



SAFETY AT YOUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Survey for Parents About Bullying

Name of School: _____

Date: _____

“Sustain safe school environments characterized by warmth, hospitality, good humour and joy.”

(RCCDSB Vision Statement)

- ✓ Schools need to be safe places so that students can feel relaxed enough in them to learn.
- ✓ The purpose of this survey is to find out about student safety and bullying at your child’s school. Responses will be used by your child’s school to provide baseline information to determine whether school programs are effective at reducing bullying and improving the school climate.
- ✓ To ensure confidentiality, please do not put your name on this survey. We are interested in what parents, as a group, tell us.
- ✓ Please return your completed survey to the school principal.

A Few Questions About You and Your Child...

1. What grade is your child in? Circle one

JK SK 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

(Note: If you have more than one child in the school system, please feel free to complete and submit a separate survey for each child.)

2. Is your child male or female? ___Male ___Female

Circle one answer for each of the following questions.

| | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
|--|-------|-----------|-------|--------|
| 3. Does your child feel safe at school? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4. Does your child feel safe on the way to and from school? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 5. Does your child feel safe in your neighbourhood or community? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

When you answer the following questions, think about **THE PAST FOUR WEEKS**.

During the past four weeks...

| | Not Once in 4 Weeks | Once or Twice in 4 Weeks | Every Week | Many Times a Week | Don't Know |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| 6. Has you child been bullied? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7. Has your child stayed away from school to avoid being bullied? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 8. Has your child, on his/her own or as part of a group, bullied other students? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

The next questions asks about **where, when, and how often** bullying occurs in and near your child's school and about **how people respond** to this kind of behaviour.

| 9. Where and how often does bullying occur? If a location is not applicable to your child's school, do not respond. | Not once in 4 Weeks | Once or Twice in 4 Weeks | Every Week | Every Day | Don't Know |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| a) Classrooms | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| b) Hallways | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| c) School entrance and/or exits | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| d) Library | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| e) Computer rooms | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| f) Gymnasium | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| g) Change room or locker room | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| h) Washrooms | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| i) School bus | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| j) Playground | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| k) On the way to and from school | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| l) Lunchroom/eating area/cafeteria | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| m) Parking lot | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| n) Areas off school property, but close to school | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| o) Areas off school property where students smoke | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| p) On field trips | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| q) Other (please specify) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

10. To your knowledge, has your child stayed away from certain classrooms or areas of the school to avoid being bullied?

Never 0 Sometimes 1 Often 2 Always 3

11. When is your child most at risk of being bullied?

Never Sometimes Often Always

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| a) Before school | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b) During classes | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c) Between classes | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d) During break periods (spares, lunch recess) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e) After school | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| f) On school field trips/during school extracurricular activities | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g) On weekends | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

| | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
|--|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| 12. How often do adults at your child's school? | | | | |
| a) notice bullying? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b) try to stop bullying? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c) ignore bullying? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d) talk openly about bullying? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e) make excuses for those who bully? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| f) support those who are bullied? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g) discipline those who bully? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h) discipline those who are bullied? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i) listen to both sides of the story? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j) bully students themselves? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| k) bully other adults? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 13. Do adults at your child's school contact you if your child... | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| a) bullies another child? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b) is a victim of bullying? | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 14. How often are rules related to conduct and behaviour enforced at your child's school? | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 15. Are the rules related to conduct and behaviour fairly enforced? | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 16. If a student complains to an adult about bullying at your child's school, how often is something done about it? | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 17. Does your child's school invite parents to participate in programs that prevent bullying? | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 18. Does your child's school communicate information about its bullying prevention programs and policies? | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

19. Overall, how would you rate the efforts of adults at your child's school to make it a safe place?

Never

Sometimes

Often

Always

0

1

2

3

Is there anything else that you want to tell us about safety at your child's school?

**THANK YOU
FOR COMPLETING
THIS SURVEY.**

**Please return a print copy of this survey to your
school principal.**