

Middle 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

l am a...

- o Boy
- o Girl

l am...

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

Questions

- 1. When I'm in class...
 - I work as hard as I can.
 - I just act like I'm working.
 - I get excited about what I'll learn next.
 - o my mind wanders.
 - o I don't do my work.
- 2. If the classwork is hard to do, I...
 - o work harder.
 - o try my very best.
 - o get nervous and scared.
 - o don't do the work.
 - \circ ~ realize I need to be a better thinker and not just memorize the information.
- 3. Doing the same type of activity every day...
 - o lets me know what to expect.
 - o does not give me opportunities to be a leader.
 - keeps me out of trouble.
 - o is boring.
 - o keeps me on task.

l am...

- Hispanic
- Not Hispanic or Latino

My grade in school is

- o 6th grade
- o 7th grade
- o 8th grade







- 4. Participating in before or after school clubs is...
 - o something I do because my teacher, parents, or friends expect me to do so.
 - something I do when it is strongly encouraged.
 - something I look forward to doing.
 - o not interesting to me, so I do not participate.
 - another way I feel connected to the school.
- 5. When I use a technology to learn, I...
 - o am very focused on the activity.
 - o finish the activity.
 - easily get distracted.
 - o am somewhat focused on the activity.
 - try harder to exceed my teacher's expectations.
- 6. The rules at my school...
 - let me know what I can do.
 - o make me want to stay home.
 - help me to be a better student.
 - o are ones that I do not follow.
 - keep me from making bad choices.
- 7. Which response best describes how you see yourself as a student?
 - I participate in activities to get good grades.
 - The activities don't really interest me, but I keep myself busy during class.
 - I enjoy learning with my peers and from my teachers.
 - I work outside of the classroom to help me learn more about my lessons.
 - I only participate if my teacher makes me.
- 8. Which statement do you agree with the most?
 - I seek learning activities that make me think.
 - I use vocabulary words in class when it is required.
 - I complete the activities so I can help others.
 - Sometimes I don't know why I have to do the activity.
 - I don't think what I'm learning connects to real life.
- 9. How do you use the information you learn in class?
 - I talk with friends and family about what I learn in class.
 - I use information from some classes to help in other classes.
 - \circ ~ I use information when I am trying to impress the teacher.
 - o I never use the information we go over in class.
 - The information we go over in class is not important to me.
- 10. How do you study for a test?
 - I participate in study groups outside of school.
 - I memorize only the facts and information I need for a test.
 - I look over my notes right before the test.
 - I study my notes after class every day.
 - o I don't study for a test.







- 11. When I don't understand something...
 - I talk with other students outside of class so they can help me.
 - o I try to figure it out on my own.
 - I move on to what I do understand.
 - o I don't worry about it.
 - I ask my teacher for help during class.
- 12. My classes are teaching me skills that...
 - help me think about things differently.
 - o help me do my homework.
 - I need to know to get a good grade.
 - I will never use in real life.
 - I do not want to learn.
- 13. The activities I do in class...
 - o connect to what interest me.
 - o are hard for me to finish, but my teachers expect me to.
 - are not always fun, but I have to participate.
 - are boring and do not apply to me.
 - o are things I wish we did not have to do.
- 14. How do you feel when you say something in front of the class?
 - o I feel good if my teacher likes it.
 - I feel comfortable if my opinion is the same as my friends.
 - I feel like my opinion matters.
 - No one cares if I talk.
 - I've learned that it is better to be quiet.
- 15. Which response best describes how you feel at the end of the school day?
 - I feel like it is another day that I went to school.
 - I can't wait to be at school tomorrow.
 - I want to talk about what I learned.
 - I feel like I want the day to go faster.
 - I count the days until the year is over.
- 16. Which of the following statements best describes your relationship with your teachers?
 - o I know I can talk to my teachers about anything.
 - It's obvious my teachers care about me.
 - I don't think my teachers care if I learn.
 - I don't talk to my teachers very much.
 - I only talk to my teachers when I have questions about my work.
- 17. What do you enjoy most about your school?
 - When I use technology.
 - There's not much I enjoy.
 - I enjoy lunch and PE.
 - I don't have to work very hard.
 - o Being with friends.







- 18. When I think about my school work...
 - I feel that it has meaning and purpose.
 - I am proud of the work I do.
 - I do it to please others.
 - I think about how boring it is.
 - o I think I am going to fail.
- 19. Having personal learning goals...
 - o motivates me to do my best
 - o is something I have to have.
 - o is not something I am interested in right now.
 - o keeps me on task.
 - o makes me want to achieve more than what is required.
- 20. Success to me is...
 - \circ when I have met the requirements of the class.
 - when I haven't disappointed my teacher.
 - o a feeling I don't have very often.
 - when I exceed my teacher's expectations.
 - never giving up.

