

SCHOOL CULTURE SCALE

The following statements describe situations found in many schools. Rate how true these statements are in your school.

Use the following scale:

1=false 2=often false 3= sometimes true, sometimes false

4= often true 5= true

1. Students generally treat each other with respect and fairness.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

2. Students help each other even if they are not friends.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

3. Students who belong to different groups are friendly.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

4. Students trust each other.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

5. Students and teachers trust each other.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

6. Teachers generally treat students with respect and fairness.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

7. Teachers are really interested in students and want to help.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

17. There is almost no cheating.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

18. Students get a good education and learn a lot.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

19. Students learn to become more responsible and care for other people.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

20. Students learn how to speak up and express opinions.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

21. Students have a chance to think about real issues.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

22. Students learn how to listen to other people's ideas better.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

23. Students learn how to take other people's points of view.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

24. Students learn to stop and think about things before speaking/acting.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

25. Students get a chance for a better future.

1	2	3	4	5
false	often false	sometimes true, sometimes false	often true	true

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