



## LIST OF QUESTIONS ON THE ESSP FOR PARENTS ENGLISH VERSION

*Note: On the actual questionnaire, all questions have 2 or more answers to choose from.*

### **ABOUT YOU**

1. What is your relationship to the child?

### **ABOUT YOUR CHILD AND FAMILY**

2. Is your child a boy or a girl?
3. How do you describe your child's race/ethnicity?
4. How old is your child?
5. Are you currently married?
6. How many people age 17 or younger live in your home?
7. How many people age 18 or older live in your home?
8. How far in school did you go?
9. If there is a second parent or other adult in your child's home who helps take care of the child, how far in school did he or she go?
10. Did any of your child's brothers or sisters (including step- or half-siblings) drop out of school before graduating from high school?
11. How would you describe the financial situation of your household?
12. What is the zip code of your home address?
13. Do any of the adults (people 18 or older) in the child's home currently work for pay?
14. Does your child receive free or reduced price lunches at school?
15. Do you have a way to get to your child's school if needed?
16. Has a doctor suggested your child take medication this year for any of the following reasons?
  - a) Anxiety or depression
  - b) Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) or Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
  - c) Physical or medical disorders (for example, eating or sleeping disorders, asthma, allergies, diabetes or seizures)

### **ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

17. Do people move in and out of your neighborhood a lot?
18. How many times have you moved in the past year?
19. How much time per week does your child usually spend on neighborhood or community activities run by adults, such as team sports, the scouts, or programs at a community center or park?
20. How big of a problem are drugs in your neighborhood?



21. In the past 30 days, did any of the following things happen in your neighborhood?
- a) Someone was mugged.
  - b) A home or business was broken into.
  - c) You heard gunshots.
  - d) You saw someone selling illegal drugs.
  - e) A person was murdered.
  - f) A fight broke out between two groups or gangs.
  - g) Someone was beaten up.
  - h) A child was removed from a home because of abuse or neglect.
22. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Adults in my neighborhood:
- a) Show an interest in what children in the neighborhood are doing.
  - b) Would tell me if my child misbehaved or did something dangerous.
  - c) Look out for my child.
  - d) Help one another in times of need.
  - e) Look out for one another.
  - f) Work together to improve the neighborhood.
  - g) Would take care of my child(ren) in an emergency.
23. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
- a) My child is safe from crime and violence in our neighborhood.
  - b) People in our neighborhood can be trusted.
  - c) I like living in our neighborhood.
  - d) I feel safe from crime and violence in our neighborhood.
24. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Most teenagers in my neighborhood:
- a) Make good grades in school.
  - b) Get in trouble with the police.
  - c) Drink alcohol.
  - d) Use drugs.
  - e) Belong to gangs.
  - f) Graduate from high school.
  - g) Carry a weapon such as a knife, gun, or club.
  - h) Find a job after high school.
  - i) Will go to college.
  - j) Show respect to adults.

### **ABOUT YOUR CHILD AND THE SCHOOL**

25. Does your child receive after-school care at the school?
26. Does your child take part in any school clubs or activities that take place after school (such as team sports, band, drama, or science club)?
27. How often are you afraid that someone will hurt or bother your child at school?
28. My child's teacher cares about my child.
29. My child's teacher wants my child to do well in school.



30. My child's teacher or other school staff would contact me if they had a concern or question about my child's school behavior or progress.
31. How much influence do you think parents like you can have in making schools a better place for students to learn and grow?
32. How good of an education do you think your child is getting at his or her school?
33. My work schedule makes it hard for me to be involved at my child's school.
  
34. How often do you do the following?
  - a) Go to your child's school for parent-teacher conferences
  - b) Volunteer at your child's school or in the classroom
  - c) Go to the school when parents are invited to fun events
  - d) Contact your child's teacher or other school staff about your child's school progress or behavior
  - e) Go to the school for information sessions (such as workshops on behavior, testing, special programs, or homework help)
  - f) Go to parent-teacher association (PTA) meetings

#### **ABOUT YOU AND YOUR CHILD AT HOME**

35. How often do you do the following?
  - a) Talk to your child about things he or she is learning at school
  - b) Talk to your child about things that happened during the school day
  - c) Talk to your child about homework
  - d) Check on whether your child does his or her homework
  - e) Praise or reward your child for working hard on school work
  - f) Help your child get books or supplies for doing homework
  
36. How often do you do the following?
  - a) Limit the amount of time your child spends watching TV
  - b) Limit the amount of time your child spends playing on school nights
  - c) Make sure your child spends time reading (apart from homework)
  - d) Make sure your child spends time on learning activities (such as hobbies, talking to adults, going to the library or museum)
  
37. For the following statements, choose the response that best describes your child within the past 30 days. My child:
  - a) Is liked by playmates.
  - b) Is friendly.
  - c) Initiates interactions with others.
  - d) Plays with others.
  - e) Plays with friendly, well behaved children.
  - f) Is accepted by friendly, well behaved children.

38. For the following statements, choose the response that best describes your child within the past 30 days. My child:
- Thinks before acting.
  - Can give suggestions and opinions without being bossy.
  - Can calm down when excited or all wound up.
  - Is helpful to others.
  - Controls temper when there is a disagreement.
  - Has trouble accepting authority.
  - Is very good at understanding other people's feelings.
  - Breaks rules.
  - Is stubborn.
39. For the following statements, choose the response that best describes your child within the past 30 days. My child:
- Physically fights.
  - Harms others.
  - Plays aggressively (rough).
  - Hits others on purpose.
40. How much time does your child spend on homework on most school nights?
41. How much time does your child spend watching TV on most school nights?
42. How much time does your child spend playing non-educational computer or video games on most school nights?
43. How much time does your child spend using educational programs or doing homework on the computer on most school nights?
44. How much time each week does your child spend on chores (such as helping with meals, pets, or cleaning)?
45. How many of your child's friends do you know?
46. How many of the parents of your child's friends do you know?
47. How far in school do you think your child will go?
48. How often do you do the following?
- Give your child encouragement
  - Tell your child you love him or her
  - Tell your child he or she did a good job
  - Make your child feel special
  - Spend free time with your child
49. How often are the following statements true for your family? The people in my home:
- Support one another during difficult times.
  - Give each other plenty of time and attention.
  - Talk openly and listen to one another.
  - Feel loved and cared for by one another.
  - Play and laugh together.
  - Work together to solve problems.



50. How often does your child do the following?
- Get along with the other children in our home
  - Help or comfort the other children in our home
  - Share things with the other children in our home
51. How often do you do the following?
- Reward or praise your child's good behavior
  - Punish misbehavior even if your child gets upset with the punishment
  - Listen to your child's side before deciding whether to punish your child
  - Explain to your child why he or she is being punished
  - Use "time out" as a punishment
  - Take away a desired activity or object as punishment for misbehavior
  - Stay calm but firm when your child doesn't listen
52. Has your child experienced the death of a parent, brother, sister, grandparent, or other close family member in the last year?
53. Have you talked to your child about drugs, cigarettes, or alcohol?
54. Many young people get involved with alcohol and drugs. How likely do you think it is that your child will do the following as he/she gets older:
- Drink alcohol (beer, wine, liquor)
  - Smoke cigarettes
  - Smoke marijuana
  - Use other illegal drugs (e.g., cocaine, heroin, LSD)