

What's New for CalSCHLS in 2023-2024?

At CalSCHLS, we strive to provide you with new resources every year to support your survey administration and data use work. This Guide summarizes the changes to both our surveys and resource list. For more details, please follow the hyperlinks in each update.

Update #1

We are pleased to share our new [CalSCHLS Toolbox](#), a one-stop shop for various guides to help County Coordinators, District Coordinators, and School Site Coordinators navigate the survey administration and report ordering process.

Update #2

Check out our [CalSCHLS brochure](#). Please share broadly with county and district superintendents and board members, district and school administrators, school staff and families, county health care personnel, local hospital staff, and community-based organization partners to spread the word about the low-cost supports and services the CalSCHLS System offers counties, districts, schools, and communities.

Update #3

We are excited to offer funding opportunities for the 2023-24 school year. If your district has been selected to participate in the 20th Biennial State California Healthy Kids Survey, 2023-2025, your TA will contact you to discuss benefits and incentives for your participation. If you are interested in adding the Behavioral Health Module, a multiform survey module that assesses secondary student **well-being indicators** (i.e., social isolation, body image and disordered eating, responses to trauma (PTSD symptoms), precursors to and consequences of substance use) and **protective factors** (i.e., home adult supports, peer supports, and school mental health supports), please see our [invitation](#) for funding opportunities.

Update #4

Speaking of the Behavioral Health Module (BHM), note that it now assesses practically all the measures that were assessed on the 2022-23 Mental Health Supports Module, Student Trauma Module, and Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) Module. The BHM assesses more content while minimizing the survey length for individual students by using a multiform instrument. Students are randomly administered one of two BHM survey forms to reduce survey burden and collect representative data on more aspects of behavioral health.

The Mental Health Supports, Student Trauma, and AOD Modules are no longer available as standard supplementary modules because their content was incorporated into the BHM. We recommend that districts administer the BHM to track progress on indicators with baseline data obtained from these modules. Moreover, the BHM is being administered in schools participating in the Biennial State CHKS, so statewide comparison data will be available for all BHM results. That is another reason to see our [invitation](#) for funding opportunities for BHM administration.

Update #5

We have several updates to our reporting processes that will support you even better in your data use application.



New Features on our Private Data Dashboard

Please see our [Guide to the Private Data Dashboard](#) if the private dashboard is new to you.

- The private data dashboard now displays item-level data with results from every question on the Core surveys.
- If your district administered the Social Emotional Health and/or Mental Health Supports modules as part of the elementary CHKS, that data is now available on your elementary item-level dashboard.
- If your district administered the School Climate, Social Emotional Health, and/or Mental Health Supports modules as part of the secondary CHKS, that data is now available on the secondary item-level dashboard.
- You may now order/subscribe to the private data dashboard on the [CalSCHLS Coordinator Portal](#) without registering for a survey.
- The public data dashboard now displays item-level data with results from every question on the Core survey from the 2021-22 school year. Data from the 2022-23 school year will be updated in November 2023.

New Topical Reports:

- In the 2022-23 school year, we added a new district report offered free of charge. [School Boredom Report \(SBR\)](#) is a secondary graphical report on school boredom profiles. These reports provide important information about students' school experiences, social-emotional well-being, and academic engagement. Like the [School Climate Report Cards](#) and the [Mental Health School Reports](#), the district SBR will be provided at no cost, and school-level SBRs will be provided to LEAs that order school CHKS reports.

Update #6

- For changes to the 2023-24 Core surveys and modules, please view our [Summary of Changes](#).
- For an overview of how long it takes to complete the survey, please see our [Survey Completion Time](#).
- For the most recent brief summary of survey content across all three surveys, please see our [CalSCHLS Specifications](#).