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ASCD School Improvement Tool™ User Guide

The ASCD School Improvement Tool™ (SITool) is a free, 20-minute, online needs assessment survey. Based on the ASCD Whole Child framework, the SITool provides aggregate scores of your school delineated by the five tenets of a whole child approach: healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged.

Each tenet comprises 10 indicators that together provide a detailed scaffold of a whole child approach to education.

5 tenets = 50 indicators

The survey gathers responses across a Likert scale related to each indicator (50 questions). An additional 10 questions relate to the sustainability of your school's approach.

SITool = 60 questions

The SITool can be used by individual educators or set up for an entire school faculty, with results rolling up into one aggregate report. Reports are saved under each school's profile and are also available for download as a PDF. The SITool has been designed to be used as both an initial needs assessment and an ongoing annual school improvement tool. Schools can set up and conduct the SITool survey as many times as they wish to track needs, progress, and trends.

Additionally, schools that use the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model (WSCC) receive results related back to the 10 School Health Components and policies, processes, and practices that improve learning and improve health.

The SITool is a recommended initial step for any school that wants to focus its school improvement efforts on a whole child approach or find out more about the ASCD Whole Child framework.

ASCD Whole Child Network™

Schools that are part of the ASCD Whole Child Network (WCN) receive a more extensive and detailed report. The WCN SITool Report provides results down to the indicator level (50); allows access to a range of free tools to help you guide your school along its whole child journey; and places your school along the ASCD Whole Child Continuum™.

In addition, schools that subscribe to ASCD Activate—our online library of resources—receive direct access to more than 1,000 ASCD resources that are aligned to your school's results, as well as coaching, professional learning, and networking.

To try the ASCD School Improvement Tool, visit www.ascd.org/sitool.

To find out more about the ASCD Whole Child Network, visit www.ascd.org/wholechild.

To find out more about the ASCD Activate, visit www.ascd.org/activate.