

Dayton Avenue School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school is implementing a whole-school transformational process called the Leader in Me, which teaches 21st-century leadership and life skills to students and creates a culture of student empowerment based on the idea that every child can be a leader.

Our school will be conducting surveys to learn more about key areas of strength and areas of needed growth in our school. In order for us to have a holistic picture of what is going on in our school, we are asking all full-time staff members, parents/guardians, and students in Grade 4 and up to participate.

Parent Participation

If you decide to participate, you will be asked to complete a survey (without sharing your name or other identifying information) that will be available through the weblink below. The survey is completely voluntary, but we do hope to get feedback from one member of every household.

The parent/guardian survey takes about 12 minutes to complete and will ask questions about your child and about his or her experience in our school. If you have more than one child attending the school, you will be asked to think about the oldest child's experiences as you answer questions related to his or her growth.

Please take this survey by June 20, 2024: <https://www.leaderinme.com/s/dayton-avenue-school/families>

We would love to hear from our students also, If your child is in grade 4 or above and decides to participate, he or she will be asked to complete a 20- minute survey (no identifying information will be requested or collected) that will be administered by the Library Media Specialist who has received clear guidelines on survey administration and confidentiality practices. Students will privately answer questions about their attitudes and behaviors using their Chromebooks. They will be able to skip questions and stop anytime they choose. Students who do not wish to participate in the survey or stop participating, or whose parents choose to deny permission for their participation, will be provided with an alternative activity.

Results will be summarized by grade level and available to the leadership of our school through a password-protected, data encrypted website. Some group-level results from the MRA may be shared at public meetings like the monthly PTA meeting or with stakeholders like district administrators or community groups that support our school.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dr. Watkis

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