School Survey on Crime and Safety (SSOCS) 2018 and 2020 **Update**

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SCHOOL SURVEY ON CRIME AND SAFETY

PRINCIPAL QUESTIONNAIRE 2017–18 SCHOOL YEAR

This survey is designed to be completed by the principal or the person most knowledgeable about school crime and policies to provide a safe environment at your school.



(Please correct any errors in name, address, and ZIP Code.)

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DEFINITIONS

The following words are bolded and marked by an asterisk (*) wherever they appear in the questionnaire. Please use these definitions as you respond.

Active shooter – an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area; in most cases, active shooters use firearm(s) and there is no pattern or method to their selection of victims.

Arrest – The act of detaining in legal custody. An "arrest" is the deprivation of a person's liberty by legal authority in response to a criminal charge.

At school/at your school — activities happening in school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses, and at places that hold school-sponsored events or activities. Unless otherwise specified, this refers to normal school hours or to times when school activities/events were in session.

Bullying – any unwanted aggressive behavior(s) by another youth or group of youths that involves an observed or perceived power imbalance and is repeated multiple times or is highly likely to be repeated. Bullying occurs among youth who are not siblings or current dating partners.

Cyberbullying – bullying that occurs when willful and repeated harm is inflicted through the use of computers, cell phones, or other electronic devices.

Diagnostic mental health assessment – an evaluation conducted by a mental health professional that identifies whether an individual has one or more mental health diagnoses. This is in contrast to an educational assessment, which does not focus on clarifying a student's mental health diagnosis.

Evacuation – a procedure that requires all students and staff to leave the building. While evacuating to the school's field makes sense for a fire drill that only lasts a few minutes, it may not be an appropriate location for a longer period of time. The evacuation plan should encompass relocation procedures and include backup buildings to serve as emergency shelters, such as nearby community centers, religious institutions, businesses, or other schools. Evacuation also includes "reverse evacuation," a procedure for schools to return students to the building quickly if an incident occurs while students are outside.

Firearm/explosive device – any weapon that is designed to (or may readily be converted to) expel a projectile by the action of an explosive. This includes guns, bombs, grenades, mines, rockets, missiles, pipe bombs, or similar devices designed to explode and capable of causing bodily harm or property damage.

Gang – an ongoing loosely organized association of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, that has a common name, signs, symbols, or colors, whose members engage, either individually or collectively, in violent or other forms of illegal behavior.

Gender identity – means one's inner sense of one's own gender, which may or may not match the sex assigned at birth. Different people choose to express their gender identity differently. For some, gender may be expressed through, for example, dress, grooming, mannerisms, speech patterns, and social interactions. Gender expression usually ranges between masculine and feminine, and some transgender people express their gender consistent with how they identify internally, rather than in accordance with the sex they were assigned at birth.

Harassment – conduct that is unwelcome and denies or limits a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a school's education program. All students can be victims of harassment and the harasser can share the same characteristics of the victim. The conduct can be verbal, nonverbal, or physical and can take many forms, including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as non-verbal conduct, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating.

Hate crime – A committed criminal offense that is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias(es) against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, or gender identity; also known as bias crime.

Lockdown – a procedure that involves occupants of a school building being directed to remain confined to a room or area within a building with specific procedures to follow. A lockdown may be used when a crisis occurs outside of the school and an evacuation would be dangerous. A lockdown may also be called for when there is a crisis inside and movement within the school will put students in jeopardy. All exterior doors are locked and students and staff stay in their classrooms.

Mental health disorders – collectively, all diagnosable mental disorders or health conditions that are characterized by alterations in thinking, mood, or behavior (or some combination thereof) associated with distress and/or impaired functioning.

Mental health professionals — mental health services are provided by several different professions, each of which has its own training and areas of expertise. The types of licensed professionals who may provide mental health services include psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric/mental health nurse practitioners, psychiatric/mental health nurses, clinical social workers, and professional counselors.

Physical attack or fight – an actual and intentional touching or striking of another person against his or her will, or the intentional causing of bodily harm to an individual.

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DEFINITIONS – Continued

The following words are bolded and marked by an asterisk (*) wherever they appear in the questionnaire. Please use these definitions as you respond.

Rape – forced sexual intercourse (vaginal, anal, or oral penetration). This includes sodomy and penetration with a foreign object. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of rape. [Counts of attempted rape should be added to counts of rapes in your reporting of item 30a.]

Restorative circle – a formal mediation process led by a facilitator that brings affected parties of a problem together to explore what happened, reflect on their roles, find a solution, and ultimately restore harmony to individual relationships and the larger community.

Robbery (taking things by force) – the taking or attempting to take anything of value that is owned by another person or organization, under confrontational circumstances, by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. A key difference between robbery and theft/larceny is that robbery involves a threat or assault.

School Resource Officer (SRO) – a career sworn law enforcement officer with arrest authority, who has specialized training and is assigned to work in collaboration with school organizations.

Sexual assault – an incident that includes threatened rape, fondling, indecent liberties, or child molestation. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of sexual assault. Classification of these incidents should take into consideration the age and developmentally appropriate behavior of the offender(s).

Sexual harassment – conduct that is unwelcome, sexual in nature, and denies or limits a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a school's education program. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of sexual harassment, and the harasser and the victim can be of the same sex. The conduct can be verbal, non-verbal, or physical and can take many forms, including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as non-verbal conduct, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating.

Sexual misconduct – Any act, including, but not limited to, any verbal, nonverbal, written or electronic communication or physical activity, directed toward or with a student regardless of the age of the student that is designed to establish a romantic or sexual relationship with the student. School staff have power over students by virtue of their position, thus student-staff relationships are not equal and students cannot be consenting parties to romantic or sexual relationships.

Sexual orientation – means one's emotional or physical attraction to the same and/or opposite sex.

Shelter-in-place – a procedure similar to a lockdown in that the occupants are to remain on the premises; however, shelter-in-place is designed to

use a facility and its indoor atmosphere to temporarily separate people from a hazardous outdoor environment. Everyone would be brought indoors and building personnel would close all windows and doors and shut down the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system (HVAC). This would create a neutral pressure in the building, meaning the contaminated air would not be drawn into the building.

Special education student – a child with a disability, defined as mental retardation, hearing impairments (including deafness), speech or language impairments, visual impairments (including blindness), serious emotional disturbance, orthopedic impairments, autism, traumatic brain injury, other health impairments, or specific learning disabilities, who needs special education and related services and receives these under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Specialized school – a school that is specifically for students who were referred for disciplinary reasons, although the school may also have students who were referred for other reasons. The school may be at the same location as your school.

Theft/larceny (taking things worth over \$10 without personal confrontation) – the unlawful taking of another person's property without personal confrontation, threat, violence, or bodily harm. This includes pocket picking, stealing a purse or backpack (if left unattended or no force was used to take it from owner), theft from a building, theft from a motor vehicle or of motor vehicle parts or accessories, theft of a bicycle, theft from a vending machine, and all other types of thefts.

Threat assessment team – a formalized group of persons who meet on a regular basis with the common purpose of identifying, assessing, and managing students who may pose a threat of targeted violence in schools.

Treatment – a clinical intervention addressed at lessening or eliminating the symptoms of a mental health disorder. This may include psychotherapy, medication treatment, and/or counseling.

Vandalism – the willful damage or destruction of school property, including bombing, arson, graffiti, and other acts that cause property damage. This includes damage caused by computer hacking.

Violence – actual, attempted, or threatened fight or assault.

Weapon – any instrument or object used with the intent to threaten, injure, or kill. This includes look-alikes if they are used to threaten others. **§,#&**¤

SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS:

For most questions, please mark the box that best reflects your school's circumstances. Please mark your response with an "X".

Some questions ask for counts or percents of items. Please place an "X" in the None box, rather than leaving the item blank, if the number of such items at your school is zero.

It is not necessary to consult any records for items 9 and 42. Please provide estimates for these questions.

Definitions are available for many terms on pages 2 and 3. Defined terms are bolded and marked with an asterisk (*) throughout the survey.

Some questions refer to the 2017–18 school year. Please report for the school year to date.

Please have this questionnaire filled out by the person most knowledgeable about school crime and policies to provide a safe environment.

Please keep a copy of the completed questionnaire for your records.

WHERE SHOULD I RETURN MY COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE?

Please return your completed questionnaire in the enclosed postage-paid envelope or mail it to:

U.S. Census Bureau ATTN: DCB/PCSPU, Building 60A 1201 E. 10th Street Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001

If you have any questions about this questionnaire, please contact the U.S. Census Bureau at: 1-888-595-1332 or at <u>SSOCS@census.gov</u>.

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School Practices and Programs

During the 2017–18 school year, was it a practice of your school to do the following?
 If your school changed its practices during the school year, please answer regarding your most recent practice.

	heck "Yes" or "No" on each line.		YES	NO
			120	-110
a.	Require visitors to sign or check in <u>and</u> wear badges	110	1	2
b.	Control access to school buildings during school hours (e.g., locked or monitored doors, loading docks)	112	1	2
C.	Control access to school grounds during school hours (e.g., locked or monitored gates)	114	1	2
d.	Require metal detector checks on students every day	116	1	2
e.	Perform one or more random metal detector checks on students	120	1	2
f.	Equip classrooms with locks so that doors can be locked from the inside	121	1	2
g.	Close the campus for most or all students during lunch	122	1	2
h.	Perform one or more random sweeps (e.g., locker checks, dog sniffs) for contraband (e.g., drugs or weapons *)	125	1	2
i.	Require drug testing for students participating in athletics or other extracurricular activities	129	1	2
j.	Require students to wear uniforms	134	1	2
	Enforce a strict dress code	136	1	2
k.	Provide school lockers to students	138	1	2
l.	Require clear book bags or ban book bags on school grounds	140	1	2
m.	Have "panic button(s)" or silent alarm(s) that directly connect to law enforcement in the event of an incident	139	1	2
n.	Provide an electronic notification system that automatically notifies parents in case of a school-wide emergency	141	1	2
o. p.	Provide a structured anonymous threat reporting system (e.g., online submission, telephone hotline, or written submission via drop box)	143	1	2
ρ.	Require students to wear badges or picture IDs	142	1	2
q.	Require faculty and staff to wear badges or picture IDs	144	1	2
r.	Use one or more security cameras to monitor the school	146	1	2
S.	Provide two-way radios to any staff	150	1	2
t.	Prohibit non-academic <u>use</u> of cell phones or smartphones during school hours	153	1	2
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use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

*Please

2. Does your school have a written plan that describes procedures to be performed in the following scenarios?

			YES	NO
a.	Active shooter*	155	1	2
b.	Natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes or tornadoes)	158	1	2
C.	Hostages	162	1	2
d.	Bomb threats or incidents	166	1	2
e.	Chemical, biological, or radiological threats or incidents (e.g., release of mustard gas, anthrax, smallpox, or radioactive materials)	170	1	2
f.	Suicide threat or incident	169	1	2
g.	Pandemic disease	161	1	2
h.	Post-crisis reunification of students with their families	157	1	2

3. During the 2017–18 school year, has your school drilled students on the use of the following emergency procedures?

Please respond to each of these according to the definitions provided on pages 2 and 3.

		YES	NO	
a.	Evacuation*	1	2	
b.	Lockdown* 165	1	2	
C.	Shelter-in-place* 167	1	2	

- 4. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school have any activities that included the following components for students?
 - Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

			YES	NO
a.	Prevention curriculum, instruction, or training for students (e.g., conflict resolution, anti- bullying* , dating violence* prevention)	174	1	2
b.	Social emotional learning (SEL) for students (e.g., social skills, anger management, mindfulness)	183	1	2
C.	Behavioral or behavior modification intervention for students (including the use of positive reinforcements)	176	1	2
d.	Individual mentoring/tutoring/coaching of students by adults	181	1	2
e.	Student involvement in peer mediation	175	1	2
f.	Student court to address student conduct problems or minor offenses	177	1	2
g.	Student involvement in restorative circles* (e.g., "peace circles," "talking circles," "conflict circles")	179	1	2
h.	Programs to promote a sense of community/social integration among students	186	1	2

*Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

5.	During the 2017–18 school year, did your school have a threat assessment team* or any other formal group of persons to identify students who might be a potential risk for violent or harmful behavior (toward themselves or others)?									
	600	1 2	Yes No → GO TO item 7 below.							
6.	me	et?	ne 2017–18 school year, how often did your school's threat assessr cone response.	nent teai	n* form	ally				
	602	1 2 3 4	At least once a week At least once a month On occasion Never							
7.	purp	ooses	ne 2017–18 school year, did your school have any recognized student gr 6? 3 "Yes" or "No" on each line.	oups with	the follo	owing				
	a.		reptance of sexual orientation* and gender identity* of dentity (e.g., Gay-Straight Alliance)	604	YES 1	NO 2				
	b.	Acc	eptance of students with disabilities (e.g., Best Buddies)	606	1	2				
	C.	Acc	eptance of cultural diversity (e.g., Cultural Awareness Club)	608	1	2				
	Pa	rer	nt and Community Involvement at School							
8.			the following does your school do to involve or help parents? "Yes" or "No" on each line.							
					YES	NO				
	a.	sch	re a formal process to obtain parental input on policies related to pool crime and discipline	190	1	2				
	b.		vide training or technical assistance to parents in dealing with lents' problem behavior	192	1	2				

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- 9. What is your best estimate of the percentage of students who had at least one parent or guardian participating in the following events during the 2017–18 school year?
 - Check one response on each line.

		0–25%	26–50%	51–75%	76–100%	School does not offer
a.	Open house or back-to-school night	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences 198	1	2	3	4	5

- 10. During the 2017–18 school year, were any of the following community and outside groups involved in your school's efforts to promote safe, disciplined, and drug-free schools?
 - Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

			YES	NO
a.	Parent groups 20	4 1	1	2
b.	Social service agencies	6 1	1	2
C.	Juvenile justice agencies	8 1	1	2
d.	Law enforcement agencies	0 1	1	2
e.	Mental health agencies	2 1	1	2
f.	Civic organizations/service clubs	4 1	1	2
g.	Private corporations/businesses 23	6 1	1	2
h.	Religious organizations 23	8 1	1	2

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School Security Staff

- 11. During the 2017–18 school year, did you have any sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) present **at your school*** <u>at least once a week</u>?
 - Do not include security guards or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in your response to this item; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 19.

610 1 Yes 2 No→ <u>GO TO item 19 on page 11.</u>

- 12. Were sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) used <u>at least once a week</u> in or around your school at the following times?
 - Do not include security guards or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in your response to this item; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 19.
 - A Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

			YES	NO
a.	At any time during school hours	612	1	2
b.	While students were arriving or leaving	614	1	2
C.	At selected school activities (e.g., athletic and social events, open houses, science fairs)	616	1	2
d.	When school/school activities were not occurring	618	1	2

13. Did any of the sworn law enforcement officers (including School Resource Officers*) at your school* routinely:

Do not include security guards or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in your response to this item; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 19. Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

		YES	NO
a.	Carry physical restraints (e.g., handcuffs, Tasers) 621	1	2
b.	Carry chemical aerosol sprays (e.g., Mace, pepper spray) 622	1	2
C.	Carry a firearm* 624	1	2
d.	Wear a body camera 626	1	2

- 14. Did these sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) participate in the following activities **at your school***?
 - Do not include security guards or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in your response to this item; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 19. Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

			YES	NO
a.	Motor vehicle traffic control	628	1	2
b.	Security enforcement and patrol	630	1	2
C.	Maintaining student discipline	632	1	2
d.	Identifying problems in the school and proactively seeking solutions to those problems	636	1	2
e.	Training teachers and staff in school safety or crime prevention	638	1	2
f.	Mentoring students	640	1	2
g.	Teaching a law-related education course or training students (e.g., drug-related education, criminal law, or crime prevention courses)	642	1	2
h.	Recording or reporting discipline problems to school authorities	644	1	2
i.	Providing information to school authorities about the legal definitions of behavior for recording or reporting purposes (e.g., defining assault for school authorities)	646	1	2

- 15. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school have a sworn law enforcement officer (including **School Resource Officers***) present for <u>all instructional hours every day that school was in session?</u>
 - include officers who are used as temporary coverage while regularly assigned officers are performing duties external to the school (such as attending court) or during these officers' personal leave time.
 - Check "No" if your school does not have officer coverage while regularly assigned officers are performing duties external to the school (such as attending court) or during these officers' personal leave time.
 - Do not include security guards or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in your response to this item; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 19.
 - 648 1 Yes
 - 2 **No**
- 16. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school or school district have any formalized policies or written documents (e.g., Memorandum of Use, Memorandum of Agreement) that outlined the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) at school?
 - 650 1 Yes --> <u>CONTINUE to item 17 on page 11</u>.
 - 2 No—> GO TO item 18 on page 11.

^{*}Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

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17.	Did these formalized policies or written documents include langua enforcement officers (including School Resource Officers*) at so			aw
	Check "Yes," "No," or "Don't know" on each line.	YES	NO	DON'T KNOW
	a. Student discipline			
	b. Use of physical or chemical restraints (e.g., handcuffs, Tasers, Mace, pepper spray)	1	2	3
	C. Use of firearms*	1	2	3
	d. Making arrests* on school grounds 658	1	2	3 ———
	e. Reporting of criminal offenses to a law enforcement agency	1	2	3
	If an officer works full-time across various schools in the district "part-time" for your school. Do not include security guards or other security personnel who your response to this item; information on additional security start If none, please place an "X" in the None box. a. School Resource Officers*	are not sworn lav	v enforceme	nber
	i. Full-time	236	0	None
	ii. Part-time	238	0	None
	b. Sworn law enforcement officers who are not School Reso	urce Officers*		
	i. Full-time	240	0	None
	ii. Part-time	242	0	None
Aside from sworn law enforcement officers (including School Resource Officers*), how readditional security guards or security personnel were present at your school* at least one of the security guard or other security personnel works full-time across various schools in				
	please count this person as "part-time" for your school. If none, please place an "X" in the None box.		at your s	nber school*
	Security guards or security personnel			
	i. Full-time		0	None
	ii. Part-time	232	0	None None

^{*}Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

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School Mental Health Services

- 20. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school provide diagnostic mental health assessments* (e.g., psychological/psychiatric diagnostics assessments) to evaluate students for mental health disorders*?
 - Include only assessments conducted by a licensed mental health professional*.

Include services that were provided at school* as well as services provided through a contract the school has with an outside provider.

Yes

Check "Ves" or "No" on each line

- GO TO item 22 below. No—→
- Were diagnostic mental health assessment* services provided to students from your school in the following locations?

	Check res of No offeachine.		YES	NO
a	. At school*, by a school-employed or contracted mental health professional* 66	33	1	2
b	Outside of school, by a school-employed or contracted mental health			
	professional*	65	1	2

- During the 2017-18 school year, did your school provide treatment* (e.g., psychotherapy, medication) to students for mental health disorders*?
 - Include only treatment* provided by a licensed mental health professional*.

Include services that were provided at school* as well as services provided through a contract the school has with an outside provider.

1 Yes

Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

Check one response on each line.

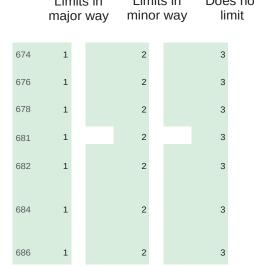
- GO TO item 24 below. No--->
- 23. Were treatment* services provided to students from your school in the following locations?

(Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.		YES	NO
a.	At school*, by a school-employed or contracted mental health professional 669	+	1	2
b.	Outside of school, by a school-employed or contracted mental health professional*	671	1	2

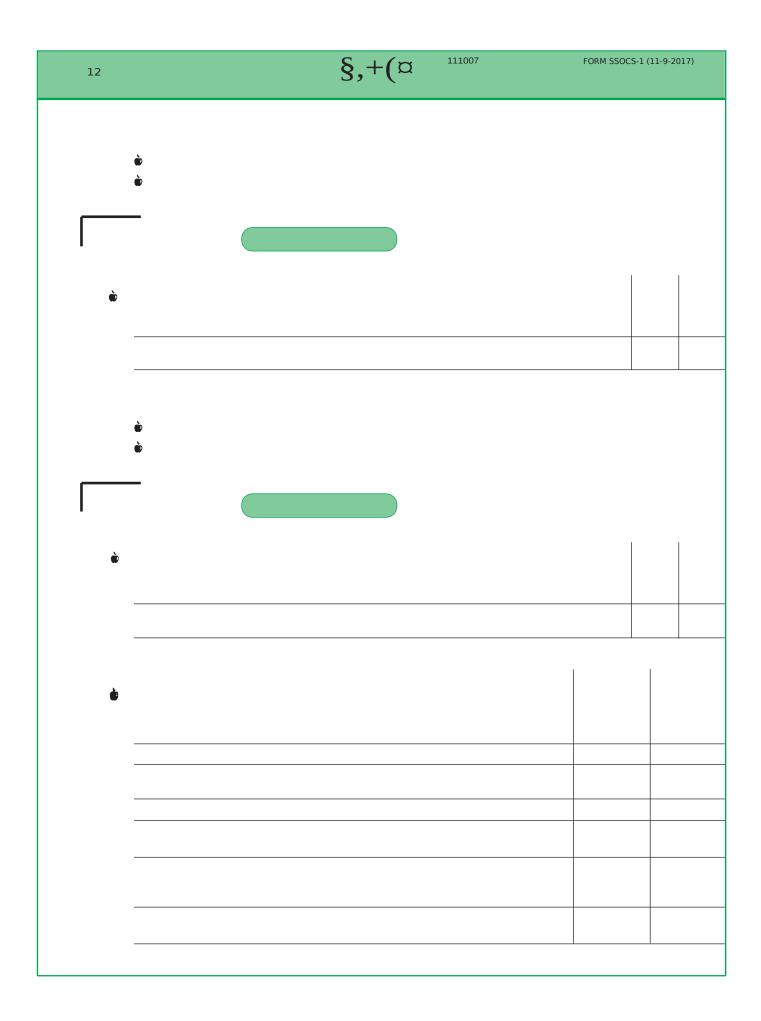
24. During the 2017–18 school year, to what extent did the following factors limit your school's efforts to provide mental health services to students?

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- Inadequate access to licensed mental health professionals*
- b. Inadequate funding
- C. Potential legal issues for school or district (e.g., malpractice, insufficient supervision, confidentiality)
- d. Concerns about reactions from parents
- e. Lack of community support for providing mental health services to students in your school
- Written or unwritten policies regarding the school's requirement to pay for the diagnostic mental health assessment* or treatment* of students
- Reluctance to label students with mental health disorders* to avoid stigmatizing the child



^{*}Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.



Staff Training and Practices

25. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school or school district provide any of the following for classroom teachers or aides?

Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.

			YES	NO
a.	Training in classroom management for teachers	266	1	2
b.	Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to violence*	268	1	2
C.	Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to cyberbullying*	265	1	2
d.	Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to bullying* other than cyberbullying*	267	1	2
e.	Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to alcohol and/or drug use	269	1	2
f.	Training in safety procedures (e.g., how to handle emergencies)	270	1	2
g.	Training in recognizing early warning signs of students likely to exhibit violent behavior	272	1	2
h.	Training in recognizing signs of self-harm or suicidal tendencies	278	1	2
i.	Training in intervention and referral strategies for students displaying signs of mental health disorders* (e.g., depression, mood disorders, ADHD)	271	1	2
j.	Training in recognizing physical, social, and verbal bullying* behaviors	273	1	2
k.	Training in recognizing signs of students using/abusing alcohol and/or drugs	274	1	2
l.	Training in positive behavioral intervention strategies	276	1	2
m.	Training in crisis prevention and intervention	277	1	2

26. To the best of your knowledge, during the 2017–18 school year, were there any staff **at your school*** who legally carried a **firearm*** on school property?

Exclude sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) or other security guards or personnel who carry firearms.

279 1 Yes

2 **No**

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Limitations on Crime Prevention

27. To what extent do the following factors limit your school's efforts to reduce or prevent crime?

Check one response on each line.

			Limits in major way	Limits in minor way	Does not limit
a.	Lack of or inadequate teacher training in classroom management	280	1	2	3
b.	Lack of or inadequate alternative placement/programs for disruptive students	282	1	2	3
C.	Likelihood of complaints from parents	284	1	2	3
d.	Lack of teacher support for school policies	286	1	2	3
e.	Lack of parental support for school policies	288	1	2	3
f.	Teachers' fear of student retaliation	290	1	2	3
g.	Fear of litigation	292	1	2	3
h.	Inadequate funds	294	1	2	3
i.	Inconsistent application of school policies by faculty or staff	296	1	2	3
j.	Fear of district or state reprisal	298	1	2	3
k.	Federal, state, or district policies on disciplining special education students*	300	1	2	3
l.	Federal policies on discipline and safety other than those for special education students*	302	1	2	3
m.	State or district policies on discipline and safety other than those for special education students*	304	1	2	3

Frequency of Crime and Violence at School

28. During the 2017–18 school year, have any of your school's students, faculty, or staff died as a result of a homicide committed **at your school***?

306 1 Yes

2 **No**

29. During the 2017–18 school year, has there been at least one incident **at your school*** that involved a shooting (regardless of whether anyone was hurt)? Please include those incidents that occurred **at school***, regardless of whether a student or non-student used the **firearm***.

308 1 Yes

2 No

Incidents

- 30. Please record the number of <u>incidents</u> that occurred **at school*** during the 2017–18 school year for the offenses listed below. (NOTE: The number in column 1 should be greater than or equal to the number in column 2.)
 - if none, please place an "X" in the None box.

Please provide information on:

- The number of incidents, not the number of victims or offenders.
- Recorded incidents, regardless of whether any disciplinary action was taken.
- * Recorded incidents, regardless of whether students or non-students were involved.
- incidents occurring before, during, or after normal school hours.

		Column 1			Column 2		
a.	Rape* or attempted rape*	_	Total number of recorded incidents			oolice or ement	
		310	0	None	312	0	None
b.	Sexual assault* other than rape* (include threatened rape*)	314	0	None	316	0	None
C.	Robbery* (taking things by force)						
	i. With a weapon*	318	0	None	320	0	None
	That a mapon						
	ii. Without a weapon*	322	0	None	324	0	None
	Physical attack or fight* i. With a weapon*						
		326	0	None	328	0	None
	ii. Without a weapon*	330	0	None	332	0	None
e.	Threats of physical attack* i. With a weapon*			Name			Navas
		334	0	None	336	0	None
	ii. Without a weapon*	338	0	None	340	0	None
f.	Theft/larceny* (taking things worth over \$10 without personal	330	Ü	TVOTIC	340	Ü	
	confrontation)	342	0	None	344	0	None
g.	Possession of a						
	firearm/explosive device*	346	0	None	348	0	None
h.	Possession of a knife or			None			None
	sharp object	350	0	None	352	0	None
i.	Distribution, possession, or use of illegal drugs	354	0	None	356	0	None
j.	Inappropriate distribution, possession,		Ü	. 10110		0	10110
J.	or use of prescription drugs	355	0	None	357	0	None
k.	Distribution, possession,						
	or use of alcohol	358	0	None	360	0	None
ı.	Vandalism*						
		362	0	None	364	0	None

- 31. During the 2017–18 school year, how many hate crimes* occurred at your school*?
 - if none, please place an "X" in the None box.
- Number of hate crimes*

 None → GO TO item 33 below.
- 32. To the best of your knowledge, were any of these **hate crimes*** motivated by the offender's bias against the following characteristics or perceived characteristics?
 - Check "Yes" or "No" on each line.
 - If a hate crime* was motivated by multiple characteristics, answer "Yes" for each that applies.

	YES	NO
a. Race or color	1	2
b. National origin or ethnicity 694	1	2
C. Sex 696	1	2
d. Religion 698	1	2
e. Disability (e.g., physical, mental, and learning disabilities) 700	1	2
f. Sexual orientation* 702	1	2
g. Gender identity* 704	1	2

- 33. To the best of your knowledge, during the 2017–18 school year, have there been any incidents of sexual misconduct* between a staff member and a student at your school*?
 - Report on misconduct between staff and students <u>whether or not the incidents occurred at school or away from school</u>.
 - Sexual assault* and rape* are both forms of sexual misconduct. Therefore, some incidents of staff-student behavior may be reported in response to items 30a and 30b as well as item 33.
 - 705 1 Yes
 - 2 **No**
- 34. Please record the number of **arrests*** that occurred **at your school*** during the 2017–18 school year. Please include all **arrests*** that occurred **at school***, regardless of whether a student or non-student was arrested.
 - 688 1 None
 - 2 1–5
 - з 6–10
 - 4 11 or more

^{*}Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

Disciplinary Problems and Actions

35. To the best of your knowledge, how often do the following types of problems occur **at your school***?

Check one response on each line.

	·		Happens daily	Happens at least once a week	Happens at least once a month	Happens on occasion	Never happens
a.	Student racial/ethnic tensions	374	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Student bullying*	376	1	2	3	4	5
C.	Student sexual harassment* of other students	378	1	2	3	4	5
d.	Student harassment* of other students based on sexual orientation*	381	1	2	3	4	5
e.	Student harassment* of other students based on gender identity*	383	1	2	3	4	5
f.	Student harassment* of other students based on religion	385	1	2	3	4	5
g.	Student harassment* of other students based on disability (e.g., physical, mental, and learning disabilities)	387	1	2	3	4	5
h.	Widespread disorder in classrooms	382	1	2	3	4	5
i.	Student verbal abuse of teachers	380	1	2	3	4	5
j.	Student acts of disrespect for teachers other than verbal abuse	384	1	2	3	4	5
k.	Gang* activities	386	1	2	3	4	5

36. To the best of your knowledge, thinking about problems that can occur anywhere (both **at your school*** and away from school), how often do the following occur?

ď	Check one response on each line.		Happens at least once a week	Happens at least once a month	Happens on occasion	Never happens
a.	Cyberbullying* among students who attend your school	1	2	3	4	5
b.	School environment is affected by cyberbullying*	1	2	3	4	5
C.	Staff resources are used to deal with cyberbullying*	1	2	3	4	5

*Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

37. During the 2017–18 school year, did your school allow for the use of the following disciplinary actions? If "yes," were the actions used this school year?

			Does your school allow for use of the following?			action i	' was the used this ol year?
			Y	'ES	NO	YES	NO
	a.	Removal with no continuing school services for at least the remainder of the school year	390	1	2	392 1	2
	b.	Removal with school-provided tutoring/home instruction for at least the remainder of the school year	394	1	2	396 1	2
	C.	Transfer to a specialized school* for disciplinary reasons	398	1	2	400 1	2
	d.	Transfer to another regular school for disciplinary reasons	402	1	2	404 1	2
	e.	Out-of-school suspension or removal for less than the remainder of the school year					
		i. With no curriculum/services provided	406	1	2	408 1	2
		ii. With curriculum/services provided	410	1	2	412 1	2
	school suspens hool year	ion for less than the remainder of the					
i. With	no curriculum/se	ervices provided	414	1	2	416 1	2
		ii. With curriculum/services provided	418	1	2	420 1	2
	g.	Referral to a school counselor	422	1	2	424 1	2
	h.	Assignment to a program (during school hours) designed to reduce disciplinary problems	426	1	2	428 1	2
	i.	Assignment to a program (outside of school hours) designed to reduce disciplinary problems	430	1	2	432 1	2
	j.	Loss of school bus privileges due to misbehavior	434	1	2	436 1	2
	k.	Corporal punishment	438	1	2	440 1	2
	l.	Placement on school probation with consequences if another incident occurs	442	1	2	444 1	2
	m.	Detention and/or Saturday school	446	1	2	448 1	2
	n.	Loss of student privileges	450	1	2	452 1	2
	0.	Requirement of participation in community service	454	1	2	456 1	2

^{*}Please use the definition on pages 2 and 3.

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- 38. During the 2017-18 school year, how many students were involved in committing the following offenses, and how many of the following disciplinary actions were taken in response?
 - if none, please place an "X" in the None box.

Please follow these guidelines when determining the number of offenses and disciplinary actions:

- if more than one student was involved in an incident, please count each student separately when providing the number of disciplinary actions.
- If a student was disciplined more than once, please count each offense separately (e.g., a student who was suspended five times would be counted as five suspensions).
- If a student was disciplined in two different ways for a single infraction (e.g., the student was both suspended and referred to counseling), count only the most severe disciplinary action that was taken.
- if a student was disciplined in one way for multiple infractions, record the disciplinary action for only

tł	ne most serious offense.											-
				- Nur	nber of d	iscipli	inary	actions	taken	in respons	se to offe	ense
		stu invo rec off (rega disc	students involved in recorded offenses egardless of		ontinuing school dees for at ast the ainder of		services for at least the remainder of schools* specialized schools* specialized schools* less than the remainder of the school		ensions ng 5 or days, but than the linder of	discip action susper less days, d	ther colinary (e.g., nsion for than 5 etention, ic.)	
a.	Use/possession of a firearm/		CHOID	400	;с	100					400	
	explosive device*	458	None	460 0	- None	462	0_	- None	464	- None	466	- None
b.	Use/possession of a weapon* other than a firearm/	468		470		472			474		476	
	explosive device*	0	_ None	0	_ None	<u>(</u>	0	None	0	None	0	_ None
C.	Distribution, possession, or use of illegal drugs	478	None	480	None	482		None	484	None	486	None
d.	Distribution, possession, or use	488	_ None	490	_ None	492	0	None	494	None	496	_None
	of alcohol		_ None	0	_ None	Ω	0	None	0	None	0	_ None
e.	Physical attacks or fights*	498		500		502			504		506	
			None	0	_ None	2	0	None	0	None	0	_ None
During the 2017–18 school year, how many of the following occurred?												
🎳 If	f none, please place an "	'X" in t	he None	box.								
2	Students were removed	from	ur coboo	l withou	t continu	ina c	on i	ooc for		Tota	al numb	er

39.

Students were removed from your school without continuing services for at least the remainder of the school year for disciplinary reasons. 518 (NOTE: This number should be greater than or equal to the sum of entries in item 38, column 2.) None Students were transferred to **specialized schools*** for disciplinary reasons. (NOTE: This number should be greater than or 520 equal to the sum of entries in item 38, column 3.) None

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School Characteristics: 2017–18 School Year

40.	As	of October 1, 2017, what was your school's total enrollment?		
	522	Students		
41.		at percentage of your current students fit the following criteria? f none, please place an "X" in the None box.		
	•	Thorie, please place all A in the Norie box.	Percer	nt of students
	a.	Eligible for free or reduced-price lunch	524	% None
	b.	English language learner (ELL)	526	% None
	C.	Special education students*	528 0	% None
	d.	Male	530	% None
42.	follo	at is your best estimate of the percentage of your current students who meet the owing criteria? f none, please place an "X" in the None box.	Percer	nt of students
	a.	Below the 15 th percentile on standardized tests	532	%
			0	None
	b.	Likely to go to college after high school	534	%
			0	None
	C.	Consider academic achievement to be very important	536	%
			0	None
43.	è (w many classroom changes do most students make in a typical day? Count going to lunch and then returning to the same or a different classroom as to classroom changes. Do not count morning arrival or afternoon departure. If none, please place an "X" in the None box.	WO	
	538	Typical number of classroom changes		
		o None		

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44.	How would you describe the crime level in the area(s) in which your students live? The Check one response.		
	High level of crime Moderate level of crime Low level of crime Students come from areas with very different levels of crime		
45.	How would you describe the crime level in the area where your school is located? Check one response.		
	High level of crime Moderate level of crime Low level of crime		
46.	Which of the following best describes your school? Check one response.		
	Regular public school Charter school Has a magnet program for part of the school Exclusively a magnet school Other – Please specify		
	565		
47.	What is your school's average daily attendance?		of students resent
		568	% None
48.	During the 2017–18 school year, how many students transferred to or from your sch start of the school year? Please report on the total mobility, not just transfers due to actions. (NOTE: This number should be greater than or equal to the number of stude transferred for disciplinary reasons, as reported in item 39b.) If a student transferred more than once in the school year, count each transfer set of the school year, count each transfer set of the school year.	disciplina ents who	the ary were
	a. Transferred to the school		
	b. Transferred <u>from</u> the	o Non	ne
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ase provid	e the following o	lates:	_	Month	Day
Start dat	e for your 2017-	-18 school year		,	120
End date	for your 2017–	18 school year	574		/201
Date you	completed the	questionnaire	576		/20: /20:
the	correct grade r	ange for this school?	578	,	720.
22 1 Yes					
2 No- →		llowing grades are offered in this school?			
	024 1	Prekindergarten			
	026 1	Kindergarten			
	028 1	1st			
	030 1	2nd			
	032 1	3rd			
	034 1	4th			
	036 1	5th			
	038 1	6th			
	040 1	7th 8th			
	042 1 044 1	9th			
	046 1	10th			
	048 1	11th			
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	052 1	Ungraded			
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	ther – <i>Please s_l</i>				

Number of years at this school 016 Best days and times to reach you (in case we have further questions) 018 E-mail address 020 How long did it take you to complete this form, not counting interruptions? • Please record the time in minutes (e.g., 55 minutes, 65 minutes). Minutes

Please return your completed questionnaire in the enclosed postage-paid envelope or mail it to:

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Attn: DCB/PCSPU, Building 60A

1201 E 10th Street

Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001

Thank you very much for your participation in this survey. If you have <u>any</u> questions, please contact us, toll–free, at: 1–888–595–1332 or by e-mail at: <u>SSOCS@census.gov</u>

To learn more about this survey and to access reports from earlier collections, see the School Survey on Crime and Safety (SSOCS) website at:

https://nces.ed.gov/surveys/ssocs

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SCHOOL SURVEY ON CRIME AND SAFETY

2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR

This survey is designed to be completed by the principal or the person(s) most knowledgeable about school crime and policies to provide a safe environment.



(Please correct any errors in name, address, and ZIP Code.)

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), within the U.S. Department of Education, is authorized to conduct this survey by the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 (ESRA 2002, 20 U.S.C. §9543).

All of the information you provide may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law (20 U.S.C. §9573 and 6 U.S.C. §151). Reports of the findings from the survey will not identify participating districts, schools, or staff. Individual responses will be combined with those from other participants to produce summary statistics and reports.

PLEASE RESPOND BY:

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DEFINITIONS

The following words are bolded and marked by an asterisk (*) wherever they appear in the questionnaire. Please detach and use these definitions as you respond.

Active shooter – one or more individuals actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a populated area; in most cases, active shooters use firearm(s).

Alternative school – a school that addresses the needs of students that typically cannot be met in a regular school program and is designed to meet the needs of students with academic difficulties, students with discipline problems, or both students with academic difficulties and discipline problems.

Arrest – the act of detaining in legal custody. An "arrest" is the deprivation of a person's liberty by legal authority in response to a criminal charge.

At school/at your school – activities happening in school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses, and at places that hold school-sponsored events or activities. Unless otherwise specified, this refers to normal school hours or to times when school activities or events were in session.

Bullying – any unwanted, aggressive behavior(s) by another youth or group of youths that involves an observed or perceived power imbalance and is repeated multiple times or is highly likely to be repeated. Bullying occurs among youth who are not siblings or current dating partners.

Children with disabilities – children having intellectual disability; hearing impairment, including deafness; serious emotional disturbance; orthopedic impairment; autism; traumatic brain injury; developmental delay; other health impairment; specific learning disability; deaf-blindness; or multiple disabilities and who, by reason thereof, receive special education and related services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) according to an Individual Education Program (IEP), Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), or services plan.

Cyberbullying – bullying that occurs when willful and repeated harm is inflicted through the use of computers, cell phones, or other electronic devices.

Diagnostic mental health assessment – an evaluation conducted by a mental health professional that identifies whether an individual has one or more mental health diagnoses. This is in contrast to an educational assessment, which does not focus on clarifying a student's mental health diagnosis.

Evacuation – a procedure that requires all students and staff to leave the building. The evacuation plan may encompass relocation procedures and include backup buildings to serve as emergency shelters. Evacuation also includes "reverse evacuation," a procedure for schools to return students to the building quickly if an incident occurs while students are outside.

Firearm or explosive device – any weapon that is designed to (or may readily be converted to) expel a projectile by the action of an explosive. This includes guns, bombs, grenades, mines, rockets, missiles, pipe bombs, or similar devices designed to explode and capable of causing bodily harm or property damage.

Gang – an ongoing loosely organized association of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, that has a common name, signs, symbols, or colors, whose members engage, either individually or collectively, in violent or other forms of illegal behavior.

Gender identity – one's inner sense of one's own gender, which may or may not match the sex assigned at birth.

Harassment – conduct that is unwelcome and denies or limits a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a school's education program. All students can be victims of harassment and the harasser can share the same characteristics of the victim. The conduct can be verbal, non-verbal, or physical and can take many forms, including verbal acts and namecalling, as well as non-verbal conduct, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating.

Hate crime – a committed criminal offense that is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias(es) against a race, national origin or ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or gender identity; also known as bias crime.

Lockdown – a procedure that involves securing school buildings and grounds during incidents that pose an immediate threat of violence in or around the school.

Mental health disorders – collectively, all diagnosable mental disorders or health conditions that are characterized by alterations in thinking, mood, or behavior (or some combination thereof) associated with distress and/or impaired functioning.

Mental health professionals – mental health services are provided by several different professions, each of which has its own training and areas of expertise. The types of licensed professionals who may provide mental health services include psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric or mental health nurse practitioners, psychiatric or mental health nurses, clinical social workers, and professional counselors.

Physical attack or fight – an actual and intentional touching or striking of another person against his or her will, or the intentional causing of bodily harm to an individual.

Rape – forced sexual intercourse (vaginal, anal, or oral penetration). This includes sodomy and penetration with a foreign object. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of rape.

Restorative practices – a formal mediation process led by a facilitator that brings affected parties of a problem together to explore what happened, reflect on their roles, find a solution, and ultimately restore harmony to individual relationships and the larger community.

Robbery (taking things by force) – the taking or attempting to take anything of value that is owned by another person or organization, under confrontational circumstances, by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. A key difference between robbery and theft or larceny is that robbery involves a threat or assault.

School Resource Officer (SRO) – a sworn law enforcement officer with arrest authority, who has specialized training and is assigned to work in collaboration with school organizations.

Sexual assault – an incident that includes threatened rape, fondling, indecent liberties, or child molestation. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of sexual assault. Classification of these incidents should take into consideration the age and developmentally appropriate behavior of the offender(s).

Sexual harassment – conduct that is unwelcome, sexual in nature, and denies or limits a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a school's education program. All students, regardless of sex or gender identity, can be victims of sexual harassment, and the harasser and the victim can be of the same sex. The conduct can be verbal, non-verbal, or physical and can take many forms, including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as nonverbal conduct, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating.

Sexual misconduct – any act, including, but not limited to, any verbal, nonverbal, written or electronic communication or physical activity, directed toward or with a student regardless of the age of the student that is designed to establish a romantic or sexual relationship with the student. School staff have power over students by virtue of their position, thus student-staff relationships are not equal and students cannot be consenting parties to romantic or sexual relationships.

Sexual orientation – one's emotional or physical attraction to the same and/or opposite sex.

Shelter-in-place – a procedure that requires all students and staff to remain indoors because it is safer inside the building or a room than outside. Depending on the threat or hazard, students and staff may be required to move to rooms that can be sealed (such as in the event of a chemical or biological hazard) or without windows, or to a weather shelter (such as in the event of a tornado).

Theft or larceny (taking things worth over \$10 without personal confrontation) – the unlawful taking of another person's property without personal confrontation, threat, violence, or bodily harm. This includes pocket picking, stealing a purse or backpack (if left unattended or no force was used to take it from owner), theft from a building, theft from a motor vehicle or of motor vehicle parts or accessories, theft of a bicycle, theft from a vending machine, and all other types of thefts.

Threat assessment – a formalized process of identifying, assessing, and managing students who may pose a threat of targeted violence in schools.

Treatment – a clinical intervention addressed at lessening or eliminating the symptoms of a mental health disorder. This may include psychotherapy, medication treatment, and/or counseling.

Vandalism – the willful damage or destruction of school property, including bombing, arson, graffiti, and other acts that cause property damage. This includes damage caused by computer hacking.

Violence – actual, attempted, or threatened fight or assault.

Weapon – any instrument or object used with the intent to threaten, injure, or kill. This includes lookalikes if they are used to threaten others.

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SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS:

- For most questions, please mark the box that best reflects your school's circumstances. Please mark your response with an "X".
- Some questions ask for counts or percents. Please place an "X" in the None box, rather than leaving the item blank, if the number of such items at your school is zero.
- Defined terms are bolded and marked with an asterisk (*) throughout the survey. A removable "definitions" sheet is printed on pages 2 and 3 to use as a reference while filling out the questionnaire.
- This survey refers to the 2019–20 school year. Please report for the school year to date.
- Please have this questionnaire filled out by the person(s) most knowledgeable about school crime and policies used to provide a safe environment.
- Please keep a copy of the completed questionnaire for your records.

WHERE SHOULD I RETURN MY COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE?

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School Practices and Programs

- 1. During the 2019–20 school year, was it a practice of your school to do the following?
 - If your school changed its practices during the school year, please answer regarding your most recent practice.

•	Check "Yes" or '	'No" on each line.	YES	NO
a.	Require visitors	to sign or check in and wear badges 110	1	2
	b.	Control access to school buildings during school hours (e.g., locked or monitored doors, loading docks) 112	1	2
	C.	Control access to school grounds during school hours (e.g., locked or monitored gates) 114	1	2
	d.	Equip classrooms with locks so that doors can be locked from the $$ inside $_{\rm 121}$	1	2
	e.	Close the campus for most or all students during $lunch_{122}$	1	2
	f.	Provide school lockers to students 138	1	2
	g.	Have "panic button(s)" or silent alarm(s) that directly connect to law enforcement in the event of an incident 139	1	2
	h.	Provide an electronic notification system that automatically notifies parents in case of a school-wide emergency $_{\rm 141}$	1	2
	i.	Require faculty and staff to wear badges or picture IDs $_{144}$	1	2
	j.	Use one or more security cameras to monitor the $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$	1	2
	k.	Provide two-way radios to any staff 150	1	2
	1.	Require metal detector checks on students every day $_{\mbox{\scriptsize 116}}$	1	2
	m.	Perform one or more random metal detector checks on students 120	1	2
	n.	Perform one or more random sweeps (e.g., locker checks, dog sniffs) for contraband (e.g., drugs or weapons*) 125	1	2
	0.	Require drug testing for students participating in athletics or other extracurricular activities 129	1	2
	p.	Require students to wear uniforms 134	1	2
	q.	Enforce a strict dress code 136	1	2
	r.	Require clear book bags or ban book bags on school grounds 140	1	2
	S.	Provide a structured anonymous threat reporting system (e.g., online submission, telephone hotline, or written submission via drop box) 143	1	2
	t.	Require students to wear badges or picture IDs 142	1	2
	u.	Prohibit non-academic use of cell phones or smartphones during	1	2

school hours 153

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2.	Does your school have a written plan that describes procedures to be performed in the following scenarios?	\/F0	
	a. Active shooter* 155	YES	NO 2
		1	
	b. Natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes or tornadoes) ₁₅₈		2
	c. Hostages 162	1	2
	d. Bomb threats or incidents 166	1	2
	e. Chemical, biological, or radiological threats or incidents (e.g., release of mustard gas, anthrax, smallpox, or radioactive materials) 170	1	2
	f. Suicide threats or incidents 169	1	2
	g. Pandemic disease 161	1	2
	h. Post-crisis reunification of students with their families 157	1	2
3.	During the 2019–20 school year, has your school drilled students on the use of the		
<u>.</u>	following emergency procedures?		NO
	a. Evacuation* 163	1	2
	b. Lockdown* 165	1	2
	c. Shelter-in-place* 167	1	2
4.	During the 2019–20 school year, did your school have any activities that included the following components for students?		
	a. Prevention curriculum, instruction, or training for students (e.g.,	YES	NO 2
	conflict resolution, anti- bullying* , dating violence* prevention) ₁₇₄ b. Social and emotional learning (SEL) for students (e.g., social		
	skills, anger management, mindfulness) 183	1	2
	c. Behavioral or behavior modification intervention for students (including the use of positive reinforcements) $_{176}$	1	2
	d. Individual mentoring, tutoring, or coaching of students by adults 181	1	2
	e. Student involvement in peer mediation 175	1	2
	f. Student court to address student conduct problems or minor offenses 177	1	2
	g. Student involvement in restorative practices* (e.g., peace or conflict circles) 179	1	2
	h. Programs to promote a sense of community or social integration among students 186	1	2

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5.	During the 2019–20 school year, did your school have a threat assessment* team or ar formal group of persons to identify students who might be a potential risk for violent or habehavior (toward themselves or others)? 600 1 Yes 2 No		
6.	During the 2019–20 school year, did your school have any recognized student groups with the following purposes?	VEC	NO
	a. Acceptance of sexual orientation* and gender identity* of students (e.g., Gay-Straight Alliance) 604	YES	NO 2
	b. Acceptance of students with disabilities (e.g., Best Buddies) 606	1	2
	c. Acceptance of cultural or religious diversity (e.g., Cultural Awareness Club) 608	1	2
Pare	nt and Community Involvement at School		
7.	 Which of the following does your school do to involve or help parents? a. Have a formal process to obtain parental input on policies related to school crime and discipline 190 b. Provide training or technical assistance to parents in dealing with students' problem behavior 192 	YES	NO 2 2
8.	During the 2019–20 school year, were any of the following community and outside groups involved in your school's efforts to promote a safe school? a. Parent groups 204 b. Social service agencies 206 c. Juvenile justice agencies 208 d. Law enforcement agencies 210 e. Mental health agencies 212 f. Civic organizations or service clubs 214 g. Private corporations or businesses 216 h. Religious organizations 218	YES 1	NO 2

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School Security Staff

- 9. During the 2019–20 school year, did you have any sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) present **at your school*** at least once a week? 610
 - Do not include security officers or other security personnel who are not sworn law enforcement in response to items 9-15; information on additional security staff is gathered in item 16.
 - 1 Yes
 - No \rightarrow GO TO item 16 on page 10.
- 10. Were sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) used at least once a week in or around your school at the following times?

	YES	NO
a. While students were arriving or leaving $_{614}$	1	2
b. At selected school activities (e.g., athletic and social events, open houses) $_{\rm 616}$	1	2
c. When school or school activities were not occurring 618	1	2

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11. Did any of the sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) at your **school*** routinely:

		YES	NO
a.	Carry physical restraints (e.g., handcuffs, Tasers) 621	1	2
b.	Carry chemical aerosol sprays (e.g., Mace, pepper spray) 622	1	2
C.	Carry a firearm* 624	1	2
d.	Wear a body camera 626	1	2

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12.	Did these sworn law enforcement officers (including School Resou	rce Officers*) participate in
	the following activities at your school*?	VEC

	3 3 .	YES	NO
a.	Motor vehicle traffic control 628	1	2
b.	Security enforcement and patrol 630	1	2
c.	Maintaining student discipline 632	1	2
d.	Identifying problems in the school and proactively seeking solutions to those problems $_{\rm 636}$	1	2
e.	Training teachers and staff in school safety or crime prevention ₆₃₈	1	2
f.	Mentoring students 640	1	2
g.	Teaching a law-related education course or training students (e.g., drug-related education, criminal law, or crime prevention courses) $_{642}$	1	2
h.	Recording or reporting discipline problems to school authorities 644	1	2
i.	Providing information to school authorities about the legal definitions of behavior for recording or reporting purposes (e.g., defining assault for school authorities) 646	1	2

- 13. During the 2019–20 school year, did your school or school district have any formalized policies or written documents (e.g., Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Agreement) that outlined the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of sworn law enforcement officers (including School Resource Officers*) at school*?
 - 1 Yes →

GO TO item 14 below.

- 2 No \rightarrow GO TO item 15 on page 10.
- 14. Did these formalized policies or written documents include language defining the role of sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) at **school*** in the following areas?
- a. Student discipline

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- b. Use of physical restraints (e.g., handcuffs, Tasers) or chemical aerosol sprays (e.g., Mace, pepper spray) $_{654}$
- c. Use of firearms* 656
- d. Making arrests* on school grounds 658
- e. Reporting of criminal offenses to a law enforcement agency 660

YES	NO	DON'T KNOW
1	2	3
1	2	3
1	2	3
1	2	3
1	2	3

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- 15. How many of the following were present at your school* at least once a week?
 - If an officer works full-time across various schools in the district, please count this officer as "Part-time" for your school.
 - If none, please place an "X" in the None box.

a.	School Resource Officers*	at your school*	Non
	i. Full-time ₂₃₆		0
	ii. Part-time ₂₃₈		0
b.	Sworn law enforcement officers who are not School Resource Officers*		
	i. Full-time 240		0
	ii. Part-time 242		0

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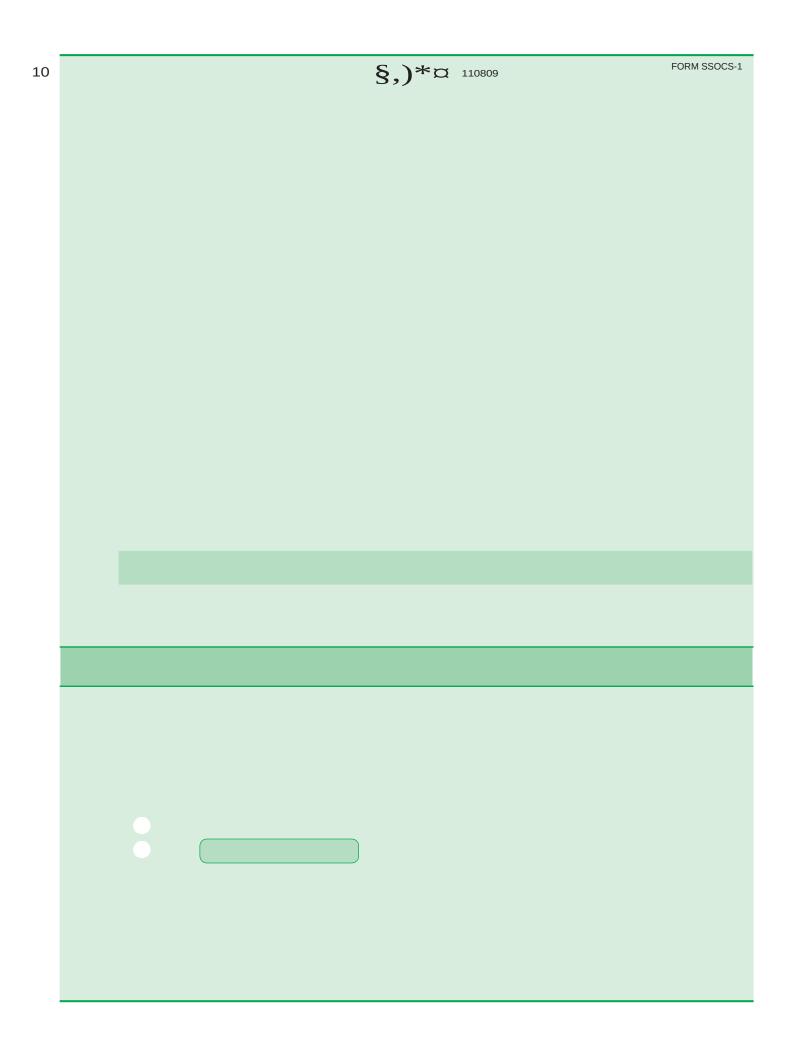
- 16. Aside from sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***), how many additional security officers or security personnel were present **at your school*** at least once a week?
 - If a security officer or other security personnel works full-time across various schools in the district, please count this person as "Part-time" for your school.

Security officers or security personnel
a. Full-time 232
b. Part-time 234

School Mental Health Services

- 17. During the 2019–20 school year, did your school provide diagnostic mental health assessments* (e.g., psychological/psychiatric diagnostics assessments) to evaluate students for mental health disorders*?
 - Include only assessments conducted by a licensed mental health professional*.
 - Include services that were provided **at school*** as well as services provided through a contract the school has with an outside provider.
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No \rightarrow GO TO item 19 on page 11.

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18.	Were diagnostic mental health assessment* services provided from your school in the following locations?	to students	YE	S NO
	a. At school*, by a school-employed or contracted mental healt	th professiona	1 663 1	2
	b. Outside of school, by a school-employed or contracted mental professional* 665	health	1	2
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19.	During the 2019–20 school year, did your school provide treatme to students for mental health disorders*? 667	nt* (e.g., psych	otherapy, me	dication)
	 Include only treatment* provided by a licensed mental health Include services that were provided at school* as well as services the school has with an outside provider. 			ract
	1 Yes			
	2 No → GO TO item 21 below.			
20.	Were treatment* services provided to students from your school following locations?	in the	YE	S NO
	a. At school*, by a school-employed or contracted mental hea	lth profession	al* 669 1	2
	b. Outside of school, by a school-employed or contracted mental professional* 671		1 (2
	professional* 6/1			
21.	During the 2019–20 school year, to what extent did the following fa	actors limit vou	r school's effo	orts
	to provide mental health services to students?			
	Check one response on each line.	Limits in major way	Limits in minor way	Does not limit
	 Inadequate access to licensed mental health professionals* 674 	1	2	3
	b. Inadequate funding 676	1	2	3
	c. Potential legal issues for school or district (e.g., malpractice, insufficient supervision, confidentiality) 678	1	2	3
	d. Concerns about reactions from parents 681	1	2	3
	e. Lack of community support for providing mental health services to students in your school 682	1	2	3
	f. Written or unwritten policies regarding the school's requirement to pay for the diagnostic mental health assessment* or treatment* of students 684	1	2	3
	g. Reluctance to label students with mental health disorders* to avoid stigmatizing the child 686	1	2	3
*A r	emovable "definitions" sheet is printed on pages 2 and 3.			

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Staff Training and Practices

22. During the 2019–20 school year, did your school or school district provide any of the following for classroom teachers or aides? YES NO a. Training in classroom management for teachers b. Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to violence* 268 c. Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to cyberbullying* 265 d. Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to bullying* other than cyberbullying* 267 e. Training in school-wide discipline policies and practices related to alcohol and/or drug use 269 f. Training in safety procedures (e.g., how to handle emergencies) 270 Training in recognizing early warning signs of students likely to exhibit violent behavior 272 h. Training in recognizing signs of self-harm or suicidal tendencies 278 Training in intervention and referral strategies for students displaying signs of mental health disorders* (e.g., depression, mood disorders, ADHD) 271 Training in recognizing physical, social, and verbal bullying* behaviors k. Training in recognizing signs of students using/abusing alcohol and/or drugs 274

m. Training in crisis prevention and intervention $$_{\rm 277}$$

Training in positive behavioral intervention strategies 276

23. Aside from sworn law enforcement officers (including **School Resource Officers***) or other security officers or personnel who carry firearms, during the 2019–20 school year, were there any staff **at your school*** who legally carried a **firearm*** on school property? 279

1 Yes

2 No

Limitations on Crime Prevention

- 24. To what extent do the following factors limit your school's efforts to reduce or prevent crime?
 - Check one response on each line.
 - a. Lack of or inadequate teacher training in classroom management 280
 - b. Lack of or inadequate alternative placement or programs for disruptive students 282
 - c. Likelihood of complaints from parents $_{\ 284}$
 - d. Lack of teacher support for school policies 286
 - e. Lack of parental support for school policies $_{\ _{288}}$
 - f. Teachers' fear of student retaliation 290
 - g. Fear of litigation 292
 - h. Inadequate funds 294
 - i. Inconsistent application of school policies by faculty or staff 296

Limits in major way	Limits in minor way	Does not limit
1	2	3
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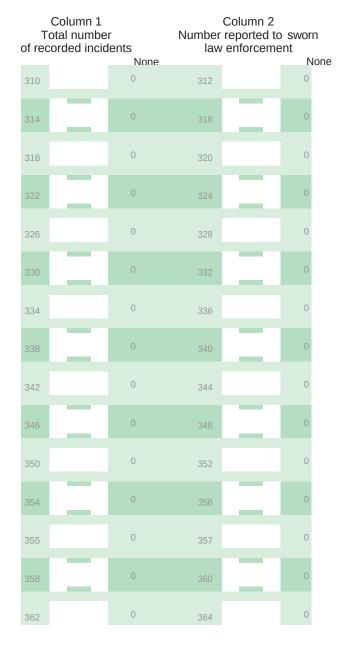
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Incidents

25. Please record the number of incidents that occurred **at school*** during the 2019–20 school year for the offenses listed below. (NOTE: The number in column 1 should be greater than or equal to the number in column 2.)

Please provide information on:

- The number of incidents, not the number of victims or offenders.
- Recorded incidents, regardless of whether any disciplinary action was taken.
- Recorded incidents, regardless of whether students or non-students were involved.
- Incidents occurring before, during, or after normal school hours.
- a. Rape* or attempted rape*
- b. Sexual assault* other than rape* (include threatened rape*)
- c. Robbery* (taking things by force)i. With a weapon*
- ii. Without a weapon*
- d. Physical attack or fight*i. With a weapon*
 - ii. Without a weapon*
- e. Threats of physical attack*
 - i. With a weapon*
 - ii. Without a weapon*
- f. **Theft or larceny*** (taking things worth over \$10 without personal confrontation)
- g. Possession of a firearm or explosive device*
- h. Possession of a knife or sharp object
- Distribution, possession, or use of illegal drugs
- j. Inappropriate distribution, possession, or use of prescription drugs
- k. Distribution, possession, or use of alcohol
- I. Vandalism*



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26.	During the 2019–20 school year, how many hate crimes* occurred at your school*?	690	
	Number of hate crimes*		
	None → GO TO item 28 below.		
27.	To the best of your knowledge, were any of these hate crimes* motivated by the offendagainst the following characteristics or perceived characteristics?	der's bias	
	 If a hate crime* was motivated by multiple characteristics, answer "Yes" for each that applies. 	YES	NO
	a. Race 692	1	2
	b. National origin or ethnicity 694	1	2
	c. Sex 696	1	2
	d. Religion 698	1	2
	e. Disability (e.g., physical, mental, and learning disabilities) 700		2
	f. Sexual orientation* 702		2
	g. Gender identity* 704		
28.	 To the best of your knowledge, during the 2019–20 school year, have there been any sexual misconduct* between a staff member and a student at your school*? 705 Report on misconduct between staff and students whether or not the incidents occu school* or away from school. Sexual assault* and rape* are both forms of sexual misconduct. Therefore, some i staff-student behavior may be reported in response to items 25a and 25b as well at Yes No 	rred at ncidents o	of
29.	Please select the number of arrests*, including both students and non-students, that your school* during the 2019–20 school year. 688 None 1 - 5 6 - 10 11 or more	occurred	at

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Disciplinary Problems and Actions

30. To the best of your knowledge, how often do the following types of problems occur at your school*?

a.	Student racial	or ethnic tensions	374

- b. Student bullying* 376
- Student sexual harassment* of other students 378
- d. Student harassment* of other students based on sexual orientation* 381
- e. Student harassment* of other students based on gender identity* 383
- f. Student **harassment*** of other students based on religion 385
- g. Student harassment* of other students based on disability (e.g. physical, mental and learning disabilities) 387
- h. Widespread disorder in classroom 382
- i. Student verbal abuse of teachers 380
- j. Student acts of disrespect for teachers other than verbal abuse 384
- k. **Gang*** activities

Happens daily	Happens at least once a week	Happens at least once a month	Happens on occasion	Never happens
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
	2	3	4	5
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1	2	3	4	5
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31. To the best of your knowledge, thinking about problems that can occur anywhere (both **at your school*** and away from school), how often does **cyberbullying*** among students who attend your school occur? 389

- 1 Happens daily
- 2 Happens at least once a week
- 3 Happens at least once a month
- 4 Happens on occasion
- 5 Never happens

32. During the 2019–20 school year, did your school allow for the use of the following disciplinary actions? If "Yes," were the actions used this school year?

		allow fo	ur school r use of owing?	If "Yes," was the action used this school year?		
		YES	NO		YES	NO
Removal with no continuing school services for at least the remainder of the school year	390	1	2	392	1	2
b. Removal with school-provided tutoring/home instruction for at least the remainder of the school year	394	1	2	396	1	2
 c. Transfer to an alternative school* for disciplinary reasons 	398	1	2	400	1	2
d. Transfer to another regular school for disciplinary reasons	402	1	2	404	1	2
e. Out-of-school suspension or removal for less than the remainder of the school year i. With no curriculum or services provided	406	1	2	408	1	2
ii. With curriculum or services provided	410	1	2	412	1	2
f. In-school suspension for less than the remainder of the school year i. With no curriculum or services provided	414	1	2	416	1	2
ii. With curriculum or services provided	418	1	2	420	1	2
g. Referral to a school counselor	422	1	2	424	1	2
h. Assignment to a program (during school hours) designed to reduce disciplinary problems	426	1	2	428	1	2
 Assignment to a program (outside of school hours) designed to reduce disciplinary problems 	430	1	2	432	1	2
j. Loss of school bus privileges due to misbehavior	434	1	2	436	1	2
k. Corporal punishment	438	1	2	440	1	2
Placement on school probation with consequences if another incident occurs	442	1	2	444	1	2
m. Detention and/or Saturday school	446	1	2	448	1	2
n. Loss of student privileges	450	1	2	452	1	2
o. Requirement of participation in community service	454	1	2	456	1	2

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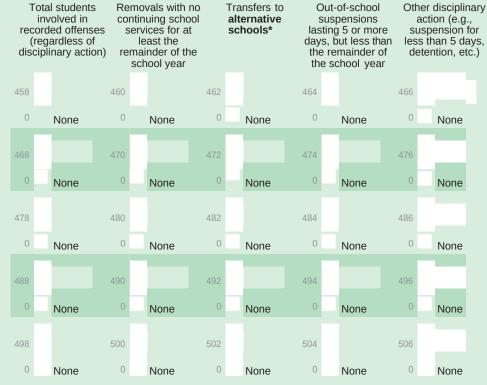
33. During the 2019–20 school year, how many students were involved in committing the following offenses, and how many of the following disciplinary actions were taken in response?

Please follow these guidelines when determining the number of offenses and disciplinary actions:

- If more than one student was involved in an incident, please count each student separately when providing the number of disciplinary actions.
- If a student was disciplined more than once, please count each offense separately (e.g., a student who was suspended five times would be counted as five suspensions).
- If a student was disciplined in two different ways for a single infraction (e.g., the student was both suspended and referred to counseling), count only the most severe disciplinary action that was taken.
- If a student was disciplined in one way for multiple infractions, record the disciplinary action for only the most serious offense.

Number of disciplinary actions taken in response to offense

- a. Use/possession of a firearm or explosive device*
- Use/possession of a weapon* other than a firearm or explosive device*
- c. Distribution, possession, or use of illegal drugs
- d. Distribution, possession, or use of alcohol
- e. Physical attacks or fights*



34. During the 2019–20 school year, how many of the following occurred?

 a. Students were removed from your school without continuing services for at least the remainder of the school year for disciplinary reasons. (NOTE: This number should be greater than or equal to the sum of entries in item 33, column 2.) 518

b. Students were transferred to **alternative schools*** for disciplinary reasons. (NOTE: This number should be greater than or equal to the sum of entries in item 33, column 3.) 520

Total number

⁰ None

None

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School Characteristics: 2019–20 School Year

1 Regular public school

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Which of the following best describes your school? 564

	² Charter school	
	3 Has a magnet program for part of the school	
	Exclusively a magnet school	
	5 Other - Please specify: 565	
36.	Which of the following grades are offered in this school? • Check all that apply.	
	1 Prekindergarten 024 1 4th 034 1 9th 044	
	1 Kindergarten ₀₂₆ 1 5th ₀₃₆ 1 10th ₀₄₆	
	1 1st $_{028}$ 1 6th $_{038}$ 1 11th $_{048}$	
	1 2nd $_{030}$ 1 7th $_{040}$ 1 12th $_{050}$	
	1 3rd ₀₃₂ 1 8th ₀₄₂ 1 Ungraded ₀₅₂	
37.	Please provide the following dates:	
	a. Start date for your 2019–20 school year 574, 575 / 20	019
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	b. End date for your 2019–20 school year _{576, 577} / / MM DD	2020
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38.	As of October 1, 2019, what was your school's total enrollment? 522 Stu	dents
39.	During the 2019–20 school year, how many students transferred to or from your school after the start of the school year? Please report on the total mobility, not just transfers due to disciplinary actions. (NOTE: This number should be greater than or equal to the number of students who were transferred for disciplinary reasons, as reported in item 34b.)	
	If a student transferred more than once in the school year, count each transfer separately.	
	Number of Students	None
	a. Transferred to the school ₅₇₀	0
	b. Transferred from the school ₅₇₂	0
40.	What percentage of your school's total enrollment is present on students present	None
	an average day? 568 %	0
41.	How many classroom changes do most students make in a typical day? • Count going to lunch and then returning to the same or a different classroom as two classroom changes. Do not count morning arrival Typical number of classroom changes	None
	or afternoon departure.	0

42.	What percentage of your current students fit the following criteria?	Percent of students		None			
	a. Eligible for free or reduced-price lunch 524		%	0			
	b. English language learner (ELL) 526		%	0			
	c. Children with disabilities (CWD)* 528		%	0			
	d. Male ₅₃₀		%	0			
43.	What is your best estimate of the percentage of your current students who meet the following criteria?	Percent of students		None			
	a. Below the 15th percentile on standardized tests $_{\rm 532}$		%	0			
	b. Likely to go to college after high school 534		%	0			
	c. Consider academic achievement to be very important 536		%	0			
44.	How would you describe the crime level in the area(s) in which your studer	nts live? 560					
	1 High level of crime						
	2 Moderate level of crime						
	3 Low level of crime						
	Students come from areas with very different levels of crime						
45.	How would you describe the crime level in the area where your school is located? $_{\rm 562}$						
	1 High level of crime						
	2 Moderate level of crime						
	3 Low level of crime						
Res	oondent Information						
	se provide the following information for the person who completed this questio person completed the questionnaire, please answer for the primary responden		re than				
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Title or position 014

• Check one response.

1 Principal 6 Teacher or instructor
2 Vice principal 7 Superintendent or district staff
3 Disciplinarian 8 Security personnel
4 Counselor 9 Other - Please specify: 015
5 Administrative or secretarial staff

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