

2020 School Climate and Connectedness Survey ©

The Anchorage School District is again partnering with the Association of Alaska School Boards to conduct the our annual School Climate and Connectedness Survey ©, a statewide survey for students, staff, and families. This survey measures their perceptions of each school's climate including the engagement of students, staff, and families.

The Student Survey will be given at Birchwood ABC to students in grades 3-6 during the following survey window: January 17 - 31. Students will complete the survey online at school.

The student survey will ask questions such as how students feel about school rules, their perceptions of how students treat each other, their relationships with staff, social and emotional skills, and observed risk behaviors of other students at school and school events. There are different surveys for younger students (grades 3-5) and older students (grades 6-12).

Family Survey: We also value input from our families. You are an important partner as we work to continually improve each school's environment. Each parent/guardian is asked to complete one survey during the following window: January 17 – March 20. You only need to fill out one survey per family.

All of these surveys are voluntary, anonymous, confidential, and do not ask questions about students' families. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please notify the school in writing by January 16, 2020.

More information on this survey is available <u>https://www.asdk12.org/Page/4323</u> if you wish to review them.

Results from this survey will be used to identify student, staff and family perceptions of school climate issues within our school(s). School staff use the results to inform their efforts to ensure schools are safe, supportive, and caring places for all students.

Thank you for your cooperation in this year's School Climate and Connectedness Survey©.

Sincerely, Michael Thomas Birchwood ABC Principal