



## **“OurSCHOOL” School Climate Survey 2016-2017**

### **Fast Facts for Schools – SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

#### **What?**

The Learning Bar, Inc.’s **OurSCHOOL** survey is a short (15-20 minute) survey for students, staff and parents with a focus on gathering information about students’ and parents’ experiences of school safety, acceptance, and inclusion. It is a web-based survey that guarantees anonymity of the respondents. A summary of results will be shared with staff, School Council members, and Safe Schools Teams for planning purposes.

#### **Who?**

The DSBN will be surveying all students in Grades 4 to 12, staff and DSBN parents.

#### **Why?**

A safe, inclusive and accepting school creates an environment for students to do their best in the classroom and beyond. Hearing the student ‘voice’ is key to the development and implementation of school and Board level improvement plans. The **OurSCHOOL** survey allows students to anonymously share their personal experiences of safety, inclusion and well-being. The data from the surveys will give schools a ‘big picture’ of issues that need to be addressed. Students participating in the survey will not be asked for any personal information that will reveal their identity.

#### **When?**

For the 2016-17 school year, the **OurSCHOOL** survey will be administered to students in Grades 4-12 in October as well as in April. The parent and staff survey will be administered in April. See over ->

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### OurSCHOOL Survey Timeline – SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Please note: Details will be provided in the **School Climate Survey** conference  
in the **P/VP** area of First Class.

Fall Survey Pre-Training: <b>October 4, 2016</b> <b>2:00</b>	The Learning Bar, Inc. will provide pre-training on start-up procedures for school principals. Training is via a 20 to 30-minute live webinar at 2:00 on October 4, and is to be accessed remotely in schools. Also, a YouTube Video link will be provided for those who are unable to participate.
Survey Set Up: <b>October 4-7, 2016</b>	Principals will add two open-ended and two multiple choice questions their school’s survey. Principals may refer to sample questions provided by the Learning Bar, Inc., or they may also create their own questions with approval from their Superintendent.
Fall Survey Window: <b>October 11- November 4, 2016</b>	Students will complete the survey during the window of October 11 - 21. Surveys take approximately 15-20 minutes. Parents will be informed of the school climate survey through a letter to be sent home (attached).
<b>Access to Reports</b>	The Learning Bar, Inc. will have school data reports ready in 2-3 days after principals close the school’s survey.
Fall Survey Post-Training: <b>November 4, 2016</b> <b>10:00 and 2:00</b>	The Learning Bar, Inc. will provide post-training for school principals on accessing reports. Training is via a 25 to 30-minute live webinar at 10:00 or 2:00 on November 4, and is to be accessed remotely in schools. This webinar will also be recorded for those who are unable to participate.
Spring Survey: <b>April 18-28, 2017</b>	The <b>OurSCHOOL</b> survey will be repeated in the spring for students, as well as for parents and staff. Details of the parent and staff survey will follow at a later date.

#### Technical Issues?

Please contact The Learning Bar, Inc. helpdesk at [support@thelearningbar.com](mailto:support@thelearningbar.com) or  
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#### Questions about the survey in your school?

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