2021 and 2023 National Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Attachment H1

Survey Administrator Script YRBS 2021 – Booklet

**SURVEY ADMINISTRATOR SCRIPT**

**2021 NATIONAL YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY**

**STEP 1 - VERIFY THAT ALL ASSEMBLED STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED APPROPRIATE PERMISSION FORM PROCESS REQUIRED FOR THIS SCHOOL AND THAT NONPARTICIPATING STUDENTS (IF ANY) HAVE AN ALTERNATE ACTIVITY.**

**STEP 2 - AFTER STUDENTS ARE SEATED, DISTRIBUTE PENCILS AND STUDENT ENVELOPES. DO NOT DISTRIBUTE SURVEY BOOKLETS.**

**STEP 3 - INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND THE SURVEY TO THE CLASS.**

I’d like to thank each of you for participating in the National Youth Risk Behavior Survey today. By participating in this survey, you are taking part in an extremely important effort to understand the health of the Nation’s teens. We need and value your input.

This survey is being conducted on behalf of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (also known as CDC). They want to know more about students like you, and the answers you give are very important so that results are accurate. You will be asked about many different topics, such as sexual behaviors; drug use; alcohol and tobacco use; lack of physical activity; poor nutritional habits; or behaviors that may lead to unintentional injury or violence.

This is not a test about you or the school. If at any time you do not feel comfortable answering a question, you can skip it. Participating in this survey is voluntary and your grade in this class will not be affected, whether you answer the questions or not.

**STEP 4 - DISTRIBUTE SURVEY BOOKLETS. EMPHASIZE PRIVACY/ ANONYMITY.**

Please **do not** write your name on the survey booklet or envelope. Your answers are private and we do not want to know your name. Throughout the entire survey process, we will maintain strict procedures to protect your privacy and anonymity. There is nowhere in the survey where you are asked to provide your name, and results of this survey will never be reported by names, class, or school. When you finish the survey, place your survey booklet in the envelope, seal it, and leave it on your desk.

PAUSE HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS...

**STEP 5 - INSTRUCT THE CLASS IN FILLING OUT SURVEY.**

Now I would like you to look at the survey booklet. Please take a moment to read the instructions on the front cover of the survey booklet.

(PAUSE)

Use the No. 2 pencil you have been given to fill out this survey. Do not use a pen or some other pencil. Notice that for each question on the survey, there is a corresponding set of ovals. For each question, choose the answer that best fits what you know, feel, or do, then fill in the corresponding oval. If you must change an answer, erase your old answer completely.

When you are finished, look over your booklet to make sure that you haven’t skipped any questions you wanted to answer. We have allowed 35 minutes for completing the survey, but you may stop at any time. If you finish before that time, place your survey booklet in the envelope, seal it, and stay seated until I ask you to turn it in.

It is important that you answer the questions based on what you really know, believe, and do. Don’t pick a response just because you think that’s what someone wants you to say. **Your teacher and I are not allowed to answer any questions. Simply do the best that you can.** Please begin.

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| **NOTE TO DATA COLLECTOR:**  **(DO NOT READ ALOUD TO STUDENTS)**  While students are taking the survey, work with the teacher to complete the Data Collection Checklist, Make-up list, and fill out the label on the front of the 12x15 class envelope. Remember when calculating the enrollment, do not count students who are on the roll but for all practical purposes have dropped out, are on suspension, or are on extended medical absence. Please write down the number of booklets enclosed. |

**STEP 6 - AT THE END OF CLASS PERIOD, COLLECT SURVEYS.**

**STEP 7 - THANK PARTICIPANTS.**

The CDC would like to thank all of you for participating in this survey. The information you have provided will be used to develop better health education programs for students like yourselves all around the Nation. If you have any questions related to the topics on the survey, please contact: (SCHOOL-REFERRED CONTACT NAME HERE).

**STEP 8 - THANK THE TEACHER.**