

## School Climate

### *Definition*

School climate can be defined as the feelings and attitudes that are produced by a school's environment and is a complex construct that includes physical, social, and academic dimensions (Loukas, 2007). Schools where students and staff feel safe foster positive relationships among students and teachers, while at the same time decrease the probability of violence (Loukas, 2007). Lastly, students' perceptions of school climate have a significant effect on their academic motivation and achievement (Loukas, 2007).

### *Special Note*

This scale was created by authors of this handbook.

### *Related Indicators*

- Attitudes Toward School
- School Membership
- School Engagement
- Academic Self-Efficacy

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Please read each statement carefully, and circle your answer based on how much you agree or disagree by using the following scale from:

1 = Strongly Disagree; 2 = Disagree; 3 = Agree; 4 = Strongly Agree

1.	I feel safe at my school.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
2.	School staff treat students fairly.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
3.	I like my teachers and other school staff.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
4.	My principal knows who I am.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
5.	I like my school.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
6.	Bullying is addressed accordingly at my school.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
7.	My school has a bullying prevention program.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
8.	I feel like I belong at my school.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4
9.	There is someone to talk to at my school about personal issues.	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Agree 3	Strongly Agree 4