

Parent/Guardian Perception Survey

Raising voices to drive school quality

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Survey Questions

Domains

The MI Student Voice: Parent/Guardian Perception Survey consists of three domains: Parent/Guardian Satisfaction, Student Engagement & Connection, and Belonging.

Scale

Parents/Guardians answer questions using a Perception scale.

A perception scale measures how a parent/guardian feels about a subject. The five-point scale is associated with a numerical value in order to find the average response to each question and domain. The higher the average, the better the parent/guardian experience.

(1) Not At All

(2) Slightly

(3) Somewhat

(4) Quite

(5) Extremely

Customizations

Several customizations can be made to the Parent/Guardian survey.

- Administration Window Districts can choose which administration window(s) they want their schools to take the survey in.
- Demographics Districts can decide whether to collect demographic information.
- Domains Districts can elect which domains they want to include in the survey.

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Parent/Guardian Satisfaction

- Do you feel that staff are respectful to your child?
- Do you feel that staff are respectful to you?
- Do you feel welcomed at your child's school?
- Do you feel comfortable talking to teachers/staff at your child's school?
- Does the school offer the types of programs your child needs? Examples may include AP, CTE, Gifted & Talented, IB, intervention programs, music or athletic programs, dual enrollment, early college, etc.
- Do you feel like school leadership values a positive environment for students, teachers, and staff?
- Are you satisfied with the way your child's school communicates with you?
- Are you satisfied with the services offered by the school (e.g., transportation services, lunch services, school counselors, school library services, etc.)?
- Are you satisfied with how discipline is handled at your child's school?
- Are you confident that this school has the ability to meet your child's learning needs?
- Do you feel confident that your child is safe in this school?
- Are you satisfied with your child's teachers?
- Are you satisfied with the school administration?
- Overall, are you satisfied with your child's school?
- Would you feel comfortable recommending this school to other parents seeking a place for their child?

Student Engagement & Connection

- Do you feel that your child has a connection with other students at school?
- Do you feel that your child has a connection with teachers/staff at school?
- Do you feel that there is a sense of belonging at this school?
- Does your child feel successful at this school?
- Does your child look forward to going to school?
- Does the style of teaching in your child's classroom(s) align with your child's style of learning?
- Does the school motivate your child to learn?
- Do you feel that it is important for your child to attend school every day?

Belonging

- Do you find it helpful for students at your child's school to have honest conversations with one another about different cultures, backgrounds, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.?
- How well does your child's school prepare students to be respectful of diverse perspectives from other backgrounds (e.g., cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)?
- Do students at your child's school treat people from all backgrounds fairly? (This includes people from all cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)
- Do adults at your child's school treat people from all backgrounds fairly? (This includes people from all cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)
- Do extracurricular activities at your child's school provide positive experiences for students from all backgrounds (e.g., cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)?
- Do you believe that your child's teachers are well-prepared to teach or work with students from all backgrounds (e.g., cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)?
- Do you believe that the school's resources are distributed fairly to meet the varied needs of students, including those from all types of backgrounds?
- Does your child's school feel like a place where all students are able to try and do their best?



- Does your child's school make all types of people feel welcomed and included?
- Do you believe positive classroom experiences are provided to students from all backgrounds (e.g., cultures, races/ethnicities, religions, abilities, etc.)?

Demographics

- Which of the following best represents your racial or ethnic heritage? Select all that apply.
- What is your highest education level?
- What is your child's grade?

Open-ended

Do you have any other feedback you'd like to share about your child's school?