

Information for parents/guardians and pupils about the Ungdata survey

This year, the Ungdata survey will be carried out at your child's school. All pupils at the school and in the municipality are invited to participate in the survey. The survey will be conducted at the school during the spring term. The goal is to get an overview of how children and young people are doing and what they do in their free time.

Purpose of the survey

- To give children and young people an opportunity to tell their local politicians and government authorities about what it is like to grow up in the municipality.
- To provide knowledge that will be used in the municipality's work on improving the situation in which children and young people grow up.
- To generate research data that will produce more knowledge about the situation in which children grow up, locally, nationally and over time.

What do we ask about in the Ungdata survey?

- Friends, free time and media use
- Family, school and the local community
- Health, well-being and quality of life
- Bullying
- Gender and year group

For lower secondary school pupils, we also ask about:

- Breaching rules and drug/alcohol abuse
- Violence and harassment
- Parents' level of education

How is the Ungdata survey conducted?

- One school period is set aside to answer the survey, which takes place with an adult present.
- The survey is conducted online by logging onto Ungdata's response site using a randomly selected one-time code. The code cannot be linked to the respondent.
- The pupils answer by ticking alternatives in the questionnaire.
- The questions and answers in the questionnaire can be read aloud to those who request it. This requires the use of headphones.
- Some pupils may need adaptation in order to participate. The school has received information about different means of adaptation.

Standby measures

The school health service will be on standby after the survey for any pupils who need follow-up.

Taking part is voluntary

- The pupils decide whether they want to participate or not.
- Respondents can skip questions they do not want to answer and can choose to end the questionnaire at any time.

Consent from parents/guardians

- As a parent, you decide whether your child will participate in the survey or not.
- If you want your child to participate, you do not need to do anything.
- If you do not want your child to participate, you must notify the contact teacher/school before the survey starts.

Data protection

- The survey is anonymous. It is not possible to identify individual pupils through the data that are collected.
- All answers will be treated confidentially.

Responsibility for the survey

The survey is organised by NOVA (Norwegian Social Research) at OsloMet – Oslo Metropolitan University and the regional drug and alcohol competence centres (KORUS), on assignment for the municipality.

Contact information

Feel free to contact the school or your regional KORUS centre for more information about the survey.

Contact KORUS if you wish to be sent a Norwegian or English version of the questionnaire.

You can find more information about the survey at the Ungdata website

<http://www.ungdata.no/informasjon-til-ungdom-og-foresatte/>