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High School (Grades 9-12) Student Questionnaire

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Please answer all the questions.

Part 1: About You

This first section asks questions about you.

Q1.	What is your gender (✓ Check one)
	Male or \square^1
	Female? \square^2
Q2.	How often do you read books that are not assigned by your teacher? (✓ Check one)
	Every day \square^1
	Most days \square^2
	Some days \square^3
	Never
Q3.	How far do you expect to go in school? (✓ Check one)
	Less than high school completion \square^1
	Complete a high school diploma, GED or alternative high school credential \square^2
	Complete a certificate or diploma from a school that provides occupational training $oldsymbol{\Box}^3$
	Complete an Associate's degree
	Complete a Bachelor's degree \square^5
	Complete a Master's degree \square^6
	Complete a Ph.D., M.D., law degree, or other high level professional degree \Box^7
Q4.	How far in school do you want to go? (✓ Check one)
	Less than high school completion \square^1
	Complete a high school diploma, GED or alternative high school credential \square^2
	Complete a certificate or diploma from a school that provides occupational training \Box
	Complete an Associate's degree \square^4
	Complete a Bachelor's degree \square^5
	Complete a Master's degree \square^6
	Complete a Ph.D., M.D., law degree, or other high level professional degree \Box^7

5.	(✓ Check yes or no on each row)			
		Yes	No	
	Participated in groups or activities at your church (like choir or youth group)		\square^2	
	 Participated in a team or club (like little league or girl scouts/boy scouts) in your community 	\Box^1	□ ²	
	c. Participated in a team or club (like sports, music, or dance) at your school		\square^2	
	d. Participated in a community service activity or volunteer work at your school or in your community	\Box^1	□ ²	
	e. Gone to religious services	\Box^1	\square^2	
6.	On a regular school day, how long are you at home aft (✓ Check one)	er school w	ith no adult th	iere?
	None			
	Less than 1 hour			
	1-2 hours	□ ²		
		^2		
	2-3 hours	ப °		
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7.	More than 3 hours Do any of the following encourage you to work harder (✓ Check one box on each row)	□ ⁴ in school?	A 1 ;wlo	Not At All
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Q8.		no has had the most influence Check one)	e on your thinki	ing about ca	areers, if any	rone?	
		A high school counselo	r	□ ⁰¹			
		A teacher		□ 02			
		Your parents		□ 03			
		Another family member					
		Your friends					
		Your employer		 06			
		A military recruiter					
		A coach or scout					
		Yourself					
		No one in particular					
Q9.		ve you ever done any of the Check one box on each ro		ties [to prep	oare for life a	fter high so	hool]?
					Yes	No	_
	a.	Attended a career day or jo			\square^1	\square^2	
	b.	Attended a program at, or to college campus?			\square^1	\square^2	
	C.	Sat in on or taken a college			\Box^1	\Box^2	
	d.	Participated in an internship apprenticeship related to yo	our career goals	s?		2	
	e.	Worked or volunteered in a your career goals?			\square^1	\square^2	
	f.	Searched the Internet for coread college guides?	ollege options o	or		2	
	g.	Talked about your options f	•	า			
		school with a counselor hire family?			\square^1	\square^2	
occu throu	pational	p is a work-related learning experier field. Apprenticeship programs prov e-job training and other related instr	ide formal training	in specific occ	cupations; the a	pprentice/part	icipant learns a trade
Q10		ve you ever taken any of the Check one box on each ro		?			
						Three	Don't
			Never	Once	Twice	or more times	know what this is
a.	Prelimi	nary SAT (PSAT)		\square^2	□ ³	\square^4	 5
b.	SAT		1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4	□ ⁵
c.	PLAN.		1	\square^2	□ 3	\square^4	□ ⁵
d.	ACT		<u> </u>	2	□ 3	4	5
e.	Any Ad	lvanced Placement (AP) test	1	\Box^2	□ 3	\Box^4	5
f.	Any Int	ernational Baccalaureate (IB) 1	□ 2	□3	\Box^4	□5

Q11. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements: (✓ Check one box on each row)

	Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Disagree strongly
a.Even if you study, you will not be able to get into college	\square^1	\square^2	□ ³	\square^4
b.Even if you study, your family cannot afford to pay for you to attend college	\square^1	 2	\square^3	\Box^4
c.Working is more important for you than attending college	\square^1	 2	\square^3	\Box^4
d.Studying in school rarely pays off later with good jobs				
	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4

Part 2: About Your School

This section asks questions about the overall climate at your school, support from teachers and other adults in the school and other students' attitudes.

Q12.		Do you agree or disagree with these statements about your school? (Check one box on each row)							
	()	Check one box on each row)	Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Disagree strongly			
	a.S	Students are proud to go to this school		 2	3	4			
		Students at this school have a lot of portunities to learn		\square^2	□ ³	\square^4			
	c.F	Rules of behavior are strict	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	oth	People at my school are supportive of each	□ ¹	\square^2	□ ³	4			
	e.l	feel lonely at my school	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	f.l e	enjoy going to school	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	tea	There is respect, among students and schers, for other religions and cultures, at		\square^2	□3	\square^4			
	h.S	school Students are taught to be kind and ponsible for their actions	\Box^1	□ ²	\square^3	□ ⁴			
Q13.	Ov	erall, how safe do you feel your school is?							
	Ve	ry safe \square^1							
		mewhat safe \square^2							
		t safe \square^3							
Q14.		I the following ever happen to you at school t Check one box on each row)	his year?						
				Never	Once or twice	3 times or more			
	a.	Had something stolen from your desk, locker, or other place		\square^1	\square^2	\square^3			
	b.	Been forced by other kids to give them money or my stuff		\square^1	\square^2	\square^3			
	C.	Been offered drugs		\Box ¹	\Box^2	3			
	d.	Been physically hurt by another student			\Box^2	3			
	e.	Been threatened with physical harm		\Box ¹	\Box^2	_3			
	f.	Seen anyone with a real or toy gun or knife		_	— —	-			
		at school		\square^1	\square^2	\square^3			
	g.	Been bullied at school		U ¹	L ²	⊔ ³			
	h.	Been called a bad name		\square^1	\square^2	\square_3			

Q15. Do you agree or disagree with these statements about the teachers and other adults at your school?

(✓ Check one box on each row)

		Agree			Disagree
		strongly	Agree	Disagree	strongly
	my school, there is a teacher or me other adult who				
a.	listens to me when I have something to say	🗖 1	 2	□ ³	\square^4
b.	really cares about me	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
c.	believes I will be a success	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
d.	always wants me to do my best	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
e.	tells me when I do a good job	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
f.	notices when I'm not there	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
g.	talks to me about problems I have at home or with my friends	🗖¹	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
h.	motivates me to work hard	🔲 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4

During the current school year (2012-2013), have teachers and other school staff provided you with support? Did it help you stay in school or prepare for life after school? Q16. (✓ Check two boxes on each row)

		Yes	No	Very Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Not Helpful	Not Applicable (N/A)
a.	Extra help before or						
	after school in academic subjects?	\Box^1	_ 2	□¹	\square^2	\square^3	\Box^4
b.	Academic instruction on weekends?	\Box^1	_ 2	□¹	\square^2	\square^3	\Box^4
C.	Help completing college applications?	□ ¹	_ 2	□¹	\square^2	\square^3	\Box^4
d.	Guidance about which						
	courses to take?		 2	 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
e.	Help reviewing college entrance test results and suggesting re-testing if						
	necessary?		<u></u> 2	🗖 1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
f.	Help arranging or taking you on visits to colleges or college fairs?						
	-	□¹	 2	1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
g.	Help identifying possible career options?	<u>[</u>]1	<u> </u>	_{[]1}	\Box^2	□ 3	□4
h.	Talked with a high school counselor about your options for life after	_	_		J	-	J
	high school?		2	1	\square^2	□ ³	\square^4

Q17.	Do you agree or disagree with these statements about the students at your school?
	(✓ Check one box on each row)

	Agree strong		Disagree	Disagree strongly
At n	ny school, students			
a.	behave well with the teachers \square^1	\Box^2	3	4
b.	neglect their homework \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
C.	often make fun of each other \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
d.	often disrupt class \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
e.	who misbehave often get away with it \square^1	□ ²	\square^3	\square^4

Q18.	What overall grade would you give your school?
	(✓ Check one)

A-Excellent	. 🗖 1
B-Good	\square^2
C-Fair	. 🗖 3
D-Unsatisfactory	. \square^4
F-Failing	. \square^5

Part 3: About Your Math and English Classes

This next section asks questions about the classes you are taking at school.

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Q19.			year, have you taken classes in? yes or no on each row)				
				Yes	No		
	a.	Art	, music, or dance lessons	\square^1	\square^2		
	a.	Fo	reign language classes	\square^1	\square^2		
	b.	Re	ligion	\square^1	\square^2		
	C.	Sp	orts exercise or gymnastics	\square^1	\square^2		
Q20.	teache provide	rs? F e. Yo	do you agree or disagree with the followin Remember, none of your teachers or your our English/Math teacher one box on each row)				
				Agree			Disagree
			Values and listens to students' ideas	strongly	Agree	Disagree	strongly
		b.	Treats students with respect	_	□	□ 3	□
			·	_	ш.	_	.
		С.	Treats every student fairly	□¹	\square^2	\square^3	4
		d.	Thinks every student can be successful	□1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		e.	Thinks mistakes are okay as long as all students learn	\Box^1	\Box^2	\square^3	\Box^4
		f.	Treats some kids better than other		_	_	- .
			kids		\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		g.	Makes this class interesting	_	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		h.	Treats males and females differently	□1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		i.	Makes this class easy to understand	1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		j.	Goes through the materials too quickly	1	□ ²	\square^3	\square^4
		k.	Only pays attention to the smart	\Box^1	\square^2	□3	□4
		ı.	students Only pays attention to students who			_	_
		١.	are struggling	\Box^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4
		m.	Helps students if they ask a question	□1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4

Q21.	To what extent do you understand what is being taught in your English or Math class				
		English	Math		
	None of the timeAbout half the time	\Box^2 \Box^3 \Box^4	$ \begin{array}{c} \square^1 \\ \square^2 \\ \square^3 \\ \square^4 \\ \square^4 \end{array} $		
Q22.		English	Math		
	How many students are in your class? (your best guess is fine)				
Q23.	On average, how many hours do you sp (Check one) Zero to 5 hours	Math Eng \bigcirc^0 \bigcirc^0	lish		

Part 4: About Your Friends

This section asks questions about your friends.

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Q24.	How many of your close friends do your parents know by name? (✓ Check one)						
	All of them \square^1						
	Most of them \square^2						
	Some of them \square^3						
	None of them \square^4						
Q25.	Think about your close friends. How many of them do the fo (✓ Check one box on each row)	llowing?					
	All o		A few of them	None			
	a.Use bad language regularly	2	3	4			
	b.Smoke cigarettes regularly \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	c.Drink beer or alcohol regularly \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	d.Use illegal drugs regularly \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	e.Talk about college and careers \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	f.Talk about classes in school and what \square^1	\Box^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	they are learning \square^1		_	_			
	improve the neighborhoods and the city \Box^1	\square^2	\square_3	\square^4			
Q26.	How important do your school friends think it is to: (✓ Check one box on each row)						
	Very import	ant importan	t important	Not at all important			
	a.Study hard to get good grades \square^1	_	\square^3	\square^4			
	b.Talk/hang out with friends \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	c.Participate in class \square^1	\square^2	□ ³	\Box ⁴			
	d.Go to college \square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4			
	e.Go to one of the best colleges \square^1	\Box^2	\square_3	\square^4			

Q27. How many of your close friends... (✓ Check one box on each row)

		None	Less		More	All	
		of them	than half	About half	than half	of them	
a.	Get good grades?	0	\square^1	\square^2	3	\square^4	
b.	Have ever dropped out of high school?	\Box^0	\square^1	\square^2	□ ³	\square^4	
C.	Have taken the PSAT, SAT, PLAN or ACT?	 0	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	 4	
d.	Plan to attend a school that provides						
	occupational training (usually less than 2 years)?	 0	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4	
e.	Plan to attend a 2-year community college?	0	\square^1	\square^2	□ ³	\square^4	
f.	Plan to attend a 4-year college?		\square^1	\square^2	□ ³	\square^4	
g.	Plan to have a full-time job instead of continuing their education?	□ 0	\Box^1	\Box^2	□3	\Box^4	
h.	Plan to join the military?			\Box^2	_ □³	\Box ⁴	
i.	Plan to attend a trade or vocational (VoTech) school?	 0	\square^1	\square^2	\square^3	\square^4	
Q2	Q28. Which group of friends has the biggest influence on how you think about school? (✓ Check one box)						
	Friends from your neighborhood \square^1						
	Friends from school						
	My neighborhood friends are the same						
	as my school friends			 3			

Thank you, please hand in your survey.