

School District 4J School Climate Survey – Middle School Version

2009-2010 School Year

School	Race/Ethnicity (Circle one)				
Grade (Circle one) 6 7 8					
Gender (Circle one) Male (Boy) Female (Girl)	African American	Asian/Pacific Islander	Other:		
	Hispanic/Latino	Native American			
	White	Multi-Racial			
<p>Bullying means behavior that physically or emotionally harms another student, and therefore creates a difference in power between the two students; OR creates a situation where students do not feel safe to learn. <i>Examples: Persistent teasing; rumor spreading; physical intimidation, threats, or harm; cyber-bullying (using computers; cell phones (texting); or other devices to create fear or harm).</i></p> <p>Harassment is when students are bullied because of their race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, physical appearance, or because they have a disability.</p> <p>All questions are asking about behavior that happens “in school”. “In school” includes things that happen on the way to school; on the way home from school; or at school sponsored events (dances; athletic events)</p>					
	<i>Place a check mark in the box that applies on the right</i>	Never	Some of the time	Most of the time	Always
1	I feel safe from physical harm; intimidation; or threats.				
2	I feel safe from persistent teasing; rumor spreading; cyber-bullying; and other behaviors that could be emotionally hurtful.				
3	My teachers treat me with respect.				
4	Other students treat me with respect.				
<p>For Questions 5-20: Often means once a week or more Sometimes means 1-3 times per month Rarely means fewer than 3 times per year</p>					
	<i>Place a check mark in the box that applies on the right</i>	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
5	Use of profanity (swear words) is a problem.				
6	I have observed other students being bullied.				
7	I have been bullied.				
8	I have observed other students being harassed.				
9	I have been harassed.				
10	If you have been bullied or harassed, what methods (verbal, physical, technological) were used? a. Verbal (words were used to bully or harass me).				
	b. Physical (someone threatened me with physical harm, or someone assaulted me).				
	c. Technological (someone used a computer, cell phone, or other device to bully or harass me).				
11	I have observed harassment related to disabilities (example: calling someone “retard” or “cripple”).				
12	I have observed harassment related to physical appearance (example: calling someone “fatso”).				
13	I have observed harassment related to gender (example: sexist comments like “whore”).				
14	I have observed harassment related to sexual orientation (i.e., comments like “fag” or “dyke”).				
15	I have observed harassment related to race, color, or ethnicity (i.e., use of racial slurs).				

16	I have observed harassment related to socioeconomic status (i.e., harassing someone because they are poor)				
17	I have observed harassment related to religious beliefs. (i.e., insulting statements about religious beliefs. Examples: Jewish; Christian; Buddhist; Muslim; Atheist)				
18	I have participated in verbal bullying (persistent teasing or rumor spreading) or harassment.				
19	I have used physical intimidation or threats.				
20	I have used computers or other devices (e.g., text messaging) in a way that could be hurtful or intimidating to other students.				
<i>Place a check mark in the box that applies on the right</i>		YES		NO	
21	If I were being bullied or harassed at school, I would talk to a staff member (teacher; administrator; counselor; custodian; cook; etc.) for help.				
22	If I talk to staff members about these kinds of problems, I think they would listen and do things that help me feel supported.				
23	There is a way (a form or procedure students know about) for reporting harassment or bullying at my school that I know how to use if I needed or wanted to report an incident.				
<i>For Questions 21-22, choose the answer that is closest to what you believe is true</i>					
24	When is bullying or harassment most likely to occur?	During School	Before School	After School	
25	Where is bullying or harassment most likely to occur?	Never	Occasionally	Sometimes	Often
	a. Classrooms				
	b. Common Areas – hallways; lunchroom; bus stops				
	c. Locker Rooms				
	d. Off campus				
26	When a student is bullied or harassed, how are bystanders (other people who are watching) most likely to react?	Never	Occasionally	Sometimes	Often
	a. Bystanders are most likely to tell the person who is bullying to stop.				
	b. Bystanders are most likely to join in with the person who is doing the bullying or harassing.				
	c. Bystanders are most likely to walk away or say or do nothing to encourage the person who is doing the bullying.				
	d. Bystanders are most likely to try to comfort the victim.				
	e. Bystanders are most likely to encourage the victim to leave the location where the bullying is happening.				
27	When a student is bullied or harassed, which of the choices for action are most likely to solve the problem?	Doesn't Help	So-so (might help sometimes)		Effective or helpful
	a. Walk Away				
	b. Tell the person who is bullying to stop				
	c. Laugh it off				
	d. Fight back (e.g., return insults or threaten the person)				
	e. Ask a friend for advice				
	f. Tell a staff member (teacher; administrator; counselor)				
	g. Tell parent(s)				