



California Healthy Kids Biennial Survey

What Does Participation Involve?

Students selected in grades 7, 9, 11, and in Continuation Schools.

30-minute online survey (the CHKS Core plus AOD module) during a designated class.

Schools/Districts choose the date that works best for them.

Why Participate?

The California Healthy Kids Survey along with the California School Staff Survey and the California School Parent Survey are part of the only statewide survey system that collects data from students, staff, and/or families on

- mental and physical health, including substance use, depression/suicide risk;
- student social-emotional learning and development;
- student and parent engagement;
- school academic expectations and rigor;
- student academic mindset and learning motivation;
- positive interpersonal relationships among and between students, staff, and parents;
- opportunities for meaningful participation, decision-making, and engagement;
- school safety (social-emotional & physical) and violence victimization (bullying);
- discipline and order, clarity of rules, and behavioral expectations;
- respect for diversity and equity;
- school/district supports; and
- school physical environment and facilities.

Participating Schools/Districts will receive

- ▶ fee waivers for survey administration costs at selected schools;
- ▶ school-level reports including a school climate report card;
- ▶ an invitation to a webinar to discuss reports and findings; and
- ▶ **\$500** for participating schools which can be provided as gift cards or applied as a credit for additional services such as the password protected data dashboard and custom workshops.



All data collected are anonymous and confidential. Neither students' names nor any other personally identifiable information will be collected. CalSCHLS complies with all laws and regulations, and a rigorous set of standards and procedures is in place to safeguard the privacy of participants and the confidentiality of data. Student survey responses will be collected from thousands of students across the state and responses will be combined so individual student responses may not be identified.

Schools were randomly selected and approximately 120 schools across California were invited to participate in the CHKS in either 2021/22 or 2022/23 school year. Your school represents many schools in California and cannot be replaced.

At each school, either all homeroom classrooms or a randomly selected group of homeroom classes in grades 7, 9, and 11 will take the survey. All students in the selected classrooms will be invited to participate.

The survey is conducted by school staff, usually the classroom teacher. The survey is online and takes about 30 minutes to complete. WestEd and Duerr Evaluation Regional Technical Advisors will provide support and training for district/school staff.

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In partnership with the California Department of Health Care Services and the California Department of Education collected by WestEd and Duerr Evaluation Resources.

About the CHKS

The largest statewide student survey of resiliency, protective factors, risk behaviors, and school climate in the nation. It has been conducted since 1997.

For more information, please contact your Regional TA Center staff at calschls@wested.org.