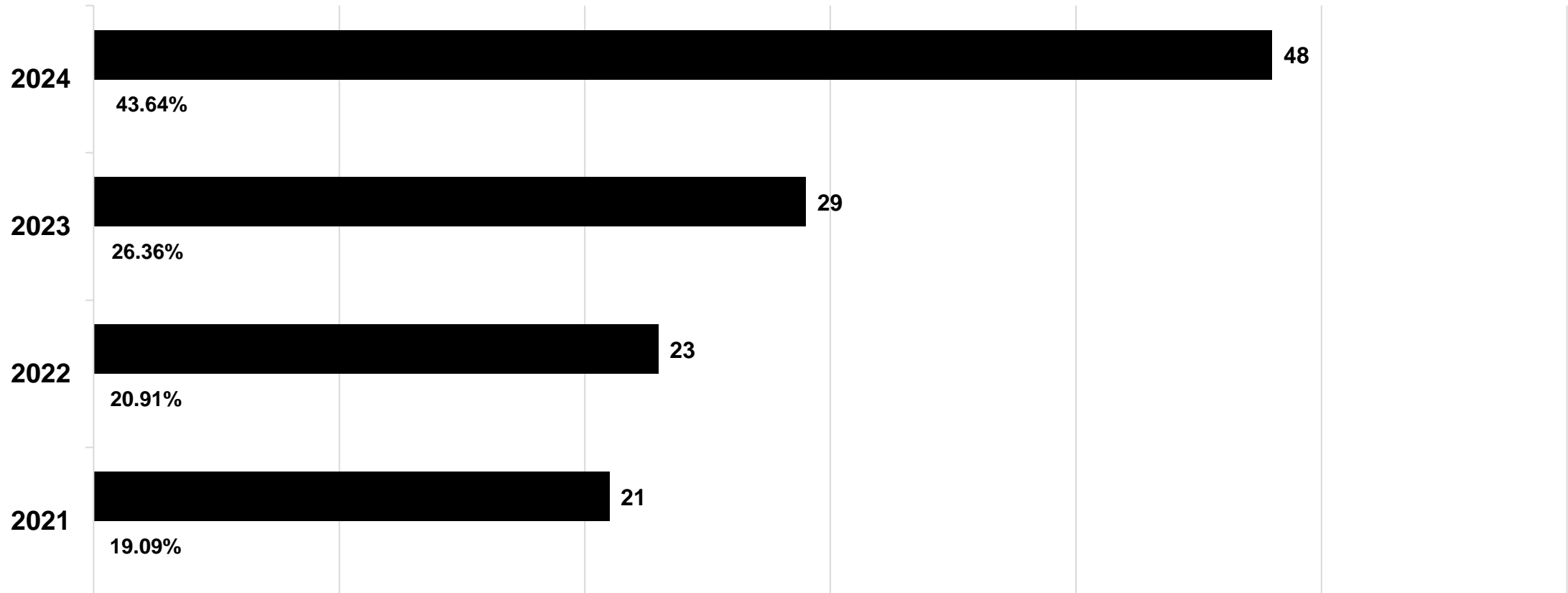
Significant input and feedback was received – thank you!

Next Steps

The LHS - IBPA board and LHS IB staff will review the survey results and discuss potential opportunities to implement recommendations

Access to survey results will be available via the LHS - IBPA website <https://lakewoodibpa.weebly.com/meeting-notes-and-newsletters.html>

1. In what year will your student graduate? For families with multiple students, please check the years that your students will graduate.



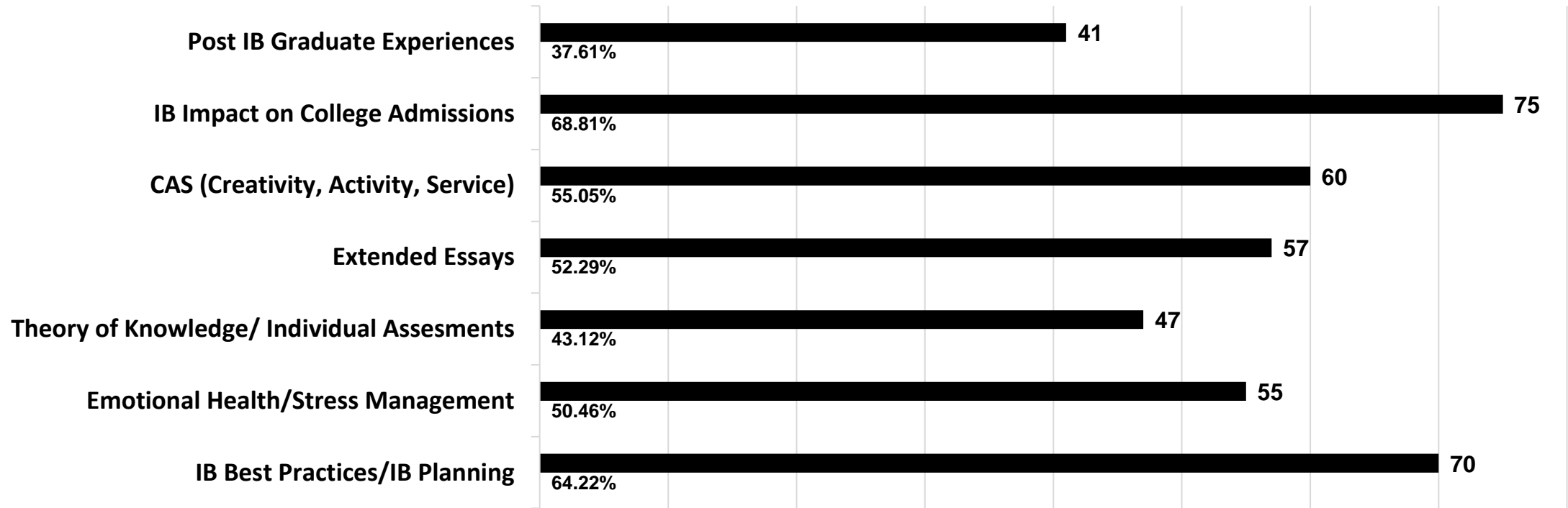
	2021	2022	2023	2024
Responses	21	23	29	48
Percentage	19.09%	20.91%	26.36%	43.64%

2. How interested are you in attending monthly general meetings? Meetings are generally held during the first Wednesday of the month, from 6:30-8pm, in the Lecture Center during the months of Sep, Oct, Jan, Feb, Mar.



	N/A	I can't make onsite meetings	Only for certain meetings	I'll be there everytime	I prefer an online presentation
Responses	1	10	72	12	15
Percentage	0.91%	9.09%	65.45%	10.91%	13.64%

3. What IB topics would you like to see addressed at monthly general meetings? Please select all that apply.



	IB Best Practices/IB Planning	Emotional Health/Stress Management	Theory of Knowledge/ Individual Assesments	Extended Essays	CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service)	IB Impact on College Admissions	Post IB Graduate Experiences
Responses	70	55	47	57	60	75	41
Percentage	64.22%	50.46%	43.12%	52.29%	55.05%	68.81%	37.61%

4. What other topics would you like to see addressed?

Impact of COVID-19

- Curriculum adjustments with remote learning
- How IB tests and requirements are changing due to COVID
- Given our current unexpected environment - how the IB program specifically and other general advice and information on how to keep kids engaged
- Changing nature of college applications given Covid-19
- How to create, foster, and maintain connections with like minded peers during a time when connection is so challenged

College

- Mainly college admissions/scholarships
- College entrance exams, preparing for scholarships, budgeting time for junior/senior as an IB student.
- Paid experienced college admissions speaker to share advice on applying to selective colleges and financial aid
- College planning and application process
- College applications, how to make the most of your IB diploma for college applications, college essays, etc.
- Advice on writing college application essays
- Difference between HL/SL and what that means to colleges

Testing

- Standardized testing
- Test prep companies may also come talk to us for free to get new customers. There's a couple local options like Full Passage and College Drive
- Exam and AP testing - application and timeline

General Meetings

- New speakers and different topics for the general meetings
- How about letting students present summer internship ideas

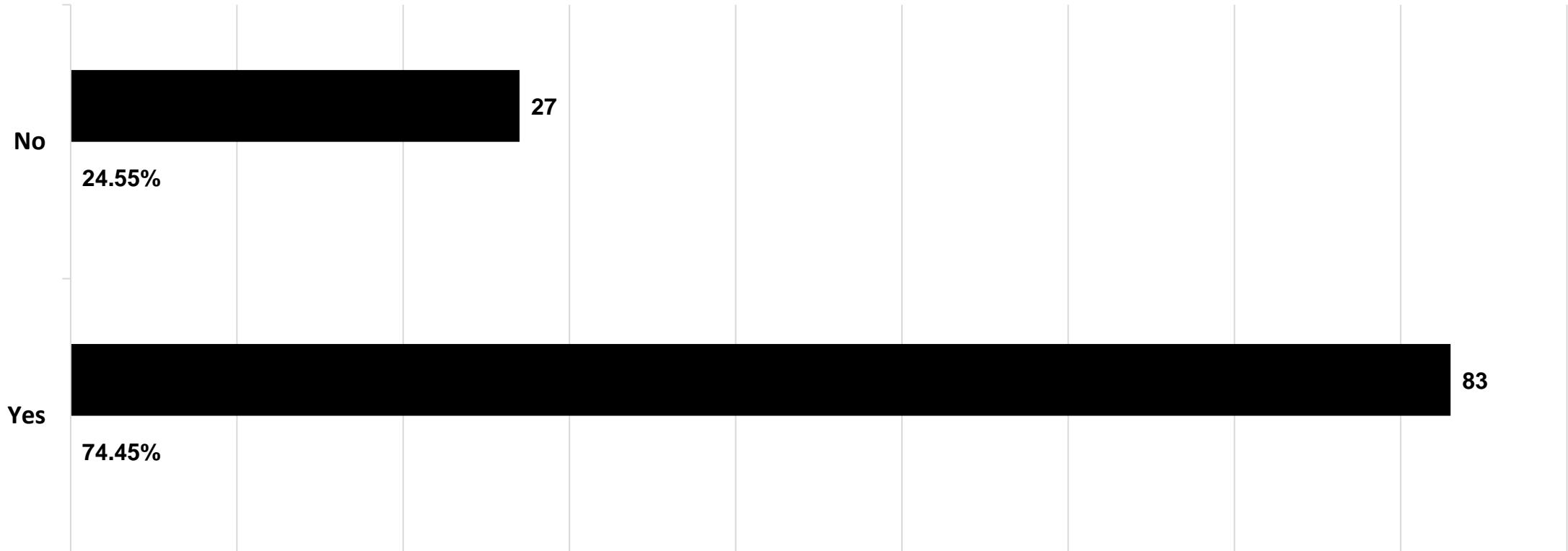
Support

- How to support IB teachers
- I would like to see support addressed as one of the topics
- How to help students with time management; Information on how to support our kids with time management, stress, etc.
- Juggling school and outside activities; Balancing studies with sports
- Social skills
- Facing a new future
- Preparing and delivering oral presentations
- Encouraging my student to participate in things other than just school and video games
- Inclusion or preparation for underclassmen, team building activities. Need to find "like-minded" peers who want to choose IB next year.
- Managing conflict resolution within teams
- Transparent budget and financial report
- IB and "Twice Gifted" learner support

IB General

- Pros and cons of full IB
- Info on IB Psychology, IB Art
- Various pathways through IB that can be crafted, and what student qualities might lead to greater happiness for which pathways... including pathways that are 100% IB, and those that are partially IB and partially AP, and other options
- General explanation of what kids are doing -- what their upcoming big projects are, etc. (probably covered under the specific project info, but knowing the timing of all would be helpful)

5. Are you aware of the Kings Soopers and ShopWithScrip community rewards programs available for LHS – IBPA members? Information may be found on the LHS – IBPA website under “More”.



	Yes	No
Responses	83	27
Percentage	74.45%	24.55%

6. If we are able, the LHS – IBPA would like to sponsor social events during the 2020-2021 school year. Which activities interest you? Please select all that apply.



	Chalk Festival (September)	Nature Hike (September/ October)	Chili Cookoff (October/ November)	Ice Skating at Belmar (January/ February)	LHS Film Festival (April)
Responses	51	64	47	49	68
Percentage	49.51%	62.14%	45.63%	47.57%	66.02%

7. Do you have any suggestions for social or special events that could be facilitated remotely?

Zoom or Google Meets

- Themed calls, i.e., Star Wars, Harry Potter, etc.
- Remote field trip to a national park, monument, foreign destination
- Smaller meet and greets for incoming freshman to be able to meet some of their new classmates
- Icebreakers before the school year starts
- Home video challenges
- Student panel for the new pre-IB students
- College speaker webinars
- Book discussion/book club
- CAS discussions by topic/interest
- Small EE support groups
- EE info night, IB students present projects
- Competitive games between the classes, such as the Spoon Game
- IB students present a project
- Leader guided current topic discussion and discussion on finding solutions
- Meets and greets between parents
- Combine IB parent social events and monthly meetings
- Academic awards ceremony
- Yoga
- Art museum scavenger hunt with prizes
- Bingo
- Trivia contest; game-show type activity

Flip Grid

- Online art show
- Have a competition where the kids try to dress up like a famous piece of art
- Talent show

Film Festival

- Film festival could be fun if it was also the films they have to watch for classes- such as AP US History
- Remote film festival could work (maybe)
- Film festival?
- Class videos, one theme could be students performing service activities

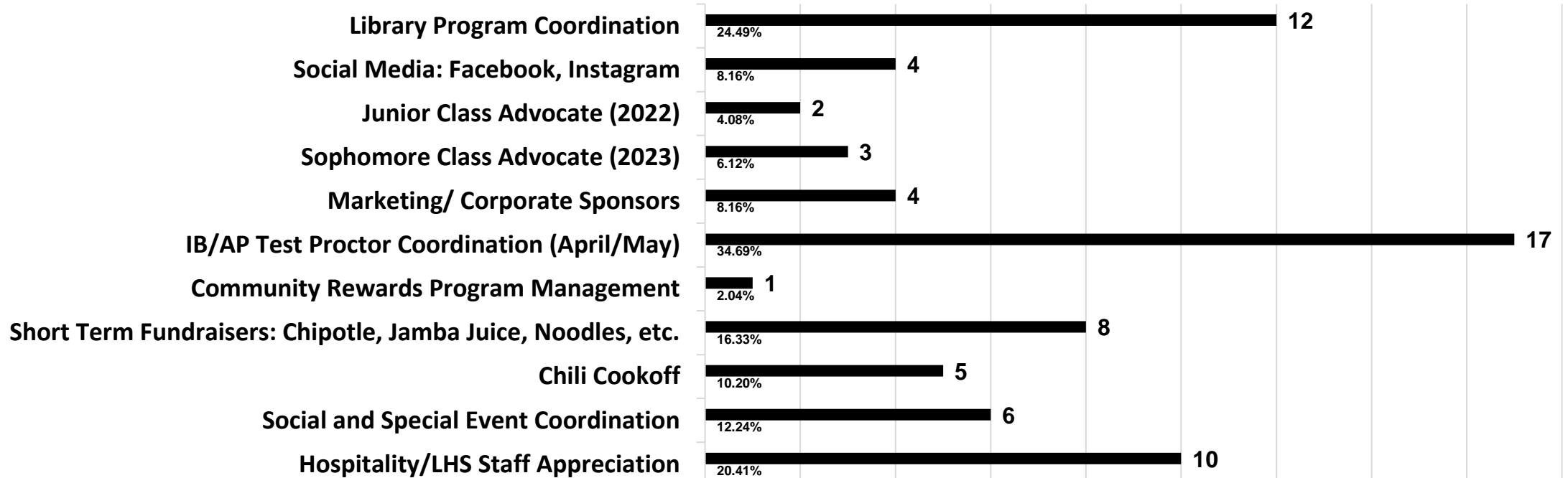
Fundraisers

- Remote or online fundraisers could be an effective tool for fundraising. Give Smart is a great platform for a virtual auction and/or gala. An online 50/50 raffle with low raffle ticket prices could also make the event more inclusive for all.

Gaming/Classes

- Virtual game nights
- Puzzle rooms
- Tabletop gaming via online platform
- Murder mysteries
- Cooking class

8. Are you able to volunteer for a leadership position with the LHS – IBPA? Time requirements range from 2-8 hours per month, on average. Please select all that apply and provide your contact information.



	Hospitality/LHS Staff Appreciation	Social and Special Event Coordination	Chili Cookoff	Short Term Fundraisers: Chipotle, Jamba Juice, Noodles, etc.	Community Rewards Program Management	IB/AP Test Proctor Coordination (April/May)	Marketing/ Corporate Sponsors	Sophomore Class Advocate (2023)	Junior Class Advocate (2022)	Social Media: Facebook, Instagram	Library Program Coordination
Responses	10	6	5	8	1	17	4	3	2	4	12
Percentage	20.41%	12.24%	10.20%	16.33%	2.04%	34.69%	8.16%	6.12%	4.08%	8.16%	24.49%

9. What additional support can the LHS – IBPA offer to you or your student(s)?

- Any changing on college trends with IB right now with COVID
- What to expect in 10th grade
- Maybe a wellness day focused on emotional, mental and physical health
- Lots of opportunities for students to develop relationships with each other and their teachers
- Keep us updated on remote learning plans for fall
- Student starts in August so at this time, how will registration happen?
- General social support transitioning into high school
- The biggest question for our household at this point is around schedule/class selection to set up
- Concern around student getting lost at such a big school/having trouble adjusting - Having a teacher/mentor would be great
- We are good for now, thank you so much. The school has been very informative.
- It would be nice to include a list of the colleges and IB seniors in the last newsletter. It's an impressive list and helps younger students know they have a LHS contact there if they want to reach out.
- None. I really appreciate the mails and updates from Ms. Giusto. Very helpful!
- Support Unified PE and their coaches to do more online and ensure credit for PE to coaches
- Upper class mentors for younger students
- I am curious about how to support students with special needs in the IB program
- Networking/team building for pre-IB students
- How to transition to AP/honors/traditional track if IB is not working for you
- What about a color run or a flag football tournament? Something to get them outside!

10. How would you rate the LHS – IBPA in terms of support of the Lakewood High School IB community?

