

2024 Spring Amplify Survey

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About the Survey

Welcome to the UCDSB Amplify Survey, Spring 2024! We are asking students in Grades 4-12 to complete the school climate survey twice a year- once in the fall and again in the spring. We value your input and want to ensure that we are providing the best possible educational experience for our students.

The purpose of this short survey is to gather feedback on your perception of your school climate, including factors such as sense of belonging, safety, and extra-curricular activities. Your responses will help us identify areas of strength and areas for improvement, as well as inform our future efforts to create a positive, welcoming and supportive school environment. This information will be used along with the We All Belong Survey findings to help promote an environment of respect, safety and belonging for students. School climate data also allows us to make informed and meaningful evidence-based decisions that support achievement and well-being.

This survey is **anonymous and confidential** so no one will know your responses to the questions. The survey is **voluntary** and you may skip any question you do not want to answer. The information you share will only be accessible by UCDSB staff in the Research Department.

Data collection open from Mar 18 to 28, 2024.

Data Collection Notification

This information is collected for educational purposes under the authority of the Policy/Program Memorandum PPM 119, 144 and 145- collecting climate school data from students and section 169.1(1) (2.1) of the Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 2 (as amended). The information will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1900, c. M. 56 (as amended).

If you have questions and/or concerns about the survey, please contact Dr. Kathleen Moss, Research Officer for the UCDSB, kathleen.moss@ucdsb.on.ca, 1-800-267-7131 ext. 1295

Thank you for your participation!

1. My teacher has read the above introduction of the survey and I understand that the survey is anonymous, voluntary, and confidential.
I have read and understand the Data Collection Notification as stated above.
I agree to participate in the survey.
* You must agree that you have read and understood the Data Collection Notification to participate in the survey.

Yes

No

2. Please select your school option below:

- Elementary School (Grades 4-6)
 Intermediate School (Grades 7-8)
 Secondary School (Grades 9-12)

3. Please select your (elementary/intermediate/secondary) school from the list below. Schools are in alphabetical order. (Drop-down menu)
4. What grade are you in? (Drop-down menu)
5. Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements regarding school climate for this school year, Spring 2024.

	Agree	Disagree
Do you feel like you belong at your school?		
Do you see yourself represented in the learning materials?		
Do you feel you are able to build friendships with other students at school?		
Do you feel safe at school?		
Do you worry about being bullied at school?		
Do you feel there is at least one caring adult who cares about you, wants you to do well and helps you to do well at school?		

	Agree	Disagree
Are you aware of mental health supports and services in order to seek supports for mental health?		
If you required mental health support, would you feel comfortable seeking support for your mental health?		
Are there extra-curricular activities that you are part of or would like to take part in but do not feel that you are welcome or that you belong?		

6. Thinking about your experience in school, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements:

	Agree	Disagree
I am interested in topics discussed in class.		
I enjoy participating in group projects.		
I feel comfortable expressing my opinions with other students in-class.		
I often participate in classroom projects that aim to help others.		
I see connections between what I am learning and my own life.		
I believe my learning is preparing me for the next step in my learning experience (ie. next grade, post secondary, etc).		

7. Select Skills you use in class:

- Learning to be a good person
- Collaboration (working in groups)
- Communication
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking (ie. Thinking about ideas or situations in order to understand them fully)
- Problem Solving

8. In class, how do you learn best? Please select one.

- Group Work
- Lab Assignments
- Multiple Choice Tests
- Real-World Learning (participating in practical, hands-on projects)
- Working Independently (by myself)
- Working with a teacher/staff member
- Written Assignments

9. For this school year, how often have you: (All the time, Often, Sometimes, Rarely, Never)

	Often	Sometimes	Never
Felt tired in the morning.			
Been absent from school because you were too tired or slept in.			
Felt stressed or pressured.			
Participate in extra-curricular activities at school? (ie. clubs, teams, band,tech).			

Don't forget to click the SUBMIT button below to send your responses.

Thank you for participating!

Reflecting on your life and your circumstances can be difficult and questions in this survey may lead to discomfort or upset. If you are experiencing difficult emotions during or following the completion of this survey, we encourage you to reach out for support. You can reach the Kids Help Phone at 1.800.668.6868 or find a listing of mental health supports in your community on UCDSB's Mental Health and Wellness - Community Supports and Services webpage.

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