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of Their School Facilities: Fall 2005**

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For questions 2, 3, 7, and 8, if your school does not have natural lighting, heating, or air conditioning, circle "0" for not applicable for that factor.

1. Does your school have any **classrooms located in permanent buildings**?

Yes 1 (Continue with question 2.) No 2 (Skip to question 5.)

2. In general, how satisfactory or unsatisfactory are the following factors in classrooms located in permanent buildings in your school? (Circle one on each line.)

	Very satisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory	Not applicable
a. Artificial lighting	1	2	3	4	
b. Natural lighting	1	2	3	4	0
c. Heating	1	2	3	4	0
d. Air conditioning.....	1	2	3	4	0
e. Ventilation	1	2	3	4	
f. Indoor air quality.....	1	2	3	4	
g. Acoustics or noise control	1	2	3	4	
h. Physical condition of ceilings, floors, walls, windows, doors	1	2	3	4	
i. Size or configuration of rooms	1	2	3	4	

3. To what extent do the following factors interfere with the ability of your school to deliver instruction in classrooms located in permanent buildings? (Circle one on each line.)

	Not at all	Minor extent	Moderate extent	Major extent	Not applicable
a. Artificial lighting	1	2	3	4	
b. Natural lighting	1	2	3	4	0
c. Heating	1	2	3	4	0
d. Air conditioning.....	1	2	3	4	0
e. Ventilation.....	1	2	3	4	
f. Indoor air quality.....	1	2	3	4	
g. Acoustics or noise control	1	2	3	4	
h. Physical condition of ceilings, floors, walls, windows, doors	1	2	3	4	
i. Size or configuration of rooms	1	2	3	4	

4. Taking all the factors in question 3 together, to what extent do they interfere with the ability of your school to deliver instruction in classrooms located in permanent buildings? (Circle one.)

Not at all 1 Minor extent..... 2 Moderate extent..... 3 Major extent..... 4

5. Does your school have any **portable (temporary) buildings**?

Yes 1 (Continue with question 6.) No 2 (Skip to question 12.)

6. Does your school have any **classrooms located in portable (temporary) buildings**?

Yes 1 (Continue with question 7.) No 2 (Skip to question 10.)

7. In general, how satisfactory or unsatisfactory are the following factors in classrooms located in portable (temporary) buildings in your school? (Circle one on each line.)

	Very satisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory	Not applicable
a. Artificial lighting	1	2	3	4	
b. Natural lighting	1	2	3	4	0
c. Heating	1	2	3	4	0
d. Air conditioning.....	1	2	3	4	0
e. Ventilation.....	1	2	3	4	
f. Indoor air quality.....	1	2	3	4	
g. Acoustics or noise control	1	2	3	4	
h. Physical condition of ceilings, floors, walls, windows, doors	1	2	3	4	
i. Size or configuration of rooms	1	2	3	4	

8. To what extent do the following factors interfere with the ability of your school to deliver instruction in classrooms located in portable (temporary) buildings? *(Circle one on each line.)*

	Not at all	Minor extent	Moderate extent	Major extent	Not applicable
a. Artificial lighting	1	2	3	4	
b. Natural lighting	1	2	3	4	0
c. Heating	1	2	3	4	0
d. Air conditioning.....	1	2	3	4	0
e. Ventilation.....	1	2	3	4	
f. Indoor air quality.....	1	2	3	4	
g. Acoustics or noise control	1	2	3	4	
h. Physical condition of ceilings, floors, walls, windows, doors	1	2	3	4	
i. Size or configuration of rooms	1	2	3	4	

9. Taking all the factors in question 8 together, to what extent do they interfere with the ability of your school to deliver instruction in classrooms located in portable (temporary) buildings? *(Circle one.)*

Not at all 1 Minor extent..... 2 Moderate extent..... 3 Major extent..... 4

10. Does your school use **portable (temporary) buildings** in the following ways? *(Circle one on each line.)*

	Yes	No
a. General classrooms	1	2
b. Academic support areas (e.g., ESOL, resource room, skills room).....	1	2
c. Music room.....	1	2
d. Art room.....	1	2
e. Computer lab.....	1	2
f. Language lab	1	2
g. Library media center	1	2
h. Early childhood programs (e.g., prekindergarten, Head Start)	1	2
i. Day care center for preschool-age children	1	2
j. Before- and after-school care for school-age children.....	1	2
k. Office/administrative space.....	1	2
l. Teacher work room	1	2
m. Storage.....	1	2
n. Other <i>(specify)</i>	1	2

11. Which of the following are reasons for using portable (temporary) buildings at your school? *(Circle one on each line.)*

	Yes	No
a. Increase in enrollment.....	1	2
b. Introduction of all-day kindergarten.....	1	2
c. Introduction of prekindergarten, Head Start, or other early childhood program	1	2
d. Initiatives to reduce class size	1	2
e. Changes in academic programs/curriculum (e.g., introduction of foreign language)	1	2
f. Need to add or expand academic support programs (e.g., ESOL, resource room, skills development)	1	2
g. Need for space for new or expanded technology (e.g., computer lab).....	1	2
h. Need for additional office/administrative space	1	2
i. Temporary relocation of staff or students due to renovation/replacement of existing buildings	1	2
j. Other reason <i>(specify)</i>	1	2

12. Indicate in column 1 whether your school has a dedicated room or facility for science, art, music, and physical education. **If yes**, indicate in column 2 the extent to which that dedicated room or facility supports the ability of your school to deliver instruction in that subject.

Dedicated room or facility	1. Has dedicated room or facility		2. If yes: Extent to which the dedicated room or facility supports the ability of your school to deliver instruction in that subject			
	Yes	No	Not at all	Minor extent	Moderate extent	Major extent
a. Science lab(s)	1	2	1	2	3	4
b. Art room(s)	1	2	1	2	3	4
c. Music room(s)	1	2	1	2	3	4
d. Gymnasium	1	2	1	2	3	4

13. In general, how satisfactory or unsatisfactory are the cleanliness and maintenance of student restrooms at your school? *(Circle one.)*

Very satisfactory 1 Satisfactory 2 Unsatisfactory 3 Very unsatisfactory.... 4

14. How many students is your school currently designed to serve? *(Do not include space provided by portables or other temporary instructional space.)* _____ students

If your school consists entirely of portable (temporary) buildings, check here ☐ and enter the number of students the portable (temporary) buildings are designed to serve on the line above.

15. On September 15, 2005, how many students were enrolled at your school? _____ students

16. Is the number of students enrolled at your school larger than the number of students your school is designed to serve? *(Answer yes if the number of students in question 15 is larger than the number in question 14).*

Yes 1 *(Continue with question 17.)* No 2 *(Skip to question 21.)*

17. Do you consider your school overcrowded? *(Exclude any space provided by portables or other temporary instructional space.)*

Yes 1 *(Continue with question 18.)* No 2 *(Skip to question 21.)*

18. **If yes to question 17:** Is your school using any of the following approaches to deal with the overcrowding? *(Circle one on each line.)*

	Yes	No
a. Building new permanent buildings or additions to existing buildings	1	2
b. Using portable (temporary) classrooms	1	2
c. Converting non-classroom space into classrooms	1	2
d. Using off-site instructional facilities	1	2
e. Increasing class sizes	1	2
f. Other approach <i>(specify)</i> _____	1	2

19. Do you anticipate that the overcrowding in your school will be substantially reduced or eliminated in the next 3 years?

Yes 1 *(Continue with question 20.)* No 2 *(Skip to question 21.)*

20. **If yes to question 19:** Which of the following are reasons that the overcrowding in your school will be substantially reduced or eliminated in the next 3 years? *(Circle one on each line.)*

	Yes	No
a. New permanent buildings or additions to existing buildings will be completed	1	2
b. Construction of new schools nearby will be completed	1	2
c. School boundary changes with <i>existing</i> schools will be implemented.....	1	2
d. School-age population in this school's service area is projected to decline	1	2
e. Other reason <i>(specify)</i> _____	1	2

21. Which of the following grades are taught at your school? *(Circle all that apply.)*

PK K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Ungraded

22. What percent of the students in your school are eligible for the federally funded free or reduced-price lunch program? *(If none, enter "0.")* _____%