## WCSD School Climate Surveys



Climate
Engagement
Safety
Relationships

## Favorite vs. Least Favorite Store

- Green Stickie: What's your favorite store?
- How are you treated, what does the building feel and look like?
- Orange Stickie: What's your least favorite store?
- How are you treated, what does the building feel and look like?

Share with a partner when you're done!

## School Climate

Talk at your table:

- In a school with a positive climate...
- How do people treat each other, how do students act, what does the building feel and look like?
- In a school with a negative climate...
- How do people treat each other, how do students act, what does the building feel and look like?
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## Climate Survey Background

- Students in grades $5-9$ and 11
- Climate Survey ( $N=11,566$ )
- Safety Survey ( $N=11,822$ )
- Online at school
- 82\% response rate
- All school staff in district
$-N=3,932$
- Online
- 68\% response rate


## Did you know?

We have 6 years of data from the three surveys!

All reports available on School Climate Website:
http://www.washoeschools.net /Domain/23 I

## Climate Survey

## Student Perceptions of School by School Level

## Percentage of Students Who Agree or Strongly Agree in Each Scale, by School Level


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## Sort the Relationship Skills from Easiest to Hardest with 1 = Hardest to Do and 6 = Easiest to Do

## Introducing myself to a new student at school.

Getting along with my classmates.

Joining a group I don't usually sit with at lunch.
___Sharing what I am feeling with others.
___ Being polite to adults.

Talking to an adult when I
have problems at school.


## Find a Partner

- Describe to partner why you ranked the difficulty of the questions the way you did.
- After you see answer key:
- How did your expectations match (or not match) the answer key?
-What surprised you?

2. Joining a group I don't usually sit with at lunch.

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3. Sharing what I am feeling with others.
4. Getting along with my classmates.

5. Introducing myself to a new student at school.
6. Being polite to adults.

# Relationship Skills 



- Sharing what I am feeling with others.

■ Joining a group I don't usually sit with at lunch.

- Talking to my friends about how I feel when I am upset with them.
$■$ Talking to an adult when I have problems at school.
■ Joining a group that is already talking.
■ Forgiving myself if I hurt someone's feelings, after I apologize to them.
$■$ Talking to classmates about why they feel a certain way.
■ Forgiving classmates when they upset me.
$\square$ Working out disagreements on group projects.
■ Helping other people solve their disagreements.
■ Getting along with others even when I am having a bad day.
$\square$ Getting along with classmates even if I disagree with them.
- Stopping myself before I hurt someone's feelings.

Getting along with adults at school even when we disagree.
■ Introducing myself to a new student at school.
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- Using my skills to make my group better.
$\square$ Fixing problems I am having with my friends.
■ Getting along well with anyone my teacher assigns me to work with.

■ Making sure that everyone's ideas are heard in a group.
■ Apologizing If I ever upset a classmate.
■ Respecting a classmate's opinions during a disagreement.

- Getting along with my classmates.

Being polite to classmates.
$\square$ Being polite to adults.

## Teacher Climate Survey

## Quiz: What \% of middle school teachers say they are stressed and burned out at school?

a. $75 \%$
b. $55 \%$
c. $35 \%$
d. $15 \%$

Percentage of Teachers Who Agree/Strongly Agree They Have Excessive Work Stress

Percentage of Students Who Agree/Strongly Agree Staff at Their School Really Care about

Every Student


## Student Safety Survey

Quiz: In 2016, what \% of $11^{\text {th }}$ grade students say they have used alcohol in the past 30 days?
a. $41 \%$
b. $31 \%$
c. $21 \%$
d. $11 \%$

## Percentage of Students Using Alcohol and Marijuana

 at Least One Time in Past 30 Days by Grade Level (2012 vs. 2016)

## Percentage of Students Who Believe There Is Risk and

 Social Disapproval for Using Alcohol and Marijuana

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It is risky or very risky to drink alcohol and use illegal substances alcohol and illegal substances
$\square$ Grade 7
$\square$ Grade 9
$\square$ Grade II

My peers would disapprove of me using

## Y Activity



> Tools for Bringing
> Student Ideas into School Change



## Y Does the Data Look This Way?

- Pick a topic:
- Decline in Engagement: Why are students less satisfied with school in middle and high school compared to elementary school?
- Relationship Skills: Why are some relationship skills harder for students and how can we improve them?
- Staff: Why are so many staff feeling work stress and how can students help?
- Drug/Alcohol Use: Why does drug and alcohol use increase in high school?

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## Solving the $Y$

Why does drug and alcohol use increase?

Why is this happening?

What can we do to improve the data?

## Thank you!

# Don't forget to check out YOUR school's report online. 

http://www.washoeschools.net/Domain/23I

