

A photograph of a busy playground. In the foreground, a large red rope climbing structure is the center of activity, with several children and adults interacting with it. To the right, there is a blue playhouse with a grey roof and a silver slide. More children are playing on these structures. The ground is paved with light-colored tiles. In the background, there are trees and a large, curved building. The sky is overcast.

Hester Street Playground Community Lawn Proposal

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Hester Street Playground Sandpit and Play Fixture (Current)



Hester Street Playground Community Lawn v2 (Proposed)

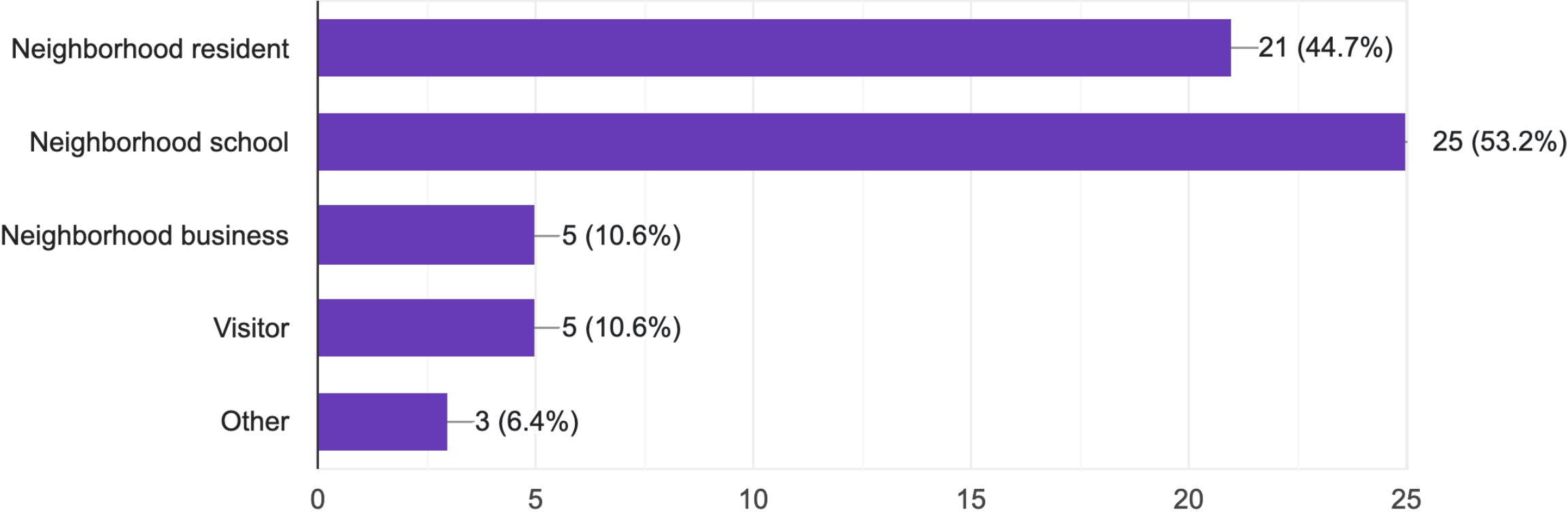
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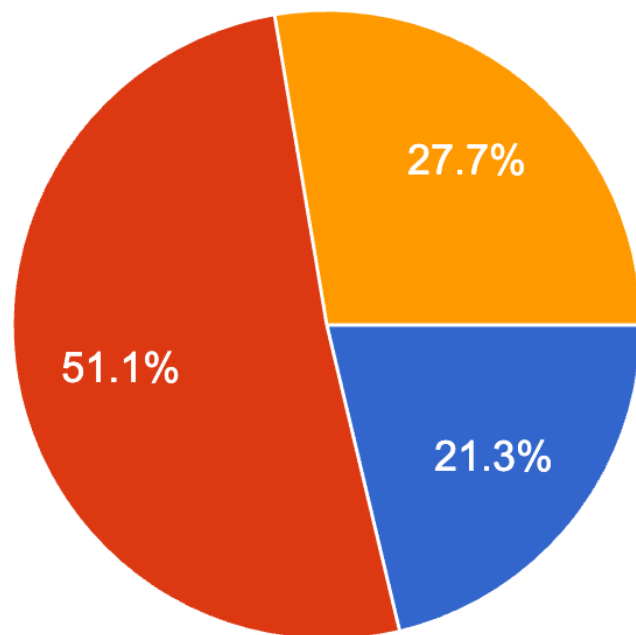
Tell us who you are!

47 responses



How often do you use Hester Street Playground?

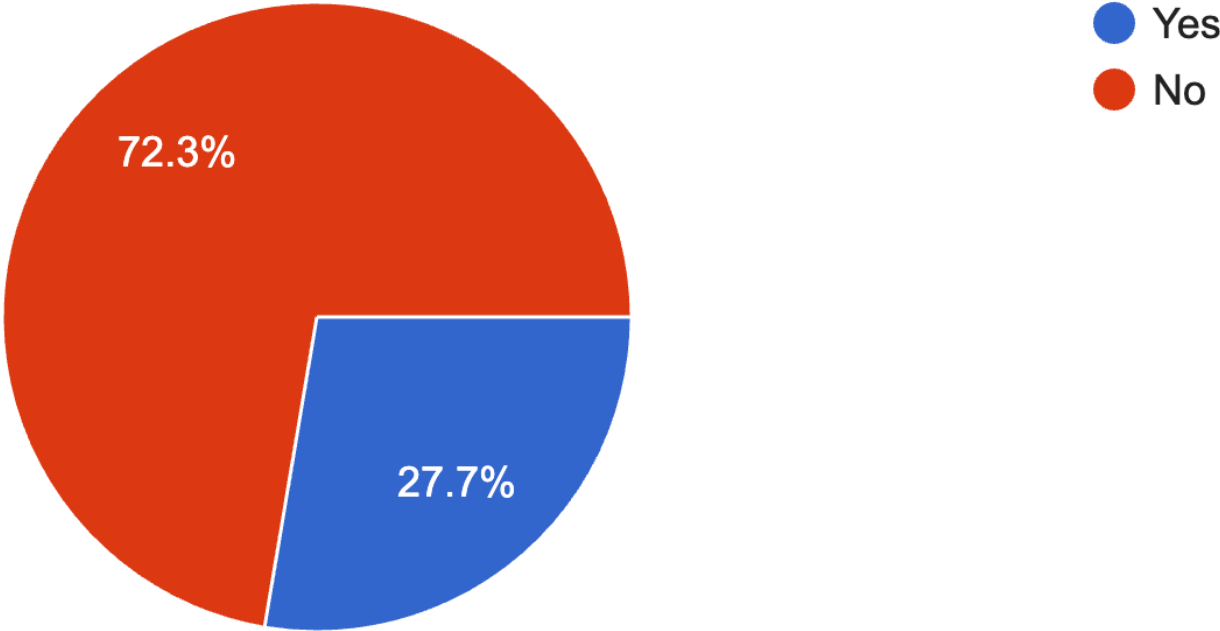
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- Daily
- Weekly
- Less than once per month

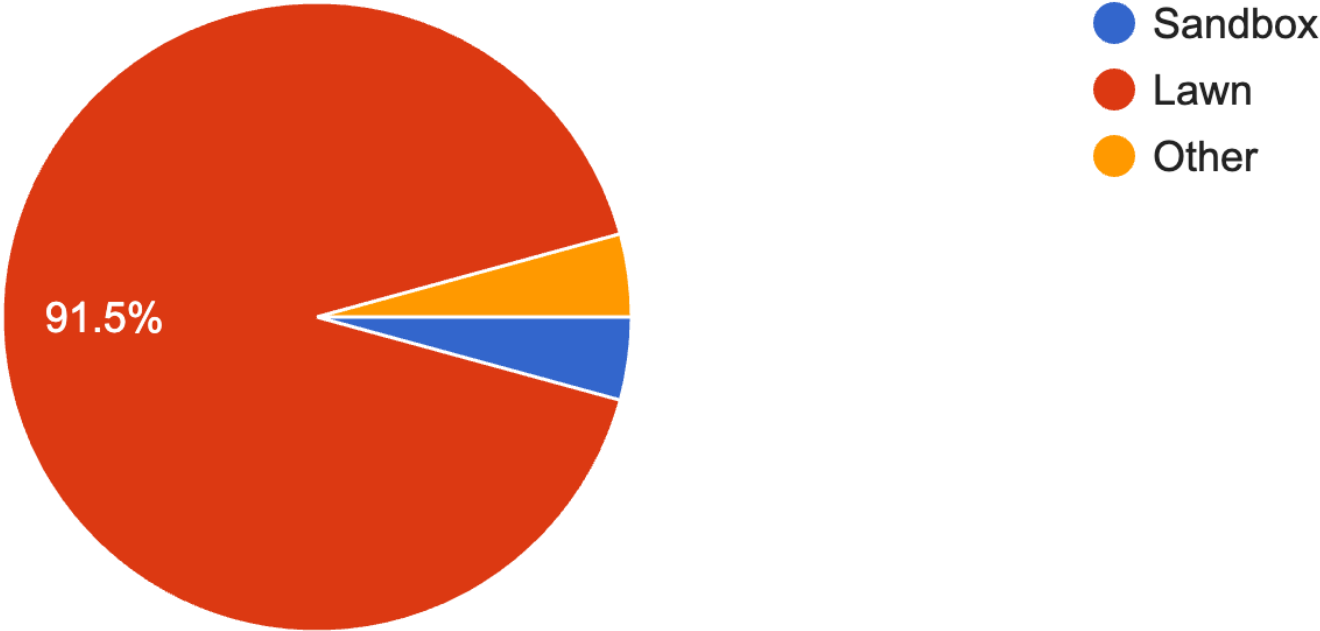
Does your family use the sandbox?

47 responses



Would you prefer the sandbox or the lawn?


47 responses



Selected comments

- It'd be nice to keep the water feature for the warmer months. We want some kind of sensory play option. Please install a lawn with excellent drainage.
- The Sandbox is an invitation for rats to hide and an unsanitary place for children to play.
- The sandbox is filthy. People let their pets urinate and defecate in there. Children should not be playing in there.
- The sand blows all over the playground and when it is wet, it is a fall hazard. A kid has slipped on the wet sand in the playground area and split open his chin, requiring a trip to the ER and stitches.
- There is no upkeep with the sandbox, as a preschool and after-school provider, we often find garbage and even needles in the sandbox.
- I'm concerned about the safety of the sandpit. A green lawn would be a better use of space, allowing for multiple uses.
- Strong vote against the sandbox - my kids come home so dirty!







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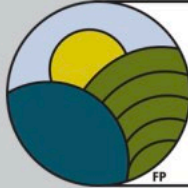
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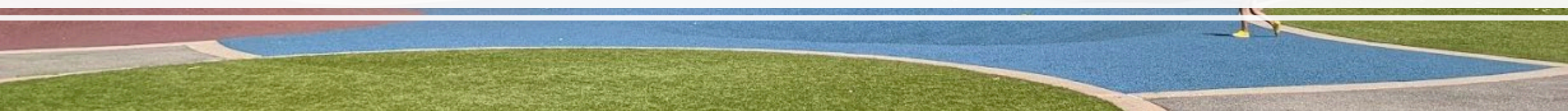
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