

Swarthmore College Parents Survey 2007 – Supplemental Questions

Please answer the following questions, S1-S16, using the ovals **at the end of the survey form**. Do not mark answers on this sheet! Provide only **ONE** response to each question. Note that none of these questions use option “F” - please don’t mark that oval on the form. Use only response options A-E, as indicated.

Please use this scale to answer the following two questions about your child.

<u>Never</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Often</u>	<u>Always</u>
A	B	C	D	E

- S1. In general how often does your child need *parental guidance* to resolve his or her own concerns and issues?
- S2. In general how often does your child need *direct parental involvement or action* to resolve his or her own concerns and issues?

We are always looking for the best ways of sharing information about the College with parents. Please consider each of the following methods for learning about Swarthmore, and rate your preference for each using this scale.

<u>Strongly Dislike</u>	<u>Somewhat Dislike</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Like</u>	<u>Strongly Like</u>
A	B	C	D	E

- S3. *Swarthmore College Handbook for Families*, a printed publication, mailed annually.
- S4. *Parents Newsletter*, in printed format, mailed in the fall and spring.
- S5. Swarthmore College web site and Parents page, including an on-line version of the *Swarthmore College Handbook for Families* and *Parents Newsletter*.
- S6. Electronic subscription to Swarthmore’s Daily Gazette, an independent student-created daily summary of international, national, and College news.
- S7. *Swarthmore E-News*, a quarterly e-mail summary of College-related news and events.

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Which of the volunteer opportunities below, if any, might you be likely to consider as a parent?

Very Unlikely	Somewhat Unlikely	Not Sure	Somewhat Likely	Very Likely
A	B	C	D	E

- S8. Serving as a workplace sponsor for the Swarthmore Extern Program (one week “mini-internship” during the last week of Winter Break in January).
- S9. Serving as a host (lodging a student) during the Extern Program.
- S10. Participating as a speaker at a parent/alumni panel about different career opportunities.
- S11. Phoning a limited number of parents in your area seeking support for the Parents Fund.
- S12. Hosting a Swarthmore parents gathering in your home.

Remember that this survey is for research purposes only. Since responses are confidential, we are not able to send you particular information as a result of your answers here. However, should you wish to volunteer for a specific activity, please let us know by contacting Danielle Shepherd, Director of Parents Programs at 610-328-8009 or dshephe1@swarthmore.edu.

How likely would you be, as a parent, to participate in each of the following?

Very Unlikely	Somewhat Unlikely	Not Sure	Somewhat Likely	Very Likely
A	B	C	D	E

- S13. Attending Swarthmore's annual Family and Friends Weekend, held on campus in April.
- S14. Attending a Swarthmore parents gathering (afternoon reception) in your region with a guest speaker from the College.
- S15. Attending a Swarthmore parents gathering in your region without a guest speaker.
- S16. Attending regional Swarthmore alumni “Connections” programs. (Activities include “faculty on the road” talks, book clubs, and outings to concerts, museums, and more.)

S17-S20 on the survey form are not used. We invite you to make any additional comments or suggestions you may have on page 8 of the survey form.

Please return your completed survey in the reply envelope provide. No postage is required. (You do not need to return this “Supplemental Question” form because you have coded your responses on the survey form.)

***Thank you very much
for taking the time to share your views!!***