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## Information letter about the well-being survey for upper secondary education students

As an upper secondary education student in Denmark, you are required to complete an annual questionnaire from the Ministry of Children and Education (Børne- og Undervisningsministeriet) about your well-being at your place of education.

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We conduct this annual well-being survey for two reasons:

- 1) To get an idea of local well-being  
Firstly, your responses will give *your place of education* an overall picture of how you, the students, are feeling at school. It is important, as the teachers and management of your school use these survey results to improve your education.
- 2) To get an idea of national well-being  
Secondly, your responses will contribute to an overview of how secondary school students *in Denmark generally* are feeling about going to an upper secondary education school, what the schools are doing well and what could be improved. For example, the survey may reveal how the students are feeling when they are at school and if they are generally experiencing pressure or concern. This is important knowledge for people, such as politicians, who are working to improve Danish high schools and places of upper secondary shorter general education.

**This is important:** You are the only person at your place of education who will see your individual well-being survey responses. This means that your teacher will not see your responses unless you show him or her. The same applies to the other teachers, management, career advisers, the student council or other students. Your place of education will only be able to see the collective responses from the entire school, and possibly for individual classes.

## **What should you do when your class has to complete the well-being survey?**

- Have your UNI-login ready when you are going to start the questionnaire. You can use your NemID to log in and create a new password if you have forgotten your old UNI-login password.
- Indicate the name of your school/department, your programme and your year group.
- The questionnaire contains 51 questions in total, and the response categories vary from "very often" to "never" and "completely agree" to "completely disagree".
- The goal is not to finish quickly but to reply honestly to all the questions. There are no right or wrong answers. You can reply "I don't know" to a question.
- It is okay to ask your teacher for help when you are doing the survey but you are the only person who knows the answers to the questions.

### **More information about the well-being survey**

#### **Why is my school required to complete a well-being survey?**

Section 59 a in upper secondary education programmes act dictates that places of upper secondary education must complete an annual survey on the well-being of their students in order to monitor and improve the well-being of students. The responses of each student may only be used to perform statistical or scientific research on the well-being of students.

#### **What will I be asked in the survey?**

The survey questions are divided into five overall categories. These are:

1. Professional individual well-being;
2. Social well-being;
3. Learning environment;
4. Pressure and concerns;
5. Bullying.

#### **Is it mandatory to complete the questionnaire?**

The well-being survey is part of your schooling, in which you are required to participate. If you do not want to reply to one or more questions, you may use the "I don't know" option. There are no consequences for not completing the well-being survey.

**Who will see the responses and what will they be used for?**

The Ministry has made arrangements to ensure that we, the schools, will only be able to see the results for groups of students — such as classes or entire schools.

Your UNI-login is required to be used to complete the questionnaire is associated with your CPR number. This means your responses will be linked to your CPR number, allowing important analytical research to be carried out. For example, it will be possible to look into how the well-being of upper secondary education students is linked to external factors such as health. However, if researchers outside the Ministry want to investigate such matters, they will need special permission and will only be able to see a code for each student, not the CPR numbers.

**Who can I contact for more information?**

The data controller in charge of handling the personal information collected during the survey is the National Agency for IT and Learning (Styrelsen for It og Læring). If you have questions regarding data collection, you are welcome to contact the National Agency or the data protection adviser of the National Agency at [dpo@uvm.dk](mailto:dpo@uvm.dk) for more information about how your personal data will be handled in connection with the well-being survey.

You have the right to file a complaint with the Danish Data Protection Agency (Datatilsynet) if you have concerns regarding the way we handle your personal information.

**How long is my data stored for?**

Your responses, your CPR number and your UNI-login will be kept by the National Agency for IT and Learning in accordance with the Data Protection Agency guidelines — for as long as it is necessary to monitor the well-being of students.