

Dear Parent or Guardian,

For the past several years, our district has partnered with Terrace Metrics, Inc. to provide an innovative assessment to our students and families. This survey is designed to examine the social-emotional strengths and needs of participating students in grades 3-12. We will again be administering this assessment in the fall and the spring this school year.

We value this assessment because it helps us meet the needs of the whole child. Research shows how important the development of social-emotional skills play in the role of academics. Supporting a child's needs and building on their strengths in the social-emotional areas will only help our Panthers find success in the classroom and beyond.

Results of the student's survey will be shared with parents. School administrators and counselors also use the student data to implement any activities, interventions, or support as needed. Watch [THIS VIDEO](#) for more parent information.

Overall school data, not specific student data, is shared with teachers so that programs or activities can be put into place to address overall needs, as well as build on the strengths. As an example, last year our scores in "Positive School Experience" were relatively high compared to the regional scores. We used this data to ask questions: *What are the programs and strategies that helped support this data? How can we strengthen it even more? What is working and what is not? How can we build even more on the positive culture of our school?*

The assessment is administered in Grades 3-12. The questions asked are appropriate to the age of each student, so questions for 3rd graders look different than those for 12th graders.

Students will answer questions in the following areas: Positive School Experience, Global Life Satisfaction, Grit, Hope for the Future, Resiliency, Leadership, and Personal Standards. Additionally, students in Grades 6-12 answer questions related to School Violence, Trauma, Self-Criticism, School Victimization, Depression, Anxiety, and Social Ostracism.

Our fall assessment period will begin in September this year. By signing the School Form Signature Sheet, you will be giving your child permission to participate in all three assessment windows this year.

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Feel free to reach out your child's school counselor if you have any questions or concerns regarding our Terrace Metrics assessment program.

Sincerely,

Jason Steffen
Superintendent

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