

# Student Voice Survey Questions



## Welcome to the Student Voice Survey

Thank you for being a part of this pilot to test our survey.

The survey has a number of statements which focus on you and your experiences in your school | kura. Please respond to each statement with the word/s that best describe you and your experience in your school | kura in the last month.

You will be using a scale to select your responses. The choices are:

- **Rarely/Seldom:** Does not happen very often at all
- **Sometimes:** Happens some of the time
- **Often:** Happens a lot of the time
- **Almost Always:** Happens just about all the time

Please select the response that most closely matches your experience in the last month.

## Survey Questions

### \*Year Level (select one)

- Year 7
- Year 8
- Year 9
- Year 10
- Year 11
- Year 12
- Year 13+

## Core Questions:

### Teaching and Learning

1. The teaching and learning activities in my classes help me with my learning.
2. My school helps me access resources I need to learn and participate.
3. At my school, I feel safe to express my thoughts and ideas when I want to.
4. My school supports me to manage my schoolwork.
5. At my school, there are spaces I can use to study or work free from distractions.

### **Culture and Identity**

6. The culture and beliefs of my family and whānau are understood and supported at my school.
7. There are teachers who understand and promote Māori culture, practices and language (te reo Māori).
8. I am able to communicate my thoughts and ideas in different ways that help me to be understood (e.g., other languages, drawings etc.).
9. My school allows students to wear culturally significant items.
10. My school helps me balance my schoolwork and responsibilities to my family/community.
11. People at my school try to say my name properly.

### **Opportunities and Interests**

12. My school provides opportunities to participate in sport and fitness activities.
13. My school has a range of activities and interest groups I can participate in outside of the classroom.
14. My school has leadership opportunities which are relevant for me.

### **Looking After Myself**

15. I am able to take breaks when I need to at my school.
16. I have enough energy to get me through the school day.
17. My school provides access to health and wellbeing guidance, and/or counselling support.
18. My school provides me with information and strategies about how I can look after my own wellbeing.
19. The food available at my school is affordable and healthy.

### **Feeling Safe**

20. I am physically safe at my school.
21. I am emotionally safe at my school.
22. I am able to be myself at school.
23. Rules are applied fairly at my school.

### **Trust**

24. There is an adult in my school who I can go to for advice or help.

25. The students and teachers trust each other.
26. I am able to trust other students.
27. I trust my school to manage my personal information carefully.

### Belonging

28. At my school, I have one or more friends who I can talk to and who help me.
29. There are opportunities for my family, whānau and/or caregivers to be involved at my school.

### Environment

30. The school buildings and grounds are clean and well looked after.
31. I can access all areas of my school that I need to go to (classroom, hall, bathroom, doors/stairs, office, etc.).

### My Voice

32. I know my school will try to use my feedback to help improve my experience at school.

### Attendance:

\*33. How often have you missed school in the last month? (select one)

- Never/rarely (0-1 days)
- Sometimes (2-4 days)
- Often (5-8 days)
- Very often (more than 8 days)
- Prefer not to share

34. If you selected Sometimes, Often, or Very often, what are the main reasons you missed school? (select as many as apply)

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was physically unwell                      | <input type="checkbox"/> I had issues with other students                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was too tired                              | <input type="checkbox"/> I had issues with teachers or staff                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I didn't feel safe at school                 | <input type="checkbox"/> I had other activities or commitments                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I had family responsibilities                | <input type="checkbox"/> I didn't have the required stationery                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was looking after a family member          | <input type="checkbox"/> I didn't have the required technology (Chromebook/laptop) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I found the schoolwork too difficult         |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I wasn't interested in what was being taught |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was on a family holiday                    |  |

- I had transport difficulties
   
  Other / Reason not listed  
 I didn't have the school uniform  
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 Prefer not to share

## Demographic Questions:

### Groups You Identify With

It's important for us to hear from a wide range of students. The questions about yourself help us to better understand the different student groups we are hearing from.

**Please note:** Your responses are completely private and anonymous and cannot be linked back to you in any way.

Some of the questions require an answer and some are optional. Questions that are optional are clearly labelled. You don't have to answer these questions.

If you don't understand what this means or are unsure, you can talk to your teacher or other trusted adult before you decide to complete the survey.

### \* Ethnicity (select as many as apply)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Māori                | <input type="checkbox"/> Niuean                | <input type="checkbox"/> Indian          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NZ European / Pākehā | <input type="checkbox"/> Tokelauan             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Asian     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other European       | <input type="checkbox"/> Fijian                | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific Peoples | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin American  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Islands Māori   | <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast Asian       | <input type="checkbox"/> African         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tongan               | <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Ethnicity |

### Would you describe yourself as any of the following? (select as many as apply)

- Migrant | Refugee  
 Having a learning need and/or physical disability  
 Rainbow/LGBTQI+  
 None of the above

### \*Gender (select one)

- Female/Wāhine  
 Male/Tāne  
 Gender Diverse  
 Prefer not to share

## Follow Up Questions:

**\*(Years 11-13 only as per MoE requirements)**

You have been given the option of responding to the following set of statements. Please select the response that best fits you and your experience in your school | kura.

You can choose to answer some or all of these questions.

I am able to express my sexual identity at my school.

Rarely/Seldom                      Sometimes                      Often                      Almost Always

                                                                

I am able to express my gender identity at my school.

Rarely/Seldom                      Sometimes                      Often                      Almost Always

                                                                

At my school people use and respect my pronouns.

Rarely/Seldom                      Sometimes                      Often                      Almost Always

                                                                

I am able to wear the uniform/clothing that is most comfortable for my gender identity at my school.

Rarely/Seldom                      Sometimes                      Often                      Almost Always

                                                                

At my school, we are able to organise groups and events that provide a safe space for Rainbow/LGBTQI+ students to connect.

Rarely/Seldom                      Sometimes                      Often                      Almost Always