



Thank you for taking the time to administer the Student School Experience Survey (SES) and for completing the Staff SES yourself. If you have any questions, please contact us at SchoolExperienceSurvey@lausd.net or **213-241-5600**.

Survey Window: February 16, 2026 - March 27, 2026. We look forward to providing useful information about your school when the results are published in May 2026.

Important notes: All surveys are compatible with virtually any device that has internet access. No login is required once staff access the survey home page. The Staff survey is anonymous and takes less than 30 minutes to complete.

STAFF SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS

Staff will receive an email from the SES Team with instructions on how to access the survey. Alternatively, staff may access the online survey by clicking the link below and following the instructions: <https://www.lausd.org/TakeTheSES>

Steps to complete the survey:

1. Select your school and role (e.g., teacher, counselor, other) from the drop-down menu.
2. Complete the survey.
3. Take a screenshot of the “Thank You” page to provide to your administrator if proof of completion is required.

STUDENT SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS

Only students in grades 4 through 12 participate in the SES. Teachers should schedule approximately 45 minutes to administer the survey. While most students complete it in less than 30 minutes, extra time will be needed to read instructions and ensure all students can log in.

Step-by-Step Instructions for Administering Student Surveys

1. Schedule survey time during class.

Ideally, students should take the survey on the same day at the same time. Schedule make-up days for any students who are absent during the whole-class administration.

2. On the day of survey administration, read the following instructions aloud:

*“This survey gives you a chance to tell LAUSD what you think of your school. The results will be used to help make improvements. Answer each question honestly. I will not see your individual answers, and neither will anyone else at the school. Using a mouse or the touchpad, select the response that best matches your experience **at this school this year**.*

You have the right to stop the survey at any time. You do not have to answer any question that makes you feel uncomfortable. If you are unsure of an answer, make your best guess or leave it blank. Remember: This is not a test, and there are no right or wrong answers. You may now begin.”

3. Student Access Instructions

Students in grades 4–12 will receive an email containing their **personal survey link**, along with the following instructions:

To take the survey:

1. Click the link in your email: **[UNIQUE LINK EMAILED TO EACH STUDENT]**
2. On the survey home page, select your current grade level.
3. Click the **“Next”** button near the bottom of the page to begin.
4. If you're unable to access the survey, please ask your teacher for help.

4. If a student did not receive an email:

This means the student was not included in the roster used to send survey emails. Rosters were pulled on **January 16, 2026**. **New students** cannot take the survey because they have not had enough experience at the school. Their non-participation **will not** impact your school's overall response rate.

STUDENT ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS

The following supports are available to help teachers ensure that students understand the questions on the SES. If you believe some students may find the questions or vocabulary challenging, please implement the supports listed below.

Review student survey questions

All survey questions are posted online at ses.lausd.org/SES-Resources. The survey questions can be found under Quick Links > Survey Questions. If you feel it would be helpful to your students, you may review the survey with your students before students begin to answer any questions they may have.

Review student survey vocabulary

The following vocabulary list provides definitions to support students who may have difficulty understanding specific terms.

Vocabulary word	Spanish Translation	Definition
1. accepted	1. aceptado	1. a good opinion of someone or something
2. accomplishment	2. logros	2. something done successfully
3. activities	3. actividades	3. actions of a particular kind
4. assignment	4. asignaciones	4. a job or duty that is given to someone
5. attention	5. atención	5. carefully listening to or watching someone or something
6. bully	6. bully	6. someone who frightens, hurts, or threatens weaker people
7. capable	7. capaz	7. able to do something
8. challenging	8. desafiante	8. a difficult task or problem: something that is hard to do
9. compliment	9. eologio	9. saying something good about someone or something
10. criticize	10. criticar	10. to express disapproval of (someone or something)
11. decision	11. decisión	11. a choice that you make about something after thinking about it
12. difficult	12. difícil	12. not easy: takes much work or skill to do or make
13. directions	13. direcciones	13. a statement that tells a person what to do and how to do it: an order or instruction
14. disagreed	14. desacuerdo	14. to have a different opinion: to fail to agree
15. distractions	15. distracciones	15. something that makes it difficult to think or pay attention
16. extra-curricular	16. extracurricular	16. extra activities that can be done by students but are not part of regular classes
17. government	17. gobierno	17. people who control and make decisions for a country, state, etc.
18. LGBTQ	18. LGBTQ	18. LGBTQ (see below)
19. naturally	19. naturalmente	19. something that happens by itself without being controlled or changed by someone
20. neighborhood	20. barrio	20. a section of a town or city
21. organizations	21. organizaciones	21. companies, businesses, clubs, etc., that are formed for a particular purpose
22. participate	22. participar	22. to take part with others in doing something
23. remembered	23. recordado	23. to think of (something or someone from the past) again
24. respectful	24. respetuoso	24. being thoughtful in the way you treat others
25. supportive	25. dar apoyo	25. giving help or encouragement to someone
26. inviting	26. invitando	26. attractive in a way that makes you want to do something or be near someone

#18. LGBTQ (from Defining LGBTQ Words for Children)

Lesbian - People who love people of the same gender. Two women.

Gay - People who love people of the same gender.

Bisexual - People who love people of any gender.

Transgender - When your gender identity (how you feel) is different than what was assigned to you when you were born (girl/boy or sex assigned at birth).

Queer - People use this word as a way to identify with and celebrate people of all gender identities and all the ways people love each other.