



# The Non-Participation Survey

## Understanding Why High School Students Do Not Eat School Lunches

Completely fill in the circle of your answer. Use a #2 pencil.

Correct ●●● Use No. 2 Pencil Only Incorrect ⊗ ⊙ ⊕

Your School Nutrition Program is interested in understanding why high school students do not eat or do not eat frequently in the school lunch program. Please reflect on these statements and answer based on your own experience.

### SECTION I. Reasons for not eating school lunches

<b>Instructions:</b>					
Please read the statements regarding reasons for not eating (or not eating frequently) school lunches. As you respond, use the phrase "My reason for not eating school lunches is that" before each statement and then indicate your level of agreement by using the scale 5 (Strongly Agree) to 1 (Strongly Disagree).					
My reason for not eating school lunches is that...	Strongly Agree	↔			Strongly Disagree
1. The food does not taste good.	⑤	④	③	②	①
2. I prefer to eat what I bring from home.	⑤	④	③	②	①
3. The amount of food is inadequate.	⑤	④	③	②	①
4. There is not enough space in the dining room.	⑤	④	③	②	①
5. The staff is not friendly.	⑤	④	③	②	①
6. I do not like what is served.	⑤	④	③	②	①
7. I bring my own food.	⑤	④	③	②	①
8. The food does not appear nutritious.	⑤	④	③	②	①
9. My parents purchase food for me to take to school.	⑤	④	③	②	①
10. The food I like is gone before I get to the cafeteria.	⑤	④	③	②	①
11. I need time to catch up on school work.	⑤	④	③	②	①
12. I have to go to different lines to get the food I want.	⑤	④	③	②	①
13. I can not recognize what the food is.	⑤	④	③	②	①
14. The food choices do not change.	⑤	④	③	②	①
15. The staff does not speak to me.	⑤	④	③	②	①
16. The food does not appear fresh.	⑤	④	③	②	①
17. The choices offered are not those on the menu.	⑤	④	③	②	①
18. The food is not cooked correctly.	⑤	④	③	②	①
19. There are not enough places to sit.	⑤	④	③	②	①
20. The food does not look healthy.	⑤	④	③	②	①
21. I'm busy with school projects.	⑤	④	③	②	①
22. The food does not look appealing.	⑤	④	③	②	①

## SECTION I. (Continued)

My reason for not eating school lunches is that...		Strongly Agree	↔			Strongly Disagree
23.	I do not get enough food.	5	4	3	2	1
24.	They run out of food.	5	4	3	2	1
25.	The staff is not always pleasant.	5	4	3	2	1
26.	The cafeteria appears unclean.	5	4	3	2	1
27.	The overall food quality is poor.	5	4	3	2	1

## SECTION II. Deciding to eat school lunches

### Instructions:

Please read the following statements that could influence your decision to start eating school lunches more frequently. As you respond, use the phrase, "I would be more likely to eat school lunches if..." before each statement, and then rate your level of agreement by using the scale 5 (Strongly Agree) to 1 (Strongly Disagree).

I would be more likely to eat school lunches if...		Strongly Agree	↔			Strongly Disagree
1.	The overall quality (taste, appearance, temperature) of the food served were better.	5	4	3	2	1
2.	There were more variety in the menu from day to day.	5	4	3	2	1
3.	There were more healthy options available.	5	4	3	2	1
4.	The staff were friendlier.	5	4	3	2	1
5.	The wait in line were shorter.	5	4	3	2	1
6.	The serving and dining areas were cleaner.	5	4	3	2	1
7.	There were more seating space in the dining area.	5	4	3	2	1
8.	I were allowed to sit with my friends during the meal period.	5	4	3	2	1
9.	Menu items did not run out before the meal period was over.	5	4	3	2	1
10.	I knew what was going to be on the menu before I got to the cafeteria.	5	4	3	2	1
11.	The posted/announced menus were more accurate.	5	4	3	2	1
12.	They served more menu items that I can recognize.	5	4	3	2	1
13.	I received enough food to fill me up.	5	4	3	2	1

## SECTION III. Tell us about you

### Instructions:

Please answer the following questions.

1.	What is your grade in school? <input type="radio"/> 9th Grade <input type="radio"/> 10th Grade <input type="radio"/> 11th Grade <input type="radio"/> 12th Grade
2.	On average, how many times PER WEEK do you eat school lunch? <input type="radio"/> Two or less <input type="radio"/> Three or more
3.	What is your gender? <input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female

**Thank you for your time and input!**