

Competency-Based Education Student Survey

Introductory Statement—

Hello <<student name>>,

This survey is being conducted by Michigan State University's Education Policy Innovation Collaborative. We thank you in advance for your participation.

You will be asked questions about <<teachertitle>> <<teacherlastname>>'s <<coursetitle>> class. Your responses are completely confidential. They will not be shared with your school or teacher.

Please answer all questions. The survey will take about 10-15 minutes.

Please answer the following questions about <<teachertitle>> <<teacherlastname>>'s <<coursetitle>> class.

To what extent do the following statements describe what you think about this class?

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
1. When deciding what I will work on, my teacher considers my interests.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
2. My teacher and I decide together what I will work on in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
3. If the work is too easy, my teacher finds a way to give me a challenge.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
4. My teacher gives me assignments that are challenging, but not too challenging to complete.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

During this class period, how often do you spend time doing the following activities?

	Never	Less than once per month	At least once per month	At least once per week	Every Day
5. Meeting with my teacher to decide what I will work on individually	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
6. Working on a project or assignment with a group of students	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
7. Working with my teacher one-on-one	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
8. Working with my teacher in a small group of students	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
9. Working with my teacher as a whole class	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)

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<<teacherlastname>>'s <<coursetitle>>.

To what extent do the following statements describe what you think about this class?

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
10. I know what knowledge and skills I will need to demonstrate in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
11. I know exactly what I need to learn to get a good grade in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
12. I have to master specific knowledge and skills in order to advance to the next topic.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
13. [HS Only] I know which courses I need to complete in order to graduate from high school	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
14. [HS Only] I have to master specific competencies [skills, knowledge] to graduate from high school.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

To what extent do the following statements describe what you do during this class?

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
15. Most of my time in this class is spent working on a project by myself.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
16. I can take ideas I have learned in other classes and use them on my projects in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
17. My grade in this class is determined mostly from the projects I work on.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
18. The projects I work on in this class also count towards my grades in other class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
19. I learn in this class by completing projects.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
20. I have opportunities to choose how to show my teachers what I have learned.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
21. My teacher sets the guidelines for the projects I work on in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
22. I know exactly what I am trying to learn when I work on projects in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

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To what extent do the following statements describe what you think about this class?

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
23. I can move ahead to other class work if I am ready before other students.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
24. I can take extra time to finish a topic or unit if I need to, even if other students have already moved ahead.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
25. I get to set my own goals for my learning in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
26. In this class, I get to choose what topics I want to study.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
27. I get to choose the extent to which I investigate each topic.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
28. I can decide when I am ready to take an assessment.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
29. I am able to choose what learning activities I do in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
30. I am confident I can master the skills taught in class this year.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
31. There are many things in this class that I can do well.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

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Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
32. My teacher tries to understand how I am feeling.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
33. My teacher cares about me.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
34. My teacher wants me to do my best work.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
35. My teacher cares if I am successful.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
36. I enjoy working with other students in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
37. Students in this class care about each other.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
38. Students share their ideas with each other about what they are working on during class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
39. My classmates and I have opportunities to comment on each other's work.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
40. I get bored in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
41. The things we learn in this class are interesting to me.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
42. I like how we learn in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
43. I try my best in this class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
44. I try harder in this class because it is interesting to me.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
45. What I am learning in this class is important to know in life.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
46. I understand how the things I learn in school will be useful in the future.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
47. [HS Only] I engage in work that makes an impact or connects to the world beyond school.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

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Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
48. I get the help I need with assignments before they are due.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
49. In this class we have to figure things out instead of being told exactly what to do.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
50. In my assignments, I am asked to explain how I get my answers.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
51. The questions my teacher asks in this class really make me think.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
52. If it is difficult for me to get an assignment done on my own, I know strategies I can use to get the work finished.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
53. My teacher wants us to use our thinking skills, not just memorize things.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
54. I have opportunities in this class to present what I learn to other students.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
55. This class helps me learn how to explain my ideas to others.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please answer the following questions about <<teachertitle>>
<<teacherlastname>>'s <<coursetitle>>.

How often do you spend time...

	Never	Less than once per month	At least once per month	At least once per week	Every Day
56. Working on a project or assignment using a computer or tablet?	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
57. Using technology to learn about new topics or skill areas (for example, watch an educational video online)?	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
58. Using technology to let you move ahead to the next unit, topic, or skill area in a course, even if it is before other students?	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
59. Using technology to help you catch up on a unit, topic, or skill area that you haven't finished yet?	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)

Please answer these questions about your experience so far this school year.

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
60. I know where to go for help with a problem in school.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
61. [HS Only] I am confident that I can work out problems in my life.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you.

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
62. I am worried the COVID-19 pandemic will impact my education for years to come.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
63. I am worried I will fall behind in school because of the COVID-19 pandemic.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
64. I am worried about getting sick.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
65. I am worried about my teacher getting sick.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
66. I am unable to get the attention that I need from my teachers because of COVID-19.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)

Please answer these questions about your experience so far this school year.

Please indicate how true each of the following statements is for you. Compared to last school year (before COVID-19 school closures)...

	Not at all true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Very true
67. ...I feel less connected to my classmates.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
68. ...I feel less connected to my teacher(s).	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
69. ...I have a hard time paying attention in class.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
70. ...I enjoy the way that we learn.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
71. ...I can stay focused on my schoolwork.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D