



Student Survey- Spring 2025 (FINAL)

Thank you for taking the next 10 to 15 minutes to complete this school climate survey, designed by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE). Only OSSE and leaders at your school and local education agency (LEA) will see them. Your responses will be used to produce school-, LEA-, and state-level reports on various indicators of school climate from the perspectives of students, staff, parents, and caregivers, to be published on the [DC School Report Card](#) in December. As it does with all public reporting, OSSE will take all [necessary steps](#) to prevent the release of identifiable personal information of students, staff, parents and caregivers.

Goals and Challenges

In this section, we would like for you to think about your overall learning experiences at school and in life.

1. If you fail at something that is important to you, how likely are you to try again?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not at all likely | A little likely | Somewhat likely | Very likely | Extremely likely |

2. How well can you keep working to reach your goals if problems come up?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not well at all | A little well | Somewhat well | Very well | Extremely well |

3. When you are working on something that matters to you and there are distractions, how focused can you stay?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not at all focused | A little focused | Somewhat focused | Very focused | Extremely focused |

4. How often do you get your work done, even when you don't feel like doing it?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Almost never | Once in a while | Sometimes | A lot of the time | Almost all the time |

5. How hard do you work to keep your promises, even if they are hard to keep?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not hard at all | A little hard | Somewhat hard | Very hard | Extremely hard |

Your Classes

Please tell us about how you feel about your current teachers and classes.

6. How sure are you that you can complete all the schoolwork that is given to you?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not at all sure | A little sure | Somewhat sure | Very sure | Extremely sure |

7. How sure are you that you will remember what you learned in your current classes, next year?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not at all sure | A little sure | Somewhat sure | Very sure | Extremely sure |

8. How sure are you that you can learn all the subjects taught in your classes?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Not at all sure | A little sure | Somewhat sure | Very sure | Extremely sure |



9. How sure are you that you can do the hardest schoolwork that is given to you?

- ☐ Not at all sure
 ☐ A little sure
 ☐ Somewhat sure
 ☐ Very sure
 ☐ Extremely sure

10. When complicated ideas are discussed in class, how sure are you that you can understand them?

- ☐ Not at all sure
 ☐ A little sure
 ☐ Somewhat sure
 ☐ Very sure
 ☐ Extremely sure

Feelings in General

In this section, we want to learn about how you experience emotions at school and in life.

11. How often are you able to pull yourself out of a bad mood?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

12. How often are you able to control your emotions when you need to?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

13. When you get upset, how often can you get yourself to relax?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

14. When things go wrong for you, how calm are you able to stay?

- ☐ Not calm at all
 ☐ A little calm
 ☐ Somewhat calm
 ☐ Very calm
 ☐ Extremely calm

15. When you get upset, how often do you stop to think before you act?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

Help From Other People

In this section, tell us about how other people help you.

16. Do you have a teacher or other adult from school who you can count on to help you, no matter what?

- ☐ No
 ☐ Yes

17. Do you have a family member or other adult outside of school who you can count on to help you, no matter what?

- ☐ No
 ☐ Yes

18. Do you have a friend from school who you can count on to help you, no matter what?

- ☐ No
 ☐ Yes



19. Do you have a teacher or other adult from school who you can be completely yourself around?

☐ ☐

No Yes

20. Do you have a family member or other adult outside of school who you can be completely yourself around?

☐ ☐

No Yes

21. Do you have a friend from school who you can be completely yourself around?

☐ ☐

No Yes

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about how you think about your school. Please give us your honest opinions so that we can better understand your experience and work to make the school a better place.

Feelings About Being at School

In this section, we would like to understand how you feel about your school.

22. How often are people disrespectful to others at your school?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost always

23. How often do students get into physical fights at your school?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost always

24. How likely is it that someone from your school will bully you online?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Not at all likely Slightly likely Somewhat likely Quite likely Extremely likely

25. How often do you worry about violence at your school?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost always

26. If a student is bullied in school, how difficult is it for them to get help from an adult?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Not at all difficult Slightly difficult Somewhat difficult Quite difficult Extremely difficult

27. At your school, how unfairly do the adults treat the students?

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Not at all unfairly Slightly unfairly Somewhat unfairly Quite unfairly Extremely unfairly

28. How often do you worry about violence while traveling to and from school?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost always



29. How well do people at your school understand the kind of person you are?

- ☐ Do not understand at all
 ☐ Understand a little
 ☐ Understand somewhat
 ☐ Understand mostly
 ☐ Completely understand

30. How much support do the adults at your school give you?

- ☐ No support at all
 ☐ A little bit of support
 ☐ Some support
 ☐ A lot of support
 ☐ A huge amount of support

31. How much respect do students at your school show you?

- ☐ No respect at all
 ☐ A little bit of respect
 ☐ Some respect
 ☐ A lot of respect
 ☐ A huge amount of respect

32. When you are at school, how much do you feel like you belong?

- ☐ Do not belong at all
 ☐ Belong a little bit
 ☐ Belong somewhat
 ☐ Mostly belong
 ☐ Completely belong

Your Teachers

Please tell us about how much your teachers encourage you to do your best.

33. How much do your teachers encourage you to do your best?

- ☐ Do not encourage me at all
 ☐ Encourage me a little
 ☐ Encourage me some
 ☐ Encourage me a lot
 ☐ Encourage me a huge amount

34. How often do your teachers ask you to explain your answers?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

35. How often do your teachers take time to make sure you understand your schoolwork?

- ☐ Almost never
 ☐ Once in a while
 ☐ Sometimes
 ☐ A lot of the time
 ☐ Almost always

36. How high are your teachers' expectations of you?

- ☐ Not high at all
 ☐ A little high
 ☐ Somewhat high
 ☐ Very high
 ☐ Extremely high

37. When you feel like giving up, how likely is it that your teachers will ask you to keep trying?

- ☐ Not at all likely
 ☐ A little likely
 ☐ Somewhat likely
 ☐ Very likely
 ☐ Extremely likely

School Experience

Please let us know what you think about school in general.

38. How interesting do you find the things you learn in your classes?

- ☐ Not at all interesting
 ☐ Slightly interesting
 ☐ Somewhat interesting
 ☐ Quite interesting
 ☐ Extremely interesting



39. How often do you use ideas from school in your daily life?

☐

Almost never

☐

Once in a while

☐

Sometimes

☐

Frequently

☐

Almost always

40. How important is it to you to do well in your classes?

☐

Not at all important

☐

Slightly important

☐

Somewhat important

☐

Quite important

☐

Extremely important

41. How much do you see yourself as someone who appreciates school?

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Not at all

☐

A little bit

☐

Somewhat

☐

Quite a bit

☐

A tremendous amount

42. How useful do you think school will be to you in the future?

☐

Not at all useful

☐

Slightly useful

☐

Somewhat useful

☐

Quite useful

☐

Extremely useful

43. How important is it for you to attend school every day?

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Not at all important

☐

Slightly important

☐

Somewhat important

☐

Quite important

☐

Extremely important