


# School Success Profile Learning Organization

★ Youth Agency Version

SSP - 20

## Instructions

- Read each question carefully.
- Use a Number 2 lead pencil. 
- Fill in the oval that matches your answer like this:  NOT like this:
- Erase completely any answer you wish to change.



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## Introduction

### **What is the School Success Profile Learning Organization (SSP-LO)?**

The SSP-LO includes 36 items that examine your beliefs about your agency as a learning organization. The SSP-LO also includes items that assess your overall state of health, as well as your level of job satisfaction, perceived control over results at this agency, plans to continue your career at this agency, and the performance of this agency in addressing the developmental needs of youth.

### **Who is conducting this survey?**

Dr. Gary L. Bowen, Kenan Distinguished Professor and Director of the School Success Profile Project, School of Social Work, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is coordinating the administration of the SSP-LO in your agency. Your agency director sponsored your participation in this survey.

### **What do you want me to do?**

We would like you to complete the SSP-LO. It should take you no more than 15 minutes to complete. This is not a test. There are no right or wrong answers. Please try to answer every question.

### **Must I participate?**

No. Your participation is voluntary. However, we encourage your participation. Your views and opinions are very important to providing an accurate profile of employees in your agency.

### **Who will see my answers?**

Only the project staff at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will see your survey answers.

### **Will you know who I am?**

No. Your answers on this survey are anonymous. No identifiers are included on the survey.

### **Are there any special instructions?**

It is important that you follow the directions for each question. Please indicate your answer to each question by marking the response that best represents your answer. You may change your response by erasing your answer and selecting one of the other choices. Please answer the questions in the order they are presented.

*Thank You!*

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# Learning Organization Profile

1. The Learning Organization Profile lists 36 descriptive characteristics of youth serving agencies. Please indicate the extent to which you agree (strongly disagree to strongly agree) that each characteristic is descriptive of the agency at which you are employed. For purposes of responding, "we" refers to all adult employees in your agency.

In my agency, we:	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	SLIGHTLY DISAGREE	SLIGHTLY AGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE
a. Work together as a team.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Welcome and appreciate new ideas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Seek ideas and opinions from youth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Share ideas and information with one another about how to make this agency more effective.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Agree that it is better to try new things and risk failure than not to try at all.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Plan with intended results in mind.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Turn to one another for consultation and advice.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Keep an open mind about new ways of doing things.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Work with parents as partners in addressing the developmental needs of youth.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Feel comfortable sharing our learning experiences with one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. View mistakes as opportunities for learning.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Focus our efforts on achieving measurable results.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Meet together to address challenges and solve problems.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
n. Are willing to experiment with new practices.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
o. Engage and collaborate with schools and other community agencies and organizations.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
p. Maintain open lines of communication.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
q. Learn from those experiences where our results fall short of defined goals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
r. Evaluate results against previously defined goals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



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In my agency, we:	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	SLIGHTLY DISAGREE	SLIGHTLY AGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE
s. Share a high level of investment in what we are here to do.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
t. Value and acknowledge one another as individuals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
u. Feel a sense of connection and loyalty to one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
v. Can count on one another for help and support.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
w. Show kindness and thoughtfulness to one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
x. Feel confident that we can make a positive difference in youths' lives.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
y. Feel a strong sense of meaning and purpose in our work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
z. Treat one another as competent professionals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
aa. Celebrate special occasions, accomplishments, and milestones.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
bb. Trust one another.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
cc. Offer care and support for one another in times of personal and family need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
dd. Approach our work with hopefulness and optimism.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ee. Share a common belief in the importance of our work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ff. Respect and appreciate individual differences.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
gg. Enjoy working together.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
hh. Demonstrate honesty and personal integrity in our work together.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii. Treat one another as both colleagues and friends.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
jj. Believe we can make a positive difference in this agency's ability to meet its performance goals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## PERSONAL AND AGENCY OUTCOME PROFILE

2. How would you describe your overall state of health these days?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Extremely Poor

3. Overall, how satisfied are you with your current job at this agency?

- Very Satisfied
- Satisfied
- Slightly Satisfied
- Slightly Dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very Dissatisfied

4. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement: *I can make a positive difference in the ability of this agency to meet its performance objectives for youth.*

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Slightly Agree
- Slightly Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

5. How likely are you to continue your employment at this agency for another year?

- Does not apply; I will retire at the end of this year or I am a temporary employee.
- (0 in 10) No Chance
- (1 in 10) Very Slight Chance
- (2 in 10) Slight Possibility
- (3 in 10) Some Possibility
- (4 in 10) Fair Possibility
- (5 in 10) Fairly Good Possibility
- (6 in 10) Good Possibility
- (7 in 10) Probable
- (8 in 10) Very Probable
- (9 in 10) Almost Sure
- (10 in 10) Certain

6. What grade would you assign to the performance of this agency in addressing the developmental needs of all youth?

- A Well Above Average
- B Above Average
- C Average
- D Below Average
- F Well Below Average

7. What grade would you assign to the potential of this agency for addressing the developmental needs of all youth?

- A Well Above Average
- B Above Average
- C Average
- D Below Average
- F Well Below Average

**THANK YOU!**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THE RESULTS OF THIS SURVEY WITH YOU.**