INTRODUCTION

This is a survey about how comfortable students feel speaking up about controversial or sensitive topics in class discussions.

If you have questions about our Campus Expression Survey, email Sean Stevens at stevens@heterodoxacademy.org

DEMOGRAPHICS

What grade are you in?
   _____ 8th grade or below
   _____ 9th grade
   _____ 10th grade
   _____ 11th grade
   _____ 12th grade
   _____ Prefer not to say

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?
   _____ Republican
   _____ Democrat
   _____ Independent
   _____ Something else
   _____ Prefer not to say
If you responded with “SOMETHING ELSE” to the previous question, please specify your response below:

[Open-ended response option]

When it comes to politics do you usually think of yourself as liberal, conservative, moderate, libertarian, or something else?

_____ Extremely liberal
_____ Liberal
_____ Slightly liberal
_____ Moderate or middle-of-the-road
_____ Slightly conservative
_____ Conservative
_____ Extremely conservative
_____ Libertarian
_____ Something else
_____ Haven’t thought much about this
_____ Prefer not to say

If you responded with “SOMETHING ELSE” to the previous question, please specify your response below:

[Open-ended response option]

How do you describe your gender?

_____ Female
_____ Male
_____ Other
_____ Prefer not to say

How do you describe your race/ethnicity?

_____ African American/Black
_____ American Indian or Alaska Native
_____ East or Southeast Asian
_____ Hispanic/Latino
_____ Middle Eastern/North African
_____ South or Southwest Asian
_____ White/Caucasian
_____ Multiracial
_____ Other
_____ Prefer not to say
MODULE 1: EGGSHELLOMETER

Next, we are interested in how you would feel about expressing your personal opinions in class discussions on various topics. Think of a class with about 20-30 students.

[GENDER]

Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a controversial issue about GENDER. How comfortable or reluctant would you feel about speaking up and giving your views on this topic?

_____ I would be very comfortable giving my views.
_____ I would be somewhat comfortable giving my views.
_____ I would be somewhat reluctant to give my views.
_____ I would be very reluctant to give my views.

Next, if you were to speak up and give your views on a controversial issue about GENDER during a class discussion, how concerned would you be that the following would occur:

The teacher would criticize my views as offensive.
   _____ Not at all concerned
   _____ Slightly concerned
   _____ Somewhat concerned
   _____ Moderately concerned
   _____ Extremely concerned

Other students would criticize my views as offensive.
   _____ Not at all concerned
   _____ Slightly concerned
   _____ Somewhat concerned
   _____ Moderately concerned
   _____ Extremely concerned

Someone would post critical comments about my views on social media.
   _____ Not at all concerned
   _____ Slightly concerned
   _____ Somewhat concerned
   _____ Moderately concerned
   _____ Extremely concerned
Someone would file a complaint claiming that my views violated a school harassment policy or code of conduct.

- [ ] Not at all concerned
- [ ] Slightly concerned
- [ ] Somewhat concerned
- [ ] Moderately concerned
- [ ] Extremely concerned

The teacher would give me a lower grade because of my views.

- [ ] Not at all concerned
- [ ] Slightly concerned
- [ ] Somewhat concerned
- [ ] Moderately concerned
- [ ] Extremely concerned

The teacher would say my views are wrong.

- [ ] Not at all concerned
- [ ] Slightly concerned
- [ ] Somewhat concerned
- [ ] Moderately concerned
- [ ] Extremely concerned

[RACE]
Repeat Gender items but replace references to gender with references to race (e.g., “Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a controversial issue about RACE”).

[POLITICS]
Repeat Gender items but replace references to gender with references to politics (e.g., “Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a CONTROVERSIAL POLITICAL ISSUE”).

[SEXUALITY]
Repeat Gender items but replace references to gender with references to sexuality (e.g., “Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a controversial issue about SEXUALITY”).
[RELIGION]
Repeat Gender items but replace references to gender with references to religion (e.g., “Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a controversial issue about RELIGION”).

[NON-CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS]
Repeat Gender items but replace references to gender with references to a non-controversial topic (e.g., “Think about being at your school in a class that was discussing a NON-CONTROVERSIAL TOPIC, something that nobody in the class has strong feelings about”).

MODULE 2: TREATMENT ON CAMPUS

We've asked you some questions about giving your views during a class discussion.

The following questions are about your experiences IN SCHOOL IN GENERAL - including classroom activities, public events with speakers, meetings of student organizations, informal gatherings, and conversations with other students.

Please use the scale beneath each item to indicate your response:

How frequently are you treated badly or unfairly because of your race or ethnicity?

_____ Every day
_____ More than once a week
_____ Every few weeks
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ It never happens

How frequently are you treated badly or unfairly because of your sex or gender?

_____ Every day
_____ More than once a week
_____ Every few weeks
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ It never happens
How frequently are you treated badly or unfairly because of your religion?

_____ Every day
_____ More than once a week
_____ Every few weeks
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ It never happens

How frequently are you treated badly or unfairly because of your political views?

_____ Every day
_____ More than once a week
_____ Every few weeks
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ It never happens

How frequently are you treated badly or unfairly because of your sexual orientation?

_____ Every day
_____ More than once a week
_____ Every few weeks
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ It never happens

Thinking about STUDENTS at your school, would you say most of them are politically to the left of you (more liberal) or politically to the right of you (more conservative)?

_____ Most are to the left of me
_____ Most are to the right of me
_____ Most have positions close to mine
_____ Most are about equally to the left or right of me
_____ Don’t know
Thinking about **TEACHERS** at your school, would you say most of them are politically to the left of you (more liberal) or politically to the right of you (more conservative)?

_____ Most are to the left of me
_____ Most are to the right of me
_____ Most have positions close to mine
_____ Most are about equally to the left or right of me
_____ Don’t know

How often does your school encourage students to consider a wider variety of viewpoints and perspectives?

_____ Very frequently
_____ Frequently
_____ Occasionally
_____ Rarely
_____ Very rarely
_____ Never

**OPEN-ENDED FEEDBACK:**

This survey is currently in development and we would appreciate your help. Were any items unclear or confusing? Do you have any suggestions for us about how to improve the survey? Please use the space below (open-ended response):