## **Student Health Survey FAQs – Students**

## What is this? Why should I take the survey?

## We want to hear how you're doing.

Healthy kids learn better. The Student Health Survey (SHS) is your chance to tell us how you're doing and where you might need help. The survey tells us what issues are of greatest concern and where to focus our efforts. We ask about a lot of things so we can get a better picture of how students in Oregon are doing physically, mentally and socially.

## Do I have to take the survey?

# No. But it's the only way we'll know how students are doing physically, emotionally and socially.

It is your choice whether or not to answer the questions. We would greatly appreciate your taking the time to answer the questions.

## What if I don't want to answer a question?

## You don't have to answer any question you don't want to.

If you don't know how to answer a question or it makes you feel uncomfortable, just skip to the next question.

## Will my parents or teachers know how I answer?

## No! No one will know your answers.

The survey is confidential and anonymous. There's no way we can identify you or know how you answer the questions.

## How long will it take?

## The survey takes one classroom period to complete.

Based on feedback from students around Oregon, we designed the survey to be easily completed in a classroom period.

## Do I get graded on this?

## No.

This is <u>not</u> a test, and it won't affect your grades. There are no right or wrong answers. Answer each question as honestly as you can. Again, no one will know how you answer.

## Who do I contact for more information?

Have questions about the survey? Email *studenthealth.survey@odhsoha.oregon.gov* and we'll respond as quickly as we can.