

2023 School Climate and Connectedness Survey ©

Sample Parent/Guardian Notification Letter

Note: This letter may be adapted and used to notify parents and guardians about the 2022 School Climate and Connectedness Survey. Information in brackets [] is to be provided by the school or district.

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The [fill in your district name here] is partnering with the Association of Alaska School Boards to conduct the **School Climate and Connectedness Survey** ©, a statewide survey taken by students, staff, and families. This survey measures their perceptions of each school's climate including the engagement of students, staff, and families.

The **Student Survey** will be given to students in **grades [fill in participating grade]** at **[participating school(s)]** during the week(s) of **[fill in dates here:]** Students will complete the survey online during the school day.

The student survey will ask questions such as how students feel about school rules, their perceptions of how students treat each other, their relationships with staff, social and emotional skills, and observed risk behaviors of other students at school and school events. There are different surveys for younger students (grades 3-5) and older students (grades 6-12).

If your district is taking the family survey include family survey info.

Family Survey: We also value input from our families. You are an important partner as we work to continually improve each school's environment. Each parent/guardian is asked to complete one survey during **[fill in dates here]**. If you have more than one child attending this school, you only need to fill out one survey.

[Insert instructions on how families will have access to family survey]

All surveys are voluntary, anonymous, confidential, and do not ask questions about students' families. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please notify the school in writing by **[insert date here]**.

More information on this survey is available **[insert where- at the district and school offices, on our website, other options]** if you wish to review them.

Results from this survey will be used to identify student, staff and family perceptions of school climate issues within our school(s). School staff use the results to inform their efforts to ensure schools are safe, supportive, and caring places for all students.

Thank you for your cooperation in this year's School Climate and Connectedness Survey©.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Title (Principal or Superintendent)]