

Information for parents/guardians and children/youth 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 purpose of the survey is to provide a good picture of the situation for children and young people in the municipality. The survey will be conducted at the school during the spring term.

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 generate knowledge about the conditions under which children and young people grow up to serve as a basis for the municipality's work directed at this age group.
- To enable comparison with figures from other municipalities and the nation as a whole, and to enable research.

WHAT QUESTIONS ARE ASKED IN THE UNGDATA SURVEY?

- Your relationship to your school, friends and parents/guardians
- Leisure time and recreational activities
- Media use
- Health, well-being and quality of life
- Bullying

For lower secondary school pupils, we also ask about:

- Breaking rules, violence and drug/alcohol abuse
- Your parents' level of education

HOW THE UNGDATA SURVEY IS CONDUCTED

- One school period is set aside for answering the questionnaire.
- The survey is conducted online by logging in to Ungdata's response site using a randomly selected one-time code.
- The pupils answer by ticking options in the questionnaire. It is possible to have the questions in the questionnaire read out for you. Headphones/earplugs must be used for this function.

PROTECTION OF PRIVACY

- The survey is anonymous, and it is not possible to identify individual pupils through the data that are collected.

- It will not be possible to recognise any individuals when the results of the survey are made public.

CONSENT FROM PARENTS/GUARDIANS

- As the parents/guardians of young people under the age of 18, you decide whether your child can participate in the survey or not.
- If you want your child to participate, you don't need to do anything.
- If you don't want your child to participate, you must notify the contact teacher/school before the survey starts.

TAKING PART IS VOLUNTARY

- The survey is voluntary.
- Respondents can skip questions they do not want to answer and can choose to end the questionnaire at any time.

STANDBY MEASURES

The school health service will be on standby after the survey for any pupils who need follow-up. Pupils can contact the school nurse, school counsellor or 'Kors på halsen' – the Red Cross's helpline for children and young people.

The 'Kors på halsen' website:
www.korspahalsen.no

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR UNGDATA?

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.

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Feel free to contact the school or your regional KORUS for more information about the survey. Please contact KORUS if you wish to receive a Norwegian or English version of the questionnaire.