

**Current School Climate Student Survey**

**Elementary School**

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**DIRECTIONS:** We need your help and honesty! This survey is being used to understand what life is like for you and other students in your school. Do not put your name on the survey. All responses are anonymous; this means that no one will know your answers to the questions.

Please check the boxes that best describe you:

1. **What grade are you in?**
   - □ 3
   - □ 4
   - □ 5
   - □ 6

2. **How old are you?**
   - ______ yrs

3. **What is your cultural, racial or ethnic background?**
   - □ Caucasian/White (includes French, German, Irish, etc.)
   - □ African American/Black
   - □ Asian/Pacific Islander
   - □ Latino/Hispanic/Mexican
   - □ American Indian/Native American
   - □ Bi-racial/Multi-racial
   - □ Other. Please specify: ___________________________
   - □ Do not know

4. **Are you a girl or boy?**
   - □ Girl
   - □ Boy

5. **What kind of grades do you usually get?**
   - □ Mostly 4's (A's)
   - □ Mostly 3's (B's)
   - □ Mostly 2's (C's)
   - □ Mostly 1's (D's)
   - □ Mostly 0's (F's)
   - □ My school does not use this type of grading system

6. **I like school.** ................................................................. □ □ □ □
7. **I look forward to going to school.** ........................................ □ □ □ □
8. **I try hard in school.** .............................................................. □ □ □ □
9. **School is a waste of time.** .................................................... □ □ □ □
10. **There is graffiti at my school (writing on the wall that is not supposed to be there).** ............................................. □ □ □ □
11. **My school building is clean.** ................................................ □ □ □ □

**DIRECTIONS:** Please check the answer that most closely matches the way you feel. NO! means the statement is never or almost never true for you, no means that the statement is not usually true for you, yes means that it is usually true for you and YES! means that the statement is always or almost always true for you.

**Example**

I like pizza. ................................................................. □ □ □ □

The first set of questions asks how you feel about your school and people in your school.
12. I like the way my school looks ..............................................................□ □ □ □
13. Many things are broken or damaged (e.g., windows, computers, outdoor equipment) at my school .................................................. □ □ □ □
14. I feel safe at my school ..................................................................... □ □ □ □
15. I feel safe on my way to and from school ........................................... □ □ □ □
16. At lunch and recess, teachers go into the hallways to check on students .................................................................................. □ □ □ □
17. At lunch and recess, teachers go into the bathrooms to check on students .................................................................................. □ □ □ □
18. During the past 30 days, how often have you wanted to stay home from school because you were being picked on by someone at school? .................................................................................. □ □ □ □

The following questions ask about students, teachers, other staff and rules at your school.

These next 4 questions can be tricky for some people. They ask you about students from other cultures or ethnic groups; this means students that are from or have relatives from different cultural or ethnic backgrounds than yours. For example, if you consider yourself Asian, then people from other cultures or ethnic groups would consist of Caucasian/Whites, African Americans/Blacks, Hispanics, etc.

19. I feel comfortable being around students of other cultures or ethnic groups .................................................................................. □ □ □ □
20. I try hard not to judge people based on their skin color .................. □ □ □ □
21. Students in my school respect young people of other cultures or ethnic groups .......................................................................... □ □ □ □
22. Students of other cultures or ethnic groups can succeed in my school .......................................................................................... □ □ □ □
23. Do teachers at your school listen when students have something to say? .................................................................................. □ □ □ □
24. Do teachers at your school really care about students? ................. □ □ □ □
25. Do teachers at your school try to help students when they are having problems? ............................................................................. □ □ □ □
26. Do the principal and the rest of the school staff try to make your school a place students like to be? ........................................... □ □ □ □
27. Everyone knows what the school rules are .......................................... □ □ □ □
28. The school rules are fair ..................................................................... □ □ □ □
29. The punishments (stay after school, go to principal's office, etc.) for breaking school rules are the same no matter who you are .... □ □ □ □
30. If a kid at my school breaks the rules, they will definitely get in trouble .................................................................................. □ □ □ □
31. If a school rule is broken, students know what kind of punishments will follow (stay after school, go to principal’s office, suspension, etc.)...........................................................................
   NO! no yes YES!

32. I respect the principal in my school......................................................
      

33. I respect the teachers in my school....................................................
      

34. I care what my teachers think of me...................................................
      

35. I care what other adults (counselor, school resource officer, etc.) in my school think of me.......................................................
      

The next questions ask about violence and aggression.

36. My friends think it is OK to push or shove other people if you are mad...............................................................................................
   NO! no yes YES!

37. My friends think it is wrong to get into physical fights with others .................................................................................................
   NO! no yes YES!

38. My friends think it is OK to hit someone back when they hit you first ..........................................................................................
   NO! no yes YES!

39. My friends think it is OK to yell at others and say mean things....
   NO! no yes YES!

40. It is OK to push or shove other people around if you’re mad........
   NO! no yes YES!

41. Sometimes you have to physically fight to get what you want........
   NO! no yes YES!

42. I think it is OK to hit someone back if they hit you first..............
   NO! no yes YES!

43. It is OK to yell at others and say mean things................................
   NO! no yes YES!

44. During the past 12 months, how many times were you in a physical fight on school property?

   □ 0 times □ 6 or 7 times
   □ 1 time □ 8 or 9 times
   □ 2 or 3 times □ 10 or 11 times
   □ 4 or 5 times □ 12 or more times

44a.) If you were in a physical fight on school property, did you hit the other person first?
   □ I was not in a physical fight on school property  □ No  □ Yes
The following questions are about bullying.*
Please be sure to read the definition below before answering the bullying questions!

We say a student is being bullied when another student, or several other students:
- say mean and hurtful things or make fun of him/her
- completely ignore and exclude him/her from their group of friends or leave him/her out of things on purpose
- hit, kick, push, shove around, or lock him/her inside a room
- tell lies or spread false rumors about him/her or send mean notes and try to make other students dislike him/her

When we talk about bullying, these things happen more than just once, and it is difficult for the student being bullied to defend himself/herself.
We do not call it bullying when the teasing is done in a friendly and playful way. Also, it is not bullying when two students of about equal strength or power argue or fight.

45. Have you ever been bullied at school?......................................................... No ☐ Yes ☐

46. Have you been bullied at school in the past couple of months in one or more of the following ways (If you have never been bullied, mark “Not In The Past Couple of Months”):

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<td>E) I had money or other things taken away from me or damaged</td>
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I) I was bullied with mean or hurtful messages, calls or pictures, or in other ways on my cell phone or over the Internet (computer). Please remember that it is not bullying when it is done in a friendly and playful way.

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J) I was bullied in another way

If you have not been bullied in any of the above ways during the past couple of months, Skip to Question 52

47. **Where** have you been bullied in the past couple of months?
   - □ I have not been bullied at school
   - □ I have been bullied in one or more of the following places:
     - **Mark all that apply.**
   
   47a. □ On the playground/athletic field (during recess or break times)
   - □ In the hallways/stairwells
   - □ In class (when the teacher was in the room)
   - □ In class (when the teacher was not in the room)
   - □ In the bathroom
   - □ In gym class or the gym locker room/shower
   - □ In the lunchroom
   - □ On the way to and from school
   - □ At the school bus stop
   - □ On the school bus
   - □ Somewhere else at school

48. Have you told anyone that you have been bullied in the past couple of months?
   - □ I have not been bullied at school
   - □ I have been bullied, but I **have not told anyone**
   - □ I have been bullied, and I **have told somebody about it**

48a. **Please mark all the people you have told:**
   - □ Your classroom teacher
   - □ Another adult at school
   - □ Your parent(s)/guardian(s)
   - □ Your brother(s) or sister(s)
   - □ Your friend(s)
   - □ Somebody else
49. How often do the teachers or other adults at school try to put a stop to it when a student is being bullied at school? .................................................................

50. How often do other students try to put a stop to it when a student is being bullied at school? .................................................................

51. Has any adult at home contacted the school to try to stop your being bullied at school in the past couple of months?

- I have not been bullied at school
- No, they have not contacted the school
- Yes, they have contacted the school once
- Yes, they have contacted the school several times

The next questions ask about bullying other students.

52. Have you ever taken part in bullying another student(s) at school? .................................................................

53. Have you bullied another student(s) at school in the past couple of months in one or more of the following ways (If you have never bullied another student, mark “Not In The Past Couple of Months”):

A) I called another student(s) mean names and made fun of or teased him/her in a hurtful way.............

B) I kept him/her out of things on purpose, excluded him/her from my group of friends, or completely ignored him/her. .................................................................

C) I hit, kicked, pushed, and shoved him/her around, or locked him/her indoors. .................................................................

D) I spread false rumors about him/her and tried to make others dislike him/her. .................................................................

E) I took money or other things from him/her or damaged his/her belongings.................................................................

F) I threatened or forced him/her to do things he/she did not want to do.................................................................

G) I bullied him/her with mean names or comments about his/her race or color.................................................................

H) I bullied him/her with mean names, comments, or gestures with a sexual meaning.................................................................
I) I bullied him/her with mean or hurtful messages, calls or pictures, or in other ways on my cell phone or over the internet (computer) ..............................................

   □  Not In
   □  Only Once
   □  2 or 3 Times
   □  About A Month
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   □  Several Times

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| Ia) If you bullied another student(s) on your cell phone or over the internet, how was it done?
   - □  Only on the cell phone
   - □  Only over the internet
   - □  In both ways

J) I bullied him/her in another way..........................

   □  Not In
   □  Only Once
   □  2 or 3 Times
   □  About A Month
   □  A Week
   □  Several Times

If you have not bullied other student(s) in any of the above ways during the past couple of months, **Skip to Question 56**

54. **Has your class or homeroom teacher or any other teacher** talked with you about your bullying another student(s) at school in the past couple of months?

   - □  I have not bullied another student(s) at school
   - □  No, they have not talked with me about it
   - □  Yes, they have talked with me about it once
   - □  Yes, they have talked with me about it several times

55. **Has any adult at home** talked with you about your bullying another student(s) at school in the past couple of months?

   - □  I have not bullied another student(s) at school
   - □  No, they have not talked with me about it
   - □  Yes, they have talked with me about it once
   - □  Yes, they have talked with me about it several times

The questions below are about smoking, drinking alcohol and marijuana use. Alcohol includes beer, wine, wine coolers, and liquor such as rum, gin, vodka or whiskey. For these questions, drinking alcohol does not include drinking a few sips of wine for religious purposes.

56. **During your life**, have you smoked cigarettes? ............................................................

   - □  No
   - □  Yes

57. **During your life**, have you drunk wine, beer or other alcohol? ...................................

   - □  No
   - □  Yes

58. **During your life**, have you used marijuana (sometimes called pot or weed)? ............................................................

   - □  No
   - □  Yes

59. **During the past 30 days**, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?

   - □  0 days
   - □  1 or 2 days
   - □  3 to 5 days
   - □  6 to 9 days
   - □  10 to 19 days
   - □  20 to 29 days
   - □  All 30 days
60. During the **past 30 days**, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?

- [ ] 0 days
- [ ] 1 or 2 days
- [ ] 3 to 5 days
- [ ] 6 to 9 days
- [ ] 10 to 19 days
- [ ] 20 to 29 days
- [ ] All 30 days

61. During the **past 30 days**, how many times did you use marijuana?

- [ ] 0 times
- [ ] 1 or 2 times
- [ ] 3 to 9 times
- [ ] 10 to 19 times
- [ ] 20 to 39 times
- [ ] 40 or more times

**These questions are about your family and other important people in your life. If you do not live with your parents, answer questions about the adult who is in charge where you live.**

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<td>64. I usually have dinner with my family</td>
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<td>68. My parents know who my friends are</td>
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<td>70. My parents make sure I do my homework</td>
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Thank you for completing this survey!
These 5 questions ask about your friends.

1. I have a friend my age who cares about me........................................

2. I spend most of my free time at school with my friends. ...............

3. I feel lonely at school...............................................................................

4. My friends are interested in what I think and how I feel..............

5. When I have personal problems, my friends try to understand and let me know they care.................................................

The following 2 questions are about skipping school.

1. During the past month, I "cut" or skipped classes without an excuse.....................................................................................................

2. Why did you cut or skip school in the past month? Mark all that apply.
   - I wanted to hang out with friends
   - I wanted to avoid a particular teacher
   - I didn’t want to take a test
   - I didn’t have my homework done for class
   - I wanted to use drugs or alcohol
   - I thought it would be fun
   - I was talked into it
   - I was running late, or missed the bus
   - I had a family obligation, or family-related situation
   - I felt sick, or had a medical/dental appointment
   - I don’t like school
   - I wanted to eat, or take a longer lunch
   - I went to the store/mall
   - Other. Please specify:___________________
   - I was running late, or missed the bus
The next 2 items ask about participation in community activities.

1. I am involved in clubs, sport teams, church groups or other activities outside of school...........................................

2. I practice or take lessons in activities like music, art, drama, dance, martial arts or horseback riding after school or on weekends...........................................

The following 2 questions ask about your health and exercise.

1. In general, how is your health? ...........................................

2. On how many of the past 7 days did you exercise or participate in physical activity for at least 20 minutes that made you sweat and breathe hard, such as basketball, soccer, running, swimming laps, fast bicycling, fast dancing or similar aerobic activity?

   - 0 days
   - 1 day
   - 2 days
   - 3 days
   - 4 days
   - 5 days
   - 6 days
   - 7 days

The next 4 questions ask about your views on health.

1. How important is it to you to be in good shape? ...................................

2. How important is it to you to have plenty of energy? ......................

3. How important is it to you to keep yourself fit even if it takes some extra effort?..........................................................

4. How important is it to you to have good health habits about eating, exercise and sleep? ...........................................
The next section asks about decisions that you make in your daily life.

1. Can you get a teacher to help you when you get stuck on schoolwork? ................................................... \hline
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     & Almost & Never & Once In A While & Some-times & Often & Almost Always \\
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2. Can you study when there are other interesting things to do? ................................................... \hline

3. Do you succeed in finishing all your homework every day? ................................................... \hline

4. Can you pay attention during every class? .................. \hline

5. Do you succeed in passing all subjects? ........................ \hline

6. Can you resist peer pressure to do things in school that can get you into trouble? .................. \hline

7. Can you stop yourself from skipping school when you feel bored or upset? ........................ \hline

8. Can you resist peer pressure to smoke cigarettes? .... \hline

9. Can you resist peer pressure to drink beer, wine or liquor? ................................................... \hline

10. Can you resist peer pressure to smoke marijuana? ........ \hline

11. Can you control your temper? .................................. \hline

Thank you for completing this survey!