School
Characteristics and Policy Questionnaire

2018
Grade 12
(Pilot)

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This section should be completed by the principal or the head of the school.

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1. What is your sex?
   ☐ Male
   ☐ Female

2. What grades are taught in your school? Select all squares that apply.
   ☐ Pre-kindergarten
   ☐ Kindergarten
   ☐ 1st grade
   ☐ 2nd grade
   ☐ 3rd grade
   ☐ 4th grade
   ☐ 5th grade
   ☐ 6th grade
   ☐ 7th grade
   ☐ 8th grade
   ☐ 9th grade
   ☐ 10th grade
   ☐ 11th grade
   ☐ 12th grade

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3. Can your school be described by any of the following? Select all squares that apply.

- Elementary school
- Middle or junior high school
- Secondary school
- Regular school with a magnet program
- A magnet school or a school with a special program emphasis, e.g., science/mathematics school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school, foreign language immersion school
- Special education school: primarily serves students with disabilities
- Alternative school: offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education, not clearly categorized as regular, special, or vocational education
- Private independent school
- Private religiously affiliated school
- Independent charter school
- Charter school administered by local school district
- Other (Please specify): ________________

4. Please identify the organization(s) listed below to which your school is most closely affiliated. Select all squares that apply.

- American Association of Christian Schools
- Association of Christian Schools International
- Christian Schools International
- National Association of Episcopal Schools
- National Association of Independent Schools
- National Catholic Educational Association
- National Society of Hebrew Day Schools
- The Association of Boarding Schools
- Other (Please specify): ________________
- Not affiliated with any organization

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5. What is the current enrollment in your school?

6. Approximately what percentage of twelfth-graders in your school is new this year?

7. Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage has been identified as limited-English proficient?

8. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school enrolled after the first day of school?
9. Last school year, approximately what percentage of students at your school left before the end of the school year?

- 0%
- 1–3%
- 4–6%
- 7–10%
- 11–20%
- Over 20%

10. About what percentage of your students is absent on an average day? (Include excused and unexcused absences in calculating this rate.)

- 0–2%
- 3–5%
- 6–10%
- More than 10%

11. About what percentage of your teachers is absent on an average day? (Include all absences in calculating this rate.)

- 0–2%
- 3–5%
- 6–10%
- More than 10%

12. Does your school participate in the National School Lunch Program?

- Yes
- No ➔ Questions 13–15 are not applicable and will be skipped.

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13. How does the school operate the program?

☐ Student eligibility is determined individually, and eligible students receive free or reduced-price lunch. \textit{Question 14 is not applicable and will be skipped.}

☐ All students in school receive free lunch under special provisions (e.g., Provision 2 or 3).

14. If your school distributes free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3, what was the base year during which individual student eligibility was collected?

☐ This school does not distribute free lunch to all students under Provision 2 or 3—eligibility is determined annually.

☐ 2017

☐ 2016

☐ 2015

☐ 2014

☐ 2013

☐ 2012 or earlier

15. During this school year, about what percentage of students in your school was eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program?

☐ 0%

☐ 1–5%

☐ 6–10%

☐ 11–25%

☐ 26–34%

☐ 35–50%

☐ 51–75%

☐ 76–99%

☐ 100%
16. Does your school receive Title I funding? (Title I is a federally funded program that provides educational services, such as remedial reading or remedial math, to children who live in areas with high concentrations of low-income families.)

☐ No

☐ Yes, our school receives funds, which are targeted to eligible students.

☐ Yes, our school receives funds, which are used for schoolwide purposes.

17. Approximately what percentage of students in your school receives the following services? Select one circle in each row. Students who receive more than one service should be counted for each service they receive. Please report the percentage of students who receive each of the following services as of the day you respond to this questionnaire.

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>None</th>
<th>1–5%</th>
<th>6–10%</th>
<th>11–25%</th>
<th>26–50%</th>
<th>51–75%</th>
<th>76–90%</th>
<th>Over 90%</th>
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<tr>
<td>a. Targeted Title I services</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
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<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
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<td>b. Gifted and talented program</td>
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<td>c. Instruction provided in student’s home language (non-English)</td>
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<td>d. English-as-a-second-language (not in a bilingual education program)</td>
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<td>e. Special education</td>
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18. Of the students in last year’s graduating class, approximately what percentage is doing each of the following? Select one circle in each row.

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<th>0–5%</th>
<th>6–10%</th>
<th>11–25%</th>
<th>26–50%</th>
<th>51–75%</th>
<th>Over 75%</th>
<th>I don’t know.</th>
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<td>a. Attending a two-year college</td>
<td>☐</td>
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<td>b. Attending a four-year college</td>
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<td>c. Attending a vocational-technical or business school</td>
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<td>d. Working for pay</td>
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<td>☐</td>
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<td>e. Serving in the military (excluding ROTC and military academies)</td>
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19. Does your school offer any of the following services to students on a regular basis? Select one circle in each row.

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<td>a. Career and technical education workshops</td>
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<td>b. Career counseling services or programs</td>
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<td>☐</td>
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<td>c. Job placement services</td>
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<td>d. Career days or job fairs</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
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<td>e. Career or employment readiness workshops</td>
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20. During a typical week of school, what is the total number of regularly scheduled volunteers, including parents, working in the school?

- ☐ 0
- ☐ 1–5
- ☐ 6–10
- ☐ 11–15
- ☐ 16–25
- ☐ More than 25

21. Approximately what percentage of students in your school have parents or guardians who do each of the following activities? Select one circle in each row.

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<th></th>
<th>Not applicable</th>
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<th>11–25%</th>
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<td>a. Volunteer regularly to help in the classroom or another part of the school</td>
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<td>b. Attend teacher–parent conferences</td>
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For all teacher counts entered in this item:

INCLUDE these types of teachers:
- Regular
- Special area or resource teachers (e.g., special education, Title I, art, music, physical education)
- Long-term substitute teachers

INCLUDE these types of teachers:
- Itinerant teachers who teach part-time at this school
- Employees reported in other items of this section if they also have a part-time teaching assignment at this school

DO NOT INCLUDE:
- Student teachers
- Short-term substitute teachers
- Teachers who teach ONLY pre-kindergarten or adult education

22. Around the first of October, how many TEACHERS held full-time or part-time positions or assignments in this school? If none, mark (0) in the boxes.

a. Full-time

__________ Full-time teachers

b. Part-time

__________ Part-time teachers

23. Does your school, district, or diocese offer tenure to teachers?

☑ Yes

☑ No ➔ Question 24 is not applicable and will be skipped.
24. Of the following categories of teachers who were full-time teachers at your school at the end of the last school year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year? Select one circle in each row.

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<th>Category</th>
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<th>11–25%</th>
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<td>a. Non-tenured teachers who had taught for at least one year</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
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<td>b. Tenured teachers</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
<td>⃝</td>
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25. In the last school year, how many full-time teachers were new to your school?

If you answered 0, Question 26 is not applicable and will be skipped.

26. Of the full-time teachers who were new to your school last year, what percentage stayed on as full-time teachers for this school year?

- ⃝ 0–10%
- ⃝ 11–25%
- ⃝ 26–50%
- ⃝ 51–75%
- ⃝ 76–90%
- ⃝ Over 90%
27. In this school year, which of the following types of computers or other digital devices are available in your school for student use? Select all squares that apply.

- Desktop computers (If not selected, questions 28–29 are not applicable and will be skipped.)
- Laptop computers (including Chromebooks) (If not selected, questions 30–32 are not applicable and will be skipped.)
- Tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) (If not selected, questions 33–35 are not applicable and will be skipped.)
- Other digital devices (Please specify): ____________________

28. What is the average age of the desktop computers in your school?

- Up to 2 years old
- More than 2 years but less than 4 years old
- More than 4 years but less than 6 years old
- 6 years old or more
- I don’t know.

29. In your school, where are desktop computers available for students to work? Select all squares that apply.

- In some classrooms
- In all classrooms
- In a media center
- In a computer lab
- In the school library
- Other (Please specify): ____________________

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30. What is the total number of laptop computers (including Chromebooks) available for students in your school? Enter the number of laptop computers.

Select the number of laptop computers available in your school.

If you answered 0, Questions 31 and 32 are not applicable and will be skipped.

31. What is the average age of the laptop computers (including Chromebooks) in your school?

- Up to 2 years old
- More than 2 years but less than 4 years old
- More than 4 years but less than 6 years old
- 6 years old or more
- I don’t know.

32. In your school, where are laptop computers (including Chromebooks) available for students to work? Select all squares that apply.

- In some classrooms
- In all classrooms
- In a media center
- In a computer lab
- In the school library
- On mobile carts
- Other (Please specify): ____________________

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33. What is the total number of tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) available for students in your school? Enter the number of tablets.

If you answered 0, Questions 34 and 35 are not applicable and will be skipped.

34. What is the average age of the tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) in your school?

- Up to 2 years old
- More than 2 years but less than 4 years old
- More than 4 years but less than 6 years old
- 6 years old or more
- I don’t know.

35. In your school, where are tablets (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) available for students to work? Select all squares that apply.

- In some classrooms
- In all classrooms
- In a media center
- In a computer lab
- In the school library
- On mobile carts
- Other (Please specify): ________________

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36. In your school, is there a wireless Internet connection that students can use for schoolwork?
   - ☑ Yes, everywhere or almost everywhere in the school.
   - ☑ Yes, in some areas of the school.
   - ☑ No

37. This school year, did your school offer technical support to teachers for computers and tablets used in this school?
   - ☑ Yes, we are partnering with a provider outside the school.
   - ☑ Yes, we have technical support staff in the school.
   - ☑ No

38. How often do teachers do the following in this school? Select one circle in each row.

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<th></th>
<th>Never</th>
<th>About once or twice a year</th>
<th>About once or twice a month</th>
<th>About once or twice a week</th>
<th>Every day or almost every day</th>
<th>Several times a day</th>
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<tr>
<td>a. Teach jointly as a team in the same class</td>
<td>☑</td>
<td>☑</td>
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<td>b. Observe other teachers’ classes and provide feedback</td>
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<td>c. Engage in discussions about the learning development of specific students</td>
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<td>d. Work with other teachers during common planning times to ensure common standards in evaluations for assessing student progress</td>
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