Topics and Questions for Students

Elevate student voices to understand how they are doing—socially, emotionally, and academically—during the 2020-21 school year. Gather their perceptions of the learning environment, school public health measures, engagement with school, relationships, and equity and inclusion.

Learning Model — Grades 3-5

For the following questions, tell us how you are feeling about your learning right now.

Question	Response Options							
How would you like to be learning right now?	I wish I spent more time learning at home and less time learning at school	I wish I spent more time learning at school and less time learning at home	I like how much time I spend learning at home or at school					
How happy are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your teacher?	Not at all happy	Slightly happy	Somewhat happy	Quite happy	Extremely happy			
How happy are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your friends from school?	Not at all happy	Slightly happy	Somewhat happy	Quite happy	Extremely happy			
How difficult or easy is it to use the distance learning technology (computer, tablet, video calls, learning applications, etc.)?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	I am not participating in distance learning
What do you like about school right now?	[Free response]							
What do you not like about school right now?	[Free response]							

Learning Model — Grades 6-12

For the following questions, tell us how you are feeling about your learning right now.

Question	Response Options							
How would you like to be learning right now?	I wish I spent more time learning at home and less time learning at school	I wish I spent more time learning at school and less time learning at home	I like how much time I spend learning at home or at school					
How satisfied are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your teachers?	Not at all satisfied	Slightly satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Quite Satisfied	Extremely satisfied			
How satisfied are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your friends from school?	Not at all satisfied	Slightly satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Quite Satisfied	Extremely satisfied			
How difficult or easy is it to use the distance learning technology (computer, tablet, video calls, learning applications, etc.)?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	I am not participating in distance learning
What is one thing that is going well that you would like to see continued with how you are learning right now?	[Free response]							
What is one thing you would like to see changed about how you are learning right now?	[Free response]							

School Public Health Measures — Grades 6-12 Only

For the following questions, tell us how you are feeling about new COVID-related health and safety measures and protocols in your school.

Question	Response Options							
How would you describe the level of COVID-related safety measures and protocols in your school to keep students healthy?	Not enough safety measures	Too many safety measures	About the right amount of safety measures	I am only learning at home				
How difficult or easy has it been for you to follow the COVID-related safety measures and protocols at your school?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	I am only learning at home
Is there anything else you would like to share about the measures and protocols your school is taking to keep students and staff healthy?	[Free response]							

Academic Needs — All Grades

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about help you may need on your schoolwork.

Question	Response Options							
How sure are you that you can do well in school right now?	Not at all sure	Slightly sure	Somewhat sure	Quite sure	Extremely sure			
Are you getting all the help you need with your schoolwork right now?	No, I need a little extra help	No, I need a lot of extra help	Yes					
Are there any subjects you need help with right now? You can pick more than one.	English	Math	Reading	Social Studies	Science	Other	I do not need any help	
How happy are you with how much time you spend in specials or enrichment (art, music, PE, etc.)?	Not at all happy	Slightly happy	Somewhat happy	Quite happy	Extremely happy			
When you have online schoolwork, how often do you have the technology (laptop, tablet, computer, etc) you need?	Almost never	Once in a while	Sometimes	Often	Almost always	I do not need to do my school-work online		
How difficult or easy is it for you to connect to the internet to access your schoolwork?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	I do not need to do my school-work online
What has been the hardest part about completing your schoolwork?	[Free response]							

Student Engagement — All Grades

For the following questions, we would like to learn more about your interest in your schoolwork so that we can better support you.

Question	Response Options							
How much effort are you putting into your classes right now?	Almost no effort	A little bit of effort	Some effort	Quite a bit of effort	A great deal of effort			
How difficult or easy is it for you to try hard on your schoolwork right now?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	
How difficult or easy is it for you to stay focused on your schoolwork right now?	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Slightly difficult	Neither difficult nor easy	Slightly easy	Somewhat easy	Very easy	
If you have missed in-person school recently, why did you miss school? You can pick more than one.	I was sick	A family member was sick	I didn't feel like attending	I was helping my family with something	I had no way to get to school	Other	I'm not attending school in person	
If you have missed online classes recently, why did you miss class? You can pick more than one.	I was sick	A family member was sick	I did not have a computer to use	My internet wasn't working	I didn't feel like attending	I was helping my family with something	Other	I'm not attending classes online

Student Relationships — Grades 3-5

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about your relationships with other people in your school community.

Question	Response Options				
Are there adults at your school you can go to for help if you need it right now?	No	Yes			
How connected do you feel to the adults at your school right now?	Not at all connected	Slightly connected	Somewhat connected	Quite connected	Extremely connected
If you are learning online from home, how often does your teacher reach out to you?	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Several times a week	Almost every day	I am not taking classes online at home
How connected do you feel to other students at your school right now?	Not at all connected	Slightly connected	Somewhat connected	Quite connected	Extremely connected
If you are learning online from home, how often do you spend time talking with your friends from school?	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Several times a week	Almost every day	I am not taking classes online at home

Student Relationships — Grades 6-12

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about your relationships with other people in your school community.

Question	Response Options				
Are there adults at your school whom you can go to for help if you need it right now?	No	Yes			
How connected do you feel to the adults at your school right now?	Not at all connected	Slightly connected	Somewhat connected	Quite connected	Extremely connected
If you are participating in distance learning, how often do you hear from your teachers individually?	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Several times a week	Almost every day	I am not participating in distance learning
How connected do you feel to other students at your school right now?	Not at all connected	Slightly connected	Somewhat connected	Quite connected	Extremely connected
If you are participating in distance learning, how often are you talking with your friends from school?	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Several times a week	Almost every day	I am not participating in distance learning

Cultural Awareness and Action — Grades 6-12

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about how you think about your school. Please give us your honest opinions so that we can better understand your experience and work to make the school a better place.

Question	Response Options				
How often do teachers encourage you to learn about people from different races, ethnicities, or cultures?	Almost never	Once in a while	Sometimes	Frequently	Almost always
How often do you think about what someone of a different race, ethnicity, or culture experiences?	Almost never	Once in a while	Sometimes	Frequently	Almost always
How confident are you that students at your school can have honest conversations with each other about race?	Not at all confident	Slightly confident	Somewhat confident	Quite confident	Extremely confident
At your school, how often are you encouraged to think more deeply about race-related topics?	Almost never	Once in a while	Sometimes	Frequently	Almost always
When there are major news events related to race, how often do adults at your school talk about them with students?	Almost never	Once in a while	Sometimes	Frequently	Almost always
How well does your school help students speak out against racism?	Not at all well	Slightly well	Somewhat well	Quite well	Extremely well

Note: *This topic is a subset of the Panorama Equity and Inclusion Survey. To download our full equity and inclusion survey content, please visit this page.*

School Resource Officer

For the following questions, we are interested in learning more about your thoughts on having a school resource officer at your school.

Grades 3-5

Question	Response Options							
How safe or unsafe do you feel having a school resource officer at school?	Very unsafe	Somewhat unsafe	Slightly unsafe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Slightly safe	Somewhat safe	Very safe	My school does not have a school resource officer
How helpful is it to have a school resource officer at your school?	Not at all helpful	Slightly helpful	Somewhat helpful	Quite helpful	Extremely helpful	My school does not have a school resource officer		

Grades 6-12

Question	Response Options								
How safe or unsafe do you feel having a school resource officer at school?	Very unsafe	Some-what unsafe	Slightly unsafe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Slightly safe	Some-what safe	Very safe	My school does not have a school resource officer	
How comfortable do you feel being around your school resource officer?	Not at all comfort-able	Slightly comfort-able	Some-what comfort-able	Quite comfort-able	Extremely comfort-able	My school does not have a school resource officer			
How helpful is it to have a school resource officer at your school?	Not at all helpful	Slightly helpful	Somewha t helpful	Quite helpful	Extremely helpful	My school does not have a school resource officer			
How positive or negative has your experience been with school resource officers at your school?	Very negative	Moderate -ly negative	Slightly negative	Neither negative nor positive	Slightly positive	Moderate -ly positive	Very positive	My school does not have a school resource officer	I have never interacted with my school resource officer

Raise Your Hand — All Grades

Question	Response Options				
Would you like to talk privately with a teacher, counselor, or other adult from your school about how you are doing or for extra support?	No	Yes			
If you selected "yes," please fill in the following information.					
First and last name	[Free response]				
Phone	[Free response]				
Email	[Free response]				

Get To Know You — All Grades

Question	Response Options		
Which of the following is your favorite way to learn?	By talking with others	By listening	By reading
Would you rather do school work as a group or by yourself?	As a group	By myself	Either way is fine by me
What is something you learned over the summer?	[Free response]		
What do you like most about school?	[Free response]		

Get To Know You — Cont.

Question	Response Options
What do you like least about school?	[Free response]
Describe the best school project or lesson you can remember.	[Free response]
What is one thing you think you do well as a student?	[Free response]
What is one thing you would like to do better as a student?	[Free response]
What is something you would really want to learn about?	[Free response]
What is one thing you'd like your teacher(s) to know about you this year?	[Free response]
What is one thing you want to know about your teacher(s) this year?	[Free response]
What is something you like to do outside of school?	[Free response]
What is one thing you are looking forward to this school year?	[Free response]

Background Questions

- What is your gender?
- What grade are you in?
- What is your race or ethnicity?
- What language do you mostly speak at home?
- How are you attending class?
- Did you participate in any learning activities this summer (summer school, summer camp, etc.)?
- During the day, are you taking care of anyone in your family such as siblings, parents and/or grandparents?

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