

STUDENT WELLNESS AND EDUCATION SURVEY

Grades 6-12: School and Community



Community
Grand Bay-
Westfield,
Westfield,
Greenwich Area



Zone 2
Fundy Shore and
Saint John Area



Province
New Brunswick

School engagement

School connectedness

A sense of school connectedness can support students in making healthy choices. Below are students reporting “Strongly agree” or “Agree.”

High level of school connectedness % 2021-2022	88.4	87.1	87.3
I feel close to people at my school % 2021-2022	85.8	75.8	74.3
I feel I am part of my school % 2021-2022	78.8	70.4	71.1
I am happy to be at my school % 2021-2022	68.2	64.7	66.6
I feel the teachers at my school treat me fairly % 2021-2022	81.9	82.0	82.1
I feel safe in my school % 2021-2022	81.4	77.1	76.0

Activities inside school

Participates in activities or groups inside school % 2021-2022	66.4	57.4	57.2
Sports team % 2021-2022	40.0	36.1	35.7
Individual sport % 2021-2022	17.1	11.0	10.6
Arts group % 2021-2022	15.9	11.4	10.3
STEM - science, technology, engineering, and mathematics % 2021-2022	7.5	4.9	5.0
Religious / spiritual group % 2021-2022	7.8	4.8	4.2

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Student club or group % 2021-2022	7.5	10.2	9.0
Other activity or group % 2021-2022	16.0	10.9	11.5

Learning

Learning needs are met at school, agree or strongly agree % 2021-2022	77.4	74.9	75.6
Reads for fun every day % 2022-2023	n/a	53.8	52.2

Student values

Students reporting "Very important" or "Important"

Getting good grades % 2021-2022	91.6	91.1	91.5
Making friends % 2021-2022	82.9	80.6	81.5
Getting to class on time % 2021-2022	87.7	79.5	81.7
Learning new things % 2021-2022	90.2	88.8	89.3
Expressing their opinion in class % 2021-2022	70.4	58.4	60.4
Getting involved in student groups % 2021-2022	52.8	39.1	36.9
Learning about their culture/heritage % 2021-2022	76.5	66.3	65.4

Community engagement

Sense of community belonging

Students reporting "Strongly agree" or "Agree"

Average score of community belonging (scale from 5-25) Number 2021-2022	19.3	18.4	18.4
People say 'hello' and stop to talk to each other % 2021-2022	68.3	57.0	54.3
It is safe for children to play outside % 2021-2022	78.3	74.5	74.9
You can trust people around here % 2021-2022	68.5	56.2	55.5
There are good places to spend your free time % 2021-2022	72.9	63.4	62.4

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I could ask for help from neighbours % 2021-2022	73.4	64.9	66.4
Most people here would try to take advantage of you % 2021-2022	21.1	23.7	23.5

Activities outside school

Participates in activities or groups outside school % 2021-2022	76.7	60.9	60.9
Sports team % 2021-2022	49.3	37.3	37.0
Individual sport % 2021-2022	25.3	16.0	16.2
Arts group % 2021-2022	17.8	11.1	10.5
STEM - science, technology, engineering, and mathematics % 2021-2022	6.3	2.5	2.8
Religious / spiritual group % 2021-2022	10.6	9.3	8.0
Community group % 2021-2022	3.9	3.6	3.5
Other activity or group % 2021-2022	14.2	10.1	10.4

Volunteering

Participates in volunteer activities, last 12 months % 2021-2022	62.4	62.2	58.4
Supporting a cause % 2021-2022	28.8	27.2	22.6
Fundraising for charity % 2021-2022	24.7	24.7	20.1
Helping in my community % 2021-2022	32.7	28.9	24.3
Helping neighbours or relatives % 2021-2022	59.8	51.8	47.8
Another organized volunteer activity % 2021-2022	27.5	23.9	23.4

About this Table

Content and description

This table presents data collected from students in grades 6 to 12 through the New Brunswick Student Wellness and Education Survey (SWES). It contains self-reported information regarding demographic characteristics, social and emotional development, healthy lifestyles, and school.

The questionnaire comprises modules, which means that certain questions are asked every other cycle.

Why it is important

Only when we understand who our students are and what their needs are can we better plan for services and allocate resources to meet their health and educational needs.

Availability of the data

The information in this data table is available by school district, school sector and overall New Brunswick, by the seven (7) New Brunswick health zones and 33 communities created by the NBHC, as well as by demographic groups. More information is available on our [New Brunswick Student Wellness and Education Survey](#) page.

Note about demographic groups:

In 2023, the NBHC undertook a review of the demographic questions in its surveys to more accurately report on the experience of citizens who identify with particular groups. As such, starting in 2024, all demographic groups (characteristics) have been adjusted to reflect this change. Data tables and indicator pages were adjusted to allow for trending where applicable.

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size

 Above-average performance

 Below-average performance