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### Part 3a School Grade 4



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School Characteristics and Policies (SCP)/Core (includes Charter School questions)
Reading
Mathematics
Puerto Rico POC -- SCP, Mathematics
Giving Back Questions

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# School Grade 4 School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

School Grade 4 SCP Questions

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- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

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2.	Ca	n your school be described by any of the following? Select all squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	Elementary school	
	®	Middle or junior high school	
	0	Secondary school	
	<b>(</b>	Regular school with a magnet program	
	(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	l
	Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
	©	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
	$\oplus$	Private independent school	
	Ф	Private religiously affiliated school	
	О	Independent charter school	
	⊗	Charter school administered by local school district	
	0	Other (Please specify):	
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**3.** What is the current enrollment in your school?

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4.		the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been ntified as limited-English proficient?	
	<b>(A)</b>	0%	
	B	1–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	0	11–25%	
	(E)	26–50%	
	Ð	51–75%	
	<b>©</b>	76–90%	
	$\oplus$	Over 90%	
			VH240209
5.		et school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school colled after the first day of school?	
	lack	0%	
	®	1–3%	
	0	4–6%	
	0	7–10%	
	(E)	11–20%	
	Ð	Over 20%	

6. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?

- ® 1–3%
- © 4-6%
- © 7–10%
- © 11-20%
- © Over 20%

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11.	If your school di	stributes fr	ree lunch to	all students	under Provision	2 or 3, what
	was the base year	ı <b>r</b> during w	hich individ	lual student	eligibility was c	ollected?

- This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
- ® 2015
- © 2014
- © 2013
- © 2012
- © 2011
- © 2010 or earlier

- **12.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - A) 0%
  - ® 1-5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11-25%
  - © 26-34%
  - © 35-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - ⊕ 76–99%
  - **100%**

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- **13.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - No
  - ® Yes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

14. Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select one circle in each row. Students who receives the following services? one circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

		None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a.	Targeted Title I services	(A)	®	0	0	(E)	(E)	0	Θ	VH241931
b.	Gifted and talented program	(4)	B	0	0	Ē	Ē	6	$\oplus$	VH241922
c.	Instruction provided in student's home language (non-English)	(9)	®	0	0	<b>(</b>	Θ	0	Θ	VH241923
d.	English-as-a- second-language (not in a bilingual education program)	(9)	®	0	0	©	©	0	(#)	VH241924
e.	Special education	A	®	0	0	(E)	Ē	©	⊕	VH241925

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15. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

- **(A)** 0
- ® 1-5
- © 6-10
- ① 11-15
- © 16-25
- © More than 25

**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	(4)	®	0	•	©.	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Ē	VH241939

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For all teacher counts entered in item 17:

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

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#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- *Short-term substitute teachers*
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **17.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

<b>18.</b> Does your school o	or district of	fer tenure to	teachers?				VH24022	
•	of district of	ici tciiuic to	tcaciicis:					
Yes								
® No								
19. Of the following cathe end of the last this school year? So	school year,	what percer	ntage stayed				VH24194	
	0–10%	11-25%	26-50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%		
a. Non-tenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	(A)	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	VH241943	
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(F)	VH241942	
20. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?								
<b>21.</b> Of the full-time teastayed on as full-time			•	last year, w	hat percenta	ıge		
♠ 0–10%								
® 11–25%								
© 26–50%								
© 51–75%								
© 76–90%								
© Over 90%								

22.	Ap	proximately what percentage of fourth-graders in your school is new this year?	VH253923
23.	for (A) (B)	out what percentage of this year's fourth-graders was held back and is repeating arth grade?  0%  1–2%	VH240213
	0	3–5% 6–10% More than 10%	
24.	sch	your school, is there a wireless Internet connection that students can use for noolwork?  No  Yes, in some areas of the school.  Yes, everywhere or almost everywhere in the school.	VH311352
25.	tea	is school year, did your school provide teachers with laptop computers for aching and class preparation?  No  Yes, some teachers.  Yes, all teachers.	VH311353

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- **26.** This school year, did your school provide teachers with **tablets** (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, or Kindle Fire) for teaching and class preparation?
  - No
  - Yes, some teachers.
  - © Yes, all teachers.

- **27.** This school year, did your school offer technical support to teachers for **computers** and **tablets** used in this school?
  - No
  - ® Yes, we have technical support staff in the school.
  - Yes, we are partnering with a provider outside the school.

**28.** How often do teachers do the following in this school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	Several times a day	
a.	Teach jointly as a team in the same class	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Œ	(F)	VH311410
b.	Observe other teachers' classes and provide feedback	Ø	®	0	Φ	Œ	<b>(</b> -	VH311411
c.	Engage in joint activities across different classes and age groups (e.g., projects)	(9)	®	0	Θ	Œ	Θ	VH311412
d.	Exchange teaching materials with colleagues	Ø	®	0	0	Œ	Œ	VH311413
e.	Engage in discussions about the learning development of specific students	(9)	®	0	0	©	Θ	VH311414
f.	Work with other teachers during common planning times to ensure common standards in evaluations for assessing student progress	0	©	0	Θ	<b>(</b> -)	Θ	VH311415

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29.		this school year, which of the following types of computers or other digital vices are available in your school for student use? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	Desktop computers	
	®	Laptop computers	
	0	Tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	
	0	Other digital devices (Please specify):	
			VH342882
30.		your school, where are <b>desktop computers</b> available for students to work? Select squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	In some classrooms	
	®	In all classrooms	
	0	In a media center	
	0	In a computer lab	
	(E)	In the school library	
	Ð	Other (Please specify):	
			VH311473
31.	Wł	hat is the average age of the <b>desktop computers</b> in your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Less than 1 year	
	®	1–1.9 years	
	0	2–3.9 years	
	0	4–5.9 years	
	(E)	6 or more years	
	(Ē)	I don't know.	

		VH342883
32.	In your school, where are <b>laptop computers</b> available for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	In some classrooms	
	® In all classrooms	
	© In a media center	
	© In the school library	
	① Other (Please specify):	
22	What is the total number of <b>laptop computers</b> available for students in your	VH311487
<b>J</b> J.	school? Enter the number of laptop computers.	
		VH311490
34.	What is the average age of the <b>laptop computers</b> in your school?	VII311490
	<ul> <li>Less than 1 year</li> </ul>	
	® 1–1.9 years	
	© 2–3.9 years	
	© 4–5.9 years	
	© 6 or more years	
	① I don't know.	
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35.		your school, where are <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) ailable for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	In some classrooms	
	$^{ ext{                                  $	In all classrooms	
	0	In a media center	
	<b>(</b>	In a computer lab	
	(E)	In the school library	
	(Ē)	Other (Please specify):	
			VH311502
36.		nat is the total number of <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) ailable for students in your school? Enter the number of tablets.	
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			VH311504
37.		nat is the average age of the <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Less than 1 year	
	®	1–1.9 years	
	0	2–3.9 years	
	0	4–5.9 years	
	(E)	6 or more years	
	(Ē)	I don't know.	

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38.		ase identify the organization(s) listed below to which your school is most sely affiliated. Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	American Association of Christian Schools	
	₿	Association of Christian Schools International	
	0	Christian Schools International	
	0	National Association of Episcopal Schools	
	(E)	National Association of Independent Schools	
	Ð	National Catholic Educational Association	
	<b>©</b>	National Society of Hebrew Day Schools	
	$\oplus$	The Association of Boarding Schools	
	Ф	Other (Please specify):	
	Ф	None of the above	
39.	(A sta and	charter school a public charter school?  charter school is a public school that, in accordance with an enabling state tute, has been granted a charter exempting it from selected state or local rules it regulations. A charter school may be a newly created school, or it may eviously have been a public or private school.)	VH240223
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	B	No	VH254022
40.	In	which year did your school start providing instruction as a charter school?	

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41.	Wh	no granted your school's current charter?	
		School district	
	®	State board of education (includes state board of regents and District of Columbia St of Education)	ate Board
	0	Postsecondary institution	
	<b>(</b>	State charter-granting agency	
	Œ	City or state public charter school board	
	Ð	Other (specify):	
			VH240225
42.	Wł	nat is the legal status of your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Officially part of the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	®	Independent from the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	0	A separate local education agency (LEA) as stipulated by state law	
			VH240226
43.		this school operated by a company or organization that also operates other arter schools?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	®	No	

- **44.** Which one of the following best describes your charter school's **primary** focus in terms of program content?
  - We have a comprehensive curriculum with no specialized area of focus.
  - We have a special curricular focus, for example, the arts, math/science, foreign language immersion.
  - © Our curriculum is based on a particular educational theory, for example, Montessori, open school, Core Knowledge.
  - ① Our curriculum is based on a particular moral philosophy or set of values, for example, African-centered education, character-based education, Eastern philosophy.

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- **45.** Does your school provide a written contract for parents?
  - Yes, and parents are required to abide by it.
  - Yes, but signing it is voluntary.
  - © No

**46.** Are the following elements addressed in your charter–parent contract? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Yes	No	
a. Dress code	(A)	®	VH241947
b. Home learning environment	(A)	®	VH241951
c. Homework	(A)	®	VH241946
d. Parent-teacher communication	(A)	®	VH241953
e. Parent volunteering	(A)	®	VH241952
f. School discipline policy	(A)	®	VH241948
g. Student attendance	(A)	®	VH241945
h. Student promotion policy	(A)	®	VH241950
i. Other (specify):		®	VH259448

## School Grade 4 Reading

School Grade 4 Reading Questions

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- **1.** Is there a reading specialist available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade students at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade students
  - ® Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade students
  - © No

**2.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the reading specialist(s) available to fourth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Provide one-on-one help to students on various reading topics	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH259934
b. Provide one-on-one help to students at various achievement levels	(A)	®	0	0	VH259935

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- **3.** Is there a literacy coach available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade teachers at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - ® Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - © No

**4.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the literacy coach(es) available to fourth-grade teachers at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Provide assistance/support to individual teachers about reading content or the teaching of reading	<b>®</b>	<b>®</b>	0	0	VH240567
b. Conduct professional development for groups of teachers about reading content or the teaching of reading	<b>®</b>	®	©	0	VH240566

**5.** In addition to English/language arts teachers, does your school have the following personnel to assist with English/language arts class instruction for fourth-grade students with disabilities (SD)? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Special Education teachers (and related service providers)	<b>®</b>	®	VH335489
b. Reading specialists or literacy coaches	(A)	®	VH335490
c. Speech pathologists	(A)	®	VH335494
d. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are trained to work with students with disabilities	e 🐵	®	VH335492
e. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are not trained to work with students with disabilities	e 🐵	₿	VH335491
f. Parent volunteers	(A)	B	VH335493

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**6.** In addition to English/language arts teachers, does your school have the following personnel to assist with English/language arts class instruction for fourth-grade English language learners (ELL)? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Certified ELL/bilingual education teachers	A	®	VH335410
b. Reading specialists or literacy coaches	A	®	VH335407
c. Speech pathologists	A	®	VH335408
d. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are trained to work with students who are ELL	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH335409
e. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are not trained to work with students who are ELL	<b>®</b>	®	VH335412
f. Parent volunteers	A	®	VH335411

7. To what extent does your school's fourth-grade English/language arts curriculum focus on preparation for the following types of assessments? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. State assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH335508
b. District assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH335509
c. School assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH335507

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**8.** To what extent is your school's English/language arts program structured according to the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	State curriculum standards or frameworks	A	®	0	0	VH240606
b.	District curriculum standards or curriculum guides	<b>(</b> A)	®	0	0	VH240607
c.	Results from state/district assessments	A	®	0	0	VH240608
d.	In-school curriculum frameworks and standards for learning	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240609
e.	Results from school assessments	A	®	0	0	VH240614
f.	Recommendations from school reading/language arts department	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240611
g.	Discretion of individual teachers	A	®	0	0	VH240612
h.	Internet resources	A	®	0	0	VH240610

**9.** During the last two years, to what extent have professional development activities offered to teachers in your school focused on the following? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Use of English/language arts across the curriculum	A	®	0	0	VH259997
b.	Interpreting and analyzing literature	A	B	0	0	VH240555
c.	Interpreting and analyzing informational texts	A	B	0	0	VH240559
d.	Understanding the cognitive process of an individual when they are reading or writing	<b>(</b>	<b>®</b>	0	0	VH260000
e.	Use of scoring guides to evaluate student work	A	B	0	0	VH260001
f.	Instructional strategies for teaching English/language arts	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH260002

**10.** How much is your school's ability to provide instruction affected by a lack of the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	A little	Some	A lot	
a. Teachers with a specialization in English/ language arts	(A)	(8)	©	0	VH260138
b. Computer software for English/language arts instruction	(A)	®	0	0	VH260140
c. Library books	(A)	®	0	0	VH260142
d. Audio-visual resources for English/language arts instruction	(A)	(8)	0	0	VH260143

# **School Grade 4 Mathematics**

School Grade 4 Mathematics Questions

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- 1. In your school, are fourth-grade students from different classes typically **grouped** for mathematics instruction by achievement levels (so that some instruction groups are higher in average mathematics achievement levels than others)?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

- **2.** In your school, how often are fourth-grade students' mathematics placements evaluated?
  - Once a year
  - ⑤ Once a marking period (semester, trimester)
  - More than once a marking period
  - Students are not grouped by achievement level.

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**3.** At each of the following grades, how much emphasis does your school's mathematics curriculum place on instructing students in **algebraic concepts**, such as patterns and writing number sentences? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not taught	No emphasis	Little emphasis	Moderate emphasis	Heavy emphasis	Grade not in school	
a. Third grade	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH240906
b. Fourth grade	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240909
c. Fifth grade	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240908
d. Sixth grade	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240907

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- 4. In addition to their regular classroom teacher, is there a mathematics resource teacher available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade students at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade students
  - ® Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade students
  - © No

- 5. Is there a mathematics coach available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade teachers at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - © No

**6.** In this school year, to what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics resource teacher(s) available to fourth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide technical assistance/support to individual teachers about mathematics content or the teaching of mathematics	<b>(</b>	®	0	0	VH342988
b.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to individual students	(A)	®	0	0	VH270490
c.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to groups of students	(4)	®	0	0	VH270491
d.	Provide mathematics enrichment to individual students	0	(8)	0	0	VH270492
e.	Provide mathematics enrichment to groups of students	0	®	0	0	VH270493
f.	Provide extra-help sessions for students during regular school hours	<b>(A)</b>	(B)	0	0	VH270494
g.	Provide after-school tutoring for students	(A)	®	0	0	VH270495

7. Approximately what percentage of your school's classrooms has the following technological resources for fourth-grade mathematics instruction? Select **one** circle in each row.

		0%	1–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–99%	100%	
a.	Cable/satellite/ closed-circuit television	(A)	®	0	0	©	Ē	VH270509
b.	VCR/DVD player	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH270510
c.	Digital/video camera	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270511
d.	Video conferencing equipment	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270512
e.	Scanner for images or text	(A)	®	©	0	©	Ē	VH270513
f.	Device for projecting images directly from a desktop or laptop computer	<b>®</b>	(8)	0	0	©.	Ð	VH270514
g.	Desktop or laptop computer	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270515
h.	Internet	(A)	®	©	0	(Ē)	(Ē)	VH270516
i.	Printer	(A)	®	©	0	(Ē)	(Ē)	VH270517
j.	Handheld devices	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH270518
k.	Interactive white board	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	VH270519
1.	Document camera	(A)	®	©	0	(Ē)	(Ē)	VH270521
m	Tablet (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	©.	Ē	VH270520

		VH270533
8.	This year, how many teachers are teaching mathematics in your school? Enter the number of teachers.	
		VH270595
9.	To what extent does your school provide up-to-date technology resources for mathematics teaching and learning?	
	Not at all	
	® Small extent	
	© Moderate extent	
	① Large extent	

**10.** In this school year, did your school offer any of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

Yes No a. Opportunities for students to discuss mathematics work, including homework,  $\bigcirc$ VH270635 B with their teachers. b. Peer tutoring in mathematics VH270636  $\bigcirc$ B c. Mathematics competitions VH270637 A B d. Chess clubs A B VH270638 e. Programming classes VH270640  $\bigcirc$ ® Mathematics clubs VH270641  $\bigcirc$ B Teacher led tutoring sessions in VH270643  $\bigcirc$  $^{\odot}$ mathematics for groups of students h. Teacher led extra-help sessions in  $\bigcirc$ B VH270644 mathematics Family mathematics night A B VH270645

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# School Grade 4 School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

# **Proof of Concept (Puerto Rico)**

School Grade 4(PR POC) SCP Questions

- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

2.	Can your school be described by any of the following? Select all squares that apply.		
	$\bigcirc$	Elementary school	
	®	Middle or junior high school	
	0	Secondary school	
	<b>(</b>	Regular school with a magnet program	
	(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	
	Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
	©	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
	$\oplus$	Private independent school	
	Ф	Private religiously affiliated school	
	0	Independent charter school	
	⊗	Charter school administered by local school district	
	<b>(</b>	Other (Please specify):	
		VH25391:	2
3. What is the current enrollment in your school?			
		VH25392:	3
4.	Ap	proximately what percentage of fourth-graders in your school is new this year?	

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**5.** Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been identified as limited-Spanish proficient?

- ◎ 0%
- ® 1-5%
- © 6-10%
- © 11–25%
- © 26-50%
- © 51-75%
- © 76–90%
- Over 90%

**6.** Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school enrolled after the first day of school?

- ® 1-3%
- © 4-6%
- © 7-10%
- © 11-20%
- © Over 20%

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7. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?

- **a** 0%
- ® 1-3%
- © 4-6%
- © 7-10%
- © 11-20%
- © Over 20%

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8.		oout what percentage of your students is absent on an average day? (Include cused and unexcused absences in calculating this rate.)	
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	®	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	0	More than 10%	
			VH24021
9.		yout what percentage of your teachers is absent on an average day? (Include all sences in calculating this rate.)	
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	®	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	<b>(</b>	More than 10%	
			VH24021
10.		oout what percentage of this year's fourth-graders was held back and is repeating arth grade?	
	<b>(A)</b>	0%	
	®	1–2%	
	0	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	(E)	More than 10%	
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11.	Do	oes your school participate in the National School Lunch Program?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	®	No Questions 12–14 are not applicable and will be skipped.	

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- **12.** How does the school operate the program?
  - © Student eligibility is determined individually, and eligible students receive free or reduced-price lunch. *Question 13 is not applicable and will be skipped.*
  - (a) All students in school receive free lunch under special provisions (e.g., Provision 2 or 3).

- **13.** If your school distributes free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3, what was the **base year** during which individual student eligibility was collected?
  - This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
  - ® 2015
  - © 2014
  - © 2013
  - © 2012
  - © 2011
  - © 2010 or earlier

- **14.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - **a** 0%
  - ® 1–5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11-25%
  - © 26-34%
  - © 35–50% © 51–75%
  - ⊕ 76–99%
  - ① 100%

- **15.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - A No
  - Tes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select **one** circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

	None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Targeted Title I services	A	®	0	0	Θ	Ð	0	Θ	VH241931
b. Gifted and talented program	A	®	0	0	Ē	Ē	6	$\oplus$	VH241922
c. Instruction provided in student's home language (not in Spanish)	(4)	®	0	0	©.	©	©	Θ	VH241928
d. Individual language plan	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	0	$\oplus$	VH241929
e. Special education	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	©	$\oplus$	VH241925

- 17. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

  - ® 1-5
  - © 6-10
  - ① 11-15
  - © 16-25
  - © More than 25

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**18.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	•	©.	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Œ	VH241939

For all teacher counts entered in item 19:

#### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

#### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- Short-term substitute teachers
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **19.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

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a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

- **20.** Does your school offer tenure to teachers?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

**21.** Of the following categories of teachers who were full-time teachers at your school at the end of the last school year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year? Select **one** circle in each row.

	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Nontenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	<b>(A)</b>	®	©	0	©.	©.	VH241943
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH241942

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<b>22.</b> In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?	
If you answered 0, Question 23 is not applicable and will be skipped.	
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- **23.** Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?
  - ♠ 0–10%
  - ® 11-25%
  - © 26-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - © 76-90%
  - © Over 90%

# **School Grade 4 Mathematics**

## **Proof of Concept (Puerto Rico)**

School Grade 4 (PR-POC) Mathematics Questions

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- 1. Are fourth-grade teachers in your school required to set aside a certain amount of time each day for mathematics instruction?
  - A Yes
  - No

- **2.** Are fourth-grade students from different classes typically **grouped** for mathematics instruction by ability and/or achievement levels (so that some instruction groups are higher in average mathematics ability and/or achievement levels than others)?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

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- 3. How often are fourth-grade students' mathematics placements evaluated?
  - Once a year
  - (B) Once a marking period (semester, trimester)
  - More than once a marking period
  - Students are not grouped by ability.

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**4.** At each of the following grades, how much emphasis does your school's mathematics curriculum place on instructing students in **algebraic concepts**, such as patterns and writing number sentences? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not taught	No emphasis	Little emphasis	Moderate emphasis	Heavy emphasis	Grade not in school	
a. Third grade	(A)	®	0	0	Œ)	Ð	VH240906
b. Fourth grade	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	VH240909
c. Fifth grade	(A)	®	O	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240908
d. Sixth grade	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240907

- **5.** In addition to their regular classroom teacher, is there a mathematics resource teacher available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade students at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade students
  - ® Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade students
  - © No Question 6 is not applicable and will be skipped.

**6.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics resource teacher(s) available to fourth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to individual students	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240911
b.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to groups of students	(4)	®	0	0	VH240914
c.	Provide mathematics enrichment to individual students	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240913
d.	Provide mathematics enrichment to groups of students	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240912

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- 7. Is there a mathematics coach available (full- or part-time) to fourth-grade teachers at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - ® Yes, available part-time to fourth-grade teachers
  - © No Question 8 is not applicable and will be skipped.

**8.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics coach(es) available to fourth-grade teachers at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide support or assistance about mathematics content	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240916
b.	Provide support or assistance about the teaching of mathematics to individual teachers	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240917
c.	Conduct professional development about mathematics or the teaching of mathematics for groups of teachers	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240918

**9.** To what extent is your school's mathematics program structured according to the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Department of Education curriculum standards or frameworks	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH352695
b. District curriculum standards or curriculum guides	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240921
c. Results from Department of Education/district assessments	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH352696
d. In-school curriculum frameworks and standards for learning	(A)	®	0	0	VH240923
e. Results from school assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH240924
f. Recommendations from school mathematics department	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240930
g. Discretion of individual teachers	(A)	®	0	0	VH240926
h. Commercially designed programs	(A)	®	0	0	VH240927
i. Internet resources	A	®	0	0	VH240925

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**10.** To what extent does your school's fourth-grade mathematics curriculum focus on preparation for the following types of assessments? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. State assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240935
b. District assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240934
c. School assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH240933

**11.** Approximately what percentage of your school's classrooms has the following technological resources for fourth-grade mathematics instruction? Select **one** circle in each row.

		0%	1–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–99%	100%	
a.	Cable/satellite/ closed-circuit television	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	©	Ð	VH240937
b.	Videodisc player/ VCR/DVD player	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH240938
c.	Digital/video camera	A	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240939
d.	Videoconferencing equipment	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240940
e.	Scanner for images or text	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240941
f.	Projection device for projecting images directly from a computer	Ø	®	0	Θ	©.	Œ	VH240947
g.	Computer	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240943
h.	Internet	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240944
i.	Computer printer	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240945
j.	Handheld devices (e.g., personal digital assistants)	Ø	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	VH240942

### School Giving Back Questions

**School Giving Back Questions** 

1.	Would you like to receive information about how other school administrators in the nation responded to this questionnaire?	
	Yes	
	® No	
2.	If yes, please provide your email address so that we may send access to the website when it is available in May.	VH354139

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Reading
Mathematics
Writing
Puerto Rico POC -- SCP, Mathematics
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### School Grade 8 Arts School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

School Grade 8 Arts-SCP Questions

- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

2.	Ca	n your school be described by any of the following? Select all squares that apply.	
	$\bigcirc$	Elementary school	
	$^{ ext{ B}}$	Middle or junior high school	
	0	Secondary school	
	0	Regular school with a magnet program	
	(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	
	Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
	©	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
	$\oplus$	Private independent school	
	Ф	Private religiously affiliated school	
	Ф	Independent charter school	
	⊗	Charter school administered by local school district	
	<b>(</b>	Other (Please specify):	
			VH253912
3.	Wh	nat is the current enrollment in your school?	
			VH253943
4.	Ap	proximately what percentage of eighth-graders in your school is new this year?	

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- **5.** Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been identified as limited-English proficient?
  - ◎ 0%
  - ® 1-5%
  - © 6-10%
  - ① 11-25%
  - © 26-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - © 76–90%
  - Over 90%

- **6.** Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school enrolled after the first day of school?

  - ® 1–3%
  - © 4-6%
  - © 7-10%
  - © 11-20%
  - © Over 20%

- 7. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?
  - **a** 0%
  - ® 1-3%
  - © 4-6%
  - © 7-10%
  - © 11-20%
  - © Over 20%

VH240211 8. About what percentage of your students is absent on an average day? (Include excused and unexcused absences in calculating this rate.)  $\bigcirc 0-2\%$ **®** 3–5% © 6-10% More than 10% VH240212 9. About what percentage of your teachers is absent on an average day? (Include all absences in calculating this rate.)  $\bigcirc 0-2\%$ ® 3-5% © 6-10% More than 10% VH240214 10. About what percentage of this year's eighth-graders was held back and is repeating eighth grade? ® 1-2% © 3-5% © 6-10% © More than 10% VH240215 11. Does your school participate in the National School Lunch Program? A Yes ® No

- **12.** How does the school operate the program?
  - ② Student eligibility is determined individually, and eligible students receive free or reduced-price lunch.
  - (a) All students in school receive free lunch under special provisions (e.g., Provision 2 or 3).

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- **13.** If your school distributes free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3, what was the **base year** during which individual student eligibility was collected?
  - This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
  - ® 2015
  - © 2014
  - © 2013
  - © 2012
  - © 2011
  - © 2010 or earlier

- **14.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - **a** 0%
  - ® 1–5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11-25%
  - © 26-34%
  - © 35–50%
  - © 51–75% ⊕ 76–99%
  - ① 100%

- **15.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - No
  - Tes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

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**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select **one** circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

		None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Targeted I services		A	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	©	Ð	VH241931
b. Gifted ar talented program	nd	(4)	B	0	0	Ē	Ē	6	H	VH241922
c. Instructi provided student's home language (non-Eng	in	(A)	®	0	0	©	Φ	0	Φ	VH241923
d. English-a second-la (not in a bilingual education program)	anguage n	(4)	®	0	0	©	©	9	⊕	VH241924
e. Special education	n	(A)	®	©	0	©	(Ē)	0	⊕	VH241925

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- 17. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?
  - **(A)** 0
  - ® 1-5
  - © 6-10
  - ① 11-15
  - © 16-25
  - © More than 25

**18.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	(4)	®	0	•	©.	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Œ	VH241939

For all teacher counts entered in item 19:

#### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

#### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- Short-term substitute teachers
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **19.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

- **20.** Does your school offer tenure to teachers?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

**21.** Of the following categories of teachers who were full-time teachers at your school at the end of the last school year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year? Select **one** circle in each row.

	0–10%	11–25%	26-50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Non-tenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Œ	VH241943
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	(Ē)	(Ē)	VH241942

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22. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?

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- **23.** Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?
  - ♠ 0–10%
  - ® 11-25%
  - © 26-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - © 76-90%
  - © Over 90%

### School Grade 8 Arts

School Grade 8 Arts Questions

1. Are eighth-grade students typically assigned to classes by ability and/or achievement levels (so that some classes are higher in average ability and/or achievement levels than others) in any of the following subjects? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	(A)	®	VH288098
b. Music	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288101
c. Theater	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288100
d. Visual arts	(A)	®	VH288099

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**2.** How often does a typical eighth-grade student in your school receive instruction in each of the following subjects? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Every day	Three or four times a week	Once or twice a week	Less than once a week	Subject not taught	
a. Dance	A	®	0	0	Œ	VH288104
b. Music	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	VH288106
c. Theater	A	®	0	0	Œ	VH288107
d. Visual arts	A	®	0	0	Œ	VH288105

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**3.** Are computers available to students in your classes in any of the following ways? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Available all the time in classrooms	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288111
b. Grouped in a separate computer laboratory available to classes	(4)	®	VH288109
c. Available to bring to classrooms when needed	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288110

**4.** Is this a school with a special focus on any of the following (e.g., a magnet school)? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288113
b. Music	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288114
c. Theater	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288117
d. Visual arts	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288116

VH288118

**5.** Does your district or state have a curriculum in any of the following subject areas that your school is expected to follow? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288119
b. Music	(A)	®	VH288122
c. Theater	(A)	®	VH288121
d. Visual arts	(A)	®	VH288120

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**6.** In the last year, did your school sponsor eighth-grade field trips in connection with any of the following subject areas? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	(A)	®	VH288124
b. Music	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288125
c. Theater	A	®	VH288128
d. Visual arts	A	®	VH288126

7. Do eighth graders in your school participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities such as clubs, competitions, fairs, or exhibits in any of the following areas? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	A	®	VH288132
b. Music	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288133
c. Theater	A	®	VH288131
d. Visual arts	A	®	VH288130

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**8.** Do eighth graders in your school participate in school-related summer programs in any of the following areas? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	(A)	®	VH288135
b. Music	(A)	®	VH288138
c. Theater	(A)	®	VH288137
d. Visual arts	(A)	₿	VH288136

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**9.** What is the position of the person(s) on your staff who teach dance or movement to eighth graders? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Full-time specialist	(A)	®	VH288141
b. Part-time specialist	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288140
c. Physical education teacher	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288142
d. Elementary classroom teacher	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288144
e. Other faculty member	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288146
f. Artist-in-residence	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288145
g. Volunteer	A	®	VH288143

**10.** What is the position of the person(s) on your staff who teach music to eighth graders? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Full-time specialist	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288148
b. Part-time specialist	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288149
c. Elementary classroom teacher	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288153
d. Other faculty member	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288151
e. Artist-in-residence	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288152
f. Volunteer	(A)	®	VH288150

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**11.** What is the position of the person(s) on your staff who teach theater or drama to eighth graders? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Full-time specialist	(A)	®	VH288155
b. Part-time specialist	(A)	®	VH288156
c. English or language arts teacher	(A)	®	VH288157
d. Elementary classroom teacher	(A)	®	VH288161
e. Other faculty member	(A)	®	VH288160
f. Artist-in-residence	(A)	®	VH288159
g. Volunteer	(A)	®	VH288158

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**12.** What is the position of the person(s) on your staff who teach visual arts to eighth graders? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Full-time specialist	(A)	®	VH288163
b. Part-time specialist	(A)	®	VH288164
c. Elementary classroom teacher	(A)	®	VH288167
d. Other faculty member	(A)	®	VH288168
e. Artist-in-residence	(A)	®	VH288166
f. Volunteer	(A)	®	VH288165

13.	Wł	nich best describes the space for the teaching of dance in your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Dance is not taught.	
	$^{ ext{ B}}$	Dance studio with special dance equipment	
	0	Room(s) dedicated to dance teaching, without special equipment	
	<b>(</b>	Gymnasium, auditorium, or cafeteria	
	(E)	Classrooms only	
	(Ē)	Other (specify)	
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	<b>(A)</b>	Music is not taught.	
	$^{ ext{                                  $	Room(s) dedicated to music teaching, and stage	
	0	Room(s) dedicated to music teaching, no stage	
	<b>(</b>	Stage, no room dedicated to music teaching	
	(E)	Classrooms only	
	(Ē)	Other (specify)	
			VH288095
15.	Wł	nich best describes the space for the teaching of theater in your school?	
	(A)	Theater is not taught.	
	$^{ ext{\textcircled{B}}}$	Stage with special equipment (e.g., curtains, dressing rooms)	
	O	Stage without special equipment	
	0	Room(s) dedicated to theater teaching	
	(E)	Gymnasium, auditorium, or cafeteria	
	(Ē)	Classrooms only	
	<b>©</b>	Other (specify)	

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- **16.** Which best describes the space for the teaching of visual arts in your school?
  - Visual arts are not taught.
  - Art studio with special equipment
  - © Room(s) dedicated to art but with no special equipment
  - Art-on-a-cart; no dedicated space
  - © Classrooms only

① Other (specify)
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**17.** In the last year, did your school bring in visiting artists to perform, demonstrate, or teach in the following areas? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	(A)	®	VH288170
b. Music	(A)	®	VH288172
c. Theater	(A)	®	VH288173
d. Visual arts	(A)	®	VH288171

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**18.** In the last year, did your school sponsor a visiting artist program (such as an Artist-in-the-Schools program) in any of the following areas? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dance	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288175
b. Film	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288176
c. Folk arts	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288178
d. Music	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288179
e. Theater	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288180
f. Visual arts	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH288177

**19.** During this year, what percentage of eighth graders received instruction in the following arts in your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

	0–10%	11–20%	21–40%	41-60%	61-80%	81–100%	
a. Dance	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH288182
b. Music	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH288185
c. Theater	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH288184
d. Visual arts	(A)	®	0	0	(E)	Ē	VH288183

# **School Grade 8 Charter School**

School Grade 8 Charter School Questions

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ite	Board
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1. Is your school a public **charter** school?

(A charter school is a public school that, in accordance with an enabling state statute, has been granted a charter exempting it from selected state or local rules and regulations. A charter school may be a newly created school, or it may previously have been a public or private school.)

- A Yes
- No

2. In which year did your school start providing instruction as a charter school?

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- **3.** Who granted your school's current charter?
  - School district
  - ® State board of education (includes state board of regents and District of Columbia Sta of Education)
  - Postsecondary institution
  - State charter-granting agency
  - © City or state public charter school board
  - © Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

- **4.** What is the legal status of your school?
  - © Officially part of the school district or local education agency (LEA)
  - Independent from the school district or local education agency (LEA)
  - A separate local education agency (LEA) as stipulated by state law

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- **5.** Is this school operated by a company or organization that also operates other charter schools?
  - A Yes
  - No

- **6.** Which one of the following best describes your charter school's **primary** focus in terms of program content?
  - We have a comprehensive curriculum with no specialized area of focus.
  - We have a special curricular focus, for example, the arts, math/science, foreign language immersion.
  - © Our curriculum is based on a particular educational theory, for example, Montessori, open school, Core Knowledge.
  - ① Our curriculum is based on a particular moral philosophy or set of values, for example, African-centered education, character-based education, Eastern philosophy.

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- 7. Does your school provide a written contract for parents?
  - Yes, and parents are required to abide by it.
  - Yes, but signing it is voluntary.
  - © No

**8.** Are the following elements addressed in your charter–parent contract? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Dress code	(A)	®	VH241947
b. Home learning environment	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241951
c. Homework	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241946
d. Parent-teacher communication	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241953
e. Parent volunteering	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241952
f. School discipline policy	(A)	®	VH241948
g. Student attendance	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241945
h. Student promotion policy	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH241950
i. Other (specify):	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH259448

# School Grade 8 School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

School Grade 8 SCP Questions

- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

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Ca	n your school be described by any of the following? Select all squares that apply.	
lack	Elementary school	
B	Middle or junior high school	
0	Secondary school	
0	Regular school with a magnet program	
(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	l
Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
<u>©</u>	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
$\oplus$	Private independent school	
Ο	Private religiously affiliated school	
Ф	Independent charter school	
⊗	Charter school administered by local school district	
<b>(</b>	Other (Please specify):	
		VH253912
		<ul> <li>Middle or junior high school</li> <li>Secondary school</li> <li>Regular school with a magnet program</li> <li>A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school</li> <li>Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities</li> <li>Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education</li> <li>Private independent school</li> <li>Private religiously affiliated school</li> <li>Independent charter school</li> <li>Charter school administered by local school district</li> </ul>

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**3.** What is the current enrollment in your school?

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4.		the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been ntified as limited-English proficient?				
	$\bigcirc$	0%				
	®	1–5%				
	0	6–10%				
	<b>(</b>	11–25%				
	(E)	26–50%				
	Ð	51–75%				
	<b>©</b>	76–90%				
	$\oplus$	Over 90%				
			VH240209			
5.	Las	st school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school colled after the first day of school?				
	lack	0%				
	$^{lacktriangle}$	1–3%				
	0	4–6%				
	<b>(</b>	7–10%				
	(E)	11–20%				
	Ð	Over 20%				

6. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?

® 1–3%

© 4-6%

© 7-10%

© 11-20%

© Over 20%

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7.		out what percentage of your students is absent on an average day? (Include cused and unexcused absences in calculating this rate.)	
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	ഀ	3-5%	
	0	6–10%	
	0	More than 10%	
			VH24021
8.		out what percentage of your teachers is absent on an average day? (Include all sences in calculating this rate.)	
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	$^{ ext{ B}}$	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	<b>(</b>	More than 10%	
			VH24021
9.	Do	es your school participate in the National School Lunch Program?	
	lack	Yes	
	$^{\textcircled{B}}$	No	
			VH24021
10.	Но	w does the school operate the program?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Student eligibility is determined individually, and eligible students receive free or reduced-price lunch.	
	<b>®</b>	All students in school receive free lunch under special provisions (e.g., Provision 2 or 3).	

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11.	If your school	distributes	free lunch t	o all students	under Provisior	ı 2 or 3, what
	was the base	year during	which indiv	idual student	eligibility was o	collected?

- This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
- ® 2015
- © 2014
- © 2013
- © 2012
- © 2011
- © 2010 or earlier

- **12.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - A) 0%
  - ® 1-5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11-25%
  - © 26-34%
  - © 35-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - ① 76-99%
  - **100%**

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- **13.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - No
  - Yes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

14. Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select one circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

		None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a.	Targeted Title I services	A	®	0	0	©.	(F)	©	Θ	VH241931
b.	Gifted and talented program	A	B	0	0	Ē	(F)	6	Ð	VH241922
c.	Instruction provided in student's home language (non-English)	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	©.	<b>©</b>	9	Θ	VH241923
d.	English-as-a- second-language (not in a bilingual education program)	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	©.	0	(11)	VH241924
e.	Special education	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	©	⊕	VH241925

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15. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

- **(A)** 0
- ® 1-5
- © 6-10
- ① 11-15
- © 16-25
- © More than 25

**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	•	©	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Ē	VH241939

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For all teacher counts entered in item 17:

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

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#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- *Short-term substitute teachers*
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **17.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

<b>18.</b> Does your school o	or district of	fer tenure to	teachers?				VH24022
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Yes							
® No							
19. Of the following cathe end of the last this school year? So	school year,	what percer	ntage stayed				VH24194
	0–10%	11-25%	26-50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Non-tenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	(A)	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	VH241943
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(F)	VH241942
20. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?							VH25401: VH24022:
<b>21.</b> Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?							
♠ 0–10%							
® 11–25%							
© 26–50%							
© 51–75%							
© 76–90%							
© Over 90%							

22.	Ap	proximately what percentage of eighth-graders in your school is new this year?	VH253943
23.	eig (A) (B)	out what percentage of this year's eighth-graders was held back and is repeating thth grade?  0%  1–2%	VH240214
	0	3–5% 6–10% More than 10%	
24.	sch	your school, is there a wireless Internet connection that students can use for noolwork?  No  Yes, in some areas of the school.  Yes, everywhere or almost everywhere in the school.	VH311352
25.	tea	is school year, did your school provide teachers with <b>laptop computers</b> for aching and class preparation?  No  Yes, some teachers.  Yes, all teachers.	VH311353

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- **26.** This school year, did your school provide teachers with **tablets** (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, or Kindle Fire) for teaching and class preparation?
  - No
  - Yes, some teachers.
  - © Yes, all teachers.

- **27.** This school year, did your school offer technical support to teachers for **computers** and **tablets** used in this school?
  - No
  - ® Yes, we have technical support staff in the school.
  - Yes, we are partnering with a provider outside the school.

28. How often do teachers do the following in this school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	Several times a day	
a.	Teach jointly as a team in the same class	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(F)	VH311410
b.	Observe other teachers' classes and provide feedback	Ø	®	0	Φ	Œ	<b>(</b> -	VH311411
c.	Engage in joint activities across different classes and age groups (e.g., projects)	(9)	®	0	Θ	Œ	Θ	VH311412
d.	Exchange teaching materials with colleagues	Ø	®	0	0	Œ	Œ	VH311413
e.	Engage in discussions about the learning development of specific students	(9)	®	0	0	©	Θ	VH311414
f.	Work with other teachers during common planning times to ensure common standards in evaluations for assessing student progress	0	©	0	Θ	<b>(</b> -)	Θ	VH311415

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29.		this school year, which of the following types of computers or other digital vices are available in your school for student use? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	$\bigcirc$	Desktop computers	
	®	Laptop computers	
	0	Tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	
	0	Other digital devices (Please specify):	
			VH342882
30.		your school, where are <b>desktop computers</b> available for students to work? Select squares that apply.	
	$\bigcirc$	In some classrooms	
	®	In all classrooms	
	0	In a media center	
	0	In a computer lab	
	Œ	In the school library	
	Ð	Other (Please specify):	
			VH311473
31.	Wł	nat is the average age of the <b>desktop computers</b> in your school?	
	lack	Less than 1 year	
	®	1–1.9 years	
	0	2–3.9 years	
	0	4–5.9 years	
	Œ	6 or more years	
	Ð	I don't know.	

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32.	In your school, where are <b>laptop computers</b> available for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	In some classrooms	
	In all classrooms	
	© In a media center	
	① In a computer lab	
	① In the school library	
	① Other (Please specify):	
33.	What is the total number of <b>laptop computers</b> available for students in your school? Enter the number of laptop computers.	VH311487
		VH311490
34.	What is the average age of the <b>laptop computers</b> in your school?	
	♠ Less than 1 year	
	® 1–1.9 years	
	© 2–3.9 years	
	① 4–5.9 years	
	© 6 or more years	
	① I don't know.	

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35.		your school, where are <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) ailable for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	$\bigcirc$	In some classrooms	
	®	In all classrooms	
	0	In a media center	
	0	In a computer lab	
	Œ	In the school library	
	Ð	Other (Please specify):	
			VH311502
36.		nat is the total number of <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) ailable for students in your school? Enter the number of tablets.	
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			VH311504
37.		nat is the average age of the <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) your school?	
	$\bigcirc$	Less than 1 year	
	®	1–1.9 years	
	0	2–3.9 years	
	0	4–5.9 years	
	Œ	6 or more years	
	Ð	I don't know.	

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38.		ease identify the organization(s) listed below to which your school is most sely affiliated. Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	American Association of Christian Schools	
	ഀ	Association of Christian Schools International	
	0	Christian Schools International	
	0	National Association of Episcopal Schools	
	(E)	National Association of Independent Schools	
	Ð	National Catholic Educational Association	
	<b>©</b>	National Society of Hebrew Day Schools	
	$\oplus$	The Association of Boarding Schools	
	Ф	Other (Please specify):	
	Ф	None of the above	
39.	(A sta and	charter school a public charter school?  charter school is a public school that, in accordance with an enabling state tute, has been granted a charter exempting it from selected state or local rules diregulations. A charter school may be a newly created school, or it may eviously have been a public or private school.)	VH240223
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	B	No	VH254022
40.	In	which year did your school start providing instruction as a charter school?	

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41.	Wł	no granted your school's current charter?	
	<b>(A)</b>	School district	
	₿	State board of education (includes state board of regents and District of Columbia State Board of Education)	rd
	0	Postsecondary institution	
	0	State charter-granting agency	
	Œ	City or state public charter school board	
	Ð	Other (specify):	
		VH2	240225
42.	Wh	nat is the legal status of your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Officially part of the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	®	Independent from the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	0	A separate local education agency (LEA) as stipulated by state law	
		VH2	240226
43.		this school operated by a company or organization that also operates other arter schools?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	B	No	

- **44.** Which one of the following best describes your charter school's **primary** focus in terms of program content?
  - We have a comprehensive curriculum with no specialized area of focus.
  - We have a special curricular focus, for example, the arts, math/science, foreign language immersion.
  - Our curriculum is based on a particular educational theory, for example, Montessori, open school, Core Knowledge.
  - Our curriculum is based on a particular moral philosophy or set of values, for example, African-centered education, character-based education, Eastern philosophy.

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- **45.** Does your school provide a written contract for parents?
  - Yes, and parents are required to abide by it.
  - Yes, but signing it is voluntary.
  - © No

**46.** Are the following elements addressed in your charter–parent contract? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Yes	No	
a. Dress code	(A)	®	VH241947
b. Home learning environment	(A)	®	VH241951
c. Homework	(A)	®	VH241946
d. Parent-teacher communication	(A)	®	VH241953
e. Parent volunteering	(A)	®	VH241952
f. School discipline policy	(A)	®	VH241948
g. Student attendance	(A)	®	VH241945
h. Student promotion policy	(A)	®	VH241950
i. Other (specify):		®	VH259448

## School Grade 8 Reading

School Grade 8 Reading Questions

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- **1.** Is there a reading specialist available (full- or part-time) to eighth-grade students at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to eighth-grade students
  - ® Yes, available part-time to eighth-grade students
  - © No

**2.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the reading specialist(s) available to eighth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Provide one-on-one help to students on various reading topics	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH259962
b. Provide one-on-one help to students at various achievement levels	(A)	®	0	0	VH259963

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- **3.** Is there a literacy coach available (full- or part-time) to eighth-grade teachers at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to eighth-grade teachers
  - ® Yes, available part-time to eighth-grade teachers
  - © No

**4.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the literacy coach(es) available to eighth-grade teachers at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Provide assistance/support to individual teachers about English/language arts content or the teaching of English/language arts	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240604
b. Conduct professional development for groups of teachers about English/ language arts content or the teaching of English/ language arts	(4)	<b>®</b>	0	0	VH240603

5. In addition to English/language arts teachers, does your school have the following personnel to assist with English/language arts class instruction for eighth-grade students with disabilities (SD)? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Yes	No	
a.	Special Education teachers (and related service providers)	<b>®</b>	®	VH240621
b.	Reading specialists or literacy coaches	(A)	®	VH240622
c.	Speech pathologists	(A)	®	VH240623
d.	Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are trained to work with students with disabilities	<b>®</b>	®	VH240624
e.	Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are not trained to work with students with disabilities	<b>®</b>	(B)	VH240627
f.	Parent volunteers	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH240626

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**6.** In addition to English/language arts teachers, does your school have the following personnel to assist with English/language arts class instruction for eighth-grade English language learners (ELL)? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Certified ELL/bilingual education teachers	(A)	®	VH240708
b. Reading specialists or literacy coaches	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH240705
c. Speech pathologists	(A)	®	VH240706
d. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are trained to work with students who are ELL	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH240710
e. Paraprofessionals or teacher aides who are not trained to work with students who are ELL	0	®	VH240707
f. Parent volunteers	A	®	VH240709

7. To what extent is your school's English/language arts program structured according to the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. State curriculum standards or frameworks	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240606
b. District curriculum standards or curriculum guides	<b>(</b> A)	®	0	0	VH240607
c. Results from state/district assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240608
d. In-school curriculum frameworks and standards for learning	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240609
e. Results from school assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240614
f. Recommendations from school reading/language arts department	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240611
g. Discretion of individual teachers	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240612
h. Internet resources	A	®	O	0	VH240610

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**8.** To what extent does your school's eighth-grade English/language arts curriculum focus on preparation for the following types of assessments? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. State assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240619
b. District assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240618
c. School assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH240617

**9.** During the last two years, to what extent have professional development activities offered to teachers in your school focused on the following? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
	se of English/language ts across the curriculum	<b>(A)</b>	B	0	0	VH259997
	terpreting and analyzing terature	A	B	0	0	VH240555
c. Int	terpreting and analyzing formational texts	A	B	0	0	VH240559
co	nderstanding the ognitive process of an dividual when they are ading or writing	<b>®</b>	<b>®</b>	0	0	VH260000
	se of scoring guides to valuate student work	A	B	0	0	VH260001
	structional strategies for aching English/language ts	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH260002

**10.** How much is your school's ability to provide instruction affected by a lack of the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Not at all	A little	Some	A lot	
a. Teachers with a specialization in English/ language arts	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH260138
b. Computer software for English/language arts instruction	(8)	®	0	0	VH260140
c. Library books	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH260142
d. Audio-visual resources for English/language arts instruction	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH260143

## School Grade 8 Mathematics

School Grade 8 Mathematics Questions

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1.	This year, how many teachers are teaching mathematics in your school? Enter the number of teachers.	V11270333
		VH270539
2.	In your school, approximately what percentage of eighth-grade students enrolls in more than one mathematics class in a year (including summer school two-block classes) for remediation or to catch up a grade level? Do not include students who receive additional mathematics instruction as part of special education or because of IEP provisions.	
	0-10%	
	® 11–20%	
	© 21–30%	
	© 31–40%	

© 41–50%

© More than 50%

**3.** In this school year, to what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics resource teacher(s) available to eighth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to individual students	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH270552
b.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to groups of students	<b>(</b> A)	®	0	0	VH270553
c.	Provide mathematics enrichment to individual students	(8)	®	0	0	VH270554
d.	Provide mathematics enrichment to groups of students	<b>(</b> A)	®	0	0	VH270555
e.	Provide extra-help sessions for students during regular school hours	(A)	(B)	0	0	VH270557
f.	Provide after-school tutoring for students	(A)	®	0	0	VH270558

- **4.** To what extent does your school provide up-to-date technology resources for mathematics teaching and learning?
  - Not at all
  - Small extent
  - Moderate extent
  - D Large extent

**5.** Approximately what percentage of your school's classrooms has the following technological resources for eighth-grade mathematics instruction? Select **one** circle in each row.

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		0%	1–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76-99%	100%	
a.	Cable/satellite/ closed-circuit television	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270603
b.	VCR/DVD player	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH270604
c.	Digital/video camera	(9)	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270606
d.	Videoconferencing equipment	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270607
e.	Scanner for images or text	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ē	VH270608
f.	Device for projecting images directly from a desktop or laptop computer	<b>®</b>	(8)	0	0	©.	Ð	VH270609
g.	Desktop or laptop computer	(A)	®	©	0	©	(Ē)	VH270610
h.	Internet	A	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH270611
i.	Printer	(A)	®	0	0	(E)	Ē	VH270612
j.	Handheld devices	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH270613
k.	Interactive whiteboard	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH270614
1.	Document camera	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH270616
m	Tablet (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	<b>(</b>	®	O	0	Œ	(F)	VH270615

**6.** In this school year, did your school offer any of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Opportunities for students to discuss mathematics work, including homework, with their teachers.	<b>®</b>	(B)	VH270635
b. Peer tutoring in mathematics	(A)	®	VH270636
c. Mathematics competitions	(A)	®	VH270637
d. Chess clubs	(A)	®	VH270638
e. Programming classes	(A)	®	VH270640
f. Mathematics clubs	(A)	®	VH270641
g. Teacher led tutoring sessions in mathematics for groups of students	(A)	®	VH270643
h. Teacher led extra-help sessions in mathematics	<b>(a)</b>	®	VH270644
i. Family mathematics night	(A)	®	VH270645

- 7. In this school year, what percentage of students has gone to other schools (neighboring middle school, high school, or college) to receive mathematics instruction?
  - ♠ 0–10%
  - ® 11-20%
  - © 21-30%
  - © 31-40%
  - © 41-50%
  - © More than 50%

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**8.** Below are some sentences about students who may have to go to other schools for mathematics instruction. Please indicate which statements apply to your students. Select **one** circle in each row.

		Yes	No	
a.	There are students in my school who take high school mathematics classes.	<b>®</b>	®	VH270660
b.	My school provides credit for students who take high school or college mathematics classes.	0	<b>®</b>	VH270661
c.	Students at my school who take high school mathematics classes also take the same tests as high school students taking the same course.	0	<b>®</b>	VH270663
d.	There are algebra classes offered in my school that are equivalent to algebra classes offered at the high schools in my district.	<b>®</b>	®	VH270664

## School Grade 8 Writing

School Grade 8 Writing Questions

1. This year, have the following professional development programs (i.e., training sessions and workshops, including online classes) been offered in your school for English/language arts teachers? Select one or more circles in each row.

		Yes, provided by school or district personnel	Yes, provided by professionals outside of my school or district	No	
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving practices for writing instruction	<b>(</b>	<b>®</b>	0	VH312560
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' keyboarding skills	<b>(</b>	<b>®</b>	0	VH312561
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' word processing skills	<b>(</b>	<b>®</b>	0	VH312562
d. (	Other programs (Please specify):	<b>®</b>	®	©	VH312563

2. This year, have the following professional development programs (i.e., training sessions and workshops, including online classes) been offered in your school for teachers not teaching English/language arts? Select one or more circles in each row.

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	Yes, provided by school or district personnel	Yes, provided by professionals outside of my school or district	No	
a. Programs aimed at developing and improving practices for writing instruction	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	VH312571
b. Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' keyboarding skills	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	VH312572
c. Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' word processing skills	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	VH312574
d. Other programs (Please specify):	<b>(A)</b>	®	©	VH312575

**3.** How often are teachers in your school expected to give students **writing assignments** (for example, short written answers, essays, research papers) in the following classes? Select **one** circle in each row.

		There is no specific expectation around this in my school.	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a.	English/language arts class	A	®	0	0	Ē	©	VH312580
b.	Social studies class such as history, civics, government, or geography	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	Θ	©	(F)	VH312581
c.	Science class	A	B	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH312582
d.	Mathematics class	A	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH312583

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4.	Approximately what percentage of their instructional time are teachers in your
	school expected to devote to <b>teaching writing</b> to 8th grade students in the
	following subjects? Fill in integer numbers between 1 and 100 on each row. If there is
	<u>no</u> specific expectation for a particular subject, <b>enter 0</b> for that row.

English/language arts class %	
Social studies class such as history, civics, government, or geography	%
Science class %	
Mathematics class %	

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**5.** Does your school offer students the opportunity to submit their writing to or participate in any of the following? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. School newspaper	A	®	VH312624
b. School website	(A)	®	VH312625
c. Discussion blog	A	®	VH312627

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**6.** Does your school offer any of the following school-sponsored activities to 8th grade students? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Yes	No	
a.	Writing club(s) (for example, a creative writing or poetry group)	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312636
b.	Writing competition(s)	(A)	®	VH312637
c.	Special courses or workshops to improve keyboarding skills	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312639
d.	Special courses or workshops to learn how to use word processing software	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312640
e.	Drama club where students write their own plays	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312643
f.	Other (Please specify):	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312644

7. Does your school or district offer summer programs in **writing** remediation or enrichment to students? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Yes	No	
a. Remediation	A	®	VH312596
b. Enrichment	A	®	VH312597

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8.	art tea	roximately what percentage of their instructional time are <b>English/language s teachers</b> in your school expected to devote to each of the following when <b>ching writing</b> to 8th grade students? Fill in integer numbers <b>between 1 and 100</b> on the corresponding row so that the total sums up to 100. If there is <u>no</u> specific bectation for a particular topic, <b>enter 0</b> for that row.	
	De	velopment of ideas %	
	Org	ganization of ideas %	
	Eff	ectiveness of expression (e.g., sentence variety, word choice, tone) %	
	Me	echanics and conventions (e.g., spelling, grammar, punctuation) %	
	Wo	ord processing skills %	
	Ot	her (Please specify):	%
			VH313715
9.		nich of the following best describes the keyboarding skills expected of glish/language arts teachers in your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	There is no specific expectation around this in my school.	
	$^{ ext{                                  $	Hunt and peck typing/Two-finger typing	
	0	Basic touch-typing	
	<b>(</b>	Rapid and accurate touch-typing	
			VH313716
10.	_	proximately how many of the <b>English/language arts teachers</b> in your school set the expectations regarding their keyboarding skills?	
	<b>(A)</b>	None	
	$^{ ext{                                  $	Very few teachers	
	0	Some but less than half of the teachers	
	<b>(</b>	About half of the teachers	
	(E)	More than half of the teachers	
	(Ē)	All or almost all teachers	

11.	Approximately what percentage of the English/language arts teachers in your school meet the expectations regarding their keyboarding skills?	VH313722
12.	Which of the following best describes the word processing skills expected of <b>English/language arts teachers</b> in your school?	VH313726
	<ul> <li>There is no specific expectation around this in my school.</li> <li>Basic skills</li> <li>Intermediate skills</li> <li>Advanced skills</li> </ul>	VH313728
13.	Approximately how many of the English/language arts teachers in your school meet the expectations regarding their word processing skills?  None  Very few teachers  Some but less than half of the teachers  About half of the teachers  More than half of the teachers  All or almost all teachers	VH313/28
14.	Approximately what percentage of the English/language arts teachers in your school meet the expectations regarding their word processing skills?	VH313737

# School Grade 8 School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

## **Proof of Concept (Puerto Rico)**

School Grade 8(PR POC) SCP Questions

- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

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2.	Ca	n your school be described by any of the following? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	$\bigcirc$	Elementary school	
	®	Middle or junior high school	
	0	Secondary school	
	0	Regular school with a magnet program	
	(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	
	Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
	<u>©</u>	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
	$\oplus$	Private independent school	
	Ο	Private religiously affiliated school	
	Ф	Independent charter school	
	⊗	Charter school administered by local school district	
	0	Other (Please specify):	
		VH253*	912
3.	Wł	nat is the current enrollment in your school?	
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4.	Ap	proximately what percentage of eighth-graders in your school is new this year?	)43

© 11-20%

© Over 20%

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5.	. Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been identified as limited-Spanish proficient?	
	<b>a</b> 0%	
	® 1-5%	
	© 6–10%	
	© 11–25%	
	© 26–50%	
	© 51–75%	
	© 76–90%	
	① Over 90%	
		VH240209
6.	Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school enrolled after the first day of school?	
	<b>a</b> 0%	
	® 1-3%	
	© 4–6%	
	© 7–10%	
	© 11–20%	
	© Over 20%	
		VH240210
7.	Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?	
	® 1-3%	
	© 4–6%	
	© 7–10%	

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			VH24021
8.		yout what percentage of your students is absent on an average day? (Include cused and unexcused absences in calculating this rate.)	
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	®	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	0	More than 10%	
9.		oout what percentage of your teachers is absent on an average day? (Include all sences in calculating this rate.)	VH24021
	<b>(A)</b>	0–2%	
	®	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	0	More than 10%	
10.		bout what percentage of this year's eighth-graders was held back and is repeating ghth grade?	VH24021
	<b>(A)</b>	0%	
	®	1–2%	
	0	3–5%	
	0	6–10%	
	(E)	More than 10%	
			VH24021
11.	Do	pes your school participate in the National School Lunch Program?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	ഀ	No Questions 12–14 are not applicable and will be skipped.	

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	VH240217	

12. How does the school operate the program?

- © Student eligibility is determined individually, and eligible students receive free or reduced-price lunch. *Question 13 is not applicable and will be skipped.*
- All students in school receive free lunch under special provisions (e.g., Provision 2 or 3)
- **13.** If your school distributes free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3, what was the **base year** during which individual student eligibility was collected?
  - This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
  - ® 2015
  - © 2014
  - © 2013
  - © 2012
  - © 2011
  - © 2010 or earlier

- **14.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - **a** 0%
  - ® 1–5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11-25%
  - © 26-34%
  - © 35–50%
  - © 51–75% ⊕ 76–99%
  - ① 100%

- **15.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - No
  - Tes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select **one** circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

		None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
	geted Title vices	(8)	®	0	0	Θ	Ð	0	Θ	VH241931
b. Gift taler prog	nted	A	B	0	0	Ē	Ē	6	$\oplus$	VH241922
stud hom lang	vided in lent's	0	<b>®</b>	0	0	©.	©	©	Θ	VH241928
d. Indiv	vidual Juage plan	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	©	Ĥ	VH241929
e. Spec	cial cation	A	®	0	0	©	©	©	$\oplus$	VH241925

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- 17. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

  - ® 1-5
  - © 6-10
  - ① 11-15
  - © 16-25
  - © More than 25

**18.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	•	©.	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	₿	0	0	Œ	VH241939

For all teacher counts entered in item 19:

### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

#### *INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- Short-term substitute teachers
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **19.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

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- 20. Does your school offer tenure to teachers?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

**21.** Of the following categories of teachers who were full-time teachers at your school at the end of the last school year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year? Select **one** circle in each row.

	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a. Nontenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	<b>(A)</b>	®	©	0	©.	Œ	VH241943
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH241942

	VH254012
22. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?	
If you answered 0, Question 23 is not applicable and will be skipped.	
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- **23.** Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?
  - ♠ 0–10%
  - ® 11-25%
  - © 26-50%
  - © 51-75%
  - © 76-90%
  - © Over 90%

# **School Grade 8 Mathematics**

# **Proof of Concept (Puerto Rico)**

School Grade 8 (PR-POC) Mathematics Questions

- 1. What percentage of eighth-grade students in your school enrolls in more than one mathematics class in a year (including summer school) for the purpose of remediation or to catch up to grade level? Do not include students who receive additional mathematics instruction as part of special education or because of IEP provisions.
  - None
  - ® 1 to 5 percent
  - © 6 to 10 percent
  - 11 to 20 percent
  - More than 20 percent

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**2.** What percentage of eighth-grade students in your school enrolls in more than one mathematics class in a year (including summer school) for the purpose of advancement or to get ahead of grade level?

- None
- ® 1 to 5 percent
- © 6 to 10 percent
- 11 to 20 percent
- © More than 20 percent

**3.** What percentage of eighth-grade students in your school is enrolled in the following mathematics classes? Select **one** circle in each row.

		None	1-10%	11-25%	26-50%	51-75%	76-90%	91–100%	
a.	Eighth-grade mathematics (not algebra or pre-algebra)	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	Œ	©	VH240949
b.	Introduction to algebra or pre-algebra	(8)	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	©	VH240950
c.	Two-year pre-algebra	$\Theta$	₿	0	0	Œ	Ē	©	VH240953
d.	Algebra I (one-year course)	$\Theta$	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	©	VH240951
e.	Algebra I (first year of two-year course)	A	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	©	VH240952
f.	Algebra I (second year of two-year course)	(8)	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	©	VH240956
g.	Geometry	A	®	0	0	(Ē)	Ē	©	VH240957
h.	Algebra II	A	®	©	0	(Ē)	Ē	©	VH240954
i.	Integrated or sequential mathematics	(A)	®	0	0	Ē	(F)	©	VH240955

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- **4.** Do students who complete a one-year course in Algebra I by the end of eighth-grade receive high school credit?
  - A Yes
  - No

- **5.** In addition to their regular classroom teacher, is there a mathematics resource teacher available (full- or part-time) to eighth-grade students at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to eighth-grade students
  - Yes, available part-time to eighth-grade students
  - © No Question 6 is not applicable and will be skipped.

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**6.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics resource teacher(s) available to eighth-grade students at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to individual students	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240960
b.	Provide mathematics remediation/intervention to groups of students	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240962
c.	Provide mathematics enrichment to individual students	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240961
d.	Provide mathematics enrichment to groups of students	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240959

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- 7. Is there a mathematics coach available (full- or part-time) to eighth-grade teachers at your school?
  - Yes, available full-time to eighth-grade teachers
  - ® Yes, available part-time to eighth-grade teachers
  - © No Question 8 is not applicable and will be skipped.

**8.** To what extent are each of the following a responsibility of the mathematics coach(es) available to eighth-grade teachers at your school? Select **one** circle in each row.

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		Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a.	Provide support or assistance about mathematics content	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	VH240964
b.	Provide support or assistance about the teaching of mathematics to individual teachers	(4)	<b>®</b>	0	0	VH240966
c.	Conduct professional development about mathematics or the teaching of mathematics for groups of teachers	(4)	®	0	0	VH240965

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9.	an	e eighth-grade students typically assigned to mathematics classes by ability d/or achievement levels (so that some instruction groups are higher in average athematics ability and/or achievement levels than others)?	
	$\bigcirc$	Yes	
	B	No	
			VH2400
10.	abi	ease estimate the percentage of students that is transferred to a higher ality/achievement-based placement in mathematics between eighth and ninth ade.	
	<b>(A)</b>	Less than 1 percent	
	®	1 to 5 percent	
	0	6 to 10 percent	
	0	11 to 25 percent	
	Œ	More than 25 percent	
	Ð	Students are not grouped by ability.	
			VH2400
11.	abi	ease estimate the percentage of students that is transferred to a lower elity/achievement-based placement in mathematics between eighth and ninth ade.	
	<b>(A)</b>	Less than 1 percent	
	®	1 to 5 percent	
	0	6 to 10 percent	
	<b>(</b>	11 to 25 percent	
	(E)	More than 25 percent	
	Ð	Students are not grouped by ability.	

**12.** To what extent is your school's mathematics program structured according to the following resources? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Department of Education curriculum standards or frameworks	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH352695
b. District curriculum standards or curriculum guides	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240921
c. Results from Department of Education/district assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH352696
d. In-school curriculum frameworks and standards for learning	(A)	®	0	0	VH240923
e. Results from school assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH240924
f. Recommendations from school mathematics department	(A)	®	0	0	VH240930
g. Discretion of individual teachers	(A)	®	0	0	VH240926
h. Commercially designed programs	A	®	0	0	VH240927
i. Internet resources	A	®	0	0	VH240925

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**13.** To what extent does your school's eighth-grade mathematics curriculum focus on preparation for the following types of assessments? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. State assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240971
b. District assessments	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	VH240970
c. School assessments	(A)	®	0	0	VH240969

**14.** Approximately what percentage of your school's classrooms has the following technological resources for eighth-grade mathematics instruction? Select **one** circle in each row.

		0%	1–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–99%	100%	
a.	Cable/satellite/ closed-circuit television	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	©	Ð	VH240973
b.	Videodisc player/ VCR/DVD player	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH240974
c.	Digital/video camera	A	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240975
d.	Videoconferencing equipment	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240976
e.	Scanner for images or text	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH240977
f.	Projection device for projecting images directly from a computer	Ø	®	0	Θ	©.	Œ	VH240983
g.	Computer	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240979
h.	Internet	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240980
i.	Computer printer	(A)	®	©	0	Œ	Ð	VH240981
j.	Handheld devices (e.g., personal digital assistants)	Ø	®	0	0	Œ	Ð	VH240978

## School Giving Back Questions

School Giving Back Questions

1.	Would you like to receive information about how other school administrators in the nation responded to this questionnaire?	
	Yes	
	® No	
		VH354139
2.	If yes, please provide your email address so that we may send access to the website when it is available in May.	

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## Submittal for 2016 VOLUME II SURVEY QUESTIONS

## Part 3c School Grade 12



### Part 3c contains School Grade 12 components:

School Characteristics and Policies (SCP)/Core (includes Charter School questions) Writing
Giving Back Questions

The amount of time estimated to complete these forms: Grade 12 School Questionnaire – 30 minutes

# SCHOOL QUESTIONNAIRES

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## School Grade 12 School Characteristics and Policies (SCP) / Core

School Grade 12 SCP Questions

- 1. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
  - Pre-kindergarten
  - ® Kindergarten
  - © 1st grade
  - © 2nd grade
  - © 3rd grade
  - ① 4th grade
  - © 5th grade
  - (B) 6th grade
  - ① 7th grade
  - ① 8th grade
  - © 9th grade
  - ① 10th grade

  - 12th grade

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2.	Ca	n your school be described by any of the following? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	<b>(A)</b>	Elementary school	
	®	Middle or junior high school	
	0	Secondary school	
	0	Regular school with a magnet program	
	(E)	A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school	1
	Ð	Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities	
	<b>©</b>	Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education	
	$\oplus$	Private independent school	
	0	Private religiously affiliated school	
	О	Independent charter school	
	€	Charter school administered by local school district	
	0	Other (Please specify):	
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**3.** What is the current enrollment in your school?

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4.	Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been
	identified as limited-English proficient?

- ◎ 0%
- ® 1-5%
- © 6-10%
- ① 11-25%
- © 26-50%
- © 51-75%
- © 76–90%
- Over 90%

**5.** Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school enrolled after the first day of school?

- ® 1–3%
- © 4-6%
- © 7-10%
- © 11-20%
- © Over 20%

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**6.** Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?

- ® 1-3%
- © 4-6%
- © 7-10%
- © 11-20%
- © Over 20%

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- **11.** If your school distributes free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3, what was the **base year** during which individual student eligibility was collected?
  - This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.
  - ® 2015
  - © 2014
  - © 2013
  - © 2012
  - © 2011
  - © 2010 or earlier

- **12.** During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?
  - A) 0%
  - ® 1-5%
  - © 6-10%
  - © 11–25%
  - © 26–34% © 35–50%
  - © 51–75%
  - ⊕ 76–99%
  - ① 100%

- **13.** Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)
  - No
  - Yes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.
  - © Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

14. Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select one circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

		None	1–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%	
a.	Targeted Title I services	A	®	0	0	©.	©	0	Θ	VH241931
b.	Gifted and talented program	A	B	0	0	Ē	(F)	6	Ð	VH241922
c.	Instruction provided in student's home language (non-English)	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	©.	<b>©</b>	9	Θ	VH241923
d.	English-as-a- second-language (not in a bilingual education program)	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	©.	0	(11)	VH241924
e.	Special education	(A)	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	©	⊕	VH241925

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15. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

- **(A)** 0
- ® 1-5
- © 6-10
- ① 11-15
- © 16-25
- © More than 25

**16.** Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Not applicable	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	Over 50%	
a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school	(4)	®	0	•	©.	VH241940
b. Attend teacher–parent conferences	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Œ	VH241939

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For all teacher counts entered in item 17:

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

*INCLUDE* these types of teachers:

- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

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#### DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Student teachers
- *Short-term substitute teachers*
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education
- **17.** Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? *If none, mark (0) in the boxes.*

a. Full-time	
	Full-time teachers
b. Part-time	
	Part-time teachers

18. Does your school o	or district of	fer tenure to	teachers?				VH240221	
<ul><li>® No</li><li>19. Of the following cathe end of the last this school year? S</li></ul>	school year,	what percer	ntage stayed				VH241941	
	0–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–90%	Over 90%		
a. Non-tenured teachers who had taught for at least one year	(A)	(B)	0	0	Œ	Œ	VH241943	
b. Tenured teachers	(A)	®	0	0	(E)	Ð	VH241942	
20. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?								
<ul><li>21. Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?</li><li>© 0–10%</li></ul>								
® 11–25%								
© 26–50%								
© 51–75%								
© 76–90%								
© Over 90%								

22.	Approximately what percentage of twelfth-graders in your school is new this year?

**23.** Of the students in last year's graduating class, approximately what percentage is doing each of the following? Select **one** circle in each row.

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		0–5%	6–10%	11–25%	26–50%	51-75%	Over 75%	I don't know.	
a.	Attending a two-year college	A	®	©	0	Ē	Ē	©	VH241933
b.	Attending a four-year college	A	®	0	0	Ē	Ē	©	VH241935
c.	Attending a vocational-technical or business school	(9)	®	0	0	(£)	<b>©</b>	©	VH241934
d.	Working for pay	A	®	©	0	Œ	(Ē)	©	VH241937
e.	Serving in the military (excluding ROTC and military academies)	(4)	®	0	Φ	©	©	©	VH241936

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24.		es your school offer any of the following services to students on a regular is? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	lack	Career and technical education workshops	
	®	Career counseling services or programs	
	0	Job placement services	
	<b>(</b>	Career days or job fairs	
	(E)	Career or employment readiness workshops	
25.		your school, is there a wireless Internet connection that students can use for toolwork?	VH311352
	lack	No	
	®	Yes, in some areas of the school.	
	0	Yes, everywhere or almost everywhere in the school.	
			VH311353
26.		is school year, did your school provide teachers with <b>laptop computers</b> for ching and class preparation?	
	$\bigcirc$	No	
	B	Yes, some teachers.	
	0	Yes, all teachers.	
			VH311354
27.		is school year, did your school provide teachers with <b>tablets</b> (for example, face Pro, iPad, or Kindle Fire) for teaching and class preparation?	
	lack	No	
	®	Yes, some teachers.	
	0	Yes, all teachers.	

- **28.** This school year, did your school offer technical support to teachers for **computers** and **tablets** used in this school?
  - No
  - ® Yes, we have technical support staff in the school.
  - © Yes, we are partnering with a provider outside the school.

**29.** How often do teachers do the following in this school? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	Several times a day	
a.	Teach jointly as a team in the same class	<b>(A)</b>	®	0	0	Œ)	(F)	VH311410
b.	Observe other teachers' classes and provide feedback	<b>(</b> A)	®	0	Φ	(£)	<b>(</b> -	VH311411
c.	Engage in joint activities across different classes and age groups (e.g., projects)	<b>®</b>	®	0	Θ	©	<b>(</b>	VH311412
d.	Exchange teaching materials with colleagues	<b>(</b>	®	0	0	Œ)	Œ	VH311413
e.	Engage in discussions about the learning development of specific students	<b>®</b>	®	0	0	©.	(÷	VH311414
f.	Work with other teachers during common planning times to ensure common standards in evaluations for assessing student progress	<b>®</b>	®	0	Φ	©	<b>©</b>	VH311415

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30.		s school year, which of the following types of computers or other digital es are available in your school for student use? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	VH311450
		esktop computers	
	® La	aptop computers	
	© Ta	ablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	
	(D) O	ther digital devices (Please specify):	
			VH342882
31.		ar school, where are <b>desktop computers</b> available for students to work? Select uares that apply.	
	♠ In	some classrooms	
	® In	all classrooms	
	© In	a media center	
	① In	a computer lab	
	© In	the school library	
	① O	ther (Please specify):	
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32.		is the average age of the <b>desktop computers</b> in your school?	
		ess than 1 year	
		-1.9 years	
		-3.9 years	
		-5.9 years	
	© 60	or more years	

© I don't know.

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33.	In your school, where are <b>laptop computers</b> available for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	In some classrooms	
	® In all classrooms	
	© In a media center	
	① In a computer lab	
	© In the school library	
	① Other (Please specify):	
34.	What is the total number of <b>laptop computers</b> available for students in your school? Enter the number of laptop computers.	VH311487
		VH311490
35.	What is the average age of the <b>laptop computers</b> in your school?	V11311490
	Less than 1 year	
	® 1–1.9 years	
	© 2–3.9 years	
	© 4–5.9 years	
	© 6 or more years	
	© I don't know.	

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36.	In your school, where are <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) available for students to work? Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.	
	In some classrooms	
	® In all classrooms	
	© In a media center	
	① In a computer lab	
	© In the school library	
	① Other (Please specify):	
		VH311502
37.	What is the total number of <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) available for students in your school? Enter the number of tablets.	
	available for students in your school; Effer the number of tablets.	
		VH311504
38.	What is the average age of the <b>tablets</b> (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) in your school?	
	Less than 1 year	
	® 1–1.9 years	
	© 2–3.9 years	
	① 4–5.9 years	
	© 6 or more years	
	① I don't know.	

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39.	• Please identify the organization(s) listed below to which your school is most closely affiliated. Select <b>all</b> squares that apply.				
	lack	American Association of Christian Schools			
	®	Association of Christian Schools International			
	0	Christian Schools International			
	0	National Association of Episcopal Schools			
	Œ	National Association of Independent Schools			
	Ð	National Catholic Educational Association			
	©	National Society of Hebrew Day Schools			
	$\oplus$	The Association of Boarding Schools			
	Θ	Other (Please specify):			
	О	None of the above			
			VH240223		
40.	Is y	your school a public <b>charter</b> school?			
	sta and	charter school is a public school that, in accordance with an enabling state stute, has been granted a charter exempting it from selected state or local rules d regulations. A charter school may be a newly created school, or it may eviously have been a public or private school.)			
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes			
	®	No			
41.	In ·	which year did your school start providing instruction as a charter school?	VH254022		

			VH240224
12	<b>1</b> 1/1	no granted your school's current charter?	VII240224
44.			
		School district	1
	®	State board of education (includes state board of regents and District of Columbia State B of Education)	oara
	0	Postsecondary institution	
	0	State charter-granting agency	
	Œ	City or state public charter school board	
	Ð	Other (specify):	
	***1		VH240225
43.	Wł	nat is the legal status of your school?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Officially part of the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	$^{\otimes}$	Independent from the school district or local education agency (LEA)	
	0	A separate local education agency (LEA) as stipulated by state law	
			VH240226
44.		this school operated by a company or organization that also operates other arter schools?	
	<b>(A)</b>	Yes	
	$^{\otimes}$	No	

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- **45.** Which one of the following best describes your charter school's **primary** focus in terms of program content?
  - We have a comprehensive curriculum with no specialized area of focus.
  - We have a special curricular focus, for example, the arts, math/science, foreign language immersion.
  - © Our curriculum is based on a particular educational theory, for example, Montessori, open school, Core Knowledge.
  - ① Our curriculum is based on a particular moral philosophy or set of values, for example, African-centered education, character-based education, Eastern philosophy.

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- **46.** Does your school provide a written contract for parents?
  - Yes, and parents are required to abide by it.
  - ® Yes, but signing it is voluntary.
  - © No

**47.** Are the following elements addressed in your charter–parent contract? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Yes	No	
a. Dress code	(A)	®	VH241947
b. Home learning environment	(A)	®	VH241951
c. Homework	(A)	®	VH241946
d. Parent-teacher communication	(A)	®	VH241953
e. Parent volunteering	(A)	®	VH241952
f. School discipline policy	(A)	®	VH241948
g. Student attendance	(A)	®	VH241945
h. Student promotion policy	(A)	®	VH241950
i. Other (specify):	_	®	VH259448

## School Grade 12 Writing

School Grade 12 Writing Questions

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1. This year, have the following professional development programs (i.e., training sessions and workshops, including online classes) been offered in your school for English/language arts teachers? Select one or more circles in each row.

		Yes, provided by school or district personnel	Yes, provided by professionals outside of my school or district	No	
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving practices for writing instruction	<b>(</b>	®	0	VH312560
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' keyboarding skills	(4)	<b>®</b>	0	VH312561
;	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' word processing skills	<b>(</b>	<b>®</b>	0	VH312562
d. (	Other programs (Please specify):	<b>®</b>	®	©	VH312563

2. This year, have the following professional development programs (i.e., training sessions and workshops, including online classes) been offered in your school for teachers not teaching English/language arts? Select one or more circles in each row.

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		Yes, provided by school or district personnel	Yes, provided by professionals outside of my school or district	No	
a.	Programs aimed at developing and improving practices for writing instruction	<b>(</b>	®	0	VH312571
b.	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' keyboarding skills	<b>(</b>	®	0	VH312572
c.	Programs aimed at developing and improving teachers' word processing skills	<b>(</b>	®	0	VH312574
d.	Other programs (Please specify):	<b>®</b>	®	©	VH312575

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**3.** How often are teachers in your school expected to give students **writing assignments** (for example, short written answers, essays, research papers) in the following classes? Select **one** circle in each row.

		There is no specific expectation around this in my school.	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a.	English/language arts class	A	®	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH312580
b.	Social studies class such as history, civics, government, or geography	<b>®</b>	®	0	Θ	©	(F)	VH312581
c.	Science class	A	B	0	0	Œ	(Ē)	VH312582
d.	Mathematics class	A	®	0	0	Œ	Ē	VH312583

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4.	Approximately what percentage of their instructional time are teachers in your
	school expected to devote to <b>teaching writing</b> to 12th grade students in the
	following subjects? Fill in integer numbers between 1 and 100 on each row. If there is
	<u>no</u> specific expectation for a particular subject, <b>enter 0</b> for that row.

English/language arts class %	
Social studies class such as history, civics, government, or geography	%
Science class %	
Mathematics class %	

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**5.** Does your school offer students the opportunity to submit their writing to or participate in any of the following? Select **one** circle in each row.

	Yes	No	
a. School newspaper	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312624
b. School website	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312625
c. Discussion blog	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH312627

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**6.** Does your school offer any of the following school-sponsored activities to 12th grade students? Select **one** circle in each row.

		Yes	No	
a.	Writing club(s) (for example, a creative writing or poetry group)	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH313620
b.	Writing competition(s)	<b>(A)</b>	®	VH313621
c.	Special courses or workshops to improve keyboarding skills	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	VH313623
d.	Special courses or workshops to learn how to use word processing software	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	VH313628
e.	Drama club where students write their own plays	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	VH313627
f.	Other (Please specify):	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	VH313624

7. Does your school or district offer summer programs in **writing** remediation or enrichment to students? Select **one** circle in each row.

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	Yes	No	
a. Remediation	(A)	®	VH312596
b. Enrichment	A	®	VH312597

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8.	art tea on	roximately what percentage of their instructional time are <b>English/language s teachers</b> in your school expected to devote to each of the following when <b>sching writing</b> to 12th grade students? Fill in integer numbers <b>between 1 and 100</b> each corresponding row so that the total sums up to 100. If there is <u>no</u> specific pectation for a particular topic, <b>enter 0</b> for that row.		
	De	velopment of ideas %		
	Or	ganization of ideas %		
	Eff	ectiveness of expression (e.g., sentence variety, word choice, tone) %		
	Me	echanics and conventions (e.g., spelling, grammar, punctuation) %		
	Wo	ord processing skills %		
	Ot	her (Please specify):	%	
			VH313	715
9.		nich of the following best describes the keyboarding skills expected of glish/language arts teachers in your school?		
	<b>(A)</b>	There is no specific expectation around this in my school.		
	®	Hunt and peck typing/Two-finger typing		
	0	Basic touch-typing		
	<b>(</b>	Rapid and accurate touch-typing		
			VH313	716
10.	_	proximately how many of the <b>English/language arts teachers</b> in your school eet the expectations regarding their keyboarding skills?		
	(A)	None		
	$^{ ext{ B}}$	Very few teachers		
	0	Some but less than half of the teachers		
	0	About half of the teachers		
	(E)	More than half of the teachers		
	(Ē)	All or almost all teachers		

11.		proximately what percentage of the <b>English/language arts teachers</b> in your ool meet the expectations regarding their keyboarding skills?	VH313722
12.		ich of the following best describes the word processing skills expected of glish/language arts teachers in your school?	VH313726
	® ©	There is no specific expectation around this in my school.  Basic skills  Intermediate skills  Advanced skills	
13.	me (	Proximately how many of the English/language arts teachers in your school et the expectations regarding their word processing skills?  None  Very few teachers  Some but less than half of the teachers  About half of the teachers  More than half of the teachers  All or almost all teachers	VH313728
14.		proximately what percentage of the <b>English/language arts teachers</b> in your ool meet the expectations regarding their word processing skills?	VH313737

## School Giving Back Questions

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1.	Would you like to receive information about how other school administrators in the nation responded to this questionnaire?	
	Yes	
	® No	
		VH354139
2.	If yes, please provide your email address so that we may send access to the website when it is available in May.	

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