

Information about Challenge Success – Stanford Surveys of School Experiences: Middle/High School Student Version

Dear staff member,

Your students will soon be participating in the *Challenge Success – Stanford Survey of School Experiences* to students. This survey is part of a collaborative effort between your school and the Challenge Success project in the Graduate School of Education at Stanford. This document provides guidance for you to support their participation.

At the beginning of the survey is an assent form. Students have the right to decline participation if they choose. **Important:** Students whose parents returned the form to decline participation or students who do not sign the assent form will not participate in the study.

The survey will take students about 30-45 minutes to complete. Please feel free to clarify an item to the best of your ability if a student has a question. If you encounter any problems, do not hesitate to call Sarah Miles (650-468-5453).

We do not anticipate any risks to the students in participating in this survey. However, if a student notifies you of distress at any time while taking the survey, please have them discontinue the survey and connect them with the school counselor or psychologist.

Below is the information you will need to read to the students prior to taking the survey. Thank you for your help in administering this survey.

Information to read or email to students:

Our school is taking part in a survey being conducted by researchers in the Graduate School of Education at Stanford University. The goal of the survey is to better understand the student experience in school and at home. It will take you 30-45 minutes to complete. Although it's long, we ask that you take the time to complete the entire survey. You should complete the entire survey in one sitting. If you run out of time and cannot complete all of the questions, please skip ahead to the final section on background information and complete the remainder of the survey.

There are no right or wrong answers on the survey. The researchers are looking for your perceptions and ask that you be as honest as possible. Your honest responses will help the researchers better understand the student experience here. All of the data collected will be kept confidential. If you do wish to speak with someone about personal issues related to the content of this survey, our school counselor or psychologist is available for that purpose.

If you do not want to answer a particular question, you may leave it blank, and you may also stop participating at any time if you choose. If you have any questions about a survey item, please answer to the best of your understanding or skip the question. When you are ready to take the survey, please type the URL in your Internet browser or click on the link provided.