

## SCHOOL YEAR 2023-24 PANORAMA STUDENT SURVEY NOTIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL LETTER

January 31, 2024

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Adult Students,

Twice a year, we ask students in grades 3 and higher to complete the Panorama Student Survey to help DCPS and school administrators better understand how students perceive their school experiences and their own social and emotional learning. This year, the fall survey took place in October and the spring survey will take place in March. Every student will be able to take the survey by signing in with their DCPS student ID at <a href="https://surveys.panoramaed.com/dcps/login">https://surveys.panoramaed.com/dcps/login</a>. Some schools will administer the survey in class.

View district-level family and student survey results from previous surveys at bit.ly/dcpsresults.

You may opt your child out of the district-level student survey if you do not want your child to take it. If you are a student 18 or older, you may opt out of the survey yourself. The deadline to opt out for the spring survey is March 4. If you opted out in the fall, that applies to both fall and spring surveys and you do NOT need to opt out again.

To opt out: If you do NOT want your child to take the district-level Panorama Student Surveys this spring, or if you are a student 18 or older and do NOT want to take the surveys this spring, fill out the form at this link or the QR code on the right by March 4, 2024. You do NOT need to fill out the form again if you already filled it out in the fall.



2023-24 Panorama Student Survey Opt-Out Form.

To fill out the form, you need to know your child's DCPS student ID.

This survey is voluntary and confidential. Your child is not required to participate, but their feedback would be very valuable. This survey asks only for your child's honest experience and opinions. Your child's grades will not be affected by their responses. Your child's privacy will be protected to the extent allowed by law. Your child's name will never be used in reports. As in previous years, the survey asks students in grades 6-12 about their gender and sexual identity. These questions help the district promote equitable treatment for all students in accordance with our Transgender and Gender-Nonconforming Policy Guidance. They are entirely voluntary, and students who are not comfortable answering can skip them.

Schools use survey results to better understand your child's needs. Part of DCPS's Multi-Tiered System of Supports initiative (MTSS @ DCPS) is the use of the Panorama Student Success portal, which enables teachers and staff to see students' Panorama results side-by-side with academic, attendance, and behavioral data. Using Panorama Student Success, teachers can see your child's average scores on different SEL topics on the survey. They cannot see how a student answered individual questions and will NOT see any information from Student Satisfaction questions or questions on gender and sexual identity. The platform is secure and can be accessed only by DCPS teachers or staff.

The Panorama Student Survey and the Panorama Student Success platform are valuable parts of DCPS's work. If you have any questions regarding the Panorama Student Survey and the Panorama Student Success platform or if you want to see the survey questions students will receive, please visit <a href="https://dcps.dc.gov/surveys">https://dcps.dc.gov/surveys</a>.

Sincerely, DC Public Schools