



# Speakup 2022

## Grade 6-8

District: Issaquah School District

Results based on 2238 survey(s).

**Note: Survey responses are based upon the number of individuals that responded to the specific question.**

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### 1 What grade are you in?

Response	# of Responses	% of Responses	State %	National %
Grade 6	851	38	38	38
Grade 7	727	33	33	31
Grade 8	642	29	29	31

### 2 Which of these mobile devices do you have for your own personal use (but not provided to you by your school)? (Check all that apply)

Response	# of Responses	% of Responses	State %	National %
Smartphone with Internet (like iPhone, Samsung Galaxy)	1890	86	86	85
Laptop	1643	75	75	45
Chromebook	176	8	8	18
Tablet	899	41	41	37
Digital reader	265	12	12	4
Smartwatch	533	24	24	21

### 3 How do you usually get online to do homework or schoolwork when you are at home or outside of school?

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Through a slow Internet wired connection	56	2	3	6
Through a fast Internet wired connection	641	29	29	25
Using a WiFi connection	1877	84	84	78
I do not have access to the Internet when I am at home	10	0	0	2
Other	63	3	3	5

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***When you are at home, how often do you need to get online or use the Internet to do homework or schoolwork?***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	32	1	1	14
Seldom - a few times a year	34	2	2	7
Sometimes - maybe once a month	152	7	7	16
Often - at least once a week	551	25	25	28
Always – everyday or almost everyday	1452	66	65	35

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***Which of these devices do you use most often to support your learning?***

***Personal smartphone***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	582	28	28	17
When I am at home	1445	70	70	70
Does not apply	508	25	24	27

***Personal tablet***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	64	3	4	3
When I am at home	507	28	28	31
Does not apply	1315	72	71	68

### ***Personal laptop***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	1085	53	53	15
When I am at home	1238	60	60	46
Does not apply	513	25	25	49

### ***Personal Chromebook***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	68	4	4	11
When I am at home	131	8	8	20
Does not apply	1558	91	90	74

### ***School provided tablet***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	48	3	3	15
When I am at home	19	1	1	5
Does not apply	1657	97	97	84

### ***School provided laptop***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	1121	58	58	52
When I am at home	549	28	28	21
Does not apply	804	41	41	46

### ***School provided Chromebook***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
When I am in school	109	6	7	64

When I am at home	63	4	4	29
Does not apply	1606	93	93	34

**6 Which of these schoolwork activities are you regularly doing this school year?**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Create online documents to share with my classmates and teachers	1285	62	62	55
Email my teachers with questions	1295	63	63	46
Internet research for an assignment	1734	84	84	71
Play digital, video or online games for learning	493	24	24	35
Read books or articles using a mobile device	983	48	48	39
Research online primary source documents	1075	52	52	38
Take online tests or quizzes	1798	87	87	81
Use online textbooks or curriculum	1399	68	68	40
Watch a video made by my teacher	778	38	38	42
Watch educational videos from YouTube or other sites	1150	56	56	58

**7 What obstacles do you face at your school when using technology for learning? (Check all that apply)**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Internet is too slow or inconsistent	1010	54	54	55
My school blocks websites I need for schoolwork	790	42	42	49
Not allowed to text with classmates	415	22	22	28
Not allowed to text with my teachers	63	3	3	7
Not allowed to use my mobile devices at school	539	29	29	41
Not allowed to use social media tools at school	299	16	16	27
Teachers limit our technology use	473	25	25	24
Too many rules against using technology	595	32	32	38
I rarely use technology at school for learning	52	3	3	6
Other	278	15	15	10

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**What do you think are the benefits of using technology as part of your learning experiences? As a result of using technology, I am &hellip; (Check the benefits that are true for you)**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Applying what I have learned to practical problems	875	44	44	42
Collaborating with other students more	1149	57	57	49
Communicating with my teacher more often	1073	53	53	41
Developing creativity skills	970	48	48	51
Developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills	877	44	44	43
Enjoy learning more	985	49	49	49
Getting better grades and test scores	972	48	48	50
In control of my learning	1150	57	57	49
Learning at my own pace	1192	59	59	57
Learning in a way that fits my learning style	998	50	50	47
More engaged and interested in what I am learning in class	761	38	38	36
Taking greater responsibility for my own learning	954	48	48	42
Understanding what I am learning better	892	44	45	42
Using time at home for extended learning	1021	51	51	35
Other	88	4	4	5

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**Which of these statements are true for you? (Check all that apply)**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Doing well in school is important to me	1734	86	86	79
I am confident that I can be successful in school this year	1407	69	70	66
I am interested in what I am learning at school	972	48	48	42
I believe that my school cares about me as a person	931	46	46	39
I feel emotionally safe at school	1091	54	54	39
I feel physically safe at school	1361	67	67	50
I worry about the mental and emotional health of my friends or classmates	1005	50	50	49

School sometimes makes me feel stressed or anxious	1475	73	73	72
Students at my school are kind to each other	916	45	45	29
Teachers are important to my learning	1373	68	68	57
The classroom environment at my school allows me to do my best work	848	42	42	35
There is at least one adult at school that I trust	1431	71	71	62
There is at least one student at school that I trust	1723	85	85	73
When I am in class, I am engaged in the learning process most of the time	1333	66	66	51

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**Which of these life skills do you think are most important for you to acquire to be successful in the future? (Check all that apply)**

Response	# of Responses	% of Responses	State %	National %
Ability to learn new skills on your own	1736	86	86	78
Ability to speak more than one language	1087	54	54	59
Ability to work with different kinds of people	1687	83	83	75
Appreciation of the arts	828	41	41	39
Awareness of global issues	1289	64	64	51
Business skills &ndash; how to start or run a business	1270	63	63	57
Creativity skills	1520	75	75	70
Critical thinking and problem-solving skills	1598	79	79	66
Effective communication (verbal and written)	1457	72	72	57
Emotional intelligence &ndash; how to understand people	1460	72	72	61
Financial literacy - understanding personal finances	1211	60	60	49
How to be a good citizen in a democracy	1155	57	57	49
Leadership skills	1425	70	71	65
Teamwork and collaboration skills	1636	81	81	69
Technology and digital citizenship skills	1287	64	64	54
Time management and organization	1602	79	79	61
Other	83	4	4	4

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**Which of these are true for you about your preferences for learning or communications? (Check all that apply)**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Having two-way communications with my teacher(s) is important for my learning success	1045	56	56	49
I learn best when I can do projects that engage me in solving a real-world problem	936	50	50	49
I learn more when I watch a video or movie than when I read a book or article	833	44	44	46
I like learning when I can be in control of when and how I learn	1242	66	66	61
I prefer to read a book or article using a computer or mobile device	594	32	32	32
I prefer to read a hard copy, printed book or article	796	42	43	37
I think I learn best in a physical classroom setting with my teacher and classmates	1376	73	73	66
I think I learn best in a virtual classroom setting with my teacher and classmates	266	14	14	16
I think teachers should use more social media tools to communicate with students	435	23	23	28
I wish my classes were more interesting	1034	55	55	53
I wish my school provided ways for me to learn more about future jobs	1117	60	60	52
I wish my teachers would allow us to make more choices about how we want to learn	952	51	51	50
I worry that I may not be learning the right skills in school to be successful in the future	737	39	39	36

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***Agree or disagree: Administrators and teachers at our school are sincerely interested in listening to and acting upon ideas from students about how to improve school and our education.***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Strongly disagree	197	11	11	12
Somewhat disagree	341	18	18	21
Somewhat agree	1006	54	54	51
Strongly agree	327	17	17	16

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***Imagine you are in charge of building a new school. Which of these learning tools or approaches would you include in that new school? Select the ones that you think will help students be the most successful with their learning.***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
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Chromebook, laptop or tablet for every student	1530	81	81	82
Coding or computer programming resources	1097	58	58	53
Collaboration tools to use in projects	1293	69	69	63
Digital, video or online games	813	43	43	54
Fully online classes	223	12	12	16
Online animations, simulations or virtual labs	907	48	48	47
Online databases for research projects	1157	62	62	51
Online textbooks or curriculum	1202	64	64	48
Online tutors	773	41	41	44
Online videos and movies	1031	55	55	54
Project-based learning experiences that address real world issues	1216	65	65	59
Teachers assigned as mentors for every student	635	34	34	35
Tools to facilitate student- teacher communications	991	53	53	46
Tools to help students create media projects (e.g. video, audio)	1120	60	60	55
Virtual reality experiences and hardware (headsets and devices)	847	45	45	44
Virtual voice assistants such as Siri, Alexa or Google	584	31	31	39
Other	128	7	7	7

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***Are you doing any of these things as part of your schoolwork activities? Check the ones that are true for you this year.***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Create media content (videos, slideshows)	1128	63	63	58
Do a virtual lab experiment	584	33	33	29
Participate in an online class	167	9	9	17
Post to a social media site as part of classwork	139	8	8	12
Text classmates for help with schoolwork	1012	57	57	46
Text my teachers with questions	777	44	43	39
Use a virtual voice assistant (Alexa, Siri, Google) to answer questions	247	14	14	20
Use augmented or virtual reality in class	77	4	4	9
Use coding tools as part of a class assignment	408	23	23	24
Use online collaboration tools for a class project	959	54	54	41



15 **Which of these statements are true about your use of online and digital tools?**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
I have good digital citizenship skills	1454	78	78	61
I have stronger personal relationships because of my use of social media	775	42	42	42
I know how to be safe when I am online	1618	87	87	76
I know how to detect bias or opinions in the information that I read online	1358	73	73	56
I know how to evaluate the accuracy of information I find online	1271	68	68	54
I am a better student when I can use online and digital tools to support my learning.	1027	55	55	48
I use technology more outside of school than I do when I am at school	1134	61	61	55
Knowing how to use technology effectively is an important skill that will help me in the future	1323	71	71	58
Sometimes I cannot do schoolwork because I don't have access to the Internet outside of school	283	15	15	19
The skills I am learning on my own outside of school are important for my future	1154	62	62	51

16 **How often do you engage in the following activities because you want to develop new skills or learn about something that interests you (but not just because it was an assignment or homework)?**

**Create, edit and post videos on YouTube**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	1292	78	78	75
Seldom - a few times a year	136	8	8	9
Sometimes - maybe once a month	125	8	8	8
Often - at least once a week	80	5	5	6
Always everyday or almost everyday	20	1	1	3

**Find experts online to answer my questions**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	750	46	46	45

Seldom - a few times a year	280	17	17	18
Sometimes - maybe once a month	347	21	21	19
Often - at least once a week	192	12	12	12
Always everyday or almost everyday	64	4	4	5

***Play an online game or augmented/virtual simulation activity***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	478	30	30	22
Seldom - a few times a year	237	15	15	15
Sometimes - maybe once a month	289	18	18	20
Often - at least once a week	330	20	20	22
Always everyday or almost everyday	281	17	17	21

***Post a question on a discussion board or forum***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	905	56	56	55
Seldom - a few times a year	315	19	19	18
Sometimes - maybe once a month	277	17	17	16
Often - at least once a week	102	6	6	8
Always everyday or almost everyday	29	2	2	3

***Read an online news story or report***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	359	22	22	28
Seldom - a few times a year	254	16	16	18
Sometimes - maybe once a month	471	29	29	26
Often - at least once a week	383	24	24	20
Always everyday or almost everyday	143	9	9	8

***Research a website to learn more about a topic***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
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Rarely or never	150	9	9	14
Seldom - a few times a year	173	11	11	14
Sometimes - maybe once a month	495	31	30	27
Often - at least once a week	594	37	37	32
Always everyday or almost everyday	208	13	13	14

### ***Take a self-paced tutorial or online class***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	873	54	54	56
Seldom - a few times a year	291	18	18	18
Sometimes - maybe once a month	224	14	14	14
Often - at least once a week	155	10	10	8
Always everyday or almost everyday	70	4	4	4

### ***Use a virtual assistant (Alexa, Siri, Google Home) to answer questions for me***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	775	47	47	41
Seldom - a few times a year	236	14	14	14
Sometimes - maybe once a month	237	15	15	16
Often - at least once a week	235	14	14	16
Always everyday or almost everyday	148	9	9	14

### ***Use online writing tools to improve my writing***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	516	32	32	34
Seldom - a few times a year	252	16	16	17
Sometimes - maybe once a month	299	18	18	19
Often - at least once a week	341	21	21	17
Always everyday or almost everyday	212	13	13	12

**Use social media to identify people who share my interests**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	829	51	51	44
Seldom - a few times a year	210	13	13	14
Sometimes - maybe once a month	205	13	13	15
Often - at least once a week	203	13	12	14
Always everyday or almost everyday	172	11	11	13

**Use social media to learn what others are doing or thinking about a topic that interests me**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	712	44	44	37
Seldom - a few times a year	186	11	11	14
Sometimes - maybe once a month	227	14	14	17
Often - at least once a week	276	17	17	17
Always everyday or almost everyday	214	13	13	15

**Watch a TED Talk or similar short videos about people's ideas**

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	596	37	37	41
Seldom - a few times a year	379	23	23	22
Sometimes - maybe once a month	367	23	23	20
Often - at least once a week	213	13	13	12
Always everyday or almost everyday	68	4	4	5

**Watch a video to learn how to do something**

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Rarely or never	158	10	10	11
Seldom - a few times a year	217	13	13	12
Sometimes - maybe once a month	469	29	29	27
Often - at least once a week	533	33	33	32
Always everyday or almost everyday	241	15	15	18

### ***Watch other people play online games***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Rarely or never	571	35	35	30
Seldom - a few times a year	205	13	13	12
Sometimes - maybe once a month	220	13	13	14
Often - at least once a week	290	18	18	18
Always everyday or almost everyday	344	21	21	27

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### ***Are you a &hellip;?***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
Girl	715	43	43	43
Boy	752	46	46	47
Non-binary	53	3	3	4
Decline to state	126	8	8	6

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### ***Are you participating in any of these programs at your school this year? (Check the ones that apply for you)***

<b>Response</b>	<b># of Responses</b>	<b>% of Responses</b>	<b>State %</b>	<b>National %</b>
AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)	30	6	6	11
E-sports club or program	232	50	50	35
Formal program where I am assigned a teacher mentor	56	12	12	10
IB (International Baccalaureate)	19	4	4	7
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Academy	135	29	29	41
Visual and Performing Arts Academy	117	25	25	24