



Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) Education and the Impact of Covid-19 Survey

ASCA is conducting a survey of the parents or primary caregivers of K-12 students in Alberta to examine the perceived impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their child's **education and social/emotional wellbeing**.

This survey will portray parents' experiences of their children's academic growth, learning progress, social/emotional/mental health, and potential losses or gaps resulting from learning disruptions during COVID-19. The survey is anonymous and takes approximately 8 minutes to complete.

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1. Are you a parent or primary caregiver of a student(s) in the K-12 education system in Alberta? *

Yes

No

2. How would you describe yourself today? *

I am having a great day!

I am having a good day.

I have had worse days.

I have had better days.

I am struggling today.

3. Please provide the first three characters of your postal code (example: T5N) *

4. Please answer each of the following questions for one student in your family. You are invited to complete the survey again for other students in your family.

Which grade will your student be entering in September 2022? *

- Kindergarten
- First grade
- Second grade
- Third grade
- Fourth grade
- Fifth grade
- Sixth grade
- Seventh grade
- Eight grade
- Ninth grade
- Tenth grade
- Eleventh grade
- Twelfth Grade

5. Does your student attend a school in the: *

- Public system?
- Separate (Catholic) system?
- Charter system?
- Francophone system?
- Private system?
- Home schooling system?

6. Do you feel your student is missing skills, knowledge, or support (academic, social/emotional/mental health) resulting from learning disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic? *

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

7. If Yes, or Maybe - in which area(s)/subject(s) do you feel your student is missing skills, knowledge, or support (academic, social/emotional/mental health) resulting from learning disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic? (Select all that apply) *

- English Reading/Comprehension
- English Writing Skills
- Math
- Financial Literacy
- Science
- Social Studies
- Second Languages (Reading/Comprehension/Writing/Listening)
- Physical Education
- Health and Wellness
- Computer/Technology
- Social/Emotional/Mental Health
- Study Skills
- Exam Writing Experience
- Essay Writing Experience
- Hands-on or Practical Experience (labs, trades, etc)
- Fine Arts
- Career and Technology Studies (mechanics, cosmetology, constructions, food services, etc.)
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Other

8. If Yes, or Maybe - to support your student in the noted area(s)/subject(s) of concerns, which do you believe would be helpful? (Select all that apply) *

- Smaller class sizes
- Additional teaching/support staff in the classroom
- One-on-one or small group focused instruction during school hours
- One-on-one or small group focused instruction after school hours
- Parent friendly resources/materials sent home to work with student at home
- Parent friendly online resources/materials and/or video tutorials to work with student at home
- Private Tutoring/Support services
- Greater access to qualified social/emotional/mental health support at the school
- Target Exam preparation (diploma, PAT)
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Other

9. Do you believe your school or school division has tools, resources and/or people in place that will identify your student's missing skills, knowledge, or support (academic, social/emotional/mental health)? *

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

10. If Yes - please describe the tools, resources, and/or people you believe your school / school division has in place that will identify your student's missing skills, knowledge, or support (academic, social/emotional/mental health)? (Max 100 words)

11. If No - why do you not think the school / school division has the tools, resources, and/or people required to identify your student's missing skills, knowledge, and support (academic, social/emotional/mental health)?

12. Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, (March 2020), have you hired a private tutor or paid for outside educational services for your student? *

Yes

No

13. If Yes - in general, how would you estimate the overall academic performance (A, B, C or D letter grade) of your student who has received or is receiving private support?

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A - academic performance

B - academic performance

C - academic performance

D - academic performance

Other

14. If No - in general, how would you estimate the overall academic performance (A, B, C or D letter grade) of your student? *

A - academic performance

B - academic performance

C - academic performance

D - academic performance

Other

15. Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, (March 2020), has your student received outside or private social/emotional/mental health supports? *

Yes

No

16. If Yes - in general, how would you estimate the overall social/emotional/mental health (Good/Fair/Poor) of your student who has received or is receiving private support?

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Good social/emotional/mental health

Fair social/emotional/mental health

Poor social/emotional/mental health

Other

17. If No - in general, how would you estimate the overall social/emotional/mental health (Good/Fair/Poor) of your student?

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Good social/emotional/mental health

Fair social/emotional/mental health

Poor social/emotional/mental health

Other

18. Is your student struggling to attend, or enjoy, school? *

Yes

No

Sometimes

19. If Yes, or Sometimes - what do you believe is causing your student to struggle with, or enjoy, attending school? (Max 100 words)

20. The following questions are for statistical and representational purposes, and your answers cannot be identified to you personally in any way. *

- I accept
- I do not accept and will answer the final 3 survey questions survey now.

21. How do you identify? *

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say
- Transgender
- Not listed

22. How would you describe yourself in terms of ethnicity? *

- Canadian
- First Nations
- Métis
- Inuit
- European
- Asian
- Eastern
- African
- American
- South American
- Prefer not to say
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- Other

23. In which age category are you? *

- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 54-65
- Over 65

24. How many K-12 students live in your household/are you the primary caregiver for? *

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10+

25. Do you live in: *

- An Alberta municipality with over 250,000 residents?
- An Alberta municipality with 100,000 - 249,999 residents?
- An Alberta municipality with 50,000 - 99,999 residents?
- An Alberta municipality with 20,000 - 49,000 residents?
- An Alberta county or rural community with under 20,000 residents?
- I do not live in Alberta

26. Are you *

- Employed full-time?
- Employed part-time?
- Not employed?
- Prefer not to say?

27. Total annual income of household *

- \$200,000 and over
- \$150,000 - \$199,999
- \$125,000 - \$149,999
- \$100,000 - \$124,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,000
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- \$12,500 - \$24,999
- Under \$12,500
- Prefer not to say

28. What type of device did you use to complete this survey? *

- Desktop
- Laptop/Tablet/iPad
- Smart Phone

29. Is the school council at your student's school an Alberta School Councils' Association Member? *

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- No school council

30. Are you actively engaged with the school council at your student's school? *

- Yes
- No
- No school council

31. Thank you for participating in this important research. Results will be used to inform ASCA's advocacy positions on parent's perceptions of students learning gaps, and how parents would prefer to be supported in addressing those gaps.

This survey was funded through a project grant from Alberta Education and the results will be shared with the Ministry of Education after closing. The results may be posted publicly in September 2022.

Please provide any final comments you would like to share (Max 100 words)

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