

Private School Civics and School Survey  
1350 Students Surveyed

## 1. What is your gender?

	Count	Percentage
A. Male	634	47%
B. Female	716	53%

## 2. Which ethnic group describes you best?

	Count	Percentage
A. African-American	62	5%
B. Asian	142	11%
C. Hispanic	405	30%
D. Native American	100	7%
E. White	641	47%

## 3. What grade are you in?

	Count	Percentage
A. 9th grade	379	28%
B. 10th grade	351	26%
C. 11th grade	323	24%
D. 12th grade	297	22%

## 4. Arizona has two tax credit laws, one for individuals and one for corporations, which allow groups to collect donations and provide students scholarships to help defray the cost of tuition. To your knowledge, do you or have you ever received such a scholarship?

	Count	Percentage
A. Yes	574	43%
B. No	776	57%

## 5. Have you performed volunteer work or community service in the past year?

	Count	Percentage
A. Yes	591	44%
B. No	759	56%

## 6. In any class in the past year, have you given a speech or an oral report?

	Count	Percentage
A. Yes	1242	92%
B. No	108	8%

## 7. Overall, what grade would you give your school?

	Count	Percentage
A. A	407	30%
B. B	486	36%
C. C	348	26%
D. D	57	4%
E. F	52	4%

## 8. What grade would you give your teachers?

	Count	Percentage
A. A	405	30%
B. B	459	34%
C. C	364	27%
D. D	81	6%
E. F	41	3%

## 9. How far do you expect to go in school?

	Count	Percentage
A. Graduate from high school	158	12%
B. Go to vocational school or enter the military after high school	121	9%
C. Go to college	301	22%
D. Graduate from college	608	45%
E. Go to graduate school (law, medicine, masters degree)	120	9%
F. Not sure	42	3%

## 10. The staff at my school cares about the students.

	Count	Percentage
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A.Strongly Agree	472	35%
B.Agree	439	33%
C.Disagree	203	15%
D.Strongly Disagree	236	17%

11. My school treats all students with respect regardless of their race or ethnic background.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	486	36%
B.Agree	382	28%
C.Disagree	185	14%
D.Strongly Disagree	108	8%
E.Not Sure	189	14%

12. My school has high academic expectations of me.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	459	34%
B.Agree	502	37%
C.Disagree	162	12%
D.Strongly Disagree	92	7%
E.Not Sure	135	10%

13. Students at my school focus on learning.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	432	32%
B.Agree	503	37%
C.Disagree	148	11%
D.Strongly Disagree	91	7%
E.Not Sure	176	13%

14. My school offers challenging classes.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	457	34%
B.Agree	580	43%
C.Disagree	122	9%
D.Strongly Disagree	84	6%
E.Not Sure	107	8%

15. My teachers give me challenging work.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	499	37%
B.Agree	554	41%
C.Disagree	136	10%
D.Strongly Disagree	68	5%
E.Not Sure	93	7%

16. I usually look forward to coming to school.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	513	38%
B.Agree	378	28%
C.Disagree	162	12%
D.Strongly Disagree	106	8%
E.Not Sure	191	14%

17. My school promotes a drug-free environment.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	594	44%
B.Agree	524	39%
C.Disagree	54	4%
D.Strongly Disagree	41	3%
E.Not Sure	137	10%

18. My school makes sure that classrooms are safe and orderly.

	Count	Percentage
A.Strongly Agree	621	46%
B.Agree	548	41%

C. Disagree	51	4%
D. Strongly Disagree	73	5%
E. Not Sure	57	4%

19. My school makes sure that students are safe and orderly while outside on school grounds.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	526	39%
B. Agree	603	45%
C. Disagree	68	5%
D. Strongly Disagree	81	6%
E. Not Sure	72	5%

20. My school teaches me to value, respect, and tolerate differences in others.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	551	41%
B. Agree	472	35%
C. Disagree	108	8%
D. Strongly Disagree	70	5%
E. Not Sure	149	11%

21. People whose views I oppose should be allowed to give a speech in my community.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	526	39%
B. Agree	594	44%
C. Disagree	81	6%
D. Strongly Disagree	54	4%
E. Not Sure	95	7%

22. People whose views I oppose should be allowed to live in my neighborhood.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	602	45%
B. Agree	459	34%
C. Disagree	118	9%
D. Strongly Disagree	100	7%
E. Not Sure	71	5%

23. People whose views I oppose should be allowed to run for president.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	631	47%
B. Agree	483	36%
C. Disagree	84	6%
D. Strongly Disagree	44	3%
E. Not Sure	108	8%

24. Volunteering in the community is very important to me.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	432	32%
B. Agree	201	15%
C. Disagree	270	20%
D. Strongly Disagree	258	19%
E. Not Sure	189	14%

25. I feel pressure to perform well on tests.

	Count	Percentage
A. Strongly Agree	385	29%
B. Agree	432	32%
C. Disagree	290	21%
D. Strongly Disagree	162	12%
E. Not Sure	81	6%

26. On the next 10 questions, I will be asking you questions about American government and history. Give me your best answer, and it is permissible to respond "I don't know." What is the supreme law of the land?

	Count	Percentage
A. The Bill of Rights	130	10%
B. The Constitution	551	41%

C. The Declaration of Independence	223	17%
D. The Gettysburg Address	41	3%
E. Other	27	2%
F. Don't Know	378	28%

27. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?

	Count	Percentage
A. The Bill of Rights	526	39%
B. The Constitution	284	21%
C. The Declaration of Independence	68	5%
D. Don't Know	472	35%

28. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?

	Count	Percentage
A. The Senate and the House	568	42%
B. Don't Know	782	58%

29. How many justices are on the Supreme Court?

	Count	Percentage
A. Six	167	13%
B. Eight	202	16%
C. Ten	415	33%
D. Fifteen	368	29%
E. Don't Know	122	10%

30. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?

	Count	Percentage
A. Adams	61	5%
B. Franklin	142	11%
C. Jefferson	594	44%
D. Washington	106	8%
E. Other	20	1%
F. Don't Know	427	32%

31. What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?

	Count	Percentage
A. Atlantic	851	63%
B. Pacific	124	9%
C. Indian	22	2%
D. Don't Know	353	26%

32. What are the two major political parties in the United States?

	Count	Percentage
A. Communist and Democrat	41	3%
B. Communist and Republican	67	5%
C. Democrats and Republicans	810	60%
D. Green and Socialist	7	1%
E. Don't Know	425	31%

33. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?

	Count	Percentage
A. Two	81	6%
B. Four	108	8%
C. Six	521	39%
D. Eight	117	9%
E. Ten	72	5%
F. Don't Know	451	33%

34. Who was the first President?

	Count	Percentage
A. Adams	51	4%
B. Bush	13	1%
C. Jackson	57	4%
D. Jefferson	148	11%
E. Lincoln	95	7%

F.Madison	27	2%
G.Monroe	41	3%
H.Obama	17	1%
I.Roosevelt	54	4%
J.Washington	580	43%
K.Other	6	0%
L.Don't Know	261	19%

## 35. Who Is In charge of the executive branch?

	Count	Percentage
A.Congress	201	15%
B.The Governor	136	10%
C.The President	511	38%
D.Supreme Court	115	9%
E.United Nations	13	1%
F.Other	15	1%
G.Don't Know	359	27%