

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SURVEY

Q. What is the purpose of the survey?

A. The purpose of the COVID-19 Student Survey: Impacts and Implications on Student Learning and Well-being is to collect information to help teachers, school leaders, parents, and community partners better understand how to meet the needs of youth. This survey asks questions about students' thoughts, feelings, and behaviors during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Q. Who can take the survey?

A. Students in grades 6 to 12 across Washington state.

Q. Is the survey voluntary?

A. Yes! Students taking the survey can skip questions, stop taking the survey at any time, or not take the survey at all. There is no penalty for not taking part in the survey.

Q. How is student identity protected?

A. The survey is completely anonymous. Students do not put their names on the survey. There are no codes or information to match a survey to a student. Survey results will not identify any student.

Q. How are the results used?

A. Teachers, school leaders, parents, community partners, and policy leaders will use the results to help understand how to meet the needs of the youth in the state.

Q. How is the survey administered?

A. The survey is all online and should be administered during a class period. It can be done in a school building or from home for students participating in remote learning.

Q. What questions are on the survey?

A. Various topics are covered on the survey including:

- Demographic information, such as grade level, gender, and race/ethnicity
- Thoughts and feelings pertaining to school during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Mental and physical health
- Substance use
- COVID-19 precautions
- Hope
- Social Support from peers and adults

*** A copy of the survey can be found [here](#).

Q. Why another student survey?

A. A COVID-19 Student Survey was done in March 2021, and the Healthy Youth Survey (HYS) was administered in October 2021 with results coming out in March 2022.

This survey is unique as it focuses specifically on students' school experiences, mental health, and emotional supports. The results will come out in April 2022 and will help schools better understand students' specific needs this school year and how they can help them moving forward.

Need More Information?

If you have any questions about the purpose of the survey or survey procedures, email contact@wacovidstudentsurvey.org.

This survey is a joint effort between: