

Lakeview School Council



Meeting Date: February 23, 2021@ 6:30 p.m.

1) **Welcome and Attendance**

2) **WEST NIAGARA SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Presentation by Principal, Mat Miller



3) Principal Report - Mr. B. Blake

Student Population Update: -in person- 350/ virtual- 67

Staffing Update: -Mr. Shanks (on leave)- Ms. Gabriel (LTO)

Kindergarten Registration: -To date we have 45 online registrations

March Break Update: - changed to April 12-16

Gr.8 Graduation: - Mon. June 21 or Wed. June 23, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

Student Census Survey 2021: (slides to follow)

Why a Student Census



In alignment with Ontario's Education Equity Plan, the purpose of the student census survey is to better understand our students' identities as well as their experiences inside and outside of school.

The results will be used to inform board and school improvement planning to:

- identify, eliminate, and respond to systemic barriers to student success,
- create more equitable and inclusive school environments, and,
- further support student achievement and well-being in targeted and intentional ways.

STUDENT CENSUS QUESTIONS



DSBN Student Census consists of eight (K- Gr. 6) or nine (Gr. 7-12) multiple choice identity-based questions.

15 -20 minutes to complete

Ministry Mandated Questions reflect the following categories:

Indigenous Identity, First Language, Ethnicity, Race,
Religion/Spirituality, Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation (grade 7-12),
Disability, Status in Canada

[Student Census Survey Questions](#)

Who will complete the Census

All DSBN students are being asked to complete the census, but it is voluntary. Our goal is to have 100% complete it.

Gr 7-12 Online at school during March 22 to April 1 (reverse consent)

K-6 Parents/families to complete online at home April 6 to 30

Students and families may “skip” questions, but are encouraged to answer all questions.

The census is confidential, but not anonymous - i.e., no individual students will be identified in resulting data, but we will be able to identify groups of students for the purposes of addressing systemic barriers to student success.



Student Census Survey Questions

1. Indigenous Ancestry

7 to 12: Do you have First Nations, Métis, and/or Inuit Ancestry? If yes, please select all that apply:

K to 6: Does your child have First Nations, Métis, and/or Inuit Ancestry? If yes, please select all that apply:

2. Ethnic Origin

Ethnic groups have a common identity, heritage, ancestry, or historical past, often with identifiable cultural, linguistic and/or religious characteristics.

7 to 12: Do you consider yourself a Canadian?

K to 6: Does your child consider themselves a Canadian?

7 to 12: What is your ethnic or cultural origin(s)? Select all that apply.

K to 6: What is your child's ethnic or cultural origin(s)? Select all that apply.

Student Census Survey Questions

3. Race

In our society, people are often described by their race or racial background.

7-12: Which of the following categories best describes your racial background? If you have a mixed background, select all that apply.

K to 6: Which of the following categories best describes your child's racial background? If your child has a mixed background, select all that apply.

Student Census Survey Questions

4. Status in Canada

7 to 12 Question: **If you have First Nations, Métis, and/or Inuit ancestry, were you born on your ancestral lands?**

K to 6 Question: **If your child has First Nations, Métis, and/or Inuit ancestry, was your child born on their ancestral lands?**

7 to 12 Question: **Were you born in Canada?**

K to 6 Question: **Was your child born in Canada**

Student Census Survey Questions

5. Language(s) First Spoken

7 to 12: What is the first language(s) you learned to speak as a child?

K to 6: What is the first language(s) your child learned to speak?

6. Religion or Spiritual Affiliation

7 to 12: What is your religion, belief and/or spiritual affiliation?

K to 6: What is your child's religion, belief and/or spiritual affiliation?

Student Census Survey Questions

7. Gender Identity

Gender identity refers to a person's internal sense or feeling of being a woman, a man, both, neither or anywhere on the gender spectrum, which may or may not be the same as the person's sex assigned at birth (e.g. male, female, intersex) It is different from and does not determine a person's sexual orientation.

7 to 12: *What is your gender identity?*

K to 6: *What is your child's gender identity?*

8. Sexual Orientation

Question to be included in the Gr 7 to 12 census ONLY

Sexual orientation refers to a person's sense of sexual attraction to the people of the same or different sex.

What is your sexual orientation?

Student Census Survey Questions

9. Disability

A disability is a condition that affects a person's ability to perform day-to-day activities. There are different types of disabilities such as physical, mental, behavioural, developmental, sensory, communicational or a combination of any of these. A person's disability may be diagnosed, undiagnosed, be visible or invisible.

7 to 12: **Do you consider yourself to be a person with a disability(ies)?**

K to 6: **Does your child consider themselves to be a person with a disability(ies)?**

Meeting Agenda Continued

4) New Business:

5) Community News:

6) Next Meeting Date: Tuesday April 27, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.