



October 26, 2022

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

I am writing to inform you of your student's participation in a brief survey to assist us in uncovering and addressing the social and emotional well-being of our students. With a continued commitment to addressing social and emotional barriers to learning, we are asking that all students enrolled in our school complete the Pupil Attitudes to Self and School (PASS) survey. Developed by a team of educational psychologists from multiple universities, PASS provides teachers with highly reliable and valid information into how they feel about themselves as a learner and how they feel about school. Available in twenty languages, PASS allows schools to detect possible barriers to student learning, including issues around confidence, resilience, motivation, and concentration. The PASS survey will allow our school to proactively address non-academic barriers to learning, which can compromise the wellbeing and academic success of our students. During the coming year, PASS will be administered in November and May. Please be assured that student confidentiality will be strictly protected.

The survey is not mandatory, however, the data collected will help the District to best provide social and emotional resources and support to our students.

If you have questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact me at [sylvisl@wmasd.org](mailto:sylvisl@wmasd.org) or 412-466-9131 ext. 1234

Best,

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