

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT SURVEY FOR GRADES 6-12 © International Survey Associates, LLC

LEGEND: NEW=Items on 2011 instrument; PQ6-12=items from Pride Questionnaire for Grades 6-12; ONDCP=items from the Office of National Drug Control Four Core Measures; CTC=items from Communities that Care; MHI-5=items from Mental Health Inventory

Source	Master#	QUESTIONS	RESPONSES
		I. PERSONAL AND FAMILY INFORMATION	
PQ6-12	1	Ethnic Origin	White, African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian/Pacific Islander, Native American, Mixed Origin, Other
PQ6-12	2	Sex	Male, Female
PQ6-12	3	Age	10 years old or less, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 years old or more
PQ6-12	4	Grade	6,7,8,9,10,11,12
PQ6-12	5	Do you live with:	Both parents, Mother only, Father only, Mother & stepfather, Father & stepmother, Grandparents, Foster parents, other
PQ6-12	6	Do you have a job?	Yes, full-time, Yes, part-time, No
PQ6-12	7	Do your parents have a job? Father? Mother?	Yes, full-time, Yes, part-time, No
PQ6-12	8	What is the educational level of your Father? Mother?	Some high school, High school graduate, Some college, College graduate
		II. STUDENT INFORMATION	
CTC	1	Putting them all together, what were your grades last year?	Mostly As, Mostly Bs, Mostly Cs, Mostly Ds, Mostly Fs
PQ6-12	2	Do you get into trouble at school?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	3	Do you take part in school sports teams?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	4	Do you take part in school activities such as band, clubs, etc.?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	5	Do you take part in community activities such as scouts, recreational teams, youth clubs, etc.?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	6	Do you attend church, synagogue, etc.?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	7	Does your school set clear rules on bullying?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	8	Do your parents set clear rules for you?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	9	Do your parents punish you when you break the rules?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	10	Have you been in trouble with the police?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	11	Do you take part in gang activities?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	12	Have you thought about committing suicide?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	13	Have you skipped school without your parents' permission in the past year?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	14	Does your school set clear rules on using drugs at school?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	15	Have you had 5 or more glasses of beer, coolers, breezers or liquor within a few hours?	No Yes
CTC	16	Have you changed schools (including changing from elementary to middle or middle to high school) in the past year?	No Yes
NEW	17	In the past year, have you received an out-of-school suspension?	No Yes
NEW	18	In the past year, have you received an in-school suspension?	No Yes
		III. SCHOOL LIFE. To answer the next set of questions, think about what happens in your school.	
CTC	1	Students have lots of chances to help decide things like class activities and rules.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	2	Students are picked on by other students for working hard at our school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	3	I trust my teachers.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	4	At least one adult in my school really cares about me.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
CTC	5	I can talk to teachers openly and freely about my concerns.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	6	I can go to a teacher to get help solving problems at home or school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	7	I have a healthy relationship with at least one adult at my school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True

NEW	8 Students help each other when they are hurt or upset.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	9 I know that my teachers care about me.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
CTC	10 Students have lots of chances to talk with a teacher one-on-one.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	11 My best friends would rather be somewhere else than in school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	12 My emotions cause problems in my life at school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	13 Most kids don't care about their school grades.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	14 The thing I like about my school is that most students get along well together.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	15 My school is a good place for me to learn.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	16 Students at my school care about learning.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	17 Students come to school prepared to learn.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	18 Students treat teachers in my school with respect.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	19 Parents treat teachers in my school with respect.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	20 I feel like I am part of this school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	21 Students at my school have pride in our school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	22 My school is clean and kept in good condition.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
	The next set of questions ask you about your school work.	
CTC	23 Do you feel your school work is important?	Very important, Quite important, Fairly important, Somewhat
NEW	24 I feel a lot of stress during the standardized achievement testing period.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	25 I take pride in my academic accomplishments.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	26 Most of my classes challenge me academically.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	27 One or more of my teachers encourages me to achieve more than I ever thought I could.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	28 We have plenty of textbooks and other supplies for our lessons.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	29 My class sizes are too large for me to learn well.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	30 We don't learn much when a substitute teacher is in the classroom.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
	<i>To what degree do the following interfere with instruction at your school:</i>	
NEW	31 Bullying (verbal, physical, emotional).	Not At All/ A Little/ Some/ A Lot
NEW	32 Cyber bullying.	Not At All/ A Little/ Some/ A Lot
NEW	33 Student absences	Not At All/ A Little/ Some/ A Lot
NEW	34 Fights and other violence.	Not At All/ A Little/ Some/ A Lot
	This year at school, how many times have:	
NEW	35 You been left out of things on purpose by other students, excluded from their group of friends, or completely ignored:	Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week

NEW	36 You been called mean names, been made fun of, or been teased in a hurtful way?	Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week
NEW	37 Other students told lies or spread false rumors about you?	Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week
NEW	38 Other students threatened or forced you to do things you did not want to do?	Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week
NEW	39 Other students used the Internet or a cell phone to threaten or embarrass you by posting mean messages or photos of you?	Not at all, Only 1 or 2, 2 or 3/month, Once/week, Several/week
	Thinking back over the past year in school, how often did you:	
CTC	40 Enjoy being in school?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
CTC	41 Hate being in school?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
CTC	42 Try to do your best work in school?	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
	43 How many times in the past year (12 months) have you done extra work on your own for school?	Never, 1-2 times, 3-5 times, 6-9 times, 10-19 times, 20-29 times, 30-39 times, 40 or more times
NEW		None, 1, 2, 3, 4
CTC	44 In the past year (12 months), how many of your four best friends have tried to do well in school?	None, 1 day, 2 days, 3 days, 4-5 days, 6-10 days, 11 or more days
CTC	45 During the LAST FOUR WEEKS, how many whole days have you missed because you skipped or "cut"?	None or very little chance, Little chance, Some chance, Pretty good chance, Very good chance
NEW	46 What are the chances you would be seen as cool if you defended someone who was being verbally abused at school?	
	<i>Thinking back over the past year in school, I think.</i>	
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NEW	My teachers like their job of teaching students.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
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NEW	My teachers get stressed out during the time we take our standardized achievement tests.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
	49	
NEW	My teachers spend a lot of time helping students with their personal problems.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
	50	
NEW	My teachers tell me that I will be successful in the future.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	51 My teachers complain about having a lot of work to do at home after school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	52 My teachers call my home to talk to my parents about how I'm doing at school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
CTC	53 My teachers notice when I am doing a good job and let me know about it.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	54 My principal enforces school rules and backs up my teacher when needed.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	55 Teachers treat one another with respect in my school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	56 Teachers help one another when one of them is feeling overwhelmed.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	57 Our teachers work together to plan classroom activities.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	58 Teachers talk to students like me about going to college.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	59 Teachers care about students in this school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	60 Teachers make all students feel like they belong at school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	61 Teachers help make decisions about school policies and activities.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	62 Teachers allow students to say what they really think about school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	63 Teachers in our school tell me that it's OK to have my feelings.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	64 Teachers treat students with respect.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
NEW	65 Teachers encourage students to stay in school.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True

NEW	66 Teachers help students cope with stress.	Not True At All/ Somewhat Not True/ Somewhat True/ Very True
	IV WHILE AT SCHOOL HAVE YOU (Past Year):	
CTC	1 Carried a handgun?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	2 Threatened to hurt a student by hitting, slapping or kicking?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	3 Hurt a student by hitting, slapping or kicking?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	4 Had a student threaten to hit, slap or kick you?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	5 Been afraid a student may hurt you?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	6 Been hurt by a student who hit, slapped or kicked you?	Never, One Time, 2-5 Times, 6 Or More Times
PQ6-12	V IN MY SCHOOL I FEEL SAFE:	
PQ6-12	1 In the classroom	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	2 In the cafeteria (lunchroom)	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	3 In the halls	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	4 In the bathroom	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	5 In the gym	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	6 On the school bus	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	7 At school events (ballgames, etc.)	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	8 On the playground	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
PQ6-12	9 In the parking lot	Never, Seldom, Sometimes, Often, A Lot
	VI. GENERAL FEELINGS	
	<i>How much of the time during the past month, have you:</i>	
MHI-5	1 Been a very nervous person?	All of the time, most of the time, a good bit of the time, some of the time, a little of the time, none of the time
MHI-5	2 Have you felt downhearted and blue?	All of the time, most of the time, a good bit of the time, some of the time, a little of the time, none of the time
MHI-5	3 Felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?	All of the time, most of the time, a good bit of the time, some of the time, a little of the time, none of the time
MHI-5	4 Been a happy person?	All of the time, most of the time, a good bit of the time, some of the time, a little of the time, none of the time
MHI-5	5 Felt calm and peaceful?	All of the time, most of the time, a good bit of the time, some of the time, a little of the time, none of the time
	VII. WITHIN THE PAST YEAR HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU:	
PQ6-12	1 Smoked cigarettes?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	2 Used smokeless tobacco (chew, etc.)?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	3 Smoked cigars?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	4 Drank beer?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	5 Drank coolers, breezers, hard lemonade, etc.?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	6 Drank liquor (whiskey, vodka, or gin)?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	7 Smoked marijuana (pot, hashish, etc.)?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	8 Used prescription drugs (such as Ritalin, Adderall, Xanax) to get high?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	9 Used prescription pain killers (like Vicodin, OxyContin, or Percocet) to get high?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
PQ6-12	10 Used over-the-counter drugs to get high?	Did Not Use, Once/Year, 6 Times/Year, Once/Month, Twice/Month, Once/Week, 3 Times/Week, Every Day
	VIII. WHAT EFFECT DO YOU MOST OFTEN GET WHEN YOU:	

PQ6-12	1 Drink beer?	Do Not Use, No High, A Little High, Very High, Bombed/Stoned
PQ6-12	2 Drink coolers, breezers, etc.?	Do Not Use, No High, A Little High, Very High, Bombed/Stoned
PQ6-12	3 Drink hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin)?	Do Not Use, No High, A Little High, Very High, Bombed/Stoned
PQ6-12	4 Smoke marijuana (pot, hashish, etc.)?	Do Not Use, No High, A Little High, Very High, Bombed/Stoned
IX. HOW OLD WERE YOU WHEN YOU:		
ONDCP	1 First had a drink of beer, wine or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin)?	Never Used, 10 or Younger, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 or Older
ONDCP	2 First smoked part or all of a cigarette?	Never Used, 10 or Younger, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 or Older
ONDCP	3 First used marijuana or hashish?	Never Used, 10 or Younger, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 or Older
X. HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK PEOPLE RISK HARMING THEMSELVES (PHYSICALLY OR IN OTHER WAYS) IF THEY:		
ONDCP	1 Take one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day?	No Risk, Slight Risk, Moderate Risk, Great Risk
ONDCP	2 Smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	No Risk, Slight Risk, Moderate Risk, Great Risk
ONDCP	3 Smoke marijuana regularly?	No Risk, Slight Risk, Moderate Risk, Great Risk
XI. HOW WRONG DO YOUR PARENTS FEEL IT WOULD BE FOR YOU TO:		
ONDCP	1 Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly?	Not Wrong At All, A Little Bit Wrong, Wrong, Very Wrong
ONDCP	2 Smoke cigarettes?	Not Wrong At All, A Little Bit Wrong, Wrong, Very Wrong
ONDCP	3 Smoke marijuana?	Not Wrong At All, A Little Bit Wrong, Wrong, Very Wrong
XII. WHERE DO YOU USUALLY: (You may mark more than one response for each question)		
PQ6-12	1 Smoke cigarettes?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
PQ6-12	2 Drink beer, wine or hard liquor?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
PQ6-12	3 Smoke marijuana (pot, hashish, etc)?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
XIII. WHEN DO YOU USUALLY: (You may mark more than one response for each question)		
PQ6-12	1 Smoke cigarettes?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
PQ6-12	2 Drink beer, wine or hard liquor?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
PQ6-12	3 Smoke marijuana (pot, hashish, etc)?	Do Not Use, At Home, At School, In A Car, Friend's House, Other
XIV. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS		
	1 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	2 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	3 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	4 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	5 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	6 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	7 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	8 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	9 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	
	10 A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H	

NOTE:

Based on current research and Factor Analysis results from the Teaching Environment Survey, the following scales are expected.

In spring-summer 2011, a Factor Analysis on data from the new instrument will be performed to confirm the items performance within these scales.

SCHOOL CLIMATE	Scale
Overall School Climate	X
Teacher and Student Respect	X
Student Discipline	X
Rules on Student Conduct	
School Safety	X
STUDENT-TEACHER RELATIONSHIPS AT SCHOOL	
Teacher-to-Student Relationships	X
Student-to-Student Relationships	X
Teacher Collaboration	X
STUDENTS AND LEARNING	
Student Engagement	X
Student Achievement	
Facilities and Resources	X
TEACHER INVOLVEMENT	
Student Encouragement	X
Teacher Workload	X
Student Support	
STUDENTS AT HOME AND IN THE COMMUNITY	
Community Activities	
Discipline and Rules at Home	
Trouble in the Community	
STUDENT ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE	
Frequency of Use	
Effect of ATOD	
Age of First Use	
Perceived Harmful Effects of ATOD	
Parents' Feelings Toward ATOD Use	
Place of Use	
Time of Use	
OTHER STUDENT BEHAVIORS	
Violence	X
Bullying	X
Absenteeism and Suspension	
STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH	
Emotional Problems	
Depression	X