

FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Strategic Plan Student Survey, Grades 3-6

Dear Student,

Every five to seven years, our school system develops a plan to guide our future- a strategic plan. We need your help! We hope you – our students – will choose to take 10 to 15 minutes to answer the questions in this important survey. Your answers will help us understand how you feel about being in school, as well as improve how we teach and how we support your learning.

Completing the survey is your choice, but we hope you will answer the questions so your voice is heard. Your answers will be private and only reported together with answers from many other students. They will not be shared with your teachers, parents, or anyone else at your school, unless you share your responses yourself.

This is your chance to have your voice heard as a leader in our schools!

Do you agree to take this survey?

- Yes
- No

Please select your Region:

• School Names pre-populated based on Region Selection

(Rating scale for ELEMENTARY questions - 4 point Likert Scale: YES!!, yes, no, NO!!)

Mark the big **YES!!** if you think the statement is **DEFINITELY TRUE** for you.

Mark the little **yes** if you think the statement is **MOSTLY TRUE** for you.

Mark the little **no** if you think the statement is **MOSTLY NOT TRUE** for you.

Mark the big **NO!!** if you think the statement is **DEFINITELY NOT TRUE** for you.

Student Engagement

Please respond to the following statements

- 1. I can learn almost anything if I try hard enough.
- 2. I like going to school.
- 3. Most of the other kids in my classes try their best.

Safe and Supportive School Climate: Overall Climate

- 4. I feel safe at school.
- 5. I feel like I belong at this school.
- 6. I have some good friends at this school.
- 7. Students at this school are often teased or picked on.

Supportive and Trusting Relationships (1)

- 8. My teachers care about me.
- 9. My teachers really listen to me when I talk to them.
- 10. Students are treated fairly by the adults in this school.
- 11. Students in this school treat teachers with respect.
- 12. There is at least one adult in this school who I can talk to when I feel badly.
- 13. My teachers ask me about how to make the school better.

Supportive and Trusting Relationships (2)

Most students in my school...

- 14. care about each other.
- 15. help each other when asked.
- 16.treat each other with respect.

Quality Teaching & Learning (1)

- 17. The books and other things we use in class have pictures of all different types of people.
- 18. My classes are interesting.
- 19.I learn a lot in my classes.
- 20. My teachers expect me to always do my best.
- 21. My teachers ask me to explain my answers.

Quality Teaching & Learning (2)

My teachers . . .

- 22. help me catch up if I am behind.
- 23. help me learn from my mistakes.
- 24. make sure I understand what we are learning.
- 25. recognize and celebrate when I work hard in class.

DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONS (ELEMENTARY)

What grade are you in?

- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade

I have been a student in Fairfax County Public Schools for . . .

- 0-1 year
- 2 to 3 years
- 4 or more years

I identify my race/ethnicity as:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Multi-racial, Two or more Races
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Other
- Prefer not to answer

