

YOUTH FORWARD SURVEY FAQ

SPRING 2022 OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN DATA COLLECTION

PED's Spring 2022 Youth Forward and Opportunity to Learn surveys aim to collect feedback from all education stakeholders. Survey participants include classroom educators, parents, and students. The results of the Youth Forward and OTL surveys and feedback will help New Mexico's traditional and charter public schools establish a baseline and to align and identify supports. These results will support more holistic and equitable decisions for our students, families, and staff who support them. This FAQ aims to answer preliminary survey questions for school leaders; it will be updated as more questions are received.

Q1. Can last year's OTL Survey be administered?

A. Yes, New Mexico Secretary of Education Kurt Steinhaus provided flexibility to districts and charters to administer either the Youth Forward Surveys or the OTL Survey. The PDF with the items for the Youth Forward Surveys Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-12 as well as the OTL Survey can be found [here](#).

Q2. What is the URL to the live OTL Survey?

A. The live OTL Survey can be accessed [here](#).

Q3. Does the student take the survey one time, or does the student need to respond for each teacher/course?

A. The student is expected to respond to one survey.

Q4. Approximately how long will it take students to respond to the survey (i.e., estimated time or number of questions in the survey)?

A. It will take students 10-15 minutes to complete.

Q5. Tripod is the administration partner. Is this a custom survey or a standard survey from Tripod? The standard Tripod surveys are aligned to a "7Cs" framework. Is that the organizational structure for this survey?

A. This survey was developed by the developers of the Tripod 7Cs framework. However, this survey is not associated with the 7Cs and focuses on Social Emotional Learning as defined by [CASEL](#).

Q6. What is the administration window for the survey (so that schools and teachers can plan around it)?

A. The surveys are scheduled for release **Tuesday, April 19** and will run through **Monday, May 9**.

Q7. When will schools and districts be able to access reports/survey results?

A. The .pdf reports will be provided to LEAs and school leaders by the first week of **June**.

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Q8. How can we access what questions will be on the Youth Forward or the OTL survey?

A. Here are the links for the [Elementary Grades 3-5 SEL Survey](#), [Secondary Grades 6-12 SEL Survey](#), and the [OTL Survey](#).

Q9. In the past, there were parent surveys for Grades K-2. Will that still be the case?

A. No, parents will not be responding on behalf of their students in Grades K-2. This year's OTL surveys will focus on students in Grades 3-5 and 6-12.

Q10. Where can school leaders preview the Teacher and Family Survey questions?

A. Here are the links for the [Teacher Survey](#) and the [Family Survey](#).

Q11. Is there a separate link for each of the four surveys?

A. Yes. Each participant group will have a separate survey link. This year, survey URLs will not be unique by district, making it a simpler administration.

Q12. Will there be administration guides for the surveys?

A. Yes. The administration guides are available [here](#). Additionally, technical survey support is available through the Tripod help desk at help@tripoded.com.

Q13. Will the district have to roster each teacher and student in the administration platform?

A. No. Students will just need to be provided with a computer, internet, and access to the URL.

Q14. How will parents/guardians participate in the survey?

A. The family survey can be taken at home by computer or from a smartphone. Schools can arrange for parents to complete the survey on site if desired.

Q15. Will PED use this data for school evaluation (high-stakes)?

A. No. The survey results will not be used in high-stakes school accountability. However, PED will use the results in concert with other programmatic data to learn more about the impact of PED's strategic programs and initiatives implemented in schools throughout the state.

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Q16. Will this data be part of the Every Student Succeeds Act – the revised Consolidated State Plan?

A. No. The Youth Forward Surveys are not currently slated to be part of the ESSA CSP.

Q17. What is the expected participation rate?

A. All students in Grades 3-5 and 6-12, all K-12 classroom teachers, and all parents of students in grades K-12 are required to participate. To avoid sampling bias, each stakeholder group has a goal of 95% participation.

Q18. Are the Youth Forward Surveys mandatory?

A. Yes, the surveys are mandatory. Each stakeholder group has a goal of 95% participation. *Please note these surveys are completely anonymous, and responses will not be associated with individual students or small, personally identifiable groups.*