

# Teacher Survey on School Facilities

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**1. How important are pay and benefits to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**2. How satisfied are you with your current pay and benefits?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**3. How important is the collegiality of other staff members in your school to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**4. How satisfied are you with the collegiality of other staff members in your current school?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**5. How important is the condition of your school facilities (e.g., classrooms and equipment) to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**6. How satisfied are you with the condition of your school facilities?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied

- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**7. How important is the opportunity for teacher training and professional development to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**8. How satisfied are you with your current opportunities for teacher training and professional development?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**9. How important is your ability to make and affect decisions in your school to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**10. How satisfied are you with your current ability to make and affect decisions in your school?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**11. How important is effective central district leadership and management to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

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**12. How satisfied are you with the current central district leadership and management?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**13. How important is the number of students in your classes to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**14. How satisfied are you with the current size of the classes that you now teach?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**15. How important are involved parents and a supportive local community to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**16. How satisfied are you with the current involvement of parents and the local community in your school?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**17. How important is student discipline to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant

D) Very unimportant

**18. How satisfied are you with student discipline in your current school?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**19. How important is the quality and accessibility of instructional material to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**20. How satisfied are you with the current quality and accessibility of instructional material in your school?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**21. How important is the competence and effectiveness of your principal to your overall performance as a teacher?**

- A) Very important
- B) Somewhat important
- C) Somewhat unimportant
- D) Very unimportant

**22. How adequate is the size of your room(s) for using the most effective teaching activities?**

- A) Too large
- B) Too small
- C) Right size

**23. In the last five years, have you ever taught classes in spaces that were not designed as classrooms?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

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**24. Is there space in the school for you and your colleagues to plan and to work together on professional matters?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 26)

**25. If you answered yes to the last question, how adequate is the space?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**26. How clean and well maintained are the restrooms that you and your colleagues have access to?**

- A) Very clean and well maintained
- B) Somewhat clean and well maintained
- C) Not very clean and well maintained
- D) Not at all clean and well maintained

**27. How adequate are the lunchroom facilities that you and your colleagues have access to?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**28. Do you have access to computers in your school to do your work?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 30)

**29. If you have access to computers in your school, how adequate are they?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**30. How comfortable is the temperature in your classroom(s) generally?**

- A) Right level

- B) Somewhat comfortable
- C) Not very comfortable
- D) Not comfortable at all

**31. How would you evaluate the air quality in the classrooms?**

- A) Excellent
- B) Good
- C) Fair
- D) Poor

**32. How adequate is the lighting in your classroom?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**33. How adequate is the number and placement of electrical outlets in your classroom(s) to power all of the equipment you need?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**34. How much does the noise level in the classroom and hallways affect your ability to teach?**

- A) A great deal
- B) Somewhat
- C) A little
- D) Not at all

**35. Do you have windows in your classroom?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 38)

**36. If you have windows in your classroom, can you safely open and close them?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

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**37. If you have windows in your classroom, can you see through them?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**38. How adequate are the Science Labs in your school to help students meet the curriculum standards?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**39. How adequate are the art and music rooms to help students meet curriculum state standards?**

- A) Very adequate
- B) Somewhat adequate
- C) Somewhat inadequate
- D) Very inadequate

**40. How well do the Phys. Ed. and recreational facilities meet your students' needs?**

- A) Very well
- B) Somewhat well
- C) Not very well
- D) Not at all

**41. What do you think about the number of students in your school?**

- A) Too many
- B) Too few
- C) The right number

**42. In the last year, about how many days of instructional time did you lose because of problems with the school facilities?**

- A) Over 5 days
- B) 2-5 days
- C) 1 day
- D) None

**43. Please give an overall grade to the condition of your school building.**

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D
- E) E

**44. Have poor facility conditions ever made you think about changing schools?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**45. Have poor facility conditions ever made you think about leaving teaching all together?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**46. Have you ever complained to your principal about a problem with the physical condition of your classroom (for example, a broken window or leak in ceiling)?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 48)

**47. If you answered yes to question 47 and complained to the principal, did you feel that the problem was addressed and corrected in a timely fashion?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**48. Have you ever complained to the Teachers' Union about a problem with the physical condition of your classroom (for example, a broken window or leak in ceiling)?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 50)

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**49. If you answered yes to question 48 and complained to the teachers union, were you satisfied with the union's response?**

- A) Very satisfied
- B) Somewhat satisfied
- C) Somewhat dissatisfied
- D) Very dissatisfied

**50. Do you believe that the students in your school are being taught in educationally-adequate facilities?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**51. How willing would you be to become involved in planning improvements to your school facility?**

- A) Very willing
- B) Somewhat willing
- C) Somewhat unwilling
- D) Very unwilling

**52. Do you usually teach a particular grade?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 54)

**53. What grade or grades are you currently teaching this year?**

- A) Early Childhood
- B) Elementary School
- C) Middle School/Junior High School
- D) Senior High School
- E) Non-graded

**54. What is the highest degree you have earned?**

- A) Bachelor's
- B) Master's
- C) Ph.D.
- D) Other advanced degree (e.g., JD or MD)

**55. Do you hold state teaching certification?**

- A) Yes
- B) No (skip to question 57)

**56. If you answered yes to question 55 and are state certified, do you teach mostly in the area in which you are certified?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**57. Are you of Hispanic or Latin American descent?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**58. Are you White, Black, Asian, or of another background?**

- A) White
- B) Black
- C) Asian
- D) Other

**59. What is your age?**

- A) 20 to 30
- B) 31 to 40
- C) 41 to 50
- D) 51 to 60
- E) Over 60

**60. How long have you been a teacher?**

- A) Less than 1 year
- B) 1 to 3 years
- C) 4 to 10 years
- D) 11 to 20 years
- E) More than 20 years

**61. How long have you taught in your current school?**

- A) Less than 1 year
- B) 1 to 3 years
- C) 4 to 10 years
- D) 11 to 20 years
- E) More than 20 years

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**62. How long have you taught in the District of Columbia public schools?**

- A) Less than 1 year
- B) 1 to 3 years
- C) 4 to 10 years
- D) 11 to 20 years
- E) More than 20 years

**63. Do you plan to remain another year in your current school?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**64. How safe do you feel in your school?**

- A) Very safe
- B) Somewhat safe

- C) Not very safe
- D) Not safe at all

**65. Have you experienced any adverse effects to your health due to the physical conditions of your school building?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

**66. Have you missed days of work due to health problems caused by the physical conditions in your school building?**

- A) Yes
- B) No

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**Thank you for completing this survey.**