## 2016-17 Gallup Student Poll

The Gallup Student Poll is given annually to hundreds of thousands of students in grades 5-12 to assess student engagement, hope, and entrepreneurial aspiration. To date, 4 million students have taken the poll nationwide. The poll is administered each year online among schools that voluntarily chose to participate.

In the 2016-17 school year, ANCS students in grades 5-8 participated in the poll for the first time. One of the educational program goals in our charter petition was aimed at ANCS students having a higher mean score than the national mean in the areas of engagement and hope as one measure of ANCS's impact on students in these categories. The overall mean scores--ranging from a low of 1 (strongly disagree) to a high of 5 (strongly agree)--for each poll category are listed below along with the prompts asked for those categories in the poll.

## Engagement: Involvement & enthusiasm for school

ANCS mean: 3.97 U.S. mean: 3.88

At this school, I get to do what I do best every day.

My teachers make me feel my schoolwork is important.

I feel safe in this school.

I have fun at school.

I have a best friend at school.

In the last seven days, someone has told me I have done good work at school.

In the last seven days, I have learned something interesting at school.

The adults at my school care about me.

I have at least one teacher who makes me excited about the future.

Hope: Energy & ideas for the future

ANCS mean: 4.24 U.S. mean: 4.23

I know I will graduate from high school.

I have a great future ahead of me.

I can think of many ways to get good grades.

I have many goals.

I can find many ways around problems.

I have a mentor who encourages my development.

I know I will find a good job in the future.

## Entrepreneurial Aspiration: Talent & energy for building businesses that survive and thrive

ANCS mean: 2.71 U.S. mean: 2.42

I will invent something that changes the world.

I plan to start my own business.

I am learning how to start and run a business.

I have my own business now.