

Administrative Memo

Date: December 18, 2015
To: School Administrators
From: Blaine Henningsen, Ed.D.
Assistant Commissioner
Subject: CCR-15-020 - Missouri Student Survey

As in every even year since 2000, the Missouri Student Survey (also known as the Safe and Drug-Free Schools survey) will be administered during the 2015-2016 school year. This survey is a valuable tool to learn more about students' tobacco, drug, and alcohol use as well as bullying, mental health, and other information. The results are important to your district as you plan prevention activities and can provide information necessary for local grant applications.

This survey is administered, at no charge, to school districts. In order to protect the confidentiality of those participating, data are aggregated and only reported publicly at the county level. However, districts will be able to obtain their own data down to the building level.

This year, we are asking you to collect data from at least one classroom per grade (6th -12th grade) in each of your buildings. However, you are encouraged to have as many students as possible take the survey as this will increase the reliability of the data for your district. We are planning to open the survey on January 11, 2016. It will remain open through April 1, 2016.

Please choose someone in your district to act as the contact person for the survey. This should be someone who can coordinate the survey administration in your district and communicate with the project director. To register your district and contact person, click on the following link: https://umsl.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_80Jqw5Zk01skDrL. You will be asked to designate the primary contact person during registration. However, you will also be given the opportunity to designate other individuals to be included on various levels of communication as you deem appropriate. School codes are available immediately after registration.

An information webinar was recorded and can be found at <https://stateofmo.adobeconnect.com/a827378498/p5112y2fadd/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal>. If you have questions regarding the survey, you may contact the project director, Susan Depue with the Missouri Institute of Mental Health, at 314-516-8412 or susan.depue@mimh.edu.