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# BRITISH COLUMBIA Child Care

## **Student Learning Survey**

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# **Student Learning Survey** (SLS) Timelines

The Student Learning Survey (SLS) is an annual survey administered to B.C. Public Schools for student in grades 4, 7, 10 and 12. It is the only source of province-wide information on student experiences in the school environment. Data obtained from the survey provides valuable insights and informs policies, programs and decisions made at districts, schools, the Ministry of Education and Child Care, Ministry of Health and the Representative of Children and Youth in improving students' intellectual, human and social and career development. Complimentary to the student surveys, parent, staff, and principal/vice principal survey are also administered as part of the SLS program.

**January 3, 2023 – April 28, 2023 –** Student surveys, parent survey, staff survey, and principal and vice-principal survey are open for administration.

**Available immediately** – Preliminary unofficial reports are available at the AWIS (A. Willock Information Systems) website after the schools complete the survey. District contacts and school principals will have access to these reports.

**June – August 2023** – SLS data transfer, data warehouse loading, Ministry review, quality assurance and analysis.

**September - October 2023** – Ministry of Education and Child Care official release of provincial and districts results. Reports will be posted on the SharePoint site, PowerBI dashboards, Student Success site and DataBC.

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# Where Can You Find the Data?

There are several locations where the Student Learning Survey results and reports are available depending on the type of information required and access levels of different users.

#### **MASKED DATA ARE AVAILABLE PUBLICLY AT:**

- <u>Student Success website</u> Summaries are available in the school districts tabs under Human and Social Development. https://studentsuccess.gov.bc.ca/
- <u>Data BC Catalogue</u> Contains SLS responses from 2016/2017 to 2021/2022 for public school students. https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/student-learning-survey-sls-

## MORE GRANULAR DATA ARE AVAILABLE TO SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS AT:

- <u>District Confidential SharePoint site</u> Each district has
  their own SharePoint site. Access is available to a maximum
  of four designates per district. The list of designates can be
  found in the BC K-12 Education Data Portal.
- BC K-12 Data Portal The SLS PowerBI dashboards are available under the Standardized Provincial Reports > Human and Social Development as well as under the Standardized Provincial Reports > FESL tabs.
- AWIS Reporting website Interim district and school reports
  using masked data are available through the secure AWIS
  portal as soon as all students in the school have completed
  the survey. Links to the portal are sent by AWIS to district
  and school contacts listed in the Ministry contact information
  at the beginning of the survey.



## References

**Survey Administration Manual** – This document provides guidance to school staff in preparing for and administering the student learning survey.

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/ki ndergarten-to-grade-12/support/satisfactionsurvey/sls-administration-manual.pdf

**SLS Response Options Mapping** – This document provides mapping of the actual survey response into the grouped responses for each survey question that are used in the dashboard and reports.

https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/studen t-learning-survey-sls-/resource/eb337f1e-e757-4d7b-8a4d-4b75d0236bc3

**Analytical Reports** – Research reports which include analysis of some SLS questions are available in the Aboriginal Students: How are We Doing? Report and COVID-19 Student Impacts Report.

https://studentsuccess.gov.bc.ca/reporting

#### COMMUNICATION

Ministry announcements to districts and schools pertaining to the administration and release of the SLS results will be done through the Deputy Minister's Bulletin weekly announcements.

AWIS sends occasional email reminders to schools who have not completed the survey during the survey administration window once a month. Weekly emails with completion status reports are sent to superintendents a month after the annual survey opens.

Contacts and Support

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