



### **AMAZE Classroom Dynamics**

AMAZE is an independent company that Saint Paul Public Schools partners with to provide professional development to teachers and school staff. Classroom Dynamics is an online survey operated by AMAZE that gives teachers and administrators a clear view of the social dynamics within a classroom.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of Classroom Dynamics is to understand the social relationships in classrooms from the perspective of students. This information permits teachers and school staff to provide additional support and interventions to develop a welcoming and affirming classroom for all students.

#### **Background**

Students respond to these questions individually on a computer or laptop. Their individual responses are private. Teachers and school staff see data about the information that the entire class has provided.

#### **Student Questions**

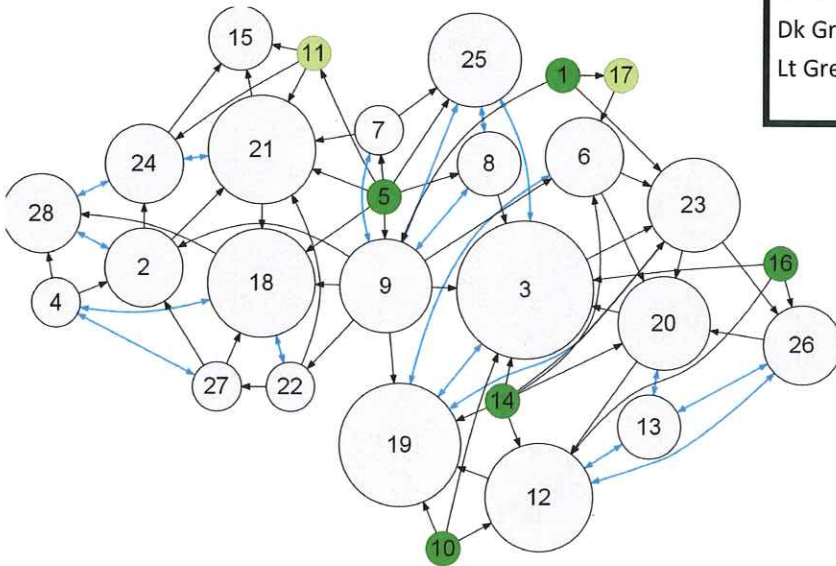
1. Who in your class do you consider to be your good friend? (A good friend is someone you like, trust, and have fun with). Choose up to 3.
2. Who in your class would you like to be friends with that you are not friends with now? Choose up to 3.
3. Who in your class do you think everyone wants to be friends with? Choose up to 3.
4. Who have you seen being left out? Choose up to 3.
5. Who have you seen being mean or teasing others? Choose up to 3.
6. Who have you seen being teased or mistreated by others? Choose up to 3.
7. Who in your class have you seen "standing up" for you or someone else? Choose up to 3.

#### **Questions or Concerns?**

If you have questions or concerns about your student's participation in Classroom Dynamics, please contact your school's Principal. You may request your student opt out of participating in this survey. You may also contact Mary Hoelscher with the Office of Equity at 651-744-6095 or [mary.hoelscher@spps.org](mailto:mary.hoelscher@spps.org).

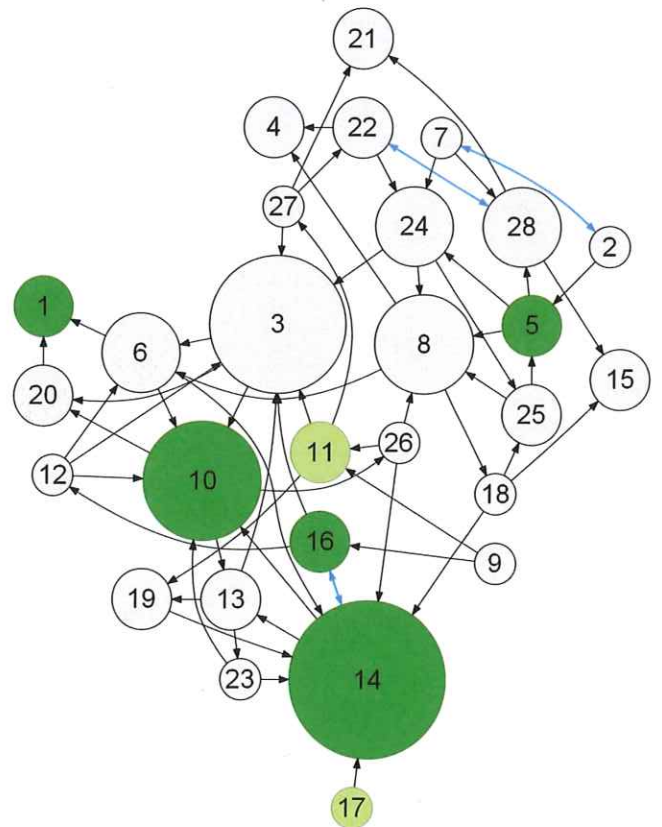


Circles represent individual students. Circle size increases with number of inbound arrows.  
 Outbound arrows indicate student's choice.  
 Inbound arrows indicate students being chosen.  
 Blue arrows indicate mutual choice.  
 Dk Green indicates students not chosen by other students.  
 Lt Green indicates students chosen by one student.



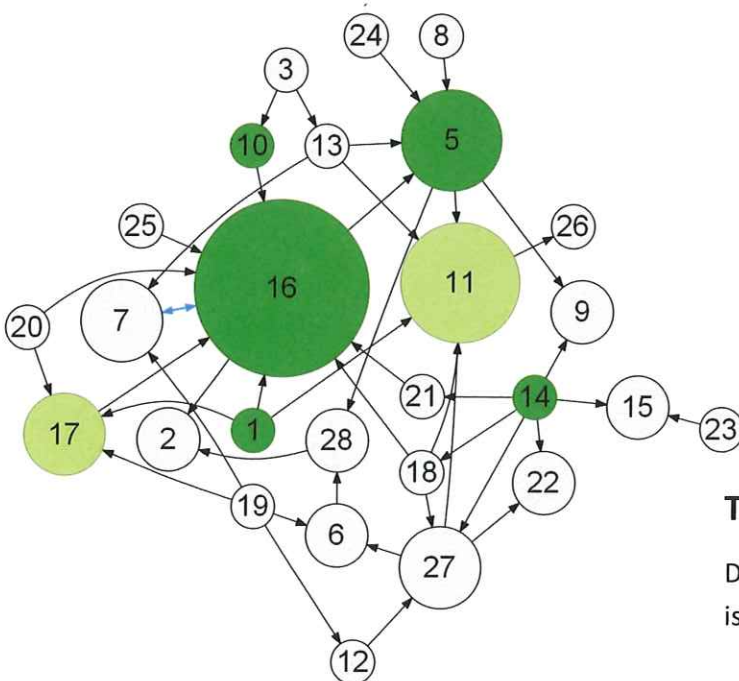
### Friendships

Shows student identified connections and highlights isolation.



### Desired Friendships

Reveals opportunities for increased student connection.



### Targets

Draws attention to connections between isolation and mistreatment.