



5 Essentials: Family-School Relationships Survey

Helping students do their best in school requires a team effort. Parents, students, and schools all play important roles in this process. To help all of us learn how to make your child's schooling experience as positive and beneficial as possible, please give us your honest, thoughtful responses to the questions below.

Perceptions of School

In this first section, we would like to learn more about some of your roles, beliefs, and attitudes as well as some of the activities that you do as the parent of a school-aged child.

1. How often do you meet in person with teachers at your child's school?

- Almost never Once or twice per year Every few months Monthly Weekly or more

2. How confident are you that you can help your child develop good friendships?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

3. How involved have you been with a parent group(s) at your child's school?

- Not at all involved Slightly involved Somewhat involved Quite involved Extremely involved

4. How confident are you in your ability to make choices about your child's schooling?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

5. In the past year, how often have you discussed your child's school with other parents from the school?

- Almost never Once or twice Every few months Monthly Weekly or more

6. How confident are you that you can motivate your child to try hard in school?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

7. In the past year, how often have you helped out at your child's school?

- Almost never Once or twice Every few months Monthly Weekly or more

8. How confident are you in your ability to connect with other parents?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

9. How confident are you in your ability to make sure your child's school meets your child's learning needs?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident



10. In the past year, how often have you visited your child's school?

- Almost never Once or twice Every few months Monthly Weekly or more

11. How confident are you in your ability to support your child's learning at home?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

12. How involved have you been in fundraising efforts at your child's school?

- Not at all involved Slightly involved Somewhat involved Quite involved Extremely involved

13. How confident are you in your ability to help your child deal with his/her emotions appropriately?

- Not confident at all Slightly confident Somewhat confident Quite confident Extremely confident

School Environment

In this section, we would like to learn more about your perceptions of the overall climate at your child's school.

14. To what extent do you think that children enjoy going to your child's school?

- Do not enjoy at all Enjoy a little bit Enjoy somewhat Enjoy quite a bit Enjoy a tremendous amount

15. How motivating are the classroom lessons at your child's school?

- Not at all motivating Slightly motivating Somewhat motivating Quite motivating Extremely motivating

16. How fair or unfair is the school's system of evaluating children?

- Very unfair Somewhat unfair Slightly unfair Neither fair nor unfair Slightly fair Somewhat fair Very fair

17. How much does the school value the diversity of children's backgrounds?

- Not at all A little bit Some Quite a bit A tremendous amount

18. How well do administrators at your child's school create a school environment that helps children learn?

- Not well at all Slightly well Somewhat well Quite well Extremely well

19. Overall, how much respect do you think the children at your child's school have for the staff?

- Almost no respect A little bit of respect Some respect Quite a bit of respect A tremendous amount of respect



20. Overall, how much respect do you think the teachers at your child's school have for the children?

- Almost no respect A little bit of respect Some respect Quite a bit of respect A tremendous amount of respect

Perceptions of School Safety

Please give us your perceptions related to the safety of your child in different situations.

21. How often do you worry about violence at your child's school?

- Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost always

22. If a student is bullied at your child's school, how difficult is it for him/her to get help from an adult?

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

23. How likely is it that someone from your child's school will bully him/her online?

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

24. Overall, how unsafe does your child feel at school?

- Not at all unsafe Slightly unsafe Somewhat unsafe Quite unsafe Extremely unsafe

25. To what extent are drugs a problem at your child's school?

- Not a problem at all A little bit of a problem A moderate problem Quite a problem A tremendous problem

School-Family Communication

In this section, we'd like to learn about your experiences with school communications.

26. How often do you receive information from your child's school?

- Almost never Once in a while Sometimes Frequently Almost all the time

27. How easy is it to understand the information you receive from your child's school?

- Not easy at all A little easy Somewhat easy Quite easy Extremely easy

28. Overall, how useful is the information you receive from your child's school?

- Not useful at all A little useful Somewhat useful Quite useful Extremely useful

29. How welcoming is your child's school when you reach out to them?

- Not welcoming at all A little welcoming Somewhat welcoming Quite welcoming Extremely welcoming



30. How responsive is your child's school when you communicate with them?

- Not responsive at all A little responsive Somewhat responsive Quite responsive Extremely responsive

31. What is the best way for the school to communicate with you?

- Email Family Messaging App Phone call Social Media Text message School Website Flyers sent home with students

32. Where do you get most of your information about your child's school?

- Email Family Messaging App Phone call Social Media Text message School Website Flyers sent home with students

Staff-Family Relationships

In this section, we'd like to learn about your relationships with the staff at your child's school.

33. At your child's school, how respectful are the staff towards you?

- Not respectful at all A little respectful Somewhat respectful Quite respectful Extremely respectful

34. How much do you trust that staff at your child's school will treat you fairly?

- Do not trust at all Trust a little Trust somewhat Trust quite a bit Trust a tremendous amount

35. How comfortable do you feel reaching out to staff at your child's school?

- Not comfortable at all A little comfortable Somewhat comfortable Quite comfortable Extremely comfortable

36. At your child's school, how much do staff value your input?

- Do not value at all Value a little Value somewhat Value quite a bit Value a tremendous amount

37. How supportive are staff at your child's school when families face challenges?

- Not supportive at all A little supportive Somewhat supportive Quite supportive Extremely supportive

38. Overall, how welcoming are the staff at your child's school?

- Not welcoming at all A little welcoming Somewhat welcoming Quite welcoming Extremely welcoming