



SHARE: Safe Healthy Attitudes Require Education

School Climate and Attitudes Survey

7th through 12th Grades

INSTRUCTIONS

This is a survey about you and your school. It includes questions about school safety, your emotional well-being, some of your own behaviors, and how you feel about your school.

- Your answers will be anonymous. That means that no one will know who filled out this form.
- Please do not write your name on this form and do not identify yourself in any way.

We are asking you to complete this survey because your school and district are beginning a number of new programs to make your school a safe, healthy place for you, your classmates, and the teachers and staff who work here.

Your responses to the questions on this survey will help us decide what programs will help to make your school a positive environment.

You do not have to complete this survey if you do not want to. If you choose not to complete this survey we will give you another activity to do while the other students in class are working on this.

Please try your best to answer all of the questions to the best of your ability. You can also skip a question if answering it makes you feel uncomfortable. If you do not understand a question you may skip it.

Thank you for taking this survey!



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1. What grade are you in now?
 - A. 7th grade
 - B. 8th grade
 - C. 9th grade
 - D. 10th grade
 - E. 11th grade
 - F. 12th grade

2. How many years have you gone to school in this district?
 - A. This is my first year
 - B. This is my second year
 - C. Three or more years

3. Are you a...
 - A. Male
 - B. Female

Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements

There is a teacher or some other adult at this school who...

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
4. notices when I've been absent from school.	A	B	C	D
5. listens to me when I have something to say.	A	B	C	D
6. tells me when I do a good job.	A	B	C	D
7. always wants me to do my best.	A	B	C	D
8. believes that I will be successful.	A	B	C	D

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The next set of questions asks what you do and how you feel about your school.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
9. I like my school.	A	B	C	D
10. I feel safe in my school.	A	B	C	D
11. I participate in school-based activities, such as, clubs, student council, etc.	A	B	C	D
12. I do things that make a positive difference in my school.	A	B	C	D

How much of a problem are these things in your school.....

	Not A Problem	A <u>Small</u> Problem	A Big Problem
13. students kicking, hitting, punching, pushing, or wrestling each other even if they are teasing or playing around?	A	B	C
14. students kicking, hitting, punching, pushing, or wrestling each other in anger?	A	B	C
15. students using alcohol?	A	B	C
16. students bullying other students?	A	B	C
17. students using drugs to get high?	A	B	C
18. students being disruptive in classes?	A	B	C
19. students yelling and/or using foul language toward teachers or staff?	A	B	C
20. students smoking or using tobacco?	A	B	C
21. students using sexual comments or gestures to insult other students?	A	B	C
22. students bringing weapons to school?	A	B	C
23. school staff or teachers talking to students in an insulting or threatening way?	A	B	C

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In the last MONTH (30 Days) at school, have you . . .

	Yes	No
24. had someone bully, be mean, or threaten you at school?		
25. seen someone else be bullied, treated meanly, or threatened, at school?		
26. said mean or threatening things to another student?		
27. gotten in trouble with a teacher(s) or your principal?		
28. made fun of other students, or insulted or teased them at school?		
29. had other students make fun of you, or insult or tease you at school?		

What do your parents/guardians think about people using...

	It's okay	Not sure	It's harmful
30. marijuana (blunt, herb, ganja, weed, pot, hash, etc.)?	A	B	C
31. alcohol (beer, wine, wine cooler, or liquor such as vodka, gin, whisky, etc.)?	A	B	C
32. tobacco products? (cigarettes, chew, cigars, etc.)	A	B	C
33. pills, either prescription or over-the-counter, to get high?	A	B	C
34. other drugs or any substances used to get high?	A	B	C

In the last MONTH (30 Days) at home, with your friends, or at school, have you . . .

	Yes	No
35. drank alcohol? (beer, wine, wine cooler, or liquor such as vodka, gin, whisky, etc.)		
36. smoked marijuana? (blunt, herb, ganja, weed, pot, hash, etc.)		
37. smoked or used tobacco?		
38. taken pills, either prescription or over-the-counter, to get high?		
39. used other drugs or any substances to get high?		

40. In the last month (30 days), how many times have you not gone to school because you felt you would not be safe **at** school?

- A. None – I have not missed school for this reason
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 or 3 days
- D. 4 or 5 days
- E. 6 or more days

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41. In the last month (30 days), how many times have you not gone to school because you felt you would not be safe **on your way to** school?

- A. None – I have not missed school for this reason
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 or 3 days
- D. 4 or 5 days
- E. 6 or more days

42. In the last month (30 days), how many times have you not gone to school because you felt you would not be safe **on your way home from** school?

- A. None – I have not missed school for this reason
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 or 3 days
- D. 4 or 5 days
- E. 6 or more days

In the last SIX MONTHS, have you. . .

	YES	NO
43. felt very sad for two weeks or longer?		
44. hurt yourself on purpose?		
45. felt hopeless for two weeks or longer?		
46. felt helpless, or felt that you had problems too big to solve?		

During the past YEAR....

47. During the past year (12 months), how many times have you been in a physical fight on school property? This includes hitting, shoving, wrestling, or punching because you or the other person was angry.

- A. None – I have not gotten into a fight on school property
- B. 1 time
- C. 2 or 3 times
- D. 4 or more times

During the past year (12 months) have you...

	Yes	No
48. talked to a counselor at your school about a personal problem?		
49. talked to a counselor outside your school about a personal problem?		

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In my opinion . . .

	Yes	Maybe	No
50. It is okay to make fun of and/or tease other people.			
51. People who do not care about rules are often successful in their life.			
52. People who do not care about other people’s feelings are often successful in their life.			
53. Many of the rules at school do not apply to me – I do not need to follow them.			
54. Physical fighting is an okay way to solve a problem or teach someone a lesson.			
55. It is okay to disrupt a class or group project just for fun.			
56. It is okay to talk back to school staff.			
57. It is okay to cut classes and/or to be truant from school (stay out of school without parent permission).			
58. Many of the students in my school believe that physical fighting is okay.			
59. Many of the students in my school believe that disrupting a class or group project is okay.			
60. Many of the students in my school believe that talking back to school staff is okay.			
61. Many of the students in my school believe that it’s okay to cut classes or be truant.			
62. Many of the students in my school do not feel like they need to follow all the rules.			

Are these things true about you?

	Yes	Sort of	No
63. I laugh or find things funny pretty often	A	B	C
64. I enjoy learning new things	A	B	C
65. I can think of at least three things that I do well	A	B	C
66. I believe that I will be successful in my life	A	B	C
67. I enjoy hanging out with other people my age	A	B	C
68. I care about other people’s feelings	A	B	C

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey!

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Note: Some of the items in this questionnaire were compiled from the following sources: the National SS/HS Evaluation Team at Manila Consulting Group, Inc.; West Ed and the California Department of Education; RMC Research Corporation, and Battelle Centers for Public Health Research and Evaluation.