Student Engagement Survey for Secondary Students: Tarpon Springs Middle School

Results

2021-2022 School Year
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Overall Engagement

Please rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.

- I come to school prepared. (N=403)
  - Strongly Agree: 24%
  - Agree: 55%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 18%
  - Disagree: 6%
  - Strongly Disagree: 33%

- I try my best in school. (N=403)
  - Strongly Agree: 33%
  - Agree: 47%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 17%
  - Disagree: 22%
  - Strongly Disagree: 18%

- I enjoy what I am learning in school. (N=403)
  - Strongly Agree: 6%
  - Agree: 22%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 48%
  - Disagree: 17%
  - Strongly Disagree: 7%

- I think what I’m learning in school is important. (N=403)
  - Strongly Agree: 18%
  - Agree: 34%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 34%
  - Disagree: 9%
  - Strongly Disagree: 6%

- I am proud to go to this school. (N=403)
  - Strongly Agree: 19%
  - Agree: 31%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 32%
  - Disagree: 10%
  - Strongly Disagree: 8%
Overall Engagement (Continued)

Please rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.

I have a lot in common with other students in this school. (N=403)
- Strongly Agree: 13%
- Agree: 38%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 29%
- Disagree: 14%
- Strongly Disagree: 6%

I spend time with at least one friend at lunchtime. (N=403)
- Strongly Agree: 48%
- Agree: 25%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 8%
- Disagree: 9%
- Strongly Disagree: 11%

I have positive relationships with adults in my school. (N=403)
- Strongly Agree: 26%
- Agree: 39%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 27%
Overall Engagement: Comparison Over Time

Please rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.

- I come to school prepared.
  - 2021-2022: 79%
  - 2020-2021: 77%

- I try my best in school.
  - 2021-2022: 80%
  - 2020-2021: 78%

- I enjoy what I am learning in school.
  - 2021-2022: 28%
  - 2020-2021: 29%

- I think what I’m learning in school is important.
  - 2021-2022: 52%
  - 2020-2021: 53%

Answer options: Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Disagree, Strongly Agree
Overall Engagement: Comparison Over Time (Continued)

Please rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.

I am proud to go to this school.
- 2021-2022 (N=403): 50%
- 2020-2021 (N=299): 42%

I have a lot in common with other students in this school.
- 2021-2022 (N=403): 51%
- 2020-2021 (N=299): 37%

I spend time with at least one friend at lunchtime.
- 2021-2022 (N=403): 73%
- 2020-2021 (N=299): 55%

I have positive relationships with adults in my school.
- 2021-2022 (N=403): 65%
- 2020-2021 (N=299): 53%

Answer options: Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Disagree, Strongly Agree
Like School

How frequently do you feel the following statement is true?
Generally, I like school. (N=402)

- Almost Always or Always: 45%
- Often: 27%
- Seldom: 17%
- Rarely or Never: 11%
Like School: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statement is true?
Generally, I like school.

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Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Class Experience

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **My classes are fun.** (N=403)
  - 9% Almost Always or Always
  - 41% Often
  - 38% Seldom
  - 11% Rarely or Never

- **My classes are challenging.** (N=400)
  - 17% Almost Always or Always
  - 48% Often
  - 26% Seldom
  - 10% Rarely or Never

- **My classes let me be creative.** (N=400)
  - 12% Almost Always or Always
  - 33% Often
  - 35% Seldom
  - 21% Rarely or Never

- **I learn a lot in my classes.** (N=399)
  - 25% Almost Always or Always
  - 46% Often
  - 24% Seldom
  - 5% Rarely or Never
Class Experience: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My classes are fun.
  - 2021-2022 (N=401): 51%
  - 2020-2021 (N=298): 49%
- My classes are challenging.
  - 2021-2022 (N=401): 65%
  - 2020-2021 (N=298): 57%
- My classes let me be creative.
  - 2021-2022 (N=401): 45%
  - 2020-2021 (N=298): 40%
- I learn a lot in my classes.
  - 2021-2022 (N=401): 71%
  - 2020-2021 (N=298): 70%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Student Experience

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- School helps me discover my strongest skills. (N=401)
  - Almost Always or Always: 16%
  - Often: 33%
  - Seldom: 30%
  - Rarely or Never: 20%

- School helps me discover my skills that need work. (N=402)
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 46%
  - Seldom: 22%
  - Rarely or Never: 9%

- I feel what I learn in school helps me become a better student. (N=402)
  - Almost Always or Always: 20%
  - Often: 38%
  - Seldom: 29%
  - Rarely or Never: 13%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Student Experience: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- School helps me discover my strongest skills.
  - 2021-2022: 49%
  - 2020-2021: 46%

- School helps me discover my skills that need work.
  - 2021-2022: 68%
  - 2020-2021: 68%

- I feel what I learn in school helps me become a better student.
  - 2021-2022: 58%
  - 2020-2021: 60%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Academic Support

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My teachers include me in classroom discussions. (N=403)
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 24%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%

- My teachers encourage me to do my best. (N=402)
  - Almost Always or Always: 41%
  - Often: 43%
  - Seldom: 12%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- My teachers do not give up on me. (N=402)
  - Almost Always or Always: 41%
  - Often: 38%
  - Seldom: 17%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I can count on my teachers to help me if I have difficulty in school. (N=402)
  - Almost Always or Always: 29%
  - Often: 41%
  - Seldom: 24%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%
Academic Support: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My teachers include me in classroom discussions.
  - 2021-2022: 69%
  - 2020-2021: 65%

- My teachers encourage me to do my best.
  - 2021-2022: 84%
  - 2020-2021: 81%

- My teachers do not give up on me.
  - 2021-2022: 78%
  - 2020-2021: 76%

- I can count on my teachers to help me if I have difficulty in school.
  - 2021-2022: 70%
  - 2020-2021: 69%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Relevance

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I see how I’m learning in school relates to the outside world. (N=402)

- Almost Always or Always: 8%
- Often: 29%
- Seldom: 37%
- Rarely or Never: 27%

I see how what I’m learning in school relates to my future. (N=402)

- Almost Always or Always: 17%
- Often: 36%
- Seldom: 28%
- Rarely or Never: 18%

I see how subjects relate to one another. (N=403)

- Almost Always or Always: 16%
- Often: 42%
- Seldom: 31%
- Rarely or Never: 12%
Relevance: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I see how what I’m learning in school relates to the outside world.
  - 2021-2022 (N=402): 36%
  - 2020-2021 (N=299): 37%

- I see how what I’m learning in school relates to my future.
  - 2021-2022 (N=402): 54%
  - 2020-2021 (N=299): 49%

- I see how subjects relate to one another.
  - 2021-2022 (N=402): 58%
  - 2020-2021 (N=299): 59%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Self-Management

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I am nice to my classmates. (N=401)
  - Almost Always or Always: 47%
  - Often: 43%
  - Seldom: 7%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%

- I am nice to my teacher(s). (N=400)
  - Almost Always or Always: 64%
  - Often: 30%
  - Seldom: 5%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I follow school and classroom rules. (N=399)
  - Almost Always or Always: 51%
  - Often: 41%
  - Seldom: 7%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%

- I put schoolwork before other activities when necessary. (N=400)
  - Almost Always or Always: 18%
  - Often: 40%
  - Seldom: 30%
  - Rarely or Never: 12%
Self-Management: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I am nice to my classmates.
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How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I’m willing to try new activities. (N=402)  
  - Almost Always or Always: 24%  
  - Often: 47%  
  - Seldom: 24%  
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I continue to try, even when an activity is difficult. (N=401)  
  - Almost Always or Always: 25%  
  - Often: 45%  
  - Seldom: 24%  
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- I finish activities that I start. (N=401)  
  - Almost Always or Always: 24%  
  - Often: 46%  
  - Seldom: 25%  
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I ask for help when I don’t understand something. (N=402)  
  - Almost Always or Always: 21%  
  - Often: 32%  
  - Seldom: 29%  
  - Rarely or Never: 18%
Grit: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I’m willing to try new activities.
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Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never

Percentage Almost Always or Always or Often
Involvement

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **I participate in class activities and discussions. (N=401)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 45%
  - Seldom: 25%
  - Rarely or Never: 8%

- **I attend school activities/events. (N=400)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 12%
  - Often: 36%
  - Seldom: 31%
  - Rarely or Never: 22%

- **I share my ideas to make this school better. (N=399)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 9%
  - Often: 20%
  - Seldom: 32%
  - Rarely or Never: 39%

- **I encourage other students to get involved in school and activities. (N=400)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 10%
  - Often: 25%
  - Seldom: 32%
  - Rarely or Never: 33%
Involvement: Comparison Over Time

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Future Goals

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I feel good about my future opportunities. (N=403)
- 28% Almost Always or Always
- 44% Often
- 21% Seldom
- 6% Rarely or Never

I believe I will be successful after I graduate high school. (N=403)
- 44% Almost Always or Always
- 38% Often
- 14% Seldom
- 12% Rarely or Never

I believe that I will have a career that interests me. (N=403)
- 47% Almost Always or Always
- 36% Often
- 12% Seldom
- 5% Rarely or Never
Future Goals: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel good about my future opportunities.
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<td>I believe I will be successful after I graduate high school.</td>
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<td>I believe that I will have a career that interests me.</td>
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Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Post-High School Plans

Which of the following best describes your plans for after high school? (N=403)

- I plan to go to college. 61%
- I plan to go to a technical school. 3%
- I plan to enter an apprenticeship program that combines on-the-job training with academic instruction. 1%
- I plan to enlist in the military. 5%
- I plan to join a volunteer organization. 1%
- I don’t plan to go to school. I plan to work full time. 3%
- I don’t know. 14%
- Other (Please specify) 11%
Acceptance

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I feel good about myself at school. (N=399)
- Almost Always or Always: 18%
- Often: 39%
- Seldom: 30%
- Rarely or Never: 13%

I feel respected in this school. (N=400)
- Almost Always or Always: 14%
- Often: 38%
- Seldom: 34%
- Rarely or Never: 15%

I feel accepted in this school. (N=399)
- Almost Always or Always: 20%
- Often: 42%
- Seldom: 26%
- Rarely or Never: 12%

I feel like I belong in this school. (N=398)
- Almost Always or Always: 18%
- Often: 42%
- Seldom: 27%
- Rarely or Never: 13%
Acceptance: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel good about myself at school: 57% (2021-2022), 53% (2020-2021)
- I feel respected in this school: 52% (2021-2022), 52% (2020-2021)
- I feel accepted in this school: 62% (2021-2022), 60% (2020-2021)
- I feel like I belong in this school: 60% (2021-2022), 50% (2020-2021)

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Relationships with Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statement are true?

- I work in class with students other than my friends. (N=402)
  - 13% Almost Always or Always
  - 25% Often
  - 40% Seldom
  - 22% Rarely or Never

- I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school. (N=402)
  - 40% Almost Always or Always
  - 28% Often
  - 15% Seldom
  - 17% Rarely or Never

- I interact with students other than my friends outside of class. (N=401)
  - 12% Almost Always or Always
  - 25% Often
  - 26% Seldom
  - 36% Rarely or Never

- I can talk about problems with my friends from school. (N=401)
  - 33% Almost Always or Always
  - 29% Often
  - 19% Seldom
  - 20% Rarely or Never
Relationships with Peers: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statement are true?

I work in class with students other than my friends.
- 38% Almost Always/Always
- 37% Often

I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school.
- 68% Almost Always/Always
- 67% Often

I interact with students other than my friends outside of class.
- 37% Almost Always/Always
- 31% Often

I can talk about problems with my friends from school.
- 61% Almost Always/Always
- 52% Often

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never

Percentage Almost Always or Always or Often

- 2021-2022 (N=402)
- 2020-2021 (N=298)
Perceptions of Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **My friends take school seriously. (N=402)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 12%
  - Often: 44%
  - Seldom: 33%
  - Rarely or Never: 11%

- **My friends try their best in school. (N=401)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 21%
  - Often: 48%
  - Seldom: 24%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%

- **My friends like school. (N=402)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 8%
  - Often: 26%
  - Seldom: 35%
  - Rarely or Never: 31%
Perceptions of Peers: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My friends take school seriously.
  - 2021-2022: 56%
  - 2020-2021: 56%
- My friends try their best in school.
  - 2021-2022: 69%
  - 2020-2021: 69%
- My friends like school.
  - 2021-2022: 34%
  - 2020-2021: 31%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Relationships with Adults

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I feel supported by my teachers. (N=403)

Almost Always or Always: 24%
Often: 48%
Seldom: 21%
Rarely or Never: 7%

I feel supported by other adults who work in this school. (N=401)

Almost Always or Always: 20%
Often: 42%
Seldom: 26%
Rarely or Never: 11%

I am comfortable being myself around adults at this school. (N=403)

Almost Always or Always: 19%
Often: 32%
Seldom: 30%
Rarely or Never: 19%
Relationships with Adults: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel supported by my teachers.
  - 2021-2022: 72%
  - 2020-2021: 67%

- I feel supported by other adults who work in this school.
  - 2021-2022: 62%
  - 2020-2021: 58%

- I am comfortable being myself around adults at this school.
  - 2021-2022: 51%
  - 2020-2021: 46%

Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never