

# QUEENSLAND ENGAGEMENT AND WELLBEING SURVEY

## Information for parents and carers

#### WHY ARE WE DOING THE SURVEY?

We know that wellbeing and engagement are important parts of your child's life at school. The department and your school are looking at ways to collect information on these topics so we can support our students in the best way possible.

The Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing (QEW) Survey is designed to measure how state school students view their wellbeing and engagement.

Results from this survey will tell us about students' levels of wellbeing and engagement. This information will allow us to better support our students and meet their needs.

## WHEN WILL THE SURVEY TAKE PLACE?

The QEW Survey is run in Weeks 1 to 4 of Term 2 each year.

Students will participate in the survey during Anchor class.

## WHAT IS THE SURVEY ABOUT?

The survey measures many aspects of students' wellbeing, engagement, and experience at school.

- resilience
- school climate
- relationships (peers, teachers, home)
- sense of belonging
- motivation and perseverance
- academic self-concept
- personal social capabilities
- future outlook and aspirations
- general life satisfaction
- general health

## WHAT IS INVOLVED IN PARTICIPATION?

Teachers will arrange for students to take part in the Survey online during class time. It will take about 30 minutes to complete. If your child requires additional assistance, teachers and/or support people are able to help them.



## DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE TO PARTICIPATE?

Participation in the survey is voluntary. Choosing not to participate will not affect your child's education in any way.

Your child will also be asked if they would like to participate before starting the survey. They will be free to stop or withdraw at any time.

If you do not wish for your child to participate in the QEW Survey, please contact your school.

Your child will still get a link to the survey in their email even if you opt out, but they won't be able to get into the survey without the access code given only at the time of completing the survey.

#### HOW WILL YOUR CHILD'S INFORMATION BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?

The information collected through the survey will be kept confidential. **No** personal information will be shared with anyone outside of the Queensland **Department of Education**. The Queensland Department of Education will store the data according to strict guidelines. The collection of information is in line with the Educational General Provisions Act (2006) and the Information Privacy Act (2009).

#### **HOW WILL YOUR CHILD'S RESPONSES BE REPORTED?**

Student's answers will be de-identified. They will only be reported back to the school as part of their year levels' results. No one at your child's school will be able to see their individual responses.

#### WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

More information, including FAQs, can be found on the Education website: <a href="https://qed.qld.gov.au/publications/reports/statistics/schooling/students/queensland-engagement-wellbeing-survey">https://qed.qld.gov.au/publications/reports/statistics/schooling/students/queensland-engagement-wellbeing-survey</a>

You can contact the QEW Survey team by email: <u>QEWSurvey@ged.ald.gov.au</u>.