



# HOLSTON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This February our school, in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Education, is conducting a statewide student school climate and safety survey. This survey is part of the annual School Safety Audit program for all public schools in Virginia. The purpose of this survey is to measure school discipline, student support, student engagement, and safety conditions in each school. This information will be used to guide educational practices that produce a safe and orderly school environment.

The school climate survey will ask questions such as how students feel about school rules, their perceptions of their teachers' willingness to help them, how they feel about attending school, and what they value. There is a copy of the survey available at school for your review and is available online at [www.doe.virginia.gov/support/school-climate/index.shtml](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/school-climate/index.shtml).

Students will complete the survey online using computers at school. Students will not give their names on the survey and all answers are anonymous (no one will know how your child answered the survey). Survey results will be analyzed by researchers at the University of Virginia and summarized in reports prepared for each school. The school will not receive a copy of your son or daughter's individual answers to the survey.

Your child will not receive any immediate benefit from participating in the survey, but the survey will be helpful in designing a safer and more orderly learning environment. The survey is voluntary and your child will be asked whether he or she is willing to participate. No action will be taken against the school, you, or your child if your child does not participate.

If you do not wish for your child to participate, please notify the school office by telephone or letter by Friday, February 8, 2019. Thank you for your cooperation in this important study of school climate and safety.

Sincerely,



Kendra Addison, Principal



Gabe Long, Assistant Principal

