2023 Virginia School Survey of Climate and Working Conditions

Student Version – Grades 6 through 8

This is a review copy, not for circulation or use. The actual survey is online with formatting for easier reading. Questions are grouped around school climate topics (in **BOLD CAPS** below). These topics do not appear in the online survey.

Instructions for staff administering this survey as a read-aloud accommodation:

Do you want to take the survey in English or Spanish? Mark one.

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English

Spanish

Instructions for students:

This survey uses skip logic so that some questions are not asked of all students depending on their responses to earlier questions. We have noted that skip logic in this PDF preview of the survey. These skip logic notations do not appear on the online survey.

This survey is being given to students in grades 6 through 8. The questions will ask how you feel about your school and how students get along with one another and with adults at your school. We want to know your opinion in order to learn ways to
improve your school. When you answer the questions about your school, please think about the way things have been since the school year started.
Your individual answers to these survey questions are anonymous which means that no one will know how you answered. Student answers will be summarized in a report to the school that does not include anyone's name.
There are several screens of questions, and it should take about 25-30 minutes to complete the survey. Use the Next and Previous buttons at the bottom of the screen to go to the next or previous page.
Be careful! Do not use the back button of your browser to go back to the previous page. If you use the browser button, your results will be lost, and you will need to start the survey again.
Below, please enter your Access Code for taking this survey. Your teacher should have this number for you. All students
in your school will have the same code, so you will not be identified by this code.
(If you are a staff member wishing to preview the survey or administering the survey as a read-aloud accommodation, please see the instruction packet provided to your school's survey point of contact.)
What is your Access Code for taking this survey?

1. You logged in to the survey as a student from: {display school name and division name}

SECTION I: GENERAL QUESTIONS

Is	this info	rmation correct? Mark one.
	0	Yes
	0	No
1.1.	(Ask if ı	respondent chose "No" to question 1.) Please select your school division and school name from the lists below.
	[Dropd	own menu of divisions that then populates a list of schools within the division chosen]
2.	What g	rade are you in this year? Mark one.
	0	6 th Grade
	0	7 th Grade
	0	8 th Grade
3.	How m	any years (including this year) have you been a student at this school? Mark one.
	0	This is my first year at this school.
	0	This is my second year at this school.
	0	This is my third (or more) year at this school.
4.	How ha	ave you attended classes this school year? Mark one.
	0	I have only attended classes remotely (e.g., at home). (Students selecting this response will not be asked the questions below that are marked with *.)
	0	I have attended classes in-person and remotely (e.g., at home).
	0	I have only attended classes in-person:

SECTION II: BELONGINGNESS, RELATIONSHIPS, AND SCHOOL SUPPORTS

A. BELONGINGNESS

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Λ	Mark one res	ponse per line.
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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
5. I like this school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. I am proud to be a student at this school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. I feel like I belong at this school.	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
8. I want to learn as much as I can at school.	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
9. I feel interested when I am in class.	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
10. I regularly attend school-sponsored events, such as school dances, sporting events, student performance, or other school activities.	0	0	0	0	0	0
11. I regularly participate in extracurricular activities, such as school clubs or organizations, musical groups, sports teams, student government, or any other extracurricular activities.	0	0	0	0	0	0

12.	Please indicate if and why you have a difficult time	e part	icipating	g in academic	or extracurricular	activities.	Mark all that
	apply.						

- O I do not have a difficult time participating.
- O I chose not to participate because of COVID-19.
- O I chose not to participate because I worry that I will not fit in or will not be welcomed.
- 12.1. (Ask only if answered "I chose not to participate because I worry that I will not fit in or will not be welcomed" to question 12.) What makes you feel that you will not fit in or will not be welcomed?
 - O My race or ethnicity
 - O My academic abilities
 - O My physical appearance
 - O My having too little or too much money
 - O My gender or gender identity
 - O My sexual orientation
 - O My disability
 - Another reason:

B. RELATIONSHIPS AMONG STUDENTS

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? M	lark one re	sponse	per line.			
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
13. I get along well with other students at this school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
14. I care about other students at this school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
15. I feel that other students at this school care about me.	0	0	0	0	0	0
C. SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING			Y			
How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? M	lark one re	sponse	per line.			
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
16. I stop and think before doing anything when I get angry.	0	0	0	0	0	0
17. I work out disagreements with other students by talking with them.	0	0	0	0	0	0
18. I can disagree with others without starting an argument or a fight.	0	0	0	0	0	0
19. I know how to decide right from wrong.	0	0	0	0	0	0
20. I can control myself when I am upset.	0	0	0	0	0	0
D. RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN STUDENTS AND ADULTS						
How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about	out this scl	100 1? /	Mark one	respons	e per li	ne.
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
21. Adults at this school care about me.	0	0	0	0	0	0
22. Adults at this school treat me with respect.	0	0	0	0	0	0
23. Adults at this school want me to do well.	0	0	0	0	0	0
24. Adults at this school listen to what I have to say.	0	0	0	0	0	0
25. Adults at this school have my respect.	0	0	0	0	0	0
26. Adults at this school notice if I am absent.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Do you have a positive relationship with any adults in your schools? Mark all that apply.

	Yes
27. The principal or assistant principal	0
28. A teacher	0
29. A counselor	0
30. The School Resource Officer (SRO)	0
31. The School Security Officer (SSO)	0
32. An adult that shares my racial, ethnic, or cultural background	0
33. An adult that does not share my racial, ethnic, or cultural background	0
34. I do not have a positive relationship with any adult at this school.	0

E. RIGOROUS INSTRUCTION

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school? Mark one response per line.

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
35. Teachers at this school expect me to use facts and evidence to support my ideas.	0	0	0	0	0	0
36. Teachers at this school want me to think about different ways to solve problems.	0	0	0	0	0	0
37. Teachers at this school encourage me to provide constructive feedback to other students.	0	0	0	0	0	0
38. Teachers at this school encourage me to value and search for a diversity of opinions, perspectives, and abilities.	0	0	0	0	0	0
39. Teachers at this school often connect what I am learning to life outside the classroom.	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
40. The things I learn at this school reflect multiple cultural backgrounds, ethnicities, and identities.	0	0	0	0	0	0

F. MANAGING STUDENT BEHAVIOR

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school? Mark one response per line.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
41. The school rules are fair.	0	0	0	0	0	0
42. I know the consequences if I break a school rule.	0	0	0	0	0	0
43. When students are accused of doing something wrong, they get a chance to explain.	0	0	0	0	0	0
44. Adults at this school are good at acknowledging positive behavior.	0	0	0	0	0	0
45. Adults at this school are good at addressing bullying.	0	0	0	Ø	0	0
46. Adults at this school are good at addressing racially motivated behaviors.	0	0	0	0	0	0
47. The consequences for breaking school rules are the same for all students.	0	0	0	0	0	0
47.1. (Ask only if answered "Strongly Disagree", "Disagree", or "Slightly Disagree" causes differences in the consequences for breaking school rules? Mark and the consequences of the student's academic abilities. O The student's physical appearance. O The student having too little or too much money. O The student's gender or gender identity. O The student's sexual orientation. O The student's disability. O Another reason: O I do not know. O None of the above.		•	on 47.) \	What do	you bel	eve

SECTION III: SAFETY

A. GENERAL SAFETY

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Yes

No

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Ma	rk one re.	sponse	per line.			
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
48. * I feel safe traveling between my home and the school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
49. * I feel safe outside on the grounds of the school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
50. * I feel safe in the hallways and bathrooms of the school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
51. * I feel safe in my classes.	0	0	0	0	0	0
 52. * During the past 30 days, on how many days did you not go to school becon your way to or from school? <i>Mark one</i>. O Never O 1-2 Days O 3-5 Days O 6-10 Days O More than 10 Days 	cause you	leit yo	u would	be unsar	e at sci.	iooi oi
How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Ma	rk one re.	sponse	per line.			
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
53. I know what to do if there is an emergency, natural disaster (such as a tornado or a flood), or a dangerous situation (such as a violent person on campus) during the school day.	0	0	0	0	0	0
54. If I heard about a threat to school or students' safety, I would report it to someone in a position of authority.	0	0	0	0	0	0
55. If other students hear about a threat to the school or students' safety, they would report it to someone in authority.	0	0	0	0	0	0
 56. * Has anyone offered, sold, or given you alcohol or drugs while at school, on your way to or from school this year? <i>Mark one</i>. Yes No 57. Are you aware if your school uses a team approach to respond to threats o <i>Mark one</i>. 						

B. PREVALENCE OF BULLYING

Use this definition of bullying when answering the questions below.

- Bullying is when someone is **repeatedly** being hurt either by words or actions on purpose.
- Bullying is the **repeated** use of one's strength or popularity to injure, threaten, or embarrass another person on purpose.
- Bullying makes the person being bullied feel intimidated or humiliated.
- Bullying happens **repeatedly** over time.
- Bullying can be physical, verbal, or social and includes cyber bullying.
- Bullying does not include teasing or horseplay. It is not bullying when two students who have the same strength or popularity have a fight or an argument.

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school? Mark one response per line.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
58. Bullying is a problem at this school.	0	0	0	0	0	0
59. Students at this school are bullied about their race or ethnicity.	0	0	0	0	0	0
60. Students at this school are bullied about their sexual orientation.	0	0	0	0	0	0
61. Students at this school are bullied about their physical appearance.	0	0	0	0	0	0
62. Students at this school are bullied for having too little or too much money.	0	0	0	0	0	0
63. Students at this school are bullied about their disability.	0	0	0	0	0	0

64. Hav	ve you been	bullied this school year? Mark one.
С	Yes	
С) No	
64.1.	(Ask only if	answered "Yes" to question 64.) What do you believe motivated the bullying? Mark all that apply.
	0	My race or ethnicity
	0	My academic abilities
	0	My physical appearance
	0	My having too little or too much money
	0	My gender or gender identity
	0	My sexual orientation
	0	My disability
	0	Another reason:
	0	I do not know

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None of the above

65. I		•	cipated in bullying another student this school year	? Mark one.						
	0	Yes								
	0	No								
							Yes	No		
66.	Has	another s	student spread rumors or lies about you online or on	social med	ia this school	ol year?	0	0		
67.	Have	e you spr	read rumors or lies about another student online or o	on social me	dia this sch	ool year?	0	0		
68.	0	0								
69.	made you feel uncomfortable this school year? 69. Do adults at this school take action to solve the problem when students report bullying?									
70.	Do a	ny adult	s at this school bully students?				0	0		
71.	Have	e you bee	en bullied by an adult at this school this year?				0	0		
C. S	STUDE	ENT AGG	RESSION							
				Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
72.	* Hc	w often	do you worry about violence at your school?	0	0	Ο	0	0		
73.	* Hc	w often	do students get into physical fights at your school?	0	0	0	0	0		
Hay	ve anv	y of the f	Collowing happened to you personally at school th	nic vear? <i>M</i>	ark one res	nonse ner line				
114	ve any	or the i	onowing nappened to you personally at sensor the	113 y cui • 1/1	ark one resp	ponse per une.				
				Never	One Time	More than (Once M	Iany Times		
74.	A stu	ident thre	eatened to harm me.	0	0	0		0		
75.	* A s	student p	hysically attacked, pushed, or hit me.	0	0	0		0		
76.	* I w	as in a p	hysical fight on school property.	0	0	0		0		
77.	* A s	student s	tole or damaged my personal property.	0	0	0		0		
74-77		-	v if answered something other than "Never" to any heck all that apply.	question 74	<i>!-77</i> .) What	do you believe	e motivat	ted these		
		0	My race or ethnicity							
		0	My academic abilities							
		0	My physical appearance							
		0	My having too little or too much money							
		0	My gender or gender identity							
		0	My sexual orientation							
		0	My disability							
		0	None of the above							
		0	I do not know							

78. * Are	there gangs	s at your school? Mark one.
0	Yes	
0	No	
0	Do not k	now
	(Ask only if ugs)? Mark	answered "Yes" to question 78.) Have gangs caused problems at your school this year (e.g., fights, sale one.
	0	Yes
	0	No
	0	Do not know
78.2. *	(Ask only if	answered "Yes" to question 78.) Have you considered joining a gang this year? Mark one.
	0	Yes
	0	No
D. Scho	OL RESOUE	RCE AND SECURITY OFFICERS
A Scl Cond	nool Securi	ty Officer (SSO) is employed by the school division for the purpose of enforcing the school's Code of staining order and discipline, preventing crimes, and investigating violations of school board policies and
(O Yes O No	have a School Resource Officer (SRO)? Mark one. ot know
•	A <i>sk only if a</i> ous years?	inswered "No" or "Do not know" to question 79.) Did your school have a School Resource Officer (SRO) in Mark one.
P -	0	Yes
	0	No Do not know
79.2. (<i>r</i> one.	Ask only if a	Inswered "No" or "Do not know" to question 79.) Would you feel safer if your school had an SRO? Mark
	0	Yes
	0	No
	0	Do not know

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements about this school? Mark one response per l	line.
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	(Ask only if answered "Yes" to question 79.)						Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
•	79.3. The School Resource Officer (SRO) makes me feel safe at this school.					0	0	0	0	0	0	
_	79.4		ool Resourd tion to our s	ce Officer (SR school.	RO) makes a	positive	0	0	0	0	0	0
80. Do	•		have a Scho	ool Security O	fficer (SSO)	? Mark one.						
	0	Yes										
	0	No										
	0	Do not	know									
80.2. on	evious (Ask e.	years? N O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	Yes No Do not kn Yes No Yes No Do not kn	now o" or "Do not i	know" to que	estion 80.) Did y	ld you fee	el safer	if your sc	chool had	d an SSi	O? Mark
How s	trong	ly do you	agree or d	lisagree with	the followin	ng statements al	bout this	school	? Mark o	ne respo	nse pei	r line.
	(Ask	only if ar	nswered "Y	es" to questio	n 80.)		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
	80.3	. The Sch		y Officer (SSC	O) makes me	feel safe at	0	0	0	0	0	0
	80.4		ool Security	y Officer (SSO school.	O) makes a p	ositive	0	0	0	0	0	0

SECTION IV: WELL-BEING

	During the past 12 months, did you ever feel so sad or ho stopped doing some usual activities?	peless almost ev	ery day for	two v	veeks or	more ii	n a row th	at you
	O Yes							
	O No							
Ho	w often over the last 2 weeks were you bothered by th	e following? Ma	ark one res _l	oonse j	per line.		1	
		NT 11	Several		More that	an	Nearly	
		Not at all	days	h	alf the da	ays	every day	 -
82.	Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0	0		0		0	
83.	Not being able to stop or control worrying	0	0		0		0	
84.	Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless	0	0		0		0	
85.	Having little interest or pleasure doing things	0	O		0		0	
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Hov	w strongly do you agree or disagree with the following	g statements abo	out this sch	ool? /	Mark one	e respo	nse per lii	ne.
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			ngly gree	gree	htly gree	htly ree	Agree	ngly ree
			Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Slightly Agree	Ag	Strongly Agree
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86.	The adults in my school care about students' well-being health.	and mental	0	0	0	0	0	0
87.	I am satisfied with the level of mental health supports, s programs available to students in my school.	services, and	0	0	0	0	0	0
88.	The adults in my school are supportive of students' use health services in my school.	of mental	0	0	0	0	0	0
90	If you feel and an handless are shown this shown and	4 4. f l l l	,					
89.	If you feel sad or hopeless, are there adults that you can O I never feel sad or hopeless	turn to for neip?						
	O Yes							
	O No							
	O Not sure							
	C 7 That state							
90.	During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider	der attempting s	uicide?					
	O Yes							
	O No							
	(Ask only if answered "Yes" to question 90.)				,	Yes	N	Го
	90.1. Did you ask for help from someone such	as a doctor or co	ounselor, e	ther		0)
	in-person, via phone, or online?					J)
	90.2. During the past 12 months, did you make attempt suicide?	e a plan about ho	ow you wo	ıld		0	()

90.3		· ·	ed "Yes" to question 90.) During the past 12 months, how many times did you actually attempt
	suicid	e?	
		Ο	0 Times
		Ο	1 Time
		Ο	2 or 3 Times
		Ο	4 or 5 Times
		Ο	6 or More Times
			Yes No
91.	If ar	nother student talked	about causing harm to themselves, I would tell an adult at school.
92.	Hav	e you participated in	any suicide prevention or mental health training?
SEC 93.		V: SUMMARY	is the atmosphere of the school? <i>Mark one</i> .
93.	O	Very negative	s the atmosphere of the school: Mark one.
	0	Negative	
	0	Slightly negative	
	0	Slightly positive	
	0	Positive	
	0	Very positive	
94.		-	tmosphere impact your learning? Mark one.
	0	It has a very negati	ve impact.
	0	It has a negative in	npact.
	0	It has a slightly neg	gative impact.
	0	It has no impact.	
	0	It has a slightly pos	sitive impact.
	0	It has a positive im	pact.
	0	It has a very positive	ye impact.
95.	has th	ne overall school atmo	r "This is my first year at this school" to question 4.) Since you have been at this school, how osphere changed? Mark one.
	0	Become much wor	se
	0	Become worse	
	0	Become slightly we	orse
	0	Stayed about the sa	ime
	0	Become slightly be	etter
	0	Become better	
	0	Become much bette	er

SECTION VI: CONCLUDING QUESTIONS

0 days

Section 504 Plan

1-5 days

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96. How many days have you been absent from school this year? Mark one.

	0	6-10 days								
	0	More than 10 days								
97.	How	many days have you been suspended out of sch	nool this yea	r? Mark or	ne.					
	0	I have not been suspended from school this	s year.							
	0	I have been suspended for one day.								
	0	I have been suspended for two days.								
	0	I have been suspended for three days.								
	0	I have been suspended for four days.								
	0	I have been suspended five or more days.								
		wing questions are asked of all respondents mate differently.	to better un	derstand	whether groups of individuals ex	perience				
98.	How	do you describe your gender?? Mark one.								
	0	Male								
	O Female									
	0	Non-binary								
	0	Prefer not to disclose								
99.	Is you	r ethnic background Hispanic or Latino? Mark	cone.							
	0	Yes								
	0	No								
100.	What	is the best description of your race? If you are	more than o	ne race, n	ark all that apply.					
	0	American Indian or Alaska Native								
	0	Asian								
	0	Black or African American								
	0	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander								
	0	White								
	0	Other Race:								
101	Do vo	ou have any of the following educational plans	Mark one i	rosnanso n	or lino					
101.	<u> 20 y</u> 0	a may of the following educational plans	Yes	No	Do not know					
	Ind	ividual Education Plan (IEP)	0	0	0					
	Sec	etion 504 Plan	0	0	Ο					

Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan	0	0	0	
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102. How old are you? *Select your age from the dropdown menu*. [Dropdown menu of ages, e.g., 10 years old to 20 years old]

A representative selection of health and wellness resources are provided below. This is not an exhaustive list of local, state, and national resources that are available to you. If you need help, contact one of these organizations or talk to a trusted adult or colleague.

[List will appear in the online version of this survey.]