

Survey Key

A 4-point Likert scale was used to test academic satisfaction, where the choices ranged from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree.” One multiple choice question was used to test academic performance via grade point average.

1. I feel lucky that I am a student of this school
2. It is a privilege to study at this school
3. I wish I were a student at another school.
4. I feel lonely in the classroom.
5. I do not feel that I belong to this school.
6. I feel like my high school education is preparing me to be successful in the future.
7. I am satisfied with the grades I am getting in high school.
8. I feel that American high school maximizes the quality of students’ work and utilizes their strengths well.
9. I study a significant amount on a daily basis.
10. I am a very focused student.
11. My GPA is (weighted):
 - a. Below 70
 - b. 70-79
 - c. 80-89
 - d. 90-99
 - e. 100+

A 4-point Likert scale was used to test motivations for studying abroad, where the choices ranged from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree.”

1. I attend an American high school because I feel that it will put me in the best position for college.
2. Attending a non-American high school would put me in a better position than where I am now.
3. My main focus in high school is putting myself in the best position for college.
4. My goal is to attend the most prestigious college I can get into.

5. American colleges are the best colleges in the world.
6. I study hard so I can have a lucrative career after my schooling.
7. Having a prestigious career is extremely important to me.
8. Making a large salary is extremely important to me.
9. Attending an American high school puts me in the best position to have the ideal career for me.

A 4-point Likert scale was used to test parental influence in academic schooling decisions, where the choices ranged from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree.”

1. I was extremely eager to enroll in this school.
2. Enrolling in this school was mainly my idea (as opposed to my parents/guardian).
3. I am thankful that my parent(s)/guardian(s) sent me to this school.
4. My parent(s)/guardian(s) and I worked hard to ensure that I was able to attend this school.
5. I felt no pressure from my parents to come to this school.

