

Q. What is the purpose of the survey?

A. The purpose of the survey 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 student's 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 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, sexual orientation and race/ ethnicity
- Thoughts and feelings pertaining to school during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Mental and physical health
- Attitudes towards and use of alcohol, marijuana and other drugs
- COVID-19 precautions
- Hope
- Social connectiveness; support from peers and adults

Q. Does this survey replace the 2021 Healthy Youth Survey?

A. No! The 2021 Healthy Youth Survey (HYS) will still be administered in the fall. While some of the questions on this survey are the same as ones on the HYS, this survey covers COVID-19 specific topics and is designed to look at how students are doing this school year. The results from this survey will come out before the end of the 20-21 school year. The 2021 HYS will be administered in the fall of 2021 and results will be released in the spring of 2022.

Need More Information?

If you have any questions about the purpose of the survey or survey procedures:

- Email contact@csswashington.org

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