

Appendices

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Appendix A

Frequently Asked Questions about Your Survey Report

What is the history behind the *Me and My World* survey?

In the mid-1990s, Search Institute began conceptualizing Developmental Assets for children below 6th grade, based on its asset framework for adolescents (Leffert, Benson, & Roehlkepartain, 1997). From 2000 through 2003, Search Institute received generous support from the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation to more deeply examine the role of Developmental Assets in the first decade of life. This resulted in a newly created asset framework for children in grades 4-6 as well as a survey to measure these assets, using the adolescent framework and survey, and our prior work on assets for children, as guides. We concluded that while many of the underlying ideas present in the adolescent framework also seemed to be relevant for younger children, some modification was necessary to adequately reflect the unique developmental processes occurring during these middle childhood years.

How is the *Me and My World* survey different than the *Search Institute Profiles of Student Life: Attitudes & Behaviors* survey for adolescents?

The adolescent survey has been taken by more than 1.5 million students, and has given a powerful voice to teenagers by allowing them to report on how they view their relationships with adults, their communities, and their own competencies and skills. This information has then been used to help reshape and rebuild communities to better promote positive youth development. The goal for the MMW is to provide a voice for younger students to describe the positive experiences in their lives.

However, the 4th – 6th grade survey differs in several important respects from the adolescent survey. Since it was designed for use by younger children, it has a 4th grade reading level (Flesch Grade Level of 4.4). Moreover, although some 4th – 6th graders do engage in risk behavior patterns, most high-risk behavior is typically much less common than it is during adolescence, and so the MMW includes fewer measures of risk behavior patterns than does the similar survey for adolescents. Finally, the adolescent survey was originally designed more for public communication purposes than as a research instrument, whereas the MMW is intended to serve both communication and research purposes. Thus, more constructs are measured at acceptable levels of statistical reliability in the MMW than is the case in the adolescent survey.

What is the difference between the definitions of risk behaviors and risk behavior patterns for children and adolescence, and why are risk behaviors not reported in the MMW report, like they are in the A & B adolescent report?

Risk behaviors, on either the A&B or the MMW, are unhealthy actions done just once (MMW) or twice (A&B) by the child or adolescent in the specified time period. Risk behavior **patterns**, on the other hand, exemplify higher levels of these same unhealthy actions, i.e., two or more times in middle childhood or three or more times in adolescence during the relevant time period. We recognize that during middle childhood, just as in adolescence, children and youth sometimes engage in an isolated incidence of behavior that is bad for them. While troubling, this is not necessarily indicative of a more serious pattern of high risk behavior. So we distinguish behaviors and patterns for each developmental level, on their respective surveys. The major difference is that we apply a more stringent criterion at the middle childhood level (i.e., two or

more times versus three or more times for adolescents). We reason that adolescents, in their more sophisticated exploration and search for personal identity, on average may be able to engage in an occasional high risk behavior with less deleterious impact, both because experimentation is part of their work in identity development, and because they typically have greater skills for minimizing negative consequences or dealing with them. For younger children, however, we reason that anything more than one instance of such risk behaviors in the last year is cause for concern. Engaging in risk behaviors multiple times over a given period contributes to setting children on an adverse developmental path that has greater long-term consequences than would be the case for adolescents who participate in a similar frequency of risk behaviors.

Why did Search Institute decide to include risk behavior questions on the MMW given that risk behaviors are less prevalent for children at this age?

Market research conducted prior to the development phase of the MMW indicated that a majority of school personnel and administrators preferred to track risk behavior data. Although there are only a few national reports to date on the prevalence of these risk behaviors for 4th and 5th graders, smaller studies do indeed suggest that anywhere from a few to 20 percent may have experimented with tobacco or alcohol, depending on the sample³⁴. Moreover, the MMW includes students in 6th grade, a time at which some studies suggest that 40% of the sample may be experimenting with alcohol and other drugs⁵. Since indications of trend changes may be of interest to your school or community (as it is in research), examination of reported risk behaviors among 4th and 5th graders surveyed over multiple years may tell you whether the age of initial experimentation is lowering.

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Appendix B

Survey Item Percentages by Total Sample, Gender, and Grade

Survey Item	Total (%)	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
		M	F	4	5	6
1. Age						
8	0	0	0		0	
9	7	8	6		7	
10	90	83	94		90	
11	3	8	0		3	
12	0	0	0		0	
13 or older	0	0	0		0	
2. Grade in school						
4th	0	0	0		0	
5th	100	100	100		100	
6th	0	0	0		0	
3. Gender						
Boy	41	100	0		40	
Girl	59	0	100		60	
4. Race / ethnicity						
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	4	0		2	
Asian	50	57	46		50	
Black or African American	0	0	0		0	
Hispanic or Latino/Latina	3	0	6		3	
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0		0	
White	31	26	34		31	
Other	7	9	6		7	
Multi-racial	7	4	9		7	
5. Which best describes your family?						
I live with my two birth or biological parents	83	83	83		83	
I live with my two adoptive parents	2	0	3		2	
Sometimes I live with my mom and sometimes with my dad	3	0	6		3	
I live with one parent	8	13	6		8	
I live with one birth parent and one step-parent	0	0	0		0	
I live with foster parents	0	0	0		0	
I live with my grandparents or other adult relatives who take care of me	2	4	0		2	
Other	2	0	3		2	
How much do you agree or disagree?						
6. I care about other people's feelings						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	5	8	3		5	
Agree	43	48	39		43	
Strongly Agree	51	40	58		52	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
7. I get along well with people who aren't the same race or culture as me						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	8	11		8	
Agree	28	28	28		28	
Strongly Agree	61	64	58		62	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
8. Most of the time, when I have a big job to do, I think about the things I need to do to get it done						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	15	16	14		15	
Agree	52	52	53		53	
Strongly Agree	31	28	33		32	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
9. I am always friendly						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	21	16	25		22	
Agree	49	48	50		50	
Strongly Agree	30	36	25		28	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
10. I always smile						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	18	20	17		18	
Not Sure	36	40	33		37	
Agree	33	32	33		33	
Strongly Agree	10	4	14		10	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
11. I can calm myself down pretty quickly when I get mad						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	13	16	11		13	
Not Sure	23	20	25		22	
Agree	41	36	44		42	
Strongly Agree	21	28	17		22	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
12. I stop talking when adults ask me to stop						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	7	4	8		7	
Not Sure	16	24	11		17	
Agree	38	32	42		37	
Strongly Agree	39	40	39		40	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
13. Kids can be my friends no matter what race or culture they are						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	3	4	3		3	
Agree	21	20	22		22	
Strongly Agree	74	72	75		73	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
14. It makes me sad to see a girl or boy who can't find anyone to play with						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	7	8	6		7	
Agree	44	60	33		45	
Strongly Agree	48	28	61		48	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
15. I am able to say no when someone wants me to do things that are wrong or dangerous						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	0	0	0		0	
Agree	18	16	19		18	
Strongly Agree	80	84	78		80	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
16. I almost always turn in my homework on time						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	3	4	3		3	
Agree	39	48	33		40	
Strongly Agree	54	44	61		55	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
17. I usually stay pretty calm when things don't go my way						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	30	24	33		28	
Agree	49	56	44		50	
Strongly Agree	16	16	17		17	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
18. I am good at doing a lot of things						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	20	20	19		20	
Agree	44	48	42		45	
Strongly Agree	31	24	36		32	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
19. I have special hobbies, skills, or talents						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		0	
Not Sure	11	12	11		12	
Agree	41	40	42		42	
Strongly Agree	46	44	47		47	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
20. Most of the time, I like myself						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	7	4	8		7	
Not Sure	11	16	8		12	
Agree	39	36	42		40	
Strongly Agree	38	36	39		37	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
21. If I set a goal, I feel as if I can reach it						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Not Sure	25	20	28		25	
Agree	39	44	36		38	
Strongly Agree	30	28	31		30	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
22. Most of the time, I am glad to be me						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	7	8	6		7	
Agree	30	28	31		30	
Strongly Agree	49	56	44		50	
Missing Data	11	4	17		10	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
23. I feel that I do not have much to be proud of						
Strongly Disagree	26	24	28		25	
Disagree	26	12	36		27	
Not Sure	30	40	22		30	
Agree	11	12	11		12	
Strongly Agree	7	12	3		7	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
24. I feel as if I will be happy and successful as I grow up						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	21	20	22		22	
Agree	34	40	31		35	
Strongly Agree	43	40	44		42	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
25. I like thinking about what my future will be like						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	21	24	19		22	
Agree	33	28	36		33	
Strongly Agree	41	40	42		40	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
26. I feel hopeful when I think about my future						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	23	20	25		23	
Agree	43	44	42		43	
Strongly Agree	30	28	31		30	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
27. There are some adults in my life who talk to me about planning for my future						
Strongly Disagree	8	8	8		8	
Disagree	13	8	17		13	
Not Sure	26	24	28		25	
Agree	36	40	33		37	
Strongly Agree	16	20	14		17	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
28. I am able to save my money for something I <u>really</u> want						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Not Sure	15	4	22		15	
Agree	23	28	19		23	
Strongly Agree	52	56	50		53	
Missing Data	3	4	3		2	
29. Most of the time, I am good at staying away from people who will get me in trouble						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Not Sure	8	8	8		8	
Agree	44	52	39		45	
Strongly Agree	43	36	47		42	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
30. It's easy for me to wait for something I want						
Strongly Disagree	7	12	3		7	
Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Not Sure	28	28	28		28	
Agree	34	20	44		35	
Strongly Agree	26	36	19		27	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
31. Most of the time, I think carefully about what to do before I decide things						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	26	28	25		27	
Agree	49	48	50		50	
Strongly Agree	20	16	22		18	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
32. Most of the time, I feel happy about the results of the decisions I make						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	20	28	14		20	
Agree	44	36	50		43	
Strongly Agree	31	28	33		32	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
33. It makes me happy to see other people who are happy						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	12	8		10	
Agree	31	24	36		32	
Strongly Agree	56	60	53		57	
Missing Data	3	4	3		2	
34. I feel as if I can solve most problems in my life						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	10	8	11		10	
Not Sure	31	28	33		32	
Agree	38	36	39		38	
Strongly Agree	21	28	17		20	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
35. I am a confident person						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	10	12	8		10	
Not Sure	18	12	22		18	
Agree	34	44	28		35	
Strongly Agree	23	16	28		23	
Missing Data	13	16	11		12	
36. Most of the time, when I make a decision, I think first about the good and bad things that can happen						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Not Sure	16	20	14		15	
Agree	54	60	50		55	
Strongly Agree	21	12	28		22	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

Survey Item	Total (%)	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
		M	F	4	5	6
How often do you feel the following things?						
37. My life is just right						
A lot	41	36	44		42	
Sometimes	41	36	44		42	
A little	11	20	6		12	
Never	2	0	3		2	
Missing Data	5	8	3		3	
38. I have a good life						
A lot	61	64	58		60	
Sometimes	25	20	28		25	
A little	11	12	11		12	
Never	3	4	3		3	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
How much do you agree or disagree?						
39. I get along well with my parents						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	13	16	11		13	
Agree	33	32	33		33	
Strongly Agree	51	48	53		52	
Missing Data	3	4	3		2	
40. My parents give me help and support						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	10	12	8		10	
Agree	23	24	22		23	
Strongly Agree	66	64	67		65	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
41. My parents let me know in lots of ways that they love me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	7	0	11		7	
Agree	18	24	14		18	
Strongly Agree	72	72	72		72	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
42. If I were really worried about something, I would talk to my parents about it						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	5	4	6		5	
Not Sure	18	8	25		18	
Agree	36	40	33		37	
Strongly Agree	41	48	36		40	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
43. It's easy to talk with my parents, even about things we don't agree on						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	8	12	6		8	
Not Sure	16	12	19		17	
Agree	41	44	39		42	
Strongly Agree	30	28	31		30	
Missing Data	5	4	6		3	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
44. My parents know what I am doing most of the time						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		0	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	18	20	17		18	
Agree	34	28	39		35	
Strongly Agree	43	44	42		43	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
45. My parents spend time helping other people						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	3	8	0		3	
Not Sure	26	36	19		27	
Agree	31	28	33		32	
Strongly Agree	33	16	44		33	
Missing Data	7	12	3		5	
46. Sometimes, I'm afraid that someone in my family might hurt me						
Strongly Disagree	48	32	58		47	
Disagree	21	40	8		22	
Not Sure	10	0	17		10	
Agree	11	16	8		12	
Strongly Agree	8	12	6		8	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
47. My parents try to do their best at whatever they do						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	13	12	14		13	
Agree	8	12	6		8	
Strongly Agree	72	68	75		73	
Missing Data	7	8	6		5	
48. My parents show me what is right and wrong						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	5	4	6		5	
Agree	26	36	19		27	
Strongly Agree	64	48	75		65	
Missing Data	3	8	0		2	
49. My parents expect me to be the best I can be						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	12	8		10	
Agree	21	28	17		22	
Strongly Agree	64	52	72		63	
Missing Data	5	8	3		5	
My parents tell me it is important... to help other people						
50.						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	7	8	6		7	
Agree	41	48	36		42	
Strongly Agree	52	44	58		52	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
My parents tell me it is important...						
51. to speak up for everyone having the same rights and chances in life						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	26	28	25		27	
Agree	23	28	19		23	
Strongly Agree	49	44	53		48	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
52. to stand up for what I believe, even when others don't agree with me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	11	12	11		12	
Agree	31	44	22		32	
Strongly Agree	54	40	64		53	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
53. not to smoke cigarettes or use chewing tobacco						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	0	0	0		0	
Agree	10	16	6		10	
Strongly Agree	89	84	92		88	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
54. not to use alcohol						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	7	12	3		7	
Agree	10	16	6		10	
Strongly Agree	79	68	86		80	
Missing Data	3	4	3		2	
55. to always wear a helmet when I ride a bike						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	5	8	3		5	
Agree	26	28	25		27	
Strongly Agree	67	60	72		67	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
56. to admit it when I make a mistake or get into trouble						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	7	8	6		7	
Agree	30	44	19		30	
Strongly Agree	59	40	72		60	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
57. to tell the truth, even when it is hard						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	16	6		10	
Agree	25	36	17		25	
Strongly Agree	66	48	78		65	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
<i>My parents tell me it is important...</i> 58. to eat healthy foods like fruits and vegetables						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	2	4	0		2	
Agree	28	44	17		28	
Strongly Agree	67	52	78		67	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
59. to be proud of my own cultural heritage						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	20	28	14		20	
Agree	21	12	28		22	
Strongly Agree	57	56	58		57	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
How much do you agree or disagree? 60. My parents tell me it's okay to ask them questions about the changes boys and girls go through as they grow up						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Not Sure	30	32	28		28	
Agree	28	32	25		28	
Strongly Agree	33	20	42		33	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
61. My parents let me help with family decisions						
Strongly Disagree	3	8	0		3	
Disagree	10	8	11		8	
Not Sure	25	20	28		25	
Agree	33	36	31		33	
Strongly Agree	26	24	28		27	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
<i>My parents tell me it is important...</i> 62. to treat handicapped or disabled people the same way I treat everybody else						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	13	16	11		13	
Agree	23	32	17		23	
Strongly Agree	64	52	72		63	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
63. to play with kids who are not the same race or culture as me						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	12	8		10	
Agree	28	24	31		28	
Strongly Agree	61	60	61		60	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
64. to spend time with different kinds of people, not only people just like me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	13	16	11		13	
Agree	28	32	25		28	
Strongly Agree	54	48	58		55	
Missing Data	3	4	3		2	

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<i>My parents tell me it is important...</i>						
65. to have some friends who are not the same race or culture as me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	16	16	17		17	
Agree	21	20	22		22	
Strongly Agree	61	64	58		60	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
66. to learn from people who are different from me						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	25	20	28		25	
Agree	31	44	22		30	
Strongly Agree	39	32	44		40	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	
<i>My parents have rules about...</i>						
67. which TV shows I watch						
Strongly Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Disagree	10	12	8		10	
Not Sure	16	16	17		17	
Agree	33	36	31		33	
Strongly Agree	36	36	36		35	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
68. how late I stay up						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	3	4	3		3	
Agree	44	52	39		45	
Strongly Agree	49	40	56		48	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
69. what I can do with my friends						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	33	32	33		33	
Agree	34	36	33		35	
Strongly Agree	23	24	22		23	
Missing Data	5	4	6		3	
70. what I can do after school						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	26	16	33		27	
Agree	44	44	44		45	
Strongly Agree	26	40	17		25	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
<i>How often does one of your parents...</i>						
71. help you with your schoolwork?						
Always	20	28	14		20	
Almost always	16	20	14		17	
Sometimes	38	32	42		37	
Almost never	25	20	28		25	
Never	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

Survey Item	Total (%)	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
		M	F	4	5	6
<i>How often does one of your parents...</i>						
72. talk to you about what you are doing in school?						
Always	41	28	50		42	
Almost always	30	44	19		28	
Sometimes	26	28	25		27	
Almost never	2	0	3		2	
Never	2	0	3		2	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
73. ask you about homework?						
Always	34	32	36		35	
Almost always	41	60	28		42	
Sometimes	8	0	14		8	
Almost never	13	4	19		13	
Never	2	0	3		2	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
74. go to meetings or events at your school?						
Always	25	32	19		23	
Almost always	33	28	36		33	
Sometimes	30	36	25		30	
Almost never	10	4	14		10	
Never	3	0	6		3	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
75. talk with you about how doing well in school can help you in the future?						
Always	30	32	28		28	
Almost always	30	20	36		30	
Sometimes	26	28	25		27	
Almost never	11	12	11		12	
Never	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	3	8	0		3	
In your family, how much do you get to HELP DECIDE these things?						
76. What you can watch on TV						
A lot	25	32	19		25	
Some	57	48	64		57	
I don't get to help decide	13	16	11		13	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
77. What clothes you wear to school						
A lot	67	64	69		68	
Some	23	20	25		23	
I don't get to help decide	8	12	6		7	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
78. Where you spend your time after school						
A lot	21	16	25		20	
Some	59	64	56		60	
I don't get to help decide	16	16	17		17	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
79. What music you can buy or listen to						
A lot	41	32	47		42	
Some	38	48	31		37	
I don't get to help decide	21	20	22		22	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
80. What your bedtime is on weekends						
A lot	38	44	33		38	
Some	38	28	44		38	
I don't get to help decide	23	24	22		23	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
Think about the adults in your family OTHER THAN your parents. How much do you agree or disagree? Most of those adults <u>in my family</u>...						
81. spend a lot of time helping other people						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	36	36	36		37	
Agree	34	32	36		35	
Strongly Agree	28	28	28		27	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
82. show me what is right and wrong						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	16	12	19		17	
Agree	38	44	33		38	
Strongly Agree	41	36	44		40	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
83. teach me to respect people who are not the same race or culture as me						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	28	28	28		27	
Agree	21	24	19		22	
Strongly Agree	44	40	47		45	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
84. help me understand how to spend, share, and save money						
Strongly Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Disagree	10	8	11		8	
Not Sure	25	20	28		25	
Agree	33	36	31		33	
Strongly Agree	26	28	25		27	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
85. help me with decisions I have to make						
Strongly Disagree	5	12	0		5	
Disagree	5	0	8		5	
Not Sure	26	20	31		27	
Agree	36	40	33		37	
Strongly Agree	26	28	25		25	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
86. How much school has your dad (or step-dad or male foster parent) had?						
Grade school or less	2	0	3		2	
Some high school	0	0	0		0	
Finished high school	0	0	0		0	
Some college	0	0	0		0	
Finished college	31	24	36		30	
Went past college	48	52	44		48	
Don't know	15	20	11		15	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
87. How much school has your mom (or step-mom or female foster parent) had?						
Grade school or less	0	0	0		0	
Some high school	2	0	3		2	
Finished high school	3	8	0		3	
Some college	0	0	0		0	
Finished college	31	20	39		30	
Went past college	43	44	42		43	
Don't know	18	24	14		18	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	

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	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
Other than in your family, think about the adults you have known for a long time. How many of the adults you've known for a long time ...						
88. do you really like to spend time with?						
None	7	12	3		7	
1 or 2	34	28	39		35	
3	20	12	25		20	
More than 3	38	44	33		38	
Missing Data	2	4	0		0	
89. do you get to talk with a lot?						
None	13	8	17		13	
1 or 2	39	40	39		40	
3	15	20	11		13	
More than 3	33	32	33		33	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
90. talk with you so you really get to know each other?						
None	18	24	14		17	
1 or 2	38	24	47		38	
3	8	12	6		8	
More than 3	31	40	25		32	
Missing Data	5	0	8		5	
How much do you agree or disagree? Most of the adults I've known for a long time ...						
91. spend a lot of time helping other people						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	33	40	28		33	
Agree	31	32	31		32	
Strongly Agree	30	24	33		28	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
92. show me what is right or wrong						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	31	28	33		32	
Agree	30	32	28		30	
Strongly Agree	34	32	36		33	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
93. teach me to respect people who are not the same race or culture as me						
Strongly Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Disagree	5	4	6		5	
Not Sure	26	24	28		27	
Agree	25	24	25		25	
Strongly Agree	34	32	36		35	
Missing Data	5	8	3		3	
94. help me understand how to spend, share, and save money						
Strongly Disagree	7	12	3		7	
Disagree	11	8	14		12	
Not Sure	38	36	39		37	
Agree	25	16	31		25	
Strongly Agree	20	28	14		20	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
Most of the adults I've known for a long time ...						
95. help me with decisions I have to make						
Strongly Disagree	8	12	6		8	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	31	24	36		32	
Agree	31	24	36		32	
Strongly Agree	21	32	14		20	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
How much do you agree or disagree?						
96. My teachers really care about me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	20	28	14		20	
Agree	33	32	33		33	
Strongly Agree	44	40	47		43	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	
97. The kids in my class are friendly to me						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	8	12	6		8	
Not Sure	11	8	14		12	
Agree	43	32	50		43	
Strongly Agree	38	48	31		37	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
98. My teachers make me feel good about what I do at school						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	10	24	0		10	
Agree	31	24	36		32	
Strongly Agree	49	40	56		50	
Missing Data	8	8	8		7	
99. I like my teachers						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	5	12	0		5	
Agree	26	40	17		27	
Strongly Agree	69	48	83		68	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
100. The kids in my class treat me with respect						
Strongly Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	26	28	25		27	
Agree	38	28	44		38	
Strongly Agree	26	36	19		25	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
101. My teachers tell me I can do things well						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	3	8	0		3	
Not Sure	7	12	3		7	
Agree	33	28	36		33	
Strongly Agree	56	48	61		55	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
102. If I break a rule at school, I will get in trouble						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	20	20	19		20	
Agree	43	40	44		43	
Strongly Agree	30	36	25		28	
Missing Data	7	4	8		7	

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	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
103. My teachers expect me to be the best I can be						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	20	3		10	
Agree	26	36	19		27	
Strongly Agree	62	44	75		62	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
104. At school I try as hard as I can to do my best work						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	5	8	3		5	
Agree	30	40	22		30	
Strongly Agree	59	44	69		58	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
105. It bothers me when I don't do something well at school						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	13	8	17		13	
Agree	43	40	44		42	
Strongly Agree	44	52	39		45	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
106. One of my goals in class is to learn as much as I can						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	11	12	11		12	
Agree	31	28	33		32	
Strongly Agree	48	48	47		47	
Missing Data	10	12	8		10	
107. It's important to me that I really understand my classwork						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Not Sure	2	0	3		2	
Agree	44	48	42		45	
Strongly Agree	48	48	47		47	
Missing Data	5	0	8		5	
108. I can do well in school if I want to						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	11	8	14		12	
Agree	31	52	17		32	
Strongly Agree	54	40	64		53	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
109. I like other adults at my school (such as the librarian, principal, or school nurse)						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	10	8	11		10	
Agree	30	32	28		30	
Strongly Agree	51	44	56		50	
Missing Data	10	16	6		10	

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	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
110. My teachers let me help with classroom decisions						
Strongly Disagree	2	4	0		2	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	16	16	17		17	
Agree	52	44	58		53	
Strongly Agree	25	28	22		23	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
111. I am interested in the things we study at school						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	10	8	11		10	
Agree	46	52	42		47	
Strongly Agree	34	28	39		33	
Missing Data	7	8	6		7	
112. I often skip school because I'm afraid of being hurt there						
Strongly Disagree	82	76	86		82	
Disagree	10	12	8		10	
Not Sure	3	8	0		3	
Agree	0	0	0		0	
Strongly Agree	3	4	3		3	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
113. I look forward to going to school						
Strongly Disagree	5	4	6		5	
Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Not Sure	8	12	6		8	
Agree	39	40	39		40	
Strongly Agree	41	40	42		40	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	
114. What grades do you usually get in Math?						
Mostly A's, or Outstanding/Excellent marks	52	68	42		52	
Mostly B's, or Good/Above average marks	33	16	44		33	
Mostly C's, or Satisfactory/Average marks	10	16	6		10	
Mostly D's, or Needs improvement/ Below average marks	3	0	6		3	
Mostly F's, or Failing marks	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
115. What grades do you usually get in Reading and Writing, Language Arts, or English?						
Mostly A's, or Outstanding/Excellent marks	38	24	47		38	
Mostly B's, or Good/Above average marks	48	60	39		47	
Mostly C's, or Satisfactory/Average marks	13	16	11		13	
Mostly D's, or Needs improvement/ Below average marks	0	0	0		0	
Mostly F's, or Failing marks	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
116. What grades do you usually get in the rest of your classes other than Math and English?						
Mostly A's, or Outstanding/Excellent marks	44	40	47		43	
Mostly B's, or Good/Above average marks	43	44	42		43	
Mostly C's, or Satisfactory/Average marks	10	16	6		10	
Mostly D's, or Needs improvement/ Below average marks	2	0	3		2	
Mostly F's, or Failing marks	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

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Think of your good friends around your age, either inside or outside of school. How many of these friends ...						
117. have <u>ever</u> drunk alcohol (such as beer or wine), not including for religious ceremonies?						
None	97	92	100		97	
Some	3	8	0		3	
Most	0	0	0		0	
All	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
118. have <u>ever</u> used other drugs that are bad for them?						
None	100	100	100		100	
Some	0	0	0		0	
Most	0	0	0		0	
All	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
119. get good grades in school?						
None	2	4	0		2	
Some	10	12	8		10	
Most	62	68	58		62	
All	25	16	31		25	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
120. get into trouble at school?						
None	59	40	72		60	
Some	41	60	28		40	
Most	0	0	0		0	
All	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
121. care about what is right and wrong?						
None	2	4	0		2	
Some	8	8	8		8	
Most	26	32	22		27	
All	62	56	67		62	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
122. show they respect you?						
None	0	0	0		0	
Some	5	4	6		5	
Most	21	24	19		22	
All	74	72	75		73	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
How much do you agree or disagree?						
123. I am good at making and keeping friends						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	8	4	11		8	
Agree	41	44	39		42	
Strongly Agree	48	52	44		47	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
124. I feel really sad when one of my friends is unhappy						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	8	12	6		8	
Agree	56	60	53		57	
Strongly Agree	36	28	42		35	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	

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	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
125. I have friends at school						
Strongly Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	0	0	0		0	
Agree	25	24	25		25	
Strongly Agree	66	72	61		65	
Missing Data	7	4	8		7	
126. I have friends to play with in my neighborhood						
Strongly Disagree	10	8	11		10	
Disagree	20	16	22		20	
Not Sure	16	16	17		17	
Agree	20	20	19		20	
Strongly Agree	33	36	31		32	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
127. My friends help me when I ask them to						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	18	20	17		18	
Agree	39	48	33		40	
Strongly Agree	39	32	44		38	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
128. Adults in my neighborhood care about me						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	34	36	33		35	
Agree	26	24	28		27	
Strongly Agree	28	24	31		28	
Missing Data	5	8	3		3	
129. Adults in my neighborhood know my name						
Strongly Disagree	5	4	6		5	
Disagree	7	12	3		7	
Not Sure	30	16	39		30	
Agree	38	44	33		38	
Strongly Agree	21	24	19		20	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
130. Adults in my neighborhood make me feel important						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	13	12	14		13	
Not Sure	44	52	39		43	
Agree	20	16	22		20	
Strongly Agree	16	16	17		17	
Missing Data	5	4	6		5	
131. Adults in my neighborhood listen to me						
Strongly Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Disagree	8	0	14		8	
Not Sure	30	40	22		30	
Agree	33	28	36		33	
Strongly Agree	23	24	22		22	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

Survey Item	Total (%)	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
		M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree?						
132. If kids were being loud and bothering people in my neighborhood, my neighbors would tell them to stop						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Not Sure	31	32	31		30	
Agree	36	36	36		37	
Strongly Agree	21	20	22		22	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
133. Sometimes I play inside because I am afraid that someone in my neighborhood might hurt me						
Strongly Disagree	49	40	56		48	
Disagree	25	32	19		25	
Not Sure	16	24	11		17	
Agree	5	0	8		5	
Strongly Agree	3	4	3		3	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
134. My neighbors tell me if they see me do something good						
Strongly Disagree	7	8	6		7	
Disagree	16	20	14		17	
Not Sure	36	36	36		35	
Agree	23	24	22		23	
Strongly Agree	15	8	19		15	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
135. If kids were teasing or bullying someone in my neighborhood, my neighbors would tell them to stop						
Strongly Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Disagree	3	8	0		3	
Not Sure	31	24	36		32	
Agree	23	24	22		23	
Strongly Agree	38	40	36		37	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
136. I go to clubs or groups that give me chances to help others (such as reading to younger children or cleaning up a park)						
Strongly Disagree	3	0	6		3	
Disagree	20	16	22		20	
Not Sure	33	36	31		32	
Agree	25	20	28		25	
Strongly Agree	18	28	11		18	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
137. I like reading things for fun						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Not Sure	5	12	0		5	
Agree	36	44	31		37	
Strongly Agree	54	44	61		53	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	
138. I sometimes think about what my life means						
Strongly Disagree	3	4	3		3	
Disagree	8	8	8		8	
Not Sure	28	32	25		28	
Agree	39	36	42		40	
Strongly Agree	20	20	19		18	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you agree or disagree? 139. When I'm at home, I spend most of my free time playing video games or watching TV						
Strongly Disagree	20	12	25		18	
Disagree	34	24	42		35	
Not Sure	20	32	11		20	
Agree	20	20	19		20	
Strongly Agree	7	12	3		7	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
140. I like to learn by going to places like museums, zoos, libraries, or science centers						
Strongly Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Disagree	15	8	19		15	
Not Sure	16	12	19		17	
Agree	30	28	31		30	
Strongly Agree	33	44	25		32	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
141. I like learning new things, even if they're not what we're studying at school						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Not Sure	11	12	11		12	
Agree	54	56	53		55	
Strongly Agree	33	32	33		32	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
142. Most days during the week, I read nonschool stuff just for fun (book, magazine, newspaper, or web pages)						
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0		0	
Disagree	5	8	3		5	
Not Sure	7	8	6		7	
Agree	46	40	50		47	
Strongly Agree	41	44	39		40	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
143. I sometimes wonder what my purpose is in life						
Strongly Disagree	5	12	0		3	
Disagree	11	8	14		12	
Not Sure	33	32	33		33	
Agree	30	24	33		30	
Strongly Agree	21	24	19		22	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
144. Most days during the week, I spend some of my free time doing things with my parents, like working on a project, playing, or reading together						
Strongly Disagree	2	0	3		2	
Disagree	16	16	17		17	
Not Sure	23	24	22		23	
Agree	30	32	28		30	
Strongly Agree	26	28	25		25	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	
During a normal week, how many times do you ... 145. go to things <u>outside of school</u> like music, art, drama, dance, or writing programs?						
None	7	16	0		5	
1	18	20	17		18	
2 or more times	72	64	78		73	
Missing Data	3	0	6		3	

Survey Item	Total (%)	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
		M	F	4	5	6
146. During a normal week, how many times do you ... play on a sports team (or help with the team in some way)?						
None	28	24	31		28	
1	26	24	28		27	
2 or more times	43	48	39		42	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
147. go to clubs or activities other than sports (like computer club, chess club, 4-H, YMCA/YWCA, or Boys and Girls Clubs)?						
None	38	32	42		37	
1	30	40	22		30	
2 or more times	31	28	33		32	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
148. go to programs, activities, or services at a church, synagogue, temple, mosque, or other religious or spiritual place?						
None	51	52	50		50	
1	25	20	28		25	
2 or more times	21	24	19		22	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
149. If someone at my school hit me or pushed me for no reason, the FIRST thing I'd do would be ...						
Hit or push them right back	7	8	6		7	
Try to hurt them worse than they hurt me	0	0	0		0	
Try to talk to this person and work out our problems	43	44	42		42	
Just ignore it and do nothing	25	32	19		25	
Talk to an adult	26	16	33		27	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
150. How many days a week do you spend some time helping family members or friends?						
None	5	8	3		5	
1	21	32	14		20	
2	21	16	25		22	
3	20	12	25		20	
4 or more days	31	32	31		32	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
151. How many days a week do you spend some time helping neighbors?						
None	52	60	47		53	
1	25	16	31		23	
2	11	12	11		12	
3	7	8	6		7	
4 or more days	5	4	6		5	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
152. How many days a week do you spend some time helping other people at your school, church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or some other place?						
None	26	40	17		27	
1	26	20	31		27	
2	13	4	19		13	
3	10	12	8		10	
4 or more days	23	20	25		22	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
How much do you do each of the following things when you have a problem of any kind?						
153. I discuss the problem with my parents or other adults						
A lot	38	40	36		37	
Sometimes	43	48	39		43	
A little	20	12	25		20	
Never	0	0	0		0	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
154. I try to find different solutions to the problem						
A lot	34	32	36		35	
Sometimes	46	52	42		45	
A little	16	8	22		17	
Never	2	4	0		2	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	
155. I look for information to help me in magazines or books or on the Internet						
A lot	30	28	31		30	
Sometimes	25	32	19		25	
A little	18	16	19		17	
Never	28	24	31		28	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
156. I ask my friends for help solving the problem						
A lot	20	12	25		18	
Sometimes	64	68	61		65	
A little	8	12	6		8	
Never	8	8	8		8	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
Some kids have done or felt the following things, and some have not. How often have <u>you</u> done or felt each of these things?						
157. During the <u>last year</u>, how many times have you had alcohol to drink (not including for religious ceremonies)?						
4 or more times	0	0	0		0	
2 or 3 times	2	4	0		2	
1 time this year	5	4	6		5	
Never	93	92	94		93	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
158. During the <u>last year</u>, how many times have you smoked cigarettes?						
4 or more times	0	0	0		0	
2 or 3 times	0	0	0		0	
1 time this year	0	0	0		0	
Never	100	100	100		100	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
159. During the last year, how many times have you used marijuana (grass, pot)?						
4 or more times	0	0	0		0	
2 or 3 times	0	0	0		0	
1 time this year	0	0	0		0	
Never	97	96	97		97	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	

Survey Item	Total	Gender (%)		Grade (%)		
	(%)	M	F	4	5	6
160. During the <u>last year</u>, how many times have you damaged property just for fun (such as breaking windows, scratching a car, spraying paint on buildings or sidewalks, etc.)?						
4 or more times	0	0	0		0	
2 or 3 times	0	0	0		0	
1 time this year	2	4	0		2	
Never	98	96	100		98	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
161. During the <u>last year</u>, how many times have you hit or beat up someone?						
4 or more times	0	0	0		0	
2 or 3 times	2	4	0		2	
1 time this year	8	12	6		8	
Never	87	80	92		87	
Missing Data	3	4	3		3	
162. How often did you feel really sad or depressed during the <u>last month</u>?						
4 or more times	16	12	19		17	
2 or 3 times	21	24	19		20	
1 time this month	10	12	8		10	
1 time before this month	16	8	22		17	
Never	34	44	28		35	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
163. In the last year, has anyone hurt you by punching, hitting, slapping, or scratching you?						
Yes	48	56	42		48	
No	26	16	33		27	
Not Sure	26	28	25		25	
Missing Data	0	0	0		0	
164. On a normal school day, how much time do you spend with <u>any adults (parents, other family, teachers, neighbors, etc.)</u> from when school ends until dinner?						
I don't spend any time with an adult	7	4	8		7	
1 hour a day	23	28	19		23	
2 hours a day	13	12	14		13	
3 hours a day	13	20	8		12	
More than 3 hours a day	43	36	47		43	
Missing Data	2	0	3		2	
165. On a normal school day, how many hours do you spend watching TV or videos or playing video games, counting before school, after school, and at night?						
I don't spend any time that way	33	20	42		32	
1 hour a day	46	56	39		47	
2 hours a day	10	4	14		10	
3 hours a day	7	8	6		7	
More than 3 hours a day	3	8	0		3	
Missing Data	2	4	0		2	

Appendix C

Item Mapping to Assets, Deficits, Risk Behavior Patterns, and Thriving Indicators

EXTERNAL ASSETS

Support Assets	Question #	Question Text
Family support	39. 40. 41.	I get along well with my parents. My parents give me help and support. My parents let me know in lots of ways that they love me.
Positive family communication	42. 43.	If I were really worried about something, I would talk to my parents about it. It's easy to talk with my parents, even about things we don't agree on.
Other adult relationships		Other than your family, think about other adults you have known for a long time. These could be neighbors, teachers, coaches, parents of friends. How many of the adults you've known for a long time... 88. do you really like spending time with? 89. do you get to talk with a lot? 90. talk with you so you really get to know each other?
Caring neighborhood	128. 129.	Adults in my neighborhood care about me. Adults in my neighborhood know my name.
Caring school climate <u>Teachers</u> <u>Peers</u>	96. 98. 101. 97. 100.	My teachers really care about me. My teachers make me feel good about what I do at school. My teachers tell me I can do things well. The kids in my class are friendly to me. The kids in my class treat me with respect.
Parent involvement in schooling		How often does one of your parents...? 71. help you with your schoolwork? 72. talk to you about what you are doing in school? 73. ask you about homework? 74. go to meetings or events at your school? 75. talk with you about how doing well in school can help you in the future?

Empowerment Assets	Question #	Question Text
Community values children	130. 131. 134.	Adults in my neighborhood make me feel important. Adults in my neighborhood listen to me. My neighbors tell me if they see me do something good.
Children as resources	61. 110.	My parents let me help with family decisions. My teachers let me help with classroom decisions.
Service to others	136.	I go to clubs or groups that give me chances to help others (such as reading to younger children or cleaning up a park).
Safety	46. 112. 133.	Sometimes, I'm afraid that someone in my family might hurt me. I often skip school because I'm afraid of being hurt there. Sometimes I play inside because I am afraid that someone in my neighborhood might hurt me.

Boundaries and Expectations Assets	Question #	Question Text
Family boundaries	44. 67. 68. 69. 70.	44. My parents know what I am doing most of the time. My parents have rules about: which TV shows I watch. how late I stay up. what I can do with my friends. what I can do after school.
School boundaries	102.	If I break a rule at school, I will get in trouble.
Neighborhood boundaries	132. 135.	If kids were being loud and bothering people in my neighborhood, my neighbors would tell them to stop. If kids were teasing or bullying someone in my neighborhood, my neighbors would tell them to stop.

Constructive Use of Time Assets	Question #	Question Text
Creative activities	145.	During a normal week, how many times outside of school do you. . . go to things outside of school like music, art, drama, dance, or writing programs?
Child Programs	146. 147.	During a normal week, how many times outside of school do you. . . play on a sports team (or help with a team in some way)? go to clubs or activities other than sports (like a computer club, chess club, 4-H, Scouts, or Boys and Girls Clubs)?
Religious community	148.	During a normal week, how many times do you... go to programs, activities, or services at a church, synagogue, temple, mosque, or other religious or spiritual place?
Time at home	139. 144.	When I'm at home, I spend most of my free time playing video games or watching TV. Most days during the week, I spend some of my free time doing things with my parents like working on a project, playing, or reading together.

INTERNAL ASSETS

Commitment to Learning Assets	Question #	Question Text
Achievement motivation	104. 105. 106. 107. 108.	At school I try as hard as I can to do my best work. It bothers me when I don't do something well at school. One of my goals in class is to learn as much as I can. It's important to me that I really understand my classwork. I can do well in school if I want to.
Learning engagement <u>In school</u>	111. 113.	I am interested in the things we study at school. I look forward to going to school.
<u>Out of school</u>	140. 141.	I like to learn by going to places like museums, zoos, libraries, or science centers. I like learning new things, even if they're not what we're studying at school.

Commitment to Learning Assets (cont'd)	Question #	Question Text
Homework	16.	I almost always turn in my homework on time.
Bonding to adults at school	99. 109.	I like my teachers. I like other adults at my school (such as the school nurse, librarian, principal).
Reading for pleasure	137. 142.	I like reading things for fun. Most days during the week, I read nonschool stuff just for fun (book, magazine, newspaper, or web pages).

Positive Values Assets	Question #	Question Text
Caring	50.	My parents tell me it is important... to help other people.
Equality and social justice	51.	My parents tell me it is important... to speak up for everyone having the same rights and chances in life.
Integrity	52.	My parents tell me it is important... to stand up for what I believe, even when others don't agree with me.
Honesty	57.	My parents tell me it is important... to tell the truth, even when it is hard.
Responsibility	56.	My parents tell me it is important... to admit it when I make a mistake or get into trouble.
Healthy lifestyle	53. 54. 55. 58. 60.	My parents tell me it is important... not to smoke cigarettes or use chewing tobacco. not to use alcohol. to always wear a helmet when I ride a bike. to eat healthy foods like fruits and vegetables . My parents tell me it is okay to ask them questions about the changes boys and girls go through as they grow up.

Social Competencies Assets	Question #	Question Text
Planning and decision making	8. 31. 32. 36.	Most of the time, when I have a big job to do, I think about the things I need to do to get it done. Most of the time, I think carefully about what to do before I decide things. Most of the time, I feel happy about the results of the decisions I make. Most of the time, when I make a decision, I think first about the good and bad things that can happen.
Interpersonal competence <u>Empathy</u> <u>Affiliation</u> <u>Positive self-control</u>	6. 14. 33. 124. 9. 10. 123. 125. 126. 127. 11. 12. 17.	I care about other people's feelings. It makes me sad to see a girl or boy who can't find anyone to play with. It makes me happy to see other people who are happy. I feel really sad when one of my friends is unhappy. I am always friendly. I always smile. I am good at making and keeping friends. I have friends at school. I have friends to play with in my neighborhood. My friends help me when I ask them to. I can calm myself down pretty quickly when I get mad. I stop talking when adults tell me to stop. I usually stay pretty calm when things don't go my way.
Cultural competence	59. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66.	My parents tell me it is important ... to be proud of my own cultural heritage. to treat handicapped or disabled people the same way I treat everybody else. to play with kids who are not the same race or culture as me. to spend time with different kinds of people, not only people just like me. to have some friends who are not the same race or culture as me. to learn from people who are different from me.
Resistance skills	15. 29.	I am able to say no when someone wants me to do things that are wrong or dangerous. Most of the time, I am good at staying away from people who will get me in trouble.

Social Competencies Assets (cont'd)	Question #	Question Text
Peaceful conflict resolution	149.	<p>If someone at my school hit me or pushed me for no reason, the FIRST thing I'd do would be...</p> <p>hit or push them right back. try to hurt them worse than they hurt me. try to talk to this person and work out our problems. just ignore it and do nothing. talk to an adult.</p>

Positive Identity Assets	Question #	Question Text
Personal power	21. 34. 35.	<p>If I set a goal, I feel as if I can reach it. I feel as if I can solve most problems in my life. I am a confident person.</p>
Self-esteem	18. 19. 20. 22. 23.	<p>I am good at doing a lot of things. I have special hobbies, skills, or talents. Most of the time, I like myself. Most of the time, I am glad to be me. I feel that I do not have much to be proud of.</p>
Sense of purpose	138. 143.	<p>I sometimes think about what my life means. I sometimes wonder what my purpose is in life.</p>
Positive view of personal future	24. 25. 26. 27.	<p>I feel as if I will be happy and successful as I grow up. I like thinking about what my future will be like. I feel hopeful when I think about my future. There are some adults in my life who talk to me about planning for my future.</p>

DEFICITS

Deficits	Question #	Question Text
Alone at home	164.	On a normal school day, how much time do you spend with any adults (parents, other family, teachers, neighbors, etc.) from when school ends until dinner?
TV overexposure	165.	On a normal school day, how many hours do you spend watching TV or videos or playing video games, counting before school, after school, and at night?
Victim of violence	163.	In the last year, has anyone hurt you by punching, hitting, slapping, or scratching you?

RISK BEHAVIOR PATTERNS

Risk Behavior Patterns	Question #	Question Text
Alcohol	157.	During the last year, how many times have you had alcohol to drink (not including for religious ceremonies)?
Tobacco	158.	During the last year, how many times have you smoked cigarettes?
Marijuana	159.	During the last year, how many times have you used marijuana (grass, pot)?
Antisocial behavior	160.	During the last year, how many times have you damaged property just for fun (such as breaking windows, scratching a car, spraying paint on buildings or sidewalks, etc.)?
Physical aggression/Violence	161.	During the last year, how many times have you hit or beat up someone?
Sadness	162.	How often did you feel really sad or depressed during the last month?

THRIVING INDICATORS

Thriving Indicators	Question #	Question Text
School success	114. 115. 116.	How well do you do in Math? How well do you do in Reading and Writing, Language Arts, or English? How well do you do in the rest of your classes other than Math and English?
Helps others	150. 151. 152.	How many days a week do you spend some time helping family members or friends? How many days a week do you spend some time helping neighbors? How many days a week do you spend some time helping other people at your school, church, synagogue, mosque, or temple, or some other place?
Values diversity	7. 13.	I get along well with people who aren't the same race or culture as me. Kids can be my friends no matter what race or culture they are.
Delays gratification	28. 30.	I am able to save my money for something I really want. It's easy for me to wait for something I want.
Coregulation		In your family, how much do you get to HELP DECIDE these things: 76. What you can watch on TV? 77. What clothes you wear to school? 78. Where you spend your time after school? 79. What music you can buy or listen to? 80. What your bedtime is on weekends?
Coping		How much do you do each of the following things when you have any kind of a problem? 153. I discuss the problem with my parents or other adults. 154. I try to find different solutions to the problem. 155. I look for information to help me in magazines or books or on the Internet. 156. I ask my friends for help solving the problem.
Life satisfaction		How often do you feel the following things? 37. My life is just right. 38. I have a good life.

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Appendix E

Search Institute Asset-Promoting Print and Video Resources

Building Assets is Elementary: Group Activities for Helping Kids Ages 8-12 Succeed

This activity book offers practical, easy, fun strategies for building assets with groups of children in grades 4-6. Activities are flexible so group leaders can easily adapt them to any classroom or youth group setting.

Coming into Their Own: How Developmental Assets Promote Positive Growth in Middle Childhood

Children in middle childhood are approaching the cusp of early adolescence and beginning the transition toward emerging selfhood and self-regulation—they are Coming into Their Own. This new resource provides the latest research findings from studies on development of children grades 4-6 and fascinating learnings from around the world about what truly can help kids at this age grow up well and healthy.

Great Places to Learn: How Asset-Building Schools Help Students Succeed

Rooted in many years of research about the effectiveness of assets, this foundational book shines as a powerful, positive guide to infusing assets into any school community. A popular Search Institute resource for educators.

"You Have to Live It" Building Developmental Assets in School Communities

Winner of The Association of Educational Publisher's 2000 Distinguished Achievement Award, this video lets you see and hear for yourself how schools around North America are building assets for and with students from elementary to the high school level.

Ideas That Cook: Activities for Asset Builders in School Communities

Just as reading a great recipe can conjure up visions of a great meal, so too can this collection of great real-life activities inspire teachers and youth workers to "cook up" lasting good results with kids.

More Than Just a Place To Go *video*

Based on three different out-of-school programs, this video shows how to intentionally create and foster a developmentally-attentive environment, staff, and program for young people. (Call for information about More Than A Place To Go *book* and *training*.)

Powerful Teaching: Developmental Assets in Curriculum and Instruction

In response to educators' requests to do more with Developmental Assets, Search Institute has designed this resource that exclusively deals with the core of everyday classroom teaching and learning. Powerful Teaching shows education professionals how to infuse the assets into their existing curriculum and instruction without starting a new program.

Building Developmental Assets in School Communities training

Learn how to help your students succeed both academically and developmentally in this popular training.

Deepening Developmental Assets in School Communities training

Engage your whole school in asset building and climate improvement efforts with this training. It's the next step after the Building Developmental Assets in School Communities training.

What's Up With Our Kids? Survey Data Presentation

Release your *Me and My World* survey results as Search Institute presents your community or school's data.

Assets in Action: A Handbook for Making Communities Better Places to Grow Up

How can we make positive, long-lasting community change? This book covers this and much more by showing you how to establish change, from the very first steps to the later stages with engaging, easy to read stories and interviews with asset champions and research findings from the National Case Study project.

Pass It On at School: Activity Handouts for Creating Caring Schools

This activity-based resource equips everyone in the school community— teachers, students, administrators, cafeteria workers, parents, custodial staff, coaches, bus drivers, and others— with ready-to-use tip sheets and handouts to create change for the better by building Developmental Assets.

A Quick Start Guide to Building Assets in Your School: Moving from Incidental to Intentional

This book offers teachers ideas and strategies to quickly and intentionally build assets in their classrooms. Each short segment consists of dozens of asset-building activities, self-reflection questions for teachers, and school-wide strategies to get everyone involved in creating healthy, caring classrooms.

Awareness Pack

Get a variety of many of our most popular resources to help support and promote your initiative. Great for people starting or promoting asset-building initiatives and those who are engaging in public awareness campaigns.

In Our Own Words posters

Eye-catching posters feature phrases and words that 17 young people used to describe what an asset category means to them.

40 Assets posters

Show them your commitment with this colorful display poster of the 40 Developmental Assets. Bright colors and graphics make it an eye-catching message that YOUR youth are important.

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