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## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT SURVEY

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These are some questions about things you do after school and about your feelings. Remember—this is not a test. There are no right or wrong answers.

After you turn in your survey, no one in the school will look at it. What you say will be kept private.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts.



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# PRACTICE SURVEY QUESTIONS

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the number that tells how often you've done the following SINCE JANUARY.

<u>Since January</u> , about how many times have you	Not at all	Once or twice	About once a week	2-3 days a week	4 or more days a week
1. Walked home from school?	0	1	2	3	4

This sentence asks about SCHOOL. Circle the number that tells how true this sentence is for you.

	Not at all true	A little true	Somewhat true	Really true
1. I often lose my homework	1	2	3	4



**These sentences ask about SCHOOL. Circle the number that tells how true each sentence is for you.**

	<b>Not at all true</b>	<b>A little true</b>	<b>Somewhat true</b>	<b>Really true</b>
1. I follow the rules in my classroom	1	2	3	4
2. I work well by myself	1	2	3	4
3. I am careful and neat with my work	1	2	3	4
4. I make good use of time at school	1	2	3	4
5. I finish my work on time	1	2	3	4
6. I keep track of my things at school	1	2	3	4
7. If I can't do a job the first time, I keep trying until I can	1	2	3	4
8. I give up on things before finishing them	1	2	3	4
9. If something looks too hard, I will not even bother to try it	1	2	3	4
10. I handle new problems very well	1	2	3	4
11. When I fail, it just makes me try harder	1	2	3	4
12. I am not sure how good I am at things	1	2	3	4
13. I give up easily	1	2	3	4

**These sentences are about YOUR PLANS FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE. Circle a number for how true each sentence is for you.**

<b>How sure are you that you will...</b>	<b>Not at all sure</b>	<b>Not really sure</b>	<b>Mostly sure</b>	<b>Very sure</b>
1. Finish high school?	1	2	3	4
2. Go to college?	1	2	3	4
3. Finish college?	1	2	3	4



**These statements are about HOW SAFE YOU FEEL in your neighborhood. Circle the number that tells how you feel.**

	<b>Not at all true</b>	<b>A little true</b>	<b>Somewhat true</b>	<b>Really true</b>
1. It is safe to walk around my neighborhood	1	2	3	4
2. There are people in my neighborhood who might hurt me	1	2	3	4
3. I feel safe playing outside at my house	1	2	3	4
4. Drug dealers are a problem in my neighborhood	1	2	3	4
5. It is safe in my neighborhood	1	2	3	4
6. I am scared of some of the people in my neighborhood	1	2	3	4
7. I worry about people with guns and knives in my neighborhood	1	2	3	4



**These questions are about things that some kids might do. Circle the number that tells how often you've done these things SINCE JANUARY.**

<b><u>Since January</u>, how many times have you</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>Once or twice</b>	<b>About once a week</b>	<b>2 to 3 times a week</b>	<b>4 or more times a week</b>
1. Helped other students solve a problem	0	1	2	3	4
2. Broken something on purpose	0	1	2	3	4
3. Gotten into a fight at school	0	1	2	3	4
4. Given someone a compliment	0	1	2	3	4
5. Had a fight or argument with your parents	0	1	2	3	4
6. Lied to your parents about something important	0	1	2	3	4
7. Taken something on purpose that didn't belong to you	0	1	2	3	4
8. Cooperated with others	0	1	2	3	4
9. Skipped school without permission	0	1	2	3	4
10. Gotten into a fight in your neighborhood	0	1	2	3	4
11. Taken something from a store without paying for it	0	1	2	3	4
12. Given a teacher a hard time	0	1	2	3	4
13. Helped someone stay out of a fight	0	1	2	3	4
14. Had to have your parents come to school about a problem	0	1	2	3	4
15. Done something your parents told you not to do	0	1	2	3	4
16. Used tobacco (cigarettes, cigars, smokeless or chewing tobacco)	0	1	2	3	4
17. Drunk alcohol	0	1	2	3	4
18. Used marijuana (pot)	0	1	2	3	4
19. Used other drugs (such as inhalants, cocaine, LSD, heroin, steroids)	0	1	2	3	4



**Circle the number that tells how often you've done the following activities AFTER SCHOOL SINCE JANUARY.**

<b><u>Since January</u>, about how many times have you</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	<b>Once or twice</b>	<b>About once a week</b>	<b>2 to 3 days a week</b>	<b>4 or more days a week</b>
1. Gone to _____ after school	0	1	2	3	4
2. Taken part in after-school activities at your school such as band, choir, drama, yearbook, STEP, drill team, or cheerleading	0	1	2	3	4
3. Taken extra reading or math classes after school	0	1	2	3	4
4. Taken lessons in music, art, dance, sports, or some other activity after school	0	1	2	3	4
5. Gone to religious classes (e.g., Sunday school, catechism, Hebrew school) or services (e.g., Mass) at your church, mosque, or temple	0	1	2	3	4
6. Played on an organized sports team (e.g., soccer or basketball team) after school	0	1	2	3	4
7. Gone to Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girls Inc., 4-H Club, YWCA, YMCA, or PAL center after school	0	1	2	3	4
8. Gone to a Boys and Girls Club after school	0	1	2	3	4
9. Done something with someone from the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program after school	0	1	2	3	4
10. Gone to a different club or organization after school that we didn't already ask you about	0	1	2	3	4
11. Been home alone after school without an adult there	0	1	2	3	4
12. Taken care of a sister or brother after school without an adult there	0	1	2	3	4
13. Hung out with friends after school without an adult there	0	1	2	3	4



**Write the name of the after-school program or after-school activity you attend most often:**

**Below are some statements about how kids might feel about the after-school program or after-school activity named above.**

**For each statement, please circle the number that tells how often you feel this way about your after-school program or after-school activity.**

	Never	Some-times	Most of the time	Always
1. At my after-school program, I get to know other kids really well	1	2	3	4
2. I trust staff at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
3. I wish I didn't have to go to my after-school program	1	2	3	4
4. At my after-school program, I can tell the staff about my problems if I need to	1	2	3	4
5. I can really trust the other kids at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
6. There are too many rules at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
7. When I want to be alone at my after-school program, the staff bother me	1	2	3	4
8. At my after-school program, I have to do what's planned, no matter what	1	2	3	4
9. I have lots of friends at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
10. The staff at my after-school program really listen to me when I have something important to say	1	2	3	4
11. I'm usually bored at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
12. I get to choose what I want to do at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
13. The staff are very strict at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
14. It seems like the staff never leave us alone at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
15. I really like going to my after-school program	1	2	3	4
16. At my after-school program, we get into trouble for talking when we aren't supposed to	1	2	3	4



Below are some statements that might describe how you feel about the after-school program or after-school activity named on page 6.

For each statement, please circle the number that tells how often you feel this way.

	Never	Some- times	Most of the time	Always
17. The staff at my after-school program are more like friends than teachers	1	2	3	4
18. I like the other kids at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
19. I get to do what I want to do at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
20. The staff go out of their way to help kids at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
21. I like the activities at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
22. The staff at my after-school program are always telling me what to do	1	2	3	4
23. At my after-school program, I can be by myself whenever I want to	1	2	3	4
24. I have a good time playing with other kids at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
25. The staff let me decide what to do at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
26. I feel like I belong at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
27. I feel like my ideas count at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
28. People really listen to me at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
29. I feel like I'm successful at my after-school program	1	2	3	4
30. My after-school program is a comfortable place to hang out	1	2	3	4
31. At my after-school program, I feel like I matter	1	2	3	4
32. If I didn't show up, someone at my after-school program would notice I was not around	1	2	3	4

