



DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA
Student Census Survey 2021

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Dear DSBN Students and Families:

The District School Board of Niagara believes that diversity is a source of strength and innovation. Our schools embrace and appreciate the values, identities and lived experiences of all of our students. The DSBN is committed to ensuring that everyone feels included and has a strong sense of belonging. This is why we're asking students and families to share their voice by completing our **"My Voice Counts"** Student Census Survey.

Collecting information through this survey will help us to identify, eliminate, and respond to systemic barriers to student success, create more equitable and inclusive school environments, and, further support student achievement and well-being in targeted and intentional ways.

The survey is voluntary, although we strongly encourage all students and families to complete it. The more responses we receive, the more effective the DSBN can be in supporting students moving forward. **The survey will take approximately 10 minutes and is entirely confidential.**

We are asking families of students in **Kindergarten to Grade 6** to complete the online **"My Voice Counts"** Student Census Survey, at home, for each student in their household, between **April 6-30**. Families will receive easy step-by-step instructions on how to access the survey by April 6th. To access the survey, you will use your child's secure DSBN username and password.

Students in **Grades 7 and 8** will complete the **"My Voice Counts"** Student Census Survey online, at school between **March 22 and April 1**.

If you have any questions or need support in completing the survey, please reach out to your school principal or visit our website at: www.dsbn.org/myvoicecounts where you will find our Frequently Asked Questions page and other helpful information. The survey will be available in English, Arabic, Simplified Chinese, Korean, Hungarian, Spanish and Vietnamese. More information to follow.

Thank you for supporting this important work. Your support in sharing your child's voice will help shape the future of the DSBN.

Sincerely,

Katie Racey, Principal