#### **Brisbane School of Distance Education**

4 Cavendish Road, Coorparoo Qld 4151 GPO Box 1308, Brisbane Qld 4001 www.brisbanesde.eq.edu.au enquiries@brisbanesde.eq.edu.au +617 3727 2444



#### Dear Parents and Carers,

In weeks 3-4 students will participate in the Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing Survey. They will be given the opportunity to voice their opinions around how they are feeling at school and home through a confidential, de-identified survey that will be offered to state school students in years 4-12 across the state.

### Why are we doing the survey?

The Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing (QEW) Survey is designed to measure how state school students view their wellbeing and engagement. The department and your school are looking at ways to collect information on these topics so we can support our students in the best way possible. Results from this survey will tell us about students' levels of wellbeing and engagement. This information will allow us to better support our students and meet their needs.

### What is the survey about?

The survey measures many aspects of students' wellbeing, engagement, and experience at school. The survey covers topics such as: resilience, school climate, relationships (peers, teachers, home), sense of belonging, motivation and perseverance, academic self-concept, personal social capabilities, future outlook and aspirations, general life satisfaction and general health.

# What is involved in participation?

Teachers will arrange for students to take part in the Survey online during class time. It will take about 30 minutes to complete. If your child requires additional assistance, teachers and/or support people are able to help them.

#### Does your child have to participate?

Participation in the survey is voluntary. Choosing not to participate will not affect your child's education in any way. You can opt out via the QR code below or by <u>clicking this link</u>. Your child will also be asked if they would like to participate before starting the survey. They will be free to stop or withdraw at any time.

# How will your child's information be kept confidential?

The information collected through the survey will be kept confidential. **No personal information will be shared with anyone outside of the Queensland Department of Education**. The Queensland Department of Education will store the data according to strict guidelines. The collection of information is in line with the *Educational General Provisions Act (2006)* and the *Information Privacy Act (2009)*.

# How will your child's responses be reported?

Students' answers will be de-identified. They will only be reported back to the school as part of their year levels' results. No one at your child's school will be able to see their individual responses.

#### Where can I get more information?

More info, including FAQs, are on the Education website: or contact QEW Survey team by email: QEWSurvey@qed.qld.gov.au.

