

**Finished High School Early  
Student Survey  
(School Year 2022-23)**

**Let's discuss your experiences in high school.**

**1. How well did you enjoy your high school experience when you were in 9<sup>th</sup> grade?**

- Really Enjoyable
- Somewhat Enjoyable
- Not Enjoyable

**2. How well did you enjoy your high school experience last year?**

- Really Enjoyable
- Somewhat Enjoyable
- Not Enjoyable

**3. Did you graduate with a traditional high school diploma, an alternate academic diploma or get your HiSET or GED?**

**4. How were you able to complete high school early?**

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**5. I'm going to read a list of things that could happen to anyone. Which of these contributed to you finishing high school early?**

(Choose all the things that are true for you.)

- Could not meet academic requirements
  - Excessive absences [*Follow-up: When did you start having a lot of absences in school? Did the COVID-19 pandemic affect your attendance?*]

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- Fell behind in classes [*Follow-up*: When did you feel like you were too far behind in your classes? Did the COVID-19 pandemic affect your ability to keep up with your classes?]
- Trouble at school
  - Problems with other kids [*Follow-up*: When did you start having problems with other kids?]
  - Got suspended/expelled [*Follow-up*: When did you get suspended or expelled?]
- Wanted to work instead of going to school [*Follow-up*: Why did you want to work instead of going to school? Did the COVID-19 pandemic affect your decision to start working? If yes, how?]
- Wanted to start technical school, trade school, or college earlier [*Follow-up*: Did the COVID-19 pandemic affect your desire to continue to more advanced schooling earlier? If yes, how?]
- School personnel (principal/teachers/staff) [*Follow-up*: In what ways did they contribute to you finishing high school early?]
- Parents [*Follow-up*: In what ways did they contribute to you finishing high school early?]
- Managing personal health (e.g., medical issues, pregnancy, mental health, substance use) [*Follow-up*: When did your personal health start contributing to your finishing high school early?]
- Needed to be a caregiver for my family [*Follow-up*: When did you start needing to be a caregiver?]
  - Caring for my own child
  - Caring for a sibling
  - Caring for another family member
- Anything else that contributed to you finishing high school early? \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Currently, what are you doing on a day-to-day basis?** [Select all that apply]

- In school
  - What type of school are you attending?**
- Planning to go back to school
  - When?**
- Planning to get my GED
- Working
- Actively looking for work

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- In the military
- Preparing to join the military
- Volunteering
- Social activities (e.g., playing video games, engaging with social media, hanging out with friends)
- Seeking or recovering from medical treatment
- Family care
- Nothing
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Aspirations (Cook et al., 2004)**

These questions are about your plans for the future.

IN THE FUTURE, WHAT ARE YOU MOST LIKELY TO DO?	Continue in school	Get a job	Volunteer	Join the military	No Clear Plan
1a. If continue in school is answer above, check the highest level of education you think you will reach.	Trade school	Tech School	Community College		
	4 Year college	Master's Degree	PhD or MD		

**Big 5 Conscientiousness (John & Srivastava, 1999)**

You see yourself as someone who...

1. Does things carefully and completely	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
2. Can be somewhat careless, PROMPT not being careful	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
3. Is a reliable worker, PROMPT dependable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
4. Tends to be disorganized, PROMPT messy	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
5. Tends to be lazy	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
6. Keeps working until things are done	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
7. Does things efficiently (quickly and correctly)	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree

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8. Makes plans and sticks to them	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree
9. Is easily distracted; has trouble paying attention	Strongly Disagree	Disagree a little	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree a little	Strongly Agree

**Peer Delinquency (Miller-Johnson et al., 2004)**

These next questions are about your friends, please select No or Yes.

During this school year, have any of your friends ....		
1. Stolen something from another student?	No	Yes
2. Snuck into someplace without paying such as movies, onto a bus?	No	Yes
3. Skipped school or a class?	No	Yes
4. Cheated on a test?	No	Yes
5. Taken something from a store without paying for it?	No	Yes
6. Written things or spray painted walls, sidewalks or cars where they were not supposed to?	No	Yes
7. Damaged school or other property that didn't belong to them?	No	Yes
8. Taken a motor vehicle not belonging to him/her for a ride without the owner's permission?	No	Yes
9. Hit someone with the intent of really hurting that person?	No	Yes
10. Attacked someone with a weapon or other thing to really hurt that person?	No	Yes
11. Had alcohol to drink?	No	Yes
12. Smoked a cigarette or vaped?	No	Yes
13. Used drugs?	No	Yes
14. Been in a gang fight?	No	Yes
<b>Social Media Items – Added based on teacher feedback</b>		
15. Posted something mean or hurtful to someone on social media (e.g., facebook, instagram, snapchat, twitter)?	No	Yes
16. Used a cellphone, computer, or other digital device to send something mean or hurtful to someone?	No	Yes

**Self-Reported Child Delinquency (Miller-Johnson et al., 2004)**

The next questions are about you.

During this school year, have you ...		
1. Snuck into someplace without paying such as movies, onto a bus?	No	Yes
2. Taken something from a store without paying for it?	No	Yes
3. Attacked someone with a weapon or other thing to really hurt that person?	No	Yes
4. Damaged school or other property that didn't belong to you?	No	Yes
5. Taken a motor vehicle not belonging to you for a ride without the owner's permission?	No	Yes
6. Hit someone with the intent of really hurting that person?	No	Yes
7. Written things or spray painted walls, sidewalks or cars where you were not supposed to?	No	Yes
8. Had alcohol to drink?		
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13. Used a cellphone, computer, or other digital device to send something mean or hurtful to someone?	No	Yes
<b>Item added to make this measure more positive</b>		
14. Stood up to a bully?	No	Yes

**Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (Goodman, 1997)**

**These questions are also about you.**

For each item, please mark the box for Not True, Somewhat True or Certainly True. It would help us if you answered all items as best you can even if you are not absolutely certain. Please give your answers on the basis of how things have been for you during this school year.			
1. You try to be nice to other people. You care about their feelings	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
2. You are restless, you cannot stay still for long	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
3. You get a lot of headaches, stomach-aches or sickness	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
4. You usually share with others, for example games, books, pencils.	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
5. You get very angry and often lose your temper	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
6. You would rather be alone than with people of your age	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
7. You usually do as you are told	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
8. You worry a lot	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
9. You are helpful if someone is hurt, upset or feeling ill	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
10. You are constantly fidgeting or squirming. PROMPT - wiggling	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
11. You have one good friend or more	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
12. You fight a lot. You can make other people do what you want	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
13. You are often unhappy, depressed or tearful	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
14. Other people your age generally like you	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
15. You are easily distracted, you find it difficult to concentrate	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
16. You are nervous in new situations. You easily lose confidence	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
17. You are kind to younger children	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
18. You are often accused of lying or cheating	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
19. People pick on you or bully you	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
20. You often offer to help others (parents, teachers, children)	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
21. You think before you do things	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
22. You take things that are not yours from home, school or elsewhere	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
23. You get along better with adults than with people your own age	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
24. You have many fears, you are easily scared	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True
25. You finish the work you're doing. Your attention is good	Not True	Somewhat True	Certainly True

**What is the best thing that happened to you this past year?**