The Illinois Youth Survey is available to schools for administration online or in paper/pencil format. For both methods, there is no cost to participate and no cost to receive results.

Deciding to Survey Online or by Paper/Pencil

ONLINE FORMAT

**PROS**
- No paper materials to handle or ship
- Students can often complete the survey in less time than paper format
- Can be completed on desktop computers or individual devices
- Access to survey results can be quicker than for paper administration

**CONS**
- Depending on the number of computers available, may require multiple survey days if all students cannot participate at the same time
- If computer availability is limited, need to plan for tracking student completion and making sure that all students complete the survey only once
- Need to check hardware, software, and network requirements to ensure capacity exists in your building

PAPER/PENCIL FORMAT

**PROS**
- Familiar administration procedure
- All participating grade levels can complete surveying in 1 day
- All materials are provided, including classroom envelopes and pre-sharpened pencils
- Return shipping provided

**CONS**
- Paper materials can be misplaced
- Completed surveys need to be returned to CPRD
- May require more time for reports to be generated
An Internet connection, either through a LAN (T1, etc.), WiFi or with an individual modem, connected to an Internet Service Provider. The network must allow traffic to and from the survey site and have the capacity to accommodate the number of students surveying simultaneously.

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR ONLINE SURVEYING**

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**PAPER VS. ONLINE ADMINISTRATION**

**Register**
Sep 7, 2021 - April 30, 2022

**Schedule**
an intended survey date

**Survey**
Jan 4, 2022 - May 31, 2022

**Paper**
Return surveys using prepaid labels

**Online**
Let us know when you are finished surveying

**Results**
login sent to school principal in 4-6 weeks

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