2020-2021 Student Engagement Survey: Tarpon Springs Middle School

Results

May 24 - June 11, 2021
## Participation

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Secondary Students

Like School

How frequently do you feel the following statement is true?

Generally, I like school. (N=297)

- Almost Always or Always: 11%
- Often: 39%
- Seldom: 27%
- Rarely or Never: 23%
Overall Engagement

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

- I come to school prepared. (N=299)
  - Strongly Agree: 23%
  - Agree: 54%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 19%

- I try my best in school. (N=299)
  - Strongly Agree: 35%
  - Agree: 43%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 17%

- I enjoy what I am learning in school. (N=299)
  - Strongly Agree: 6%
  - Agree: 23%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 44%
  - Disagree: 15%
  - Strongly Disagree: 12%

- I think what I’m learning in school is important. (N=299)
  - Strongly Agree: 18%
  - Agree: 35%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 28%
  - Disagree: 11%
  - Strongly Disagree: 8%

- I am proud to go to this school. (N=299)
  - Strongly Agree: 13%
  - Agree: 29%
  - Neither Disagree nor Agree: 39%
  - Disagree: 10%
  - Strongly Disagree: 9%
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=299)

- Strongly Agree: 11%
- Agree: 26%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 42%
- Disagree: 13%
- Strongly Disagree: 8%

I spend time with at least one friend at lunchtime. (N=299)

- Strongly Agree: 26%
- Agree: 29%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 18%
- Disagree: 11%
- Strongly Disagree: 16%

I have positive relationships with adults in my school. (N=299)

- Strongly Agree: 16%
- Agree: 36%
- Neither Disagree nor Agree: 33%
- Disagree: 10%
- Strongly Disagree: 0%
How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **My classes are fun. (N=299)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 45%
  - Often: 37%
  - Seldom: 14%
  - Rarely or Never: 6%

- **My classes are challenging. (N=298)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 11%
  - Often: 47%
  - Seldom: 32%
  - Rarely or Never: 11%

- **My classes let me be creative. (N=296)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 7%
  - Often: 35%
  - Seldom: 25%
  - Rarely or Never: 24%

- **I learn a lot in my classes. (N=297)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 25%
  - Often: 44%
  - Seldom: 24%
  - Rarely or Never: 7%
Secondary Students

Student Experience

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- School helps me discover my strongest skills. (N=299)
  - Almost Always or Always: 13%
  - Often: 32%
  - Seldom: 36%
  - Rarely or Never: 18%

- School helps me discover my skills that need work. (N=298)
  - Almost Always or Always: 24%
  - Often: 44%
  - Seldom: 21%
  - Rarely or Never: 11%

- I feel what I learn in school helps me become a better student. (N=299)
  - Almost Always or Always: 19%
  - Often: 40%
  - Seldom: 25%
  - Rarely or Never: 15%
Secondary Students

Academic Support

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

My teachers include me in classroom discussions. (N=298)
- 20% Often
- 45% Seldom
- 25% Rarely or Never
- 10% Almost Always or Always

My teachers encourage me to do my best. (N=298)
- 39% Seldom
- 42% Rarely or Never
- 16% Almost Always or Always

My teachers do not give up on me. (N=296)
- 35% Sometimes
- 41% Rarely or Never
- 18% Almost Always or Always

I can count on my teachers to help me if I have difficulty in school. (N=297)
- 30% Seldom
- 38% Rarely or Never
- 21% Almost Always or Always
- 10% Often
Secondary Students

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=299)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 8%
  - Often: 29%
  - Seldom: 31%
  - Rarely or Never: 32%

- **I see how what I’m learning in school relates to my future. (N=299)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 16%
  - Often: 32%
  - Seldom: 32%
  - Rarely or Never: 19%

- **I see how subjects relate to one another. (N=299)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 12%
  - Often: 46%
  - Seldom: 25%
  - Rarely or Never: 17%
Secondary Students

Self-Management

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I am nice to my classmates. (N=297)
  - Almost Always or Always: 44%
  - Often: 45%
  - Seldom: 8%
  - Rarely or Never: 3%

- I am nice to my teacher(s). (N=295)
  - Almost Always or Always: 58%
  - Often: 32%
  - Seldom: 9%
  - Rarely or Never: 2%

- I follow school and classroom rules. (N=295)
  - Almost Always or Always: 48%
  - Often: 42%
  - Seldom: 9%
  - Rarely or Never: 1%

- I put schoolwork before other activities when necessary. (N=296)
  - Almost Always or Always: 17%
  - Often: 38%
  - Seldom: 30%
  - Rarely or Never: 16%
How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I’m willing to try new activities. (N=297)
- Almost Always or Always: 23%
- Often: 47%
- Seldom: 24%
- Rarely or Never: 7%

I continue to try, even when an activity is difficult. (N=296)
- Almost Always or Always: 23%
- Often: 45%
- Seldom: 24%
- Rarely or Never: 7%

I finish activities that I start. (N=296)
- Almost Always or Always: 24%
- Often: 46%
- Seldom: 24%
- Rarely or Never: 6%

I ask for help when I don’t understand something. (N=297)
- Almost Always or Always: 16%
- Often: 34%
- Seldom: 25%
- Rarely or Never: 24%
Involvement

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

I participate in class activities and discussions. (N=299)
- 22% Almost Always or Always
- 45% Often
- 25% Seldom
- 8% Rarely or Never

I attend school activities/events. (N=299)
- 15% Almost Always or Always
- 34% Often
- 32% Seldom
- 19% Rarely or Never

I share my ideas to make this school better. (N=296)
- 9% Almost Always or Always
- 16% Often
- 35% Seldom
- 40% Rarely or Never

I encourage other students to get involved in school and activities. (N=298)
- 5% Almost Always or Always
- 24% Often
- 31% Seldom
- 40% Rarely or Never
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Acceptance

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- I feel good about myself at school. (N=297)
- I feel respected in this school. (N=299)
- I feel accepted in this school. (N=297)
- I feel like I belong in this school. (N=298)

- Almost Always or Always
- Often
- Seldom
- Rarely or Never
Secondary Students

Relationships with Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statement are true?

I work in class with students other than my friends. (N=299)
- Almost Always or Always: 7%
- Often: 30%
- Seldom: 30%
- Rarely or Never: 32%

I spend time with at least one friend from school outside of school. (N=299)
- Almost Always or Always: 34%
- Often: 33%
- Seldom: 15%
- Rarely or Never: 19%

I interact with students other than my friends outside of class. (N=296)
- Almost Always or Always: 10%
- Often: 20%
- Seldom: 30%
- Rarely or Never: 40%

I can talk about problems with my friends from school. (N=299)
- Almost Always or Always: 23%
- Often: 29%
- Seldom: 23%
- Rarely or Never: 25%
Secondary Students

Perceptions of Peers

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

- **My friends take school seriously. (N=294)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 11%
  - Often: 46%
  - Seldom: 32%
  - Rarely or Never: 12%

- **My friends try their best in school. (N=294)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 20%
  - Often: 50%
  - Seldom: 20%
  - Rarely or Never: 11%

- **My friends like school. (N=294)**
  - Almost Always or Always: 6%
  - Often: 24%
  - Seldom: 35%
  - Rarely or Never: 34%
### Secondary Students

#### Relationships with Adults

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

1. **I feel supported by my teachers.** *(N=299)*
   - 24% Almost Always or Always
   - 43% Often
   - 25% Seldom
   - 8% Rarely or Never

2. **I feel supported by other adults who work in this school.** *(N=297)*
   - 20% Almost Always or Always
   - 38% Often
   - 29% Seldom
   - 14% Rarely or Never

3. **I am comfortable being myself around adults at this school.** *(N=299)*
   - 14% Almost Always or Always
   - 32% Often
   - 30% Seldom
   - 24% Rarely or Never
Secondary Students

Future Goals

How frequently do you feel the following statements are true?

1. I feel good about my future opportunities. (N=299)
   - Almost Always or Always: 32%
   - Often: 39%
   - Seldom: 21%
   - Rarely or Never: 8%

2. I believe I will be successful after I graduate high school. (N=299)
   - Almost Always or Always: 39%
   - Often: 37%
   - Seldom: 16%
   - Rarely or Never: 7%

3. I believe that I will have a career that interests me. (N=298)
   - Almost Always or Always: 47%
   - Often: 32%
   - Seldom: 15%
   - Rarely or Never: 6%
Plans for After High School

Which of the following best describes your plans for after high school? (N=298)

- I plan to go to college: 55%
- 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: 4%
- I plan to enlist in the military: 4%
- I plan to join a volunteer organization: 2%
- I don't plan to go to school. I plan to work full time: 3%
- I don't know: 19%
- Other: 11%