



# 2019 Student Census School Experiences

## Background

Ontario's Education Equity Action Plan is the province's road map to identifying and eliminating discriminatory practices, systemic barriers and bias from schools and classrooms to support the potential for all students to succeed. A critical step to ensuring equity and addressing systemic barriers is to gain a clearer understanding of who our students are and of their school experience.

Using data from the student census, this report will focus on students' school experiences and examine the different factors related to a students' perception of their schooling. Respondents were asked nine questions about "How do you feel about school?".

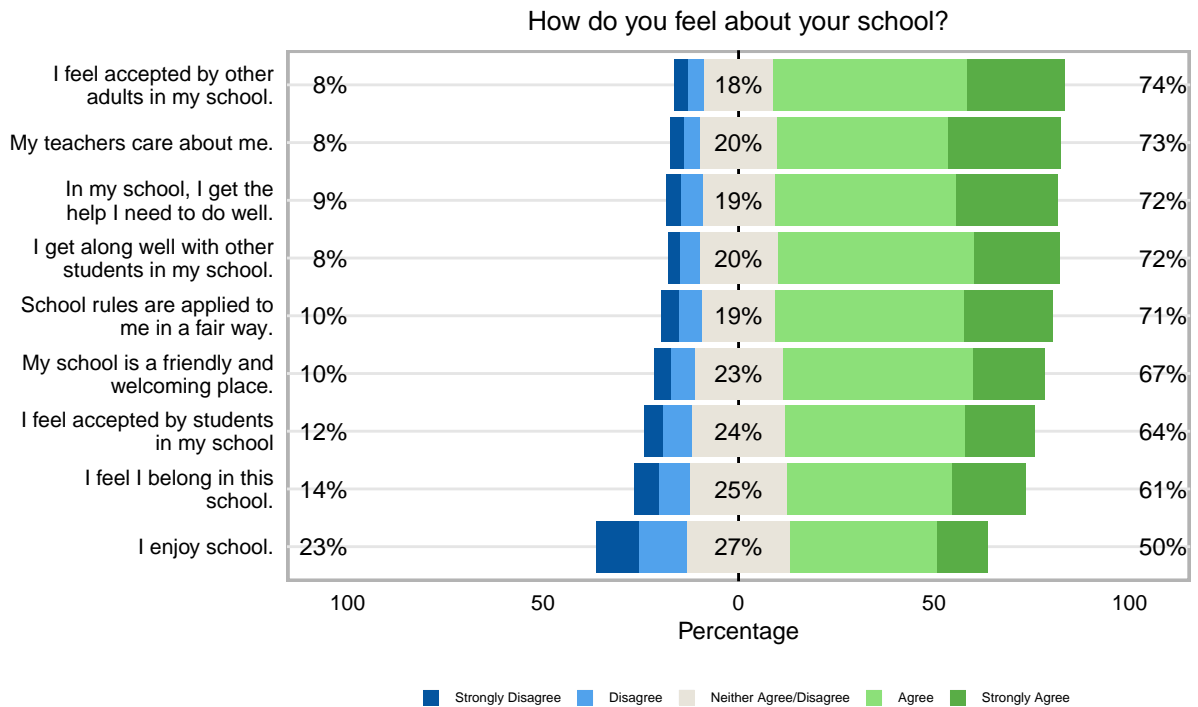
- My school is a friendly and welcoming place.
- I enjoy school.
- I feel I belong in this school.
- I get along well with other students in my school.
- I feel accepted by students in my school.
- I feel accepted by other adults in my school.
- My teachers care about me
- School rules are applied to me in a fair way.
- In my school, I get the help I need to do well.

This report examines students' response to each of the questions, their overall experiences and various identities intersect with school experiences.

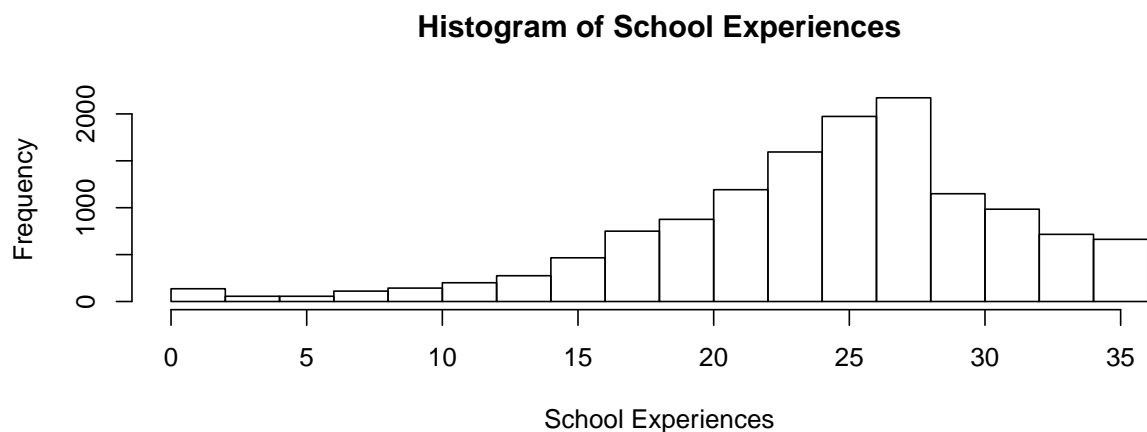
## Overall Results

The first chart shows the percentage of students at each level of response for each of the nine questions. Appendix A shows the responses for all questions by various census categories (Race, Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation and Socio-Economic Status).

**How to read the chart:** Values shown on the left side of the chart show the percentage of students that either responded "Strongly Disagree" or "Disagree". The values on the right side of the chart show the percentage of students that responded "Agree" or "Strongly Agree". The questions are sorted by the percentage of students that agreed with the statement.



In order to conduct a more in-depth examination of students' perceptions of school, the nine questions were combined into a single variable "School Experiences". This variable is calculated by first converting the response categories to a numerical value where "Strongly Disagree" = 0, "Disagree" = 1, "Neither Agree/Disagree" = 2, "Agree" = 3 and "Strongly Agree" = 4. Secondly, the resulting values are summed to a single variable ranging from 0 to 36. The following chart shows the distribution of the new variable.

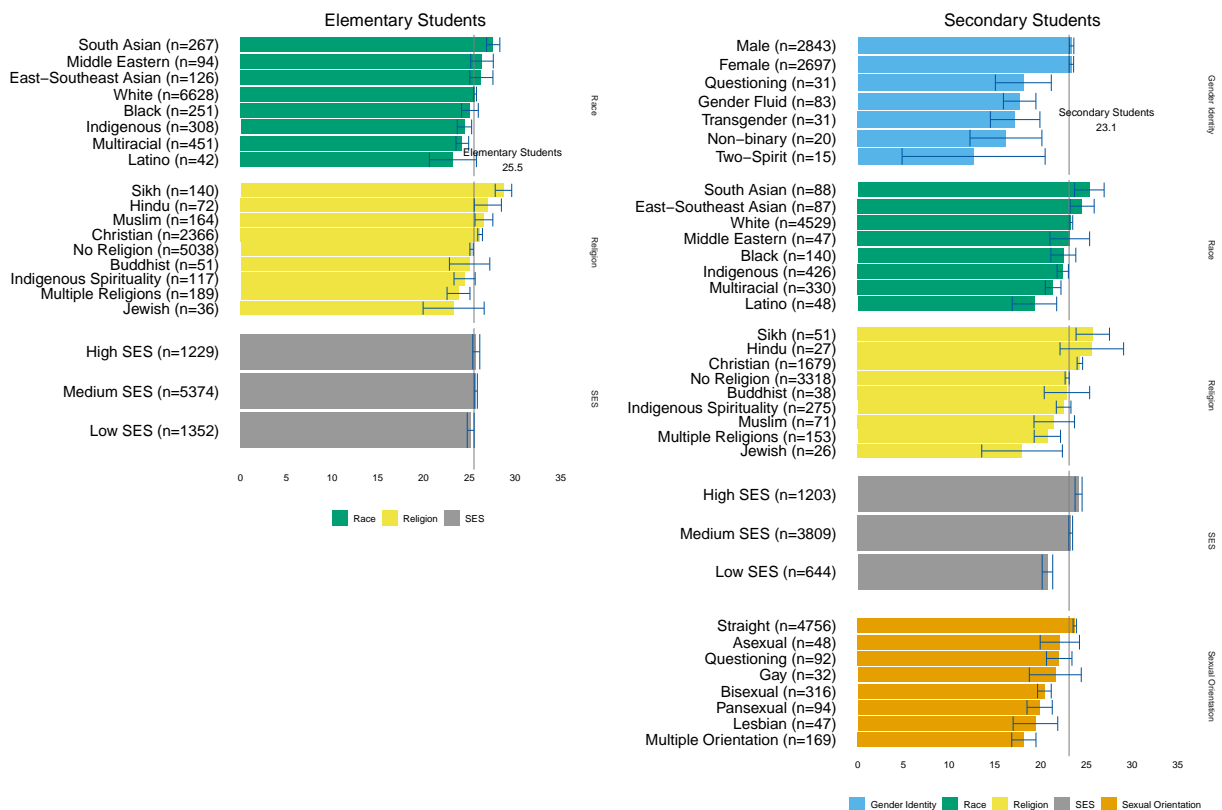


From the histogram we can see that students' school experiences are varied, with some reporting a very positive view of all aspects of school and some reporting a very poor connection to their school.

## School Experiences by Census Categories

To investigate students' school experience further the average score was calculated for each of the census categories and is presented in the following chart. *NOTE: students are represented in multiple categories.*

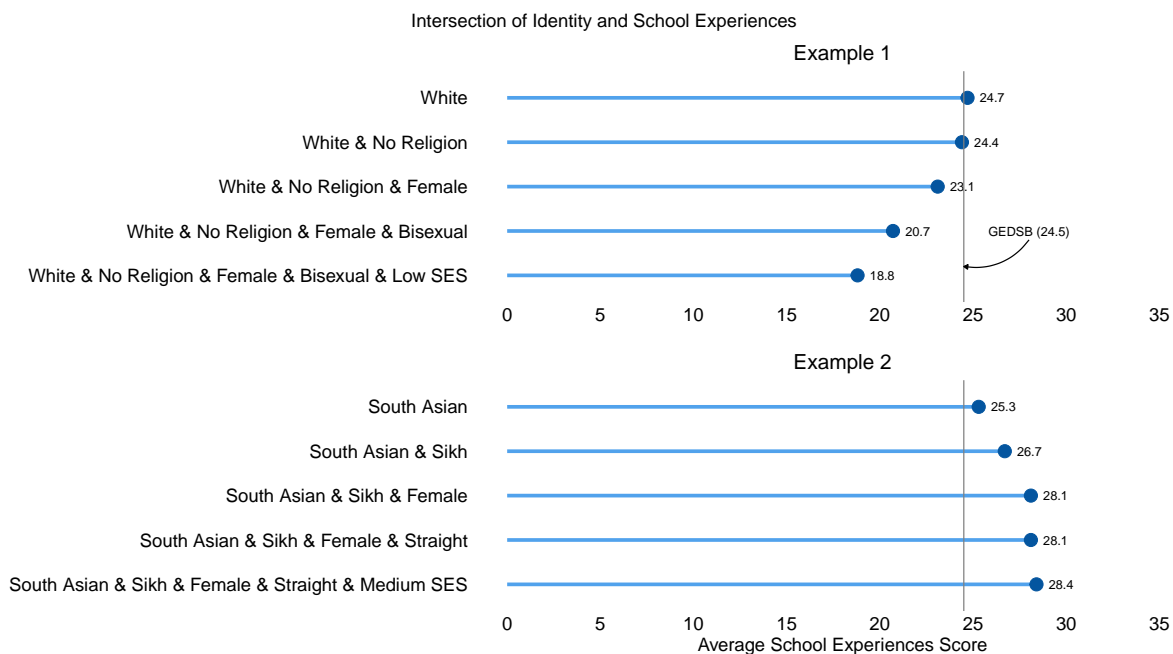
**How to read the chart:** The coloured bars represents the average School Experiences Score for each identity from the student census, grouped by the question (i.e. Gender Identity, Race, etc). The horizontal grey line is the average score for all students in that panel (elementary or secondary). The blue vertical lines show the confidence interval for that group - this is the same concept we see in polling results where, for example, the result is plus/minus a certain percentage 19 times out of 20. For some results, the error bar is very small, indicating more responses. Other groups have a much larger bar showing that, since we didn't get a lot of responses, there is a possibility that the results could be much higher or much lower if more people participated. A particular group is considered to have a statistically significantly score from the average where the vertical blue lines fall outside of the horizontal grey line representing the overall average score.



## Intersectionality of Census Categories

As mentioned above, it's important to note that the same students are represented in different categories. Both the Ontario Human Rights Commission<sup>1</sup> and Ontario's Anti-Racism Directorate (ARD) recognize the importance of the concept of intersectionality. The ARD defines it as "...the way in which people's lives are shaped by their multiple and overlapping identities and social locations, which, together, can produce a unique and distinct experience for that individual or group".<sup>2</sup>

For example, the charts below shows the average school experience score for each of the groups:



We can see in Example 1 that while White students are close to the board average, as we drill down to the various identities (No Religion, Female, Bisexual, Low SES) the average school experience goes down. Conversely, students who identify as South Asian have a higher than average score, but when we drill down to the different identities within that community the students' school experiences get better. It's important to recognize the variability within each identity group.

For the detailed statistical analysis see Appendix B.

<sup>1</sup><http://www.ohrc.on.ca/en/human-rights-work-2008-third-edition>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.ontario.ca/document/data-standards-identification-and-monitoring-systemic-racism>

## Appendix A

The following tables show the percentage of students that agreed, disagreed or neither agreed/disagreed to each of the nine statements, disaggregated by census category.

### Race

Table 1: White Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	23.1	27.0	49.8
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	6.8	17.8	75.4
I feel accepted by students in my school	11.9	23.8	64.3
I feel I belong in this school.	13.1	24.5	62.4
I get along well with other students in my school.	7.1	19.7	73.1
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	8.5	18.7	72.8
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	9.5	22.5	68.0
My teachers care about me.	7.0	19.6	73.4
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	9.8	18.4	71.8

Table 2: Black Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	22.1	24.9	53.0
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	9.7	17.2	73.1
I feel accepted by students in my school	12.6	23.8	63.6
I feel I belong in this school.	17.2	24.1	58.7
I get along well with other students in my school.	11.2	20.9	67.9
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	11.2	17.5	71.3
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	13.8	21.2	65.0
My teachers care about me.	10.0	18.3	71.6
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	14.6	22.1	63.3

Table 3: East-Southeast Asian Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	18.1	22.5	59.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	6.4	13.2	80.4
I feel accepted by students in my school	9.8	21.6	68.6
I feel I belong in this school.	13.7	21.1	65.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	3.9	20.6	75.5
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	8.3	15.2	76.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	7.4	18.1	74.5
My teachers care about me.	6.9	18.1	75.0
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	8.8	17.2	74.0

Table 4: Indigenous Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	24.0	29.8	46.2
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	9.2	23.6	67.2
I feel accepted by students in my school	13.9	29.9	56.2
I feel I belong in this school.	18.2	29.6	52.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	10.9	23.0	66.1
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	11.7	19.6	68.7
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	11.4	26.8	61.8
My teachers care about me.	8.4	25.9	65.7
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	11.6	23.5	64.9

Table 5: Latino Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	30.6	24.7	44.7
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	16.5	23.5	60.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	14.1	29.4	56.5
I feel I belong in this school.	22.4	29.4	48.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	12.9	21.2	65.9
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	18.8	22.4	58.8
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	18.8	28.2	52.9
My teachers care about me.	20.0	28.2	51.8
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	25.9	23.5	50.6

Table 6: Middle Eastern Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	13.6	22.0	64.4
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	9.1	15.9	75.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	9.1	22.0	68.9
I feel I belong in this school.	11.4	22.7	65.9
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.8	22.0	71.2
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	6.8	9.8	83.3
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	9.8	14.4	75.8
My teachers care about me.	10.6	15.9	73.5
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	12.1	21.2	66.7

Table 7: Multiracial Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	26.0	24.9	49.1
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	13.3	20.6	66.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	17.7	25.6	56.7
I feel I belong in this school.	20.2	26.0	53.8
I get along well with other students in my school.	12.2	23.4	64.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	12.4	22.8	64.8
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	15.1	24.6	60.2
My teachers care about me.	12.1	21.0	66.9
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	14.9	20.2	64.9



Table 8: South Asian Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	12.3	18.9	68.9
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	4.8	11.4	83.8
I feel accepted by students in my school	6.9	16.5	76.6
I feel I belong in this school.	10.5	20.1	69.5
I get along well with other students in my school.	5.1	13.5	81.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	5.1	10.5	84.4
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	6.3	15.3	78.4
My teachers care about me.	5.7	15.0	79.3
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	4.5	10.5	85.0

## Religion

Table 9: Christian Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	19.6	25.4	55.1
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	5.7	15.6	78.7
I feel accepted by students in my school	10.9	22.1	67.0
I feel I belong in this school.	12.2	22.6	65.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	5.9	18.2	75.9
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	7.2	17.3	75.4
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	7.8	21.0	71.2
My teachers care about me.	6.4	16.8	76.9
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	8.0	16.6	75.4

Table 10: Buddhist Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	25.3	24.1	50.6
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	10.8	14.5	74.7
I feel accepted by students in my school	18.1	24.1	57.8
I feel I belong in this school.	19.3	13.3	67.5
I get along well with other students in my school.	8.4	20.5	71.1
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	9.6	19.3	71.1
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	15.7	18.1	66.3
My teachers care about me.	10.8	13.3	75.9
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	15.7	16.9	67.5

Table 11: Hindu Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	11.8	18.3	69.9
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	5.4	8.6	86.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	5.4	16.1	78.5
I feel I belong in this school.	11.8	19.4	68.8
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.5	15.1	78.5
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	9.7	9.7	80.6
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	7.5	19.4	73.1
My teachers care about me.	6.5	12.9	80.6
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	6.5	11.8	81.7

Table 12: Indigenous Spirituality Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	22.0	30.9	47.0
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	8.6	25.0	66.4
I feel accepted by students in my school	12.4	30.1	57.5
I feel I belong in this school.	17.2	32.8	50.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	9.7	23.1	67.2
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	12.9	23.1	64.0
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	11.0	26.1	62.9
My teachers care about me.	10.2	28.2	61.6
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	14.0	24.5	61.6

Table 13: Jewish Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	34.5	16.4	49.1
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	27.3	21.8	50.9
I feel accepted by students in my school	27.3	16.4	56.4
I feel I belong in this school.	23.6	27.3	49.1
I get along well with other students in my school.	23.6	20.0	56.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	25.5	20.0	54.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	21.8	27.3	50.9
My teachers care about me.	18.2	21.8	60.0
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	20.0	34.5	45.5

Table 14: Multiple Religions Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	25.6	24.1	50.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	14.3	19.2	66.5
I feel accepted by students in my school	21.0	27.4	51.5
I feel I belong in this school.	22.3	22.0	55.8
I get along well with other students in my school.	14.0	23.8	62.2
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	14.9	20.1	64.9
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	18.0	23.2	58.8
My teachers care about me.	13.1	19.8	67.1
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	18.0	17.1	64.9

Table 15: Muslim Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	19.0	17.6	63.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	10.4	18.1	71.5
I feel accepted by students in my school	12.7	19.9	67.4
I feel I belong in this school.	17.6	24.9	57.5
I get along well with other students in my school.	10.9	15.4	73.8
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	8.1	12.7	79.2
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	10.9	16.7	72.4
My teachers care about me.	10.4	18.1	71.5
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	13.1	14.9	71.9

Table 16: No Religion Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	24.7	27.9	47.4
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	7.6	18.8	73.6
I feel accepted by students in my school	12.1	24.8	63.2
I feel I belong in this school.	13.9	25.7	60.4
I get along well with other students in my school.	7.9	20.6	71.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	9.2	19.4	71.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	10.4	23.6	66.1
My teachers care about me.	7.5	21.1	71.4
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	10.6	19.7	69.7

Table 17: Sikh Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	7.2	19.4	73.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	2.2	12.2	85.6
I feel accepted by students in my school	2.8	16.7	80.6
I feel I belong in this school.	7.2	17.2	75.6
I get along well with other students in my school.	3.3	15.0	81.7
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	3.3	9.4	87.2
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	3.9	12.2	83.9
My teachers care about me.	4.4	13.9	81.7
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	3.9	8.3	87.8

## Sexual Orientation

Table 18: Straight Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	25.5	29.8	44.8
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	7.1	19.7	73.2
I feel accepted by students in my school	9.7	24.6	65.8
I feel I belong in this school.	13.0	27.7	59.4
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.1	17.5	76.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	10.4	23.1	66.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	10.7	24.5	64.8
My teachers care about me.	9.0	26.9	64.1
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	10.0	21.9	68.1

Table 19: Asexual Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	26.7	15.6	57.8
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	20.0	20.0	60.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	20.0	26.7	53.3
I feel I belong in this school.	22.2	31.1	46.7
I get along well with other students in my school.	15.6	20.0	64.4
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	15.6	24.4	60.0
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	17.8	15.6	66.7
My teachers care about me.	13.3	24.4	62.2
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	13.3	11.1	75.6

Table 20: Bisexual Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	32.9	29.9	37.2
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	14.1	28.9	56.9
I feel accepted by students in my school	29.6	34.9	35.5
I feel I belong in this school.	31.9	34.2	33.9
I get along well with other students in my school.	15.1	31.9	53.0
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	20.4	29.6	50.0
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	20.7	36.5	42.8
My teachers care about me.	14.8	29.3	55.9
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	16.8	23.0	60.2

Table 21: Gay Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	37.5	46.9	15.6
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	0.0	40.6	59.4
I feel accepted by students in my school	18.8	37.5	43.8
I feel I belong in this school.	31.2	31.2	37.5
I get along well with other students in my school.	9.4	25.0	65.6
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	18.8	18.8	62.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	28.1	28.1	43.8
My teachers care about me.	18.8	25.0	56.2
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	6.2	31.2	62.5

Table 22: Lesbian Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	42.2	24.4	33.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	20.0	17.8	62.2
I feel accepted by students in my school	31.1	24.4	44.4
I feel I belong in this school.	31.1	24.4	44.4
I get along well with other students in my school.	22.2	22.2	55.6
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	28.9	31.1	40.0
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	24.4	33.3	42.2
My teachers care about me.	22.2	26.7	51.1
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	26.7	17.8	55.6

Table 23: Multiple Orientation Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	43.4	27.7	28.9
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	25.9	21.7	52.4
I feel accepted by students in my school	28.9	28.9	42.2
I feel I belong in this school.	36.1	30.1	33.7
I get along well with other students in my school.	20.5	24.7	54.8
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	27.7	29.5	42.8
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	28.3	36.1	35.5
My teachers care about me.	23.5	29.5	47.0
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	30.1	24.7	45.2



Table 24: Pansexual Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	40.4	26.6	33.0
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	18.1	28.7	53.2
I feel accepted by students in my school	35.1	34.0	30.9
I feel I belong in this school.	31.9	31.9	36.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	13.8	33.0	53.2
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	16.0	40.4	43.6
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	19.1	34.0	46.8
My teachers care about me.	12.8	39.4	47.9
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	7.4	34.0	58.5

Table 25: Questioning Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	30.8	31.9	37.4
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	9.9	28.6	61.5
I feel accepted by students in my school	22.0	38.5	39.6
I feel I belong in this school.	24.2	35.2	40.7
I get along well with other students in my school.	8.8	31.9	59.3
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	18.7	19.8	61.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	12.1	29.7	58.2
My teachers care about me.	8.8	26.4	64.8
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	5.5	28.6	65.9

## Gender

Table 26: Male Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	27.7	30.1	42.2
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	8.2	21.8	70.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	8.7	24.1	67.3
I feel I belong in this school.	12.9	28.2	59.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.7	18.3	75.0
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	11.2	24.4	64.4
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	11.6	25.9	62.6
My teachers care about me.	10.3	27.6	62.1
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	11.9	23.6	64.6

Table 27: Female Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	24.6	29.4	46.0
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	7.8	19.7	72.5
I feel accepted by students in my school	14.8	27.9	57.4
I feel I belong in this school.	16.7	29.4	54.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	7.7	20.5	71.8
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	11.4	23.2	65.4
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	11.7	25.5	62.7
My teachers care about me.	8.7	27.2	64.1
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	9.4	21.0	69.6

Table 28: Gender Fluid Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	53.8	22.5	23.8
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	28.7	25.0	46.2
I feel accepted by students in my school	31.2	31.2	37.5
I feel I belong in this school.	42.5	18.8	38.8
I get along well with other students in my school.	18.8	25.0	56.2
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	25.0	32.5	42.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	33.8	31.2	35.0
My teachers care about me.	33.8	26.2	40.0
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	27.5	27.5	45.0

Table 29: Non-binary Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	40	25	35
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	25	40	35
I feel accepted by students in my school	40	20	40
I feel I belong in this school.	40	25	35
I get along well with other students in my school.	20	25	55
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	55	30	15
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	30	45	25
My teachers care about me.	25	35	40
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	35	25	40

Table 30: Questioning Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	36.7	23.3	40.0
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	16.7	30.0	53.3
I feel accepted by students in my school	56.7	20.0	23.3
I feel I belong in this school.	40.0	30.0	30.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	20.0	26.7	53.3
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	30.0	23.3	46.7
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	26.7	33.3	40.0
My teachers care about me.	23.3	30.0	46.7
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	13.3	30.0	56.7

Table 31: Transgender Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	55.2	27.6	17.2
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	20.7	20.7	58.6
I feel accepted by students in my school	41.4	20.7	37.9
I feel I belong in this school.	55.2	17.2	27.6
I get along well with other students in my school.	24.1	27.6	48.3
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	34.5	41.4	24.1
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	34.5	31.0	34.5
My teachers care about me.	20.7	31.0	48.3
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	17.2	31.0	51.7

Table 32: Two-Spirit Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	50.0	16.7	33.3
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	50.0	25.0	25.0
I feel accepted by students in my school	66.7	8.3	25.0
I feel I belong in this school.	41.7	33.3	25.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	58.3	0.0	41.7
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	50.0	16.7	33.3
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	50.0	25.0	25.0
My teachers care about me.	41.7	41.7	16.7
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	58.3	25.0	16.7

## Socio-Economic Status

Table 33: High SES Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	21.6	25.9	52.5
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	7.4	17.0	75.6
I feel accepted by students in my school	10.4	20.2	69.4
I feel I belong in this school.	12.3	23.1	64.7
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.9	16.5	76.6
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	8.8	17.6	73.5
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	9.5	21.1	69.4
My teachers care about me.	7.3	20.5	72.2
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	11.3	17.2	71.5

Table 34: Medium SES Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	22.5	27.1	50.4
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	6.7	17.7	75.6
I feel accepted by students in my school	11.8	24.6	63.7
I feel I belong in this school.	13.0	25.0	62.0
I get along well with other students in my school.	6.9	19.8	73.3
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	8.4	18.4	73.1
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	9.3	22.9	67.8
My teachers care about me.	7.0	19.7	73.3
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	9.3	18.7	72.0

Table 35: Low SES Students - How do you feel about your school?

Question	Strongly Disagree/Disagree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Agree/Strongly Agree
I enjoy school.	25.0	26.4	48.5
I feel accepted by other adults in my school.	9.9	20.4	69.7
I feel accepted by students in my school	15.3	25.8	58.9
I feel I belong in this school.	18.7	25.1	56.2
I get along well with other students in my school.	11.2	23.9	64.9
In my school, I get the help I need to do well.	10.6	20.6	68.9
My school is a friendly and welcoming place.	12.2	23.2	64.6
My teachers care about me.	8.9	19.9	71.2
School rules are applied to me in a fair way.	11.9	20.6	67.5

## Appendix B - Linear Regression Results

Five identity variables (Race, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Religion and Socio-Economic Status) were entered into a linear regression model to test for any

significant relationship with the School Experiences variable. Elements of the five identities are significantly related to students' perceptions of their school experiences ( $R^2 = .08$ ,  $F(30, 5054) = 14.07$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ). Results for each element are presenting in the following table:

### How to read the table:

The first row shows the Intercept, or beginning of the model. In this case the *Intercept* represents white, straight, male, Christians from a high socio-economic background. The first column shows the variable and the second column shows the category within that variable. The *estimate* is the estimated difference from the *Intercept* for that particular category. Negative numbers indicate that students in that category would be estimated to have a lower score than students in the *Intercept* group. The *p.value* shows the probability that the relationship is significant, the lower the value the greater the probability that there is a significant relationship. The *sig* columns categorizes the *p.value* column into \*\*\* ( $p < 0.001$ ), \*\* ( $p < 0.01$ ), \* ( $p < 0.05$ ), . ( $p < 0.1$ ) and ns (not significant).

While the estimates are provided for each group, the model is *additive*, as in the groups can be combined to examine the interaction of different variables. For example, when you start to change one of the categories you add the estimate for that category. For example:

White, Straight, Male, Christian, High SES: 25.375 (Intercept)

LATINO, Straight, Male, Christian, High SES:  $25.375 + (-2.392) = 22.983$

White, BISEXUAL, Male, Christian, High SES:  $25.375 + (-2.730) = 22.645$

LATINO, BISEXUAL, Male, Christian, High SES:  $25.375 + (-2.730) + (-2.392) = 20.253$

We can see that there is an intersection between both race and sexual orientation that results in a poorer school experience.

Table 36: Regression Model Output

Variable	Category	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	sig
(Intercept)	NA	25.375	0.245	103.504	<0.001	***
Race	Black	-0.303	0.615	-0.492	0.6226	ns
	East-Southeast Asian	1.309	0.747	1.753	0.0797	.
	Indigenous	-0.660	0.472	-1.397	0.1626	ns
	Latino	-2.392	1.031	-2.320	0.0204	*
	Middle Eastern	2.187	1.135	1.927	0.0541	.
	Multiracial	-0.970	0.393	-2.470	0.0135	*
	South Asian	2.584	1.056	2.446	0.0145	*
SexOrient	Asexual	-0.278	0.984	-0.283	0.7772	ns
	Bisexual	-2.730	0.393	-6.954	<0.001	***
	Gay	-1.226	1.149	-1.066	0.2863	ns
	Lesbian	-2.208	1.125	-1.963	0.0497	*
	Multiple Orientation	-4.048	0.544	-7.442	<0.001	***
	Pansexual	-2.517	0.704	-3.573	<0.001	***
	Questioning	-1.446	0.674	-2.144	0.0321	*
Gender	Female	0.118	0.180	0.655	0.5126	ns
	Gender Fluid	-4.054	0.790	-5.134	<0.001	***
	Non-binary	-4.156	1.569	-2.649	0.0081	**
	Questioning	-2.371	1.324	-1.790	0.0734	.
	Transgender	-2.510	1.310	-1.916	0.0555	.
	Two-Spirit	-6.399	2.228	-2.872	0.0041	**
Religion	Buddhist	-1.476	1.127	-1.309	0.1905	ns
	Hindu	-0.992	1.521	-0.652	0.5143	ns
	Indigenous Spirituality	-0.658	0.600	-1.096	0.2729	ns
	Jewish	-3.365	1.507	-2.232	0.0256	*
	Multiple Religions	-1.437	0.582	-2.468	0.0136	*
	Muslim	-3.240	0.975	-3.323	<0.001	***
	No Religion	-1.051	0.198	-5.321	<0.001	***
	Sikh	-1.093	1.284	-0.851	0.3949	ns
SES	Medium SES	-0.812	0.216	-3.767	<0.001	***
	Low SES	-2.569	0.331	-7.753	<0.001	***