Student Engagement Survey for Secondary Students: Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School

Results

2021-2022 School Year
# Participation

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<td>693</td>
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Overall Engagement

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

- I come to school prepared. (N=693)
  - Strongly Agree: 31%
  - Agree: 56%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 7%
  - Disagree: 10%
  - Strongly Disagree: 2%

- I try my best in school. (N=693)
  - Strongly Agree: 34%
  - Agree: 49%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 14%
  - Disagree: 1%
  - Strongly Disagree: 2%

- I enjoy what I am learning in school. (N=693)
  - Strongly Agree: 7%
  - Agree: 27%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 46%
  - Disagree: 13%
  - Strongly Disagree: 7%

- I think what I’m learning in school is important. (N=693)
  - Strongly Agree: 18%
  - Agree: 36%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 32%
  - Disagree: 9%
  - Strongly Disagree: 5%

- I am proud to go to this school. (N=693)
  - Strongly Agree: 22%
  - Agree: 37%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 31%
  - Disagree: 6%
  - Strongly Disagree: 2%
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.**
  
  - Strongly Agree: 18%
  - Agree: 38%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 29%
  - Disagree: 10%
  - Strongly Disagree: 5%
  
  (N=693)

- **I spend time with at least one friend at lunchtime.**
  
  - Strongly Agree: 66%
  - Agree: 27%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 5%
  
  (N=693)

- **I have positive relationships with adults in my school.**
  
  - Strongly Agree: 25%
  - Agree: 43%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 24%
  - Disagree: 5%
  - Strongly Disagree: 2%
  
  (N=693)
Overall Engagement: Comparison Over Time

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

I come to school prepared.  
- 2021-2022 (N=693): 87% Strongly Agree, 89% Agree  
- 2020-2021 (N=650): 83% Strongly Agree, 84% Agree

I try my best in school.  
- 2021-2022 (N=693): 34% Strongly Agree, 34% Agree  
- 2020-2021 (N=650): 34% Strongly Agree, 34% Agree

I enjoy what I am learning in school.  
- 2021-2022 (N=693): 54% Strongly Agree, 53% Agree  
- 2020-2021 (N=650): 54% Strongly Agree, 53% Agree

I think what I’m learning in school is important.  
- 2021-2022 (N=693): 87% Strongly Agree, 89% Agree  
- 2020-2021 (N=650): 83% Strongly Agree, 84% Agree

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: 58% Strongly Agree, 66% Agree
  - 2020-2021: 66% Agree

- I have a lot in common with other students in this school.
  - 2021-2022: 56% Strongly Agree, 56% Agree
  - 2020-2021: 56% Agree

- I spend time with at least one friend at lunchtime.
  - 2021-2022: 77% Agree
  - 2020-2021: 68% Agree

- I have positive relationships with adults in my school.
  - 2021-2022: 68% Agree
  - 2020-2021: 68% Agree

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=687)
Like School: Comparison Over Time

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

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<th>2021-2022 (N=687)</th>
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<td>Often</td>
<td>47%</td>
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<td>Seldom</td>
<td>26%</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>Rarely or Never</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>14%</td>
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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=691)**
  - 9% Almost Always or Always
  - 49% Often
  - 34% Seldom
  - 8% Rarely or Never

- **My classes are challenging. (N=687)**
  - 21% Almost Always or Always
  - 54% Often
  - 20% Seldom
  - 5% Rarely or Never

- **My classes let me be creative. (N=685)**
  - 11% Almost Always or Always
  - 42% Often
  - 34% Seldom
  - 13% Rarely or Never

- **I learn a lot in my classes. (N=687)**
  - 26% Almost Always or Always
  - 47% Often
  - 23% Seldom
  - 0% Rarely or Never
Class Experience: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My classes are fun.
  - 2021-2022: 59% (N=688)
  - 2020-2021: 53% (N=645)

- My classes are challenging.
  - 2021-2022: 73% (N=688)
  - 2020-2021: 75% (N=645)

- My classes let me be creative.
  - 2021-2022: 53% (N=688)
  - 2020-2021: 53% (N=645)

- I learn a lot in my classes.
  - 2021-2022: 74% (N=688)
  - 2020-2021: 74% (N=645)

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=691)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 36%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 22%
  - Rarely or Never: 14%

- **School helps me discover my skills that need work. (N=689)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 27%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 20%
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- **I feel what I learn in school helps me become a better student. (N=689)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 42%
  - Seldom: 27%
  - Rarely or Never: 9%
Student Experience: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- School helps me discover my strongest skills.
  - 2021-2022 (N=690): 53%
  - 2020-2021 (N=646): 49%

- School helps me discover my skills that need work.
  - 2021-2022 (N=690): 74%
  - 2020-2021 (N=646): 74%

- I feel what I learn in school helps me become a better student.
  - 2021-2022 (N=690): 64%
  - 2020-2021 (N=646): 62%

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

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

1. My teachers include me in classroom discussions. (N=691)
   - Almost Always or Always: 27%
   - Often: 49%
   - Seldom: 19%
   - Rarely or Never: 5%

2. My teachers encourage me to do my best. (N=691)
   - Almost Always or Always: 39%
   - Often: 43%
   - Seldom: 16%

3. My teachers do not give up on me. (N=685)
   - Almost Always or Always: 36%
   - Often: 44%
   - Seldom: 16%

4. I can count on my teachers to help me if I have difficulty in school. (N=690)
   - Almost Always or Always: 29%
   - Often: 44%
   - Seldom: 21%
   - Rarely or Never: 6%
Academic Support: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My teachers include me in classroom discussions.
  - 2021-2022: 76%
  - 2020-2021: 78%

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

- My teachers do not give up on me.
  - 2021-2022: 80%
  - 2020-2021: 83%

- I can count on my teachers to help me if I have difficulty in school.
  - 2021-2022: 73%
  - 2020-2021: 74%

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

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I see how what I’m learning in school relates to the outside world. (N=692)
- 11%: Almost Always or Always
- 30%: Often
- 36%: Seldom
- 22%: Rarely or Never

I see how what I’m learning in school relates to my future. (N=691)
- 20%: Almost Always or Always
- 38%: Often
- 29%: Seldom
- 14%: Rarely or Never

I see how subjects relate to one another. (N=690)
- 21%: Almost Always or Always
- 45%: Often
- 24%: Seldom
- 10%: Rarely or Never
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: 41% (N=691)
  - 2020-2021: 39% (N=647)

- I see how what I’m learning in school relates to my future.
  - 2021-2022: 58% (N=691)
  - 2020-2021: 52% (N=647)

- I see how subjects relate to one another.
  - 2021-2022: 66% (N=691)
  - 2020-2021: 68% (N=647)

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=690)
  - Almost Always or Always: 51%
  - Often: 40%
  - Seldom: 6%
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- I am nice to my teacher(s). (N=688)
  - Almost Always or Always: 65%
  - Often: 28%
  - Seldom: 5%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I follow school and classroom rules. (N=688)
  - Almost Always or Always: 54%
  - Often: 40%
  - Seldom: 5%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I put schoolwork before other activities when necessary. (N=687)
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 23%
  - Rarely or Never: 8%
How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I am nice to my classmates.
- I am nice to my teacher(s).
- I follow school and classroom rules.
- I put schoolwork before other activities when necessary.

**Percentage Almost Always or Always or Often**

- **I am nice to my classmates.**
  - 2021-2022 (N=688): 91%
  - 2020-2021 (N=648): 93%

- **I am nice to my teacher(s).**
  - 2021-2022 (N=688): 93%
  - 2020-2021 (N=648): 96%

- **I follow school and classroom rules.**
  - 2021-2022 (N=688): 94%
  - 2020-2021 (N=648): 95%

- **I put schoolwork before other activities when necessary.**
  - 2021-2022 (N=688): 69%
  - 2020-2021 (N=648): 69%

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

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I’m willing to try new activities. (N=693)
- Almost Always or Always: 31%
- Often: 47%
- Seldom: 17%
- Rarely or Never: 5%

I continue to try, even when an activity is difficult. (N=691)
- Almost Always or Always: 28%
- Often: 48%
- Seldom: 19%
- Rarely or Never: 5%

I finish activities that I start. (N=692)
- Almost Always or Always: 26%
- Often: 48%
- Seldom: 23%
- Rarely or Never: 5%

I ask for help when I don’t understand something. (N=693)
- Almost Always or Always: 24%
- Often: 39%
- Seldom: 23%
- Rarely or Never: 14%
Grit: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

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<td>I continue to try, even when an activity is difficult.</td>
<td>76%</td>
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<td>I finish activities that I start.</td>
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<td>I ask for help when I don’t understand something.</td>
<td>63%</td>
<td>57%</td>
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Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Involvement

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I participate in class activities and discussions. (N=690)
  - Almost Always or Always: 32%
  - Often: 44%
  - Seldom: 19%
  - Rarely or Never: 5%

- I attend school activities/events. (N=690)
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 41%
  - Seldom: 27%
  - Rarely or Never: 10%

- I share my ideas to make this school better. (N=690)
  - Almost Always or Always: 12%
  - Often: 26%
  - Seldom: 33%
  - Rarely or Never: 29%

- I encourage other students to get involved in school and activities. (N=687)
  - Almost Always or Always: 16%
  - Often: 28%
  - Seldom: 31%
  - Rarely or Never: 26%
Involvement: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I participate in class activities and discussions.
  - 76% (2021-2022), 73% (2020-2021)
- I attend school activities/events.
  - 63% (2021-2022), 55% (2020-2021)
- I share my ideas to make this school better.
  - 38% (2021-2022), 33% (2020-2021)
- I encourage other students to get involved in school and activities.
  - 43% (2021-2022), 31% (2020-2021)

Answers: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never
Future Goals

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel good about my future opportunities. (N=691)
  - Almost Always or Always: 38%
  - Often: 43%
  - Seldom: 15%

- I believe I will be successful after I graduate high school. (N=690)
  - Almost Always or Always: 49%
  - Often: 35%
  - Seldom: 12%

- I believe that I will have a career that interests me. (N=691)
  - Almost Always or Always: 51%
  - Often: 35%
  - Seldom: 11%
Future Goals: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

1. I feel good about my future opportunities.
   - 2021-2022 (N=691): 81%
   - 2020-2021 (N=649): 80%

2. I believe I will be successful after I graduate high school.
   - 2021-2022 (N=691): 84%
   - 2020-2021 (N=649): 86%

3. I believe that I will have a career that interests me.
   - 2021-2022 (N=691): 86%
   - 2020-2021 (N=649): 85%

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=691)

- I plan to go to college. 68%
- I plan to go to a technical school. 2%
- I plan to enter an apprenticeship program that combines on-the-job training with academic instruction. 2%
- I plan to enlist in the military. 2%
- I plan to join a volunteer organization. 1%
- I don’t plan to go to school. I plan to work full time. 2%
- I don’t know. 13%
- Other (Please specify) 10%
Acceptance

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I feel good about myself at school. (N=689)

- 25% Almost Always or Always
- 42% Often
- 22% Seldom
- 11% Rarely or Never

I feel respected in this school. (N=689)

- 19% Almost Always or Always
- 42% Often
- 26% Seldom
- 13% Rarely or Never

I feel accepted in this school. (N=689)

- 25% Almost Always or Always
- 43% Often
- 22% Seldom
- 10% Rarely or Never

I feel like I belong in this school. (N=686)

- 25% Almost Always or Always
- 41% Often
- 23% Seldom
- 11% Rarely or Never
Acceptance: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel good about myself at school.
  - 2021-2022: 68% Almost Always or Always or Often
  - 2020-2021: 66%

- I feel respected in this school.
  - 2021-2022: 64%
  - 2020-2021: 61%

- I feel accepted in this school.
  - 2021-2022: 68%
  - 2020-2021: 68%

- I feel like I belong in this school.
  - 2021-2022: 66%
  - 2020-2021: 69%
Relationships with Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statement are true?

1. I work in class with students other than my friends. (N=690)
   - Almost Always or Always: 17%
   - Often: 34%
   - Seldom: 32%
   - Rarely or Never: 18%

2. I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school. (N=693)
   - Almost Always or Always: 43%
   - Often: 31%
   - Seldom: 13%
   - Rarely or Never: 12%

3. I interact with students other than my friends outside of class. (N=693)
   - Almost Always or Always: 22%
   - Often: 29%
   - Seldom: 23%
   - Rarely or Never: 27%

4. I can talk about problems with my friends from school. (N=693)
   - Almost Always or Always: 34%
   - Often: 33%
   - Seldom: 20%
   - Rarely or Never: 14%
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.
- I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school.
- I interact with students other than my friends outside of class.
- I can talk about problems with my friends from school.

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<td>51%</td>
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<td>I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school.</td>
<td>75%</td>
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<td>I interact with students other than my friends outside of class.</td>
<td>50%</td>
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<td>I can talk about problems with my friends from school.</td>
<td>67%</td>
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Answer options: Almost Always/Always, Often, Seldom, Rarely/Never

- 2021-2022 (N=692)
- 2020-2021 (N=648)
Perceptions of Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My friends take school seriously. (N=692)
  - Almost Always or Always: 20%
  - Often: 46%
  - Seldom: 27%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%

- My friends try their best in school. (N=691)
  - Almost Always or Always: 25%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 22%
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- My friends like school. (N=691)
  - Almost Always or Always: 12%
  - Often: 29%
  - Seldom: 37%
  - Rarely or Never: 23%
Perceptions of Peers: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- My friends take school seriously.
- My friends try their best in school.
- My friends like school.

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

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<td>69%</td>
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<td>My friends try their best in school.</td>
<td>72%</td>
<td>74%</td>
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<td>My friends like school.</td>
<td>41%</td>
<td>39%</td>
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**Relationships with Adults**

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **I feel supported by my teachers.** (N=693)
  - Almost Always or Always: 28%
  - Often: 42%
  - Seldom: 23%
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- **I feel supported by other adults who work in this school.** (N=692)
  - Almost Always or Always: 22%
  - Often: 44%
  - Seldom: 25%
  - Rarely or Never: 9%

- **I am comfortable being myself around adults at this school.** (N=692)
  - Almost Always or Always: 21%
  - Often: 37%
  - Seldom: 26%
  - Rarely or Never: 16%
Relationships with Adults: Comparison Over Time

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel supported by my teachers.
  - 2021-2022 (N=692) - 71%
  - 2020-2021 (N=649) - 74%

- I feel supported by other adults who work in this school.
  - 2021-2022 (N=692) - 66%
  - 2020-2021 (N=649) - 65%

- I am comfortable being myself around adults at this school.
  - 2021-2022 (N=692) - 58%
  - 2020-2021 (N=649) - 56%

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