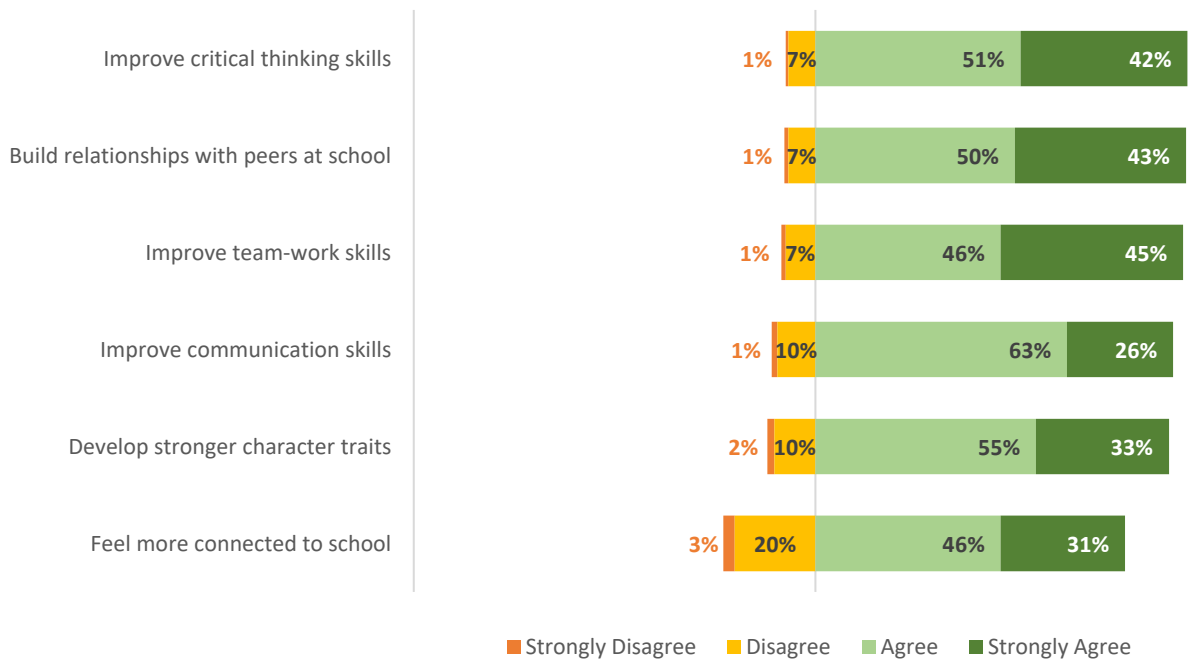




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Orange County Academic Pentathlon
2023-2024 Student Survey Data

During the spring of 2024, 284 Pentathletes participated in a survey to gather information regarding the Pentathlon program's impact on increasing student engagement and developing 21st century skills in the areas of communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and positive character traits. Below are the survey results.

Percent (%) of students who reported Pentathlon helped them to:



Note. Percentages were rounded to the nearest whole number.

Data Highlights:

- **93%** of students reported **improved critical thinking skills**.
- **93%** of students reported that the Pentathlon helped them **build relationships with their peers at school**.
- **91%** of students reported improved **skills in team-work**.
- **89%** of students reported improved **skills in communication**.
- **88%** of students reported that Pentathlon helped them develop **stronger character traits**.
- **77%** of students reported feeling more **connected to their school**.

In the students' words:

"Being in Academic Pentathlon has made learning more enjoyable for me. I am a very competitive person, so the opportunity to earn awards for academic excellence was appealing. I met people I may never have met otherwise, and it has drastically changed my 8th grade experience."

"I love that the Academic Pentathlon helped me to communicate with my peers and build a stronger bond with them. I also love how high-spirited each school was, even if they didn't get the results they wanted. Overall, I enjoyed the Academic Pentathlon and look forward to be in it again in the future."

"In my personal opinion, joining Pentathlon has definitely been the highlight of my 2023-2024 school year. It has taught me many different things in all aspects of learning, as well as building a positive relationship with my school."