

Educational Effectiveness Survey™

FAQ

	Staff	Family	Student
How long does it take to complete the survey?	10-15 minutes for the standard EES-Staff survey. If you add any EES Modules or custom items, additional time may be required.	Less than 10 minutes.	On average, 15 minutes. Depending on the grade level and classroom activity, the overall time to complete the survey may vary.
Why do you need my email address?	As a third-party administrator, we use email addresses to generate unique non-transferable survey links for staff. CEE will monitor overall response rates as well as send reminders throughout the survey process.		
Are there demographic questions on the survey?	<p>Yes, the surveys are designed to collect demographic data which is important during the reporting process. For example, staff are asked to self-identify their position in the school. This is valuable data for a couple of reasons:</p> <p>The survey items can vary by position. An example of this is Instructional vs. Non-Instructional staff. “Assessment data are used to identify student needs and appropriate instructional intervention” is a survey item that would not be asked of a non-Instructional staff member.</p> <p>Demographic data provides a deeper level of analysis of the perceptions in a school system.</p>	<p>Yes, the surveys are designed to collect demographic data which is important during the reporting process. For example, families/guardians are asked to self-report on, “I prefer teacher communications to be: (select one). Reply options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phone Calls - Emails - Weekly Flyers - Instant Alerts/Text Messages - US Mail - Scheduled meetings and events at school - Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) - Other <p>Demographic data provides a deeper level of analysis of the perceptions or preferences in a school system.</p>	<p>Yes, the surveys are designed to collect demographic data which is important during the reporting process. For example, students are asked to self-report on, “What are you most likely to do after you finish high school? Reply options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attend a four-year college - Attend a community college - Attend a vocational school - Work full-time - Join the military - Don't know - Other <p>Demographic data provides a deeper level of analysis of the perceptions in a school system.</p>
Can the survey be completed on a cell phone?	Yes, it can be completed on any cellular phone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer with internet access.		
	School teams often set aside time during the workday to complete the survey.	School often provide options during student conferences to complete the survey.	Schools often set aside time in the classroom to complete the survey.
Online or paper and pencil?	Both are available.		
When is the data available?	After the surveys close, results are available within 2 weeks.		

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Is the survey confidential and anonymous?

Staff

Yes, the survey is confidential and anonymous. After the data collection process, underlying or uniquely identifiable data like email addresses are separated from the survey responses and not saved or imported to CEE's database or reporting system.

Family

Yes, districts will receive a unique survey link from CEE. All district families/guardians will use that same link to complete the survey. CEE does not ask for family/guardian names or email addresses to administer the survey

Student

Yes, districts will receive a unique survey link from CEE. All district students will use that same link to complete the survey. CEE does not ask for student names or email addresses to administer the survey.

- Survey responses are not tied to an individual in CEE's reporting, and
- Districts only receive aggregated data, eliminating any way for a district to tie a response to an individual. Additionally, data is not disaggregated in groups with fewer than 10 responses to protect anonymity. Special requests are considered to address smaller districts who may not have enough staff to meet the group response rate of 10.

Families/guardians receive a lot of communication from their student's school. Will they receive reminders to complete the survey?

Yes, over a period of 2 weeks, parents will receive reminders about the survey from their school or district. Districts can choose to communicate about the survey in a variety of ways including through social media, email, principal letters, etc. The goal is to hear from as many families as possible.

What languages are available for students or families/guardians where English is a second language?

The EES surveys have been translated in the following languages:

Language	EES-Staff	EES-Student with SEL	EES-Student Primary	EES-Parent
Arabic		X		X
Burmese				X
Chinese Simplified				X
Dari		X		X
English	X	X	X	X
Korean				X
Marshallese*		X		X
Nepali		X		X
Pashto		X		X
Punjabi		X		X
Russian		X		X
Somali				X
Spanish		X	X	X
Ukrainian		X		X
Tagalog				X
Tigrinya				X
Vietnamese		X		X

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Are elementary students who are not yet readers able to participate in the surveys?			Yes, a grade K-3 Primary student survey is available with adapted age-appropriate language. All online student surveys have audio prompts in English and Spanish, which means students can have the items read aloud to them. Parents, Teachers, or family members can also read aloud and help students complete the survey.
Do the surveys have age-appropriate language for elementary and secondary students?			Yes, the student surveys are designed for three age groups: Primary (K-3), Elementary (4-5), and Secondary (6-12).

Additional information about the Educational Effectiveness Survey research foundation can be found here:
[Research Foundation](#)