



Perspectives



A Suite of School Surveys



If you are interested in using the *Perspectives* suite of surveys contact The Evidence Institute via evidence@aisnsw.edu.au or Tiffany Roos, Director: The Evidence Institute at troos@aisnsw.edu.au or **02 9299 2845**.

What's in the Suite of Surveys?

AI NSW understands that independent schools are unique, multi-faceted and dynamic environments committed to growth and improvement in all areas impacting their school community. In recognition of the need to collect and use robust data that reflects independent schools' distinctiveness, we have created a comprehensive suite of surveys.



Your School in Focus

Collect and use robust data across five evidence-informed domains that will enable you to grow, develop, improve performance, and celebrate your school's strengths and achievements.

All stakeholders connected to the school can be surveyed across five key domains:

- School Environment
- Teaching and Learning
- Student Wellbeing
- Leadership
- Community



Staff Wellbeing

Understanding how your staff are feeling can enhance targeted recruitment and retention strategies. Collect information about your school's most valuable asset, your staff, to understand their needs in a systematic and evidence-informed way. The data collected can be used at strategic and operational levels and may assist in the development and realisation of larger planning priorities.

The aspects surveyed include:

- Supportive relationships/belonging
- Purpose
- Autonomy
- Self-efficacy
- Resilience
- Coping strategies
- Physiological wellbeing/stress
- Psychological wellbeing/stress
- Voice and professional recognition
- Preventative measures



Graduating Year 12

Collect information from your graduating Year 12 students and their parents to help your leadership team understand the impact of the school's whole educational offering from a unique viewpoint.

As Year 12 students complete their schooling, it is important to gather the perceptions of these young people and their parents about their experience of your independent school. These perceptions can help your school leadership team to understand the impact of the school's whole educational offering from a unique viewpoint.

The Benefits for your School



Your School in Focus

Your school in focus is provided at a cost of **\$22,000** per survey window. An AISNSW member discount (\$5,000) applies and eligible schools can access Australian Government funding through the Choice and Affordability Fund (\$10,000). If both are applied this results in a cost of **\$7,000 + GST** to the school.

This survey gathers invaluable information for the school's leadership team as they investigate ways to better meet the needs of their community. The data collected may be used to inform future priorities, goal setting and action planning cycles. It can also support strategic planning and reporting practices. The survey items are built on a rigorous evidence base and have been statistically validated.

The Comparative Reports - Summary and Stakeholder provide opportunities to compare your school's mean scores in *Perspectives: Your school in focus* domains and dimensions against the aggregate of schools that have completed to date. [Each report is available at a cost of \\$495 + GST.](#)

Reporting of the survey data occurs in four formats:

- Full Statistical Report – graphs for each item organised via stakeholder group
- Full Text Report – free text comments from respondents organised via stakeholder group
- Web-based Interactive Dashboard – filtering capacity allows a range of ways to drill further into the data. When two or more years of data have been collected data is visualised using the Longitudinal Interactive Dashboard.
- As part of the *Perspectives: Your school in focus* service, two hours of data interpretation support are available to your school. This session entails a deeper look into areas of note from your dataset, and an opportunity to upskill your team in valuable data interpretation skills.

Staff Wellbeing

\$2,450 + GST.

AISNSW member schools can access the discounted member rate of **\$1,950 + GST.**

This survey provides important information for the school's leadership team as they investigate ways to better support the needs and build the capacities of their staff. The data can be used to inform future priorities, goal setting and action planning cycles. It can also support targeted professional learning in the wellbeing field.

Reporting of the survey data is provided to the school leader in three formats:

- Full Statistical Report – graphs for each item from each stakeholder group
- Full Text Report – free text comments from respondents organised via stakeholder group.
- Web-based Interactive Dashboard – filtering capacity allows a range of ways to drill further into the data. When two or more years of data have been collected data is visualised using the Interactive Dashboard.
- An additional paid Data Interpretation service is available upon request. This session involves a deeper dive into areas of note from your dataset, and provides the opportunity to upskill your team in valuable data interpretation skills. Contact The Evidence Institute for more information.

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The Evidence Institute assists you throughout the process including providing the survey set up and reports, as well as templates to distribute to Parents and Students in the lead up to the survey being conducted. The two reports provided to the

school leader are: the Graduating Year 12 Students report and the Graduating Year 12 Parents report; both provide graphs and free text responses for your review.

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Testimonials



"A culture of continual school improvement enables Loreto Kirribilli to be responsive to the needs of our school community. The AISNSW *Perspectives* survey is an excellent tool which provides our school with rich feedback data from students, staff and parents informing our schools strategic direction and improvement agenda. The support offered by the team at AIS to unpack the data has also been extremely helpful."

Anna Dickinson | Principal, Loreto Kirribilli



"St Patrick's College Strathfield is a College with an unrelenting focus on school improvement. Our strategic plan focuses on the College being a centre of excellence for boys' education, a beacon. In 2022, we used the full suite of AISNSW *Perspectives* surveys in order to inform and guide our decision making. Student voice was captured in the *Perspectives: Graduating Year 12* Survey as was the experience of Year 12 parents. Years 5 to 12 students participated in the *Perspectives: Your school in focus* surveys and rich data has enabled us to track our new initiatives and we were pleased to see a direct improvement in areas that we had implemented a directed strategy. Following COVID, our attention has been turned to the support and wellbeing of our staff and the use of the AISNSW *Perspectives: Staff Wellbeing* surveys were used to establish base line data from which we planned specific improvements. The support of the team from AISNSW was invaluable, particularly in the ability to track our results against the aggregated data for other independent schools."

Dr Vittoria Lavorato | Principal, St Patrick's College Strathfield



"The AISNSW *Perspectives: Your school in focus* survey has been an incredibly useful tool across the St Philip's Christian Colleges over the past few years, and we look forward to participation again. Each of our schools receive their specific report and the individual data interpretation sessions, a great value-add and inform their annual evaluation and goal-setting process. Additionally, the St Philip's Central Office receives all the reports from the schools and has their own data interpretation session that allows senior executives to review high-level data identifying strengths and areas for focus across the organisation or within a specific school. I commend the AISNSW staff for their ongoing dedication to the process and our schools."

Graeme Evans | Deputy Chief Executive Officer, St Philip's Christian Colleges



"At Roseville College, the three-way partnership with our students, parents and staff is at the heart of our approach. The robust and relevant data provided by the *Perspectives* survey provides useful insights from our school community that is leveraged for strategy development, innovation and change. Ably supported by the expertise of the AISNSW team, the *Perspectives* survey has given us valuable data that supports our culture of continuous improvement."

Deborah Magill | Principal, Roseville College

Ready for the next steps?

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