Idaho Elementary School Student Engagement Survey

This is a survey that will help your school understand how you feel about the time you spend in class and at school. There are no right or wrong answers—this is not a test! It will take you about 15-20 minutes to finish the survey. Please read each item carefully and check the answer that most closely matches the way you feel. Your answers will not be shared with your teachers or family.

Enter Idaho State Student ID Number on the line below. This is a 9-digit number. If you do not know your student ID number, please ask your teacher.

Questions

1. When I’m in class...
   - I want to talk about what I am learning.
   - I do enough to make a good grade.
   - I get so busy with my work and forget what time it is.
   - I have a hard time doing the work.
   - I do not try my best.

2. If the classwork is hard to do, I...
   - try a little more.
   - do my very best.
   - get a little nervous.
   - put my head down on my desk.
   - need to think better.

3. Doing the same kind of work every day in class...
   - is okay with me.
   - makes me want to ask if we can do something different.
   - keeps me out of trouble.
   - does not keep my attention.
   - keeps me on task.
4. Going to an activity after school or at night...
   o makes my parents happy.
   o is something I do if I have to.
   o is something I like to do.
   o is something I do not like.
   o is fun because I see my friends and teachers.

5. When I use a computer, I...
   o am excited about learning.
   o finish my work.
   o want to do things that aren’t what my teacher told me to do.
   o stay on task.
   o try to do more than what my teacher wants me to do.

6. School rules...
   o let me know what I can do.
   o make me not like school.
   o help me to be a good student.
   o are hard for me to follow.
   o help me make good choices.

7. As a student...
   o I do my best to get good grades.
   o I stay busy even when I don’t like to work.
   o I learn the most when I work with other students.
   o I find ways to keep learning when I am not at school.
   o I do my work if the teacher says I have to.

8. Choose one you agree with the most.
   o I raise my hand to do things that are new or easy.
   o I use words I’ve learned when my teacher asks me to.
   o I finish my work so that I can help others.
   o Sometimes I do not know why I have to do the work.
   o I do not learn things that can be used outside of school.

9. When do you use what you learn in class?
   o I talk about it at home.
   o I use it to help me learn other things.
   o I only use it to get a good grade.
   o I don’t think about how to use what I learn.
   o I don’t use it.
10. Before I have a test, I...
   o study a lot.
   o learn what is needed to pass.
   o think about it just before it is time to take the test.
   o read extra things to help me with the test.
   o don’t study.

11. When I don’t know something, I...
   o talk about it with other students to get help.
   o read the directions again and try to get it right.
   o work on what I can do.
   o find something else to do.
   o ask my teacher for help.

12. The things I learn in school...
   o help me think about new ways to do things.
   o help me do my homework.
   o help me make good grades.
   o I won’t use when I am older.
   o I do not care about.

13. The activities I do in class...
   o are ones I like.
   o are done because my teacher makes me.
   o are not fun.
   o are not fun, but I do them anyway.
   o are not fun, so I pretend that I am sick so that I don’t have to do them.

14. How do you feel when you say something in front of the class?
   o Good, if my teacher likes it.
   o Okay, if it is the same as what other students say.
   o Special, like my words are important.
   o Not special, because no one cares what I say.
   o I don’t often talk in front of the class.

15. At the end of the school day, I feel...
   o that going to school is something I have to do.
   o excited about tomorrow’s school day.
   o very happy that I learned something.
   o like the day was very long.
   o that I wish I could stay home tomorrow.
16. How do you feel about most of your teachers?
   - I feel that they help me to learn.
   - I feel that they care about me.
   - I do not know if they care about me.
   - I feel that they do not want me to bother them.
   - I feel that they only want me to do my work and be quiet.

17. What do you like most about your school?
   - I like using technology.
   - I do not like very much about school.
   - I like fun times, like lunch and recess.
   - I like not having to work very hard to get good grades.
   - I like seeing my friends.

18. I feel my school work is...
   - important.
   - something that makes me proud.
   - something I have to do to please my parents.
   - boring.
   - something that makes me feel like I am not smart.

19. Learning goals...
   - help me to stay interested in learning new things.
   - are something I have to use.
   - do not help me at all.
   - keep me on task.
   - make me want to do better work.

20. What makes you feel good as a student?
   - I feel good when I finish my work.
   - I feel good when my teacher says nice things to me.
   - I do not feel good very often.
   - I feel good when I do extra work because I want to.
   - I feel good when I do not give up.