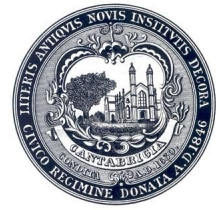


# CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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May 23, 2018

Dear Upper School Families,

Every student's social-emotional well being is important to us. To help us better understand the experiences of all Upper School students in CPS, **we will be administering a Social Emotional Learning and School Climate survey to students in grades 6-8 during the month of June.**

Students will complete the survey online, during the school day. They will be asked two types of questions:

- **Social Emotional Learning** questions will ask students to reflect on how they learn, what they think about their own behavior, and how they feel about expressing their feelings and interacting with their peers.
- **School Climate** questions ask students how they feel about their school, their teachers, and the overall learning environment. These questions seek to understand whether students feel understood, connected, and cared for at school.

This survey is being administered by our partner, [Panorama Education](#). Student responses will remain completely anonymous. Students may notice that their name will appear on the first screen of the survey, but no identifying information will be reported back to the school. Panorama will report only combined survey data and information on any differences in responses from different demographic groups.

We plan to survey students every year as part of our District Plan, which outlines our commitment to rigorous, joyful, and culturally responsive learning, with personalized supports that build their future success. Your student's participation will help us learn about general areas where we can continually grow to improve our practices.

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Jennifer Amigone, Director of Research, Assessment and Evaluation at [jamigone@cpsd.us](mailto:jamigone@cpsd.us). ***If you do not want your child to participate, please contact your Principal/Head of Upper School by Friday, June 8th.***

Thank you for your continued partnership with us. We look forward to learning from you and your students.

Sincerely,

Kenneth N. Salim, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools