

# High School Student Engagement Survey

The following statements are to find out how you feel about your school. This is not a test. There are no right or wrong answers. Choose one answer for each item.

## Information About Me

I am a...

- Boy
- Girl

I am...

- Hispanic
- Not Hispanic or Latino

I am...

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White
- Two or more races

My grade in school is

- 9th grade
- 10th grade
- 11th grade
- 12<sup>th</sup> grade

## Questions

1. Complete this sentence: When I'm in class...
  - I ask questions and contribute to discussions.
  - I do just enough to make a good grade.
  - I get so involved in my work I lose track of time.
  - I struggle to do the work.
  - I do not try hard at all.
2. Challenging learning activities make me...
  - work a little harder than I normally do.
  - strive to do my very best.
  - feel nervous and scared.
  - stop doing the work assigned.
  - realize I need to be a better thinker and not just memorize the information.
3. When teachers change their method of instruction...
  - I give them just enough to get by.
  - I am more interested and deeply involved in the lesson.
  - I do not complete readings and assignments.
  - I don't get as bored.
  - I have to work harder to get a good grade.



4. Participating in extracurricular activities is...
  - something I do when my teacher gives me a grade for participating.
  - something I do when there is an art exhibit or play.
  - something I do when it is important to my future success.
  - not interesting to me, so I do not participate.
  - a way for me to feel connected to the school.
  
5. The use of technology...
  - helps me stay focused and better understand the lesson.
  - makes me want to complete the assigned task.
  - distracts me from the assigned task.
  - keeps my attention long enough to get some work done.
  - raises my level of interest and makes me feel challenged.
  
6. School rules...
  - are established for a good reason.
  - are hard for me to follow.
  - are established for maximum student success.
  - do not apply to me.
  - help me monitor my actions.
  
7. Which response best describes how you see yourself as a student?
  - My level of participation depends on what grade I want.
  - I only participate in the activities that interest me.
  - The input I get from my teachers and peers is rewarding.
  - I engage in work outside the classroom to develop a better understanding of my lessons.
  - My teacher has to make me participate.
  
8. Which statement do you agree with the most?
  - I look for learning activities that challenge me.
  - I use academic vocabulary to impress my peers.
  - My classes prepare me for success in the work force.
  - Most activities I participate in do not relate to my life.
  - I do not try because the work is not important to me.
  
9. In what ways do you use the information you learn in class?
  - I apply what I learn to everyday problems or new situations.
  - I often use the information to help me in other classes.
  - I use the information when I am trying to get a good grade.
  - I've never thought about it.
  - I don't use it.
  
10. The way I prepare for a test is by...
  - leading study groups after school.
  - memorizing only the facts and information I need for a good grade.
  - studying right before the test.
  - setting aside time daily for reviewing homework and notes.
  - I rarely prepare for tests.



11. When I struggle with a lesson...
  - I discuss the concept with teachers and peers outside of class.
  - I review the lesson to gain a better understanding.
  - I work on what I do understand.
  - I ask my teacher for help during class.
  - I forget about it.
  
12. The skills I am learning in class...
  - change the way I think about things.
  - make my homework easier.
  - help me pass the course.
  - will not help me in the future.
  - make no sense to me.
  
13. Classroom activities...
  - make it easier for me to relate to current issues.
  - are difficult, but I know my teachers want me to participate in them.
  - are not fun, but I participate anyway.
  - are boring and have no value to me.
  - are things I wish we did not have to do.
  
14. How do you feel when you are voicing your opinion in class?
  - I feel like it's what my teacher wants to hear.
  - I feel comfortable if my opinion is the same as others in the class.
  - I feel like it may influence the opinions of others.
  - I feel like no one is listening to me.
  - I never voice my opinion.
  
15. Which response best describes how you feel at the end of the school day?
  - It is another day at school.
  - I never want to miss school.
  - I want to talk about what I learned.
  - I am glad the day is over.
  - I am tempted not to go to school.
  
16. Which of the following statements best describes your relationship with most of your teachers?
  - I know I can go to my teachers about anything.
  - My teachers make sure I do my best at all times.
  - I don't think my teachers care if I learn.
  - I do not try to have a relationship with my teachers.
  - My teachers work with me on difficult content when I ask them to.
  
17. What do you enjoy most about your school?
  - I enjoy the use of technology in our classrooms.
  - I do not enjoy much about school.
  - I enjoy the extracurricular activities that are offered.
  - I enjoy not having to work very hard at passing my classes.
  - I enjoy being with my friends.



18. When thinking about my school work...

- I recognize the meaning and purpose it has for my future.
- I think of how proud I am of the work I do.
- I think how much I need to do to make a passing grade.
- I come up with excuses not to do it.
- I get frustrated and give up.

19. Developing personal learning goals...

- helps me plan for life after graduation.
- is something I think about doing eventually.
- is not something I'm interested in right now.
- keeps me focused and on task.
- is necessary to achieve the level of success I desire.

20. School success to me is...

- when I have completed class requirements.
- when my teacher rewards me for my hard work.
- something I do not feel very often.
- when my work exceeds my teacher's expectations.
- when I can answer difficult questions on the test.