## **NOISE for Social Change**

#### **Youth Fellows Evaluation**

### **Post-Participation Survey**

Thank you for participating in this research. This survey should take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Your information and responses are **confidential** and will only be seen by the research staff. Your response will not be shared with your parents, you teachers, your pod members of other NOISE Fellows.

#### **Instructions**

This survey asks you about your attitudes and opinions; there are no right or wrong answers. This survey is not a test. Read each question carefully and answer it as honestly as possible, if you have questions one of the NOISE staff will be able to answer them for you.

You will complete this survey twice: once at the beginning of the NOISE program and once at the end. The survey you are filling out today is called the **Post-participation Survey** and records your attitudes and opinions **after** you complete NOISE.

The survey is split into four sections. Each section has a different focus. The sections are:

- Academic Engagement
- Civic Engagement
- Psychosocial well-being
- Your Experience in the NOISE Program

### How to complete this survey:

Please take as much time as you need to answer **all** of the questions. It should not take more than 30 minutes to complete the survey.

You may use a pencil or pen to complete the survey. If you use a pencil it will be easier to change your answer if you make a mistake.

Follow the directions provided for each question and make sure to fill the bubbles in completely. If you wish to change your answer completely erase your last answer before choosing a new answer.

Before you begin - Have you signed your consent form?

## **Academic Engagement:**

This section asks questions about your attitudes and activities at your school. When answering these questions consider all of your experiences at the school you attended last year (2012-2013).

1. How much do you agree or disagree with each statement? (mark only one response for each statement) 1

	Strongly agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I like being in school	0	0	0	0	0
I am interested in the work at school	0	0	0	0	0
I pay attention in class	0	0	0	0	0
Times seems to pass quickly when I am doing schoolwork	0	0	0	0	0
I like schoolwork best when it is challenging	0	0	0	0	0
I feel that the schoolwork I am assigned is meaningful and important	0	0	0	0	0
My courses are interesting to me	0	0	0	0	0
I think the things I am learning in school are important for my future	0	0	0	0	0
I feel that school is worthwhile	0	0	0	0	0

2. How much do you agree with the following statements? (mark only one response for each statement)2

	A lot	Some	A little	Not at all
I feel like I belong to my school	0	0	0	0
I contribute to my school	0	0	0	0
I am viewed by the staff as a valued part of my school	0	0	0	0
I have a responsibility for the welfare of my school	0	0	0	0
I feel proud of my school	0	0	0	0
I do things to make my school a better place	0	0	0	0

<sup>2</sup> Questions to measure a sense of belonging to school - *Public Achievement Evaluation Report* (RMC Research, 2006) in Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs (Abt Associates, 2010): 2-16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Questions to measure academic engagement - *Survey of academic engagement* (RMC Research n.d. – used in multiple evaluations) in Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs (Abt Associates, 2010): 2-17

## **Civic Engagement:**

This section asks you questions about your opinions about your community and the activities you do in your community. Think of your community as all as the agencies, businesses and neighbourhoods outside your school.

3. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. (mark only one response for each statement)<sup>3</sup>

	Strongly agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
People my age can do things to make the world a better place	0	0	0	0	0
I can make a difference in my neighbourhood or city	0	0	0	0	0
I feel responsible for helping others	0	0	0	0	0
I often think about the needs of others	0	0	0	0	0
Helping to solve community problems is something everyone should do	0	0	0	0	0
I tend to volunteer throughout my whole life	0	0	0	0	0

Do you think that each of the following statements is not an important obligation, a somewhat important obligation or a very important obligation that a citizen owes to the country? (mark only one response for each statement)<sup>4</sup>

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Report a crime I have witnessed	0	0	0
Participate in neighbourhood organizations	0	0	0
Help keep the neighbourhood safe	0	0	0
Help keep the neighbourhood clean and beautiful	0	0	0
Help those who are less fortunate	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Questions to measure responsibility for community issues and social problems (social responsibility) – *Survey of social responsibility* (RMC Research, 2007) in *Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs* (Abt Associates, 2010): 2-15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Questions to measure responsibility for community issues and social problems (neighbourhood obligation) – *Still serving: Measuring the impact of AmeriCorps on alumni* (Corporation for National and Community Service, Office of Research and Policy Development, 2008) *Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs* (Abt Associates, 2010): 2-15

## **Psychosocial Well-being:**

This section asks you about your skills and your beliefs about future.

**4.** In the past twelve months, how often did you do the following? *(mark only one response for each statement)*<sup>5</sup>

	Everyday	Almost everyday	Almost once a week	Almost once a month	A few times a year	Never
I talked about my ideas in front of other people	0	0	0	0	0	0
I wrote about my ideas	0	0	$\circ$	$\circ$	0	0
I found ways to solve problems	0	0	0	0	0	0
I figured out how to make a good decision	0	0	0	0	0	0
I came up with new ideas	0	0	0	0	0	0
I was the leader of a group	0	0	0	0	0	0
I listened to other people's ideas even if they were different than mine	0	0	0	0	0	0
I asked others to explain their ideas or points of view	0	0	0	0	0	0
I compromised with other people to reach a common goal	0	0	0	0	0	0

**5. Below are some statements about your goals for the future.** (mark only one response for each statement)<sup>6</sup>

	Very sure I will	Sure I will	Possibly will	Very sure I won't	Sure I won't	Possibly won't	Not sure one way or the other
I will graduate from high school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I will continue my education beyond high school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Adapted: *21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Acquisition Scale* (RMC, Research 2009) in *Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs* (Abt Associates, 2010): 4-72

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Postsecondary Aspirations Scale (RMC Research 2009) in Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs (Abt Associates, 2010): 4-72

A college diploma An undergraduate degree A master's degree A PhD other (specify)  Thinking of all your voluntary comm	High school diploma/GED Technical school or certification (for example, mechanics certificate, cosmetology license) A college diploma An undergraduate degree A master's degree A PhD other (specify) other (specify) Thinking of all your voluntary community service or volunteer activities over the past 12 months, please indicate how much you agree with the following statements. (mark									
	Strongly agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree					
I re-examined my beliefs and attitudes about myself	0	0	0	0	0					
I was exposed to new ideas and ways of seeing the world	0	0	0	0	0					
I learned about the 'real' world	0	0	0	0	0					
I did things I never thought I could do	0	0	0	0	0					
I changed some of my beliefs and attitudes										

<sup>7</sup> ibid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Questions to measure personal efficacy and empowerment – *Still serving: Measuring the impact of AmeriCorps on alumni* (Corporation for National and Community Service, Office of Research and Policy Development, 2008) *Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs* (Abt Associates, 2010): 2-15

## **Your Experience in the NOISE Program:**

We will like you to tell us about your experience at NOISE so we can make things better for the next set of students who participate in NOISE. Please think about all of your experiences with NOISE over the last year.

8. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? (mark only one response for each statement)<sup>9</sup>

	Strongly agree	Agree	Slightly agree	Slightly disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I liked being part of NOISE	0	0	0	0	0	0
I was interested in the work we did at NOISE	0	0	0	0	0	0
I felt that the tasks I was assigned in NOISE were meaningful	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOISE was interesting to me	0	0	0	0	0	0
I thought that the things I was learning in NOISE will be important for my future	0	0	0	0	0	0
I felt that NOISE is worthwhile	0	0	0	0	0	0

9. Consider your experience in NOISE. Since NOISE started how often did you....(mark only one response for each statement)<sup>10</sup>

	Every session	Almost every session	Some sessions	Just a few sessions	Never
Have difficulty paying attention in NOISE workshops?	0	0	0	0	0
Have difficulty paying attention in NOISE dialogue sessions?	0	0	0	0	0
Have difficulty getting your tasks for your pod done?	0	0	0	0	0
Skip NOISE monthly workshops?	0	0	0	0	0
Skip NOISE dialogue sessions?	0	0	0	0	0
Skip your pod meetings?	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Adapted: *Survey of academic engagement* (class level) (RMC Research, 2009) in *Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs* (Abt Associates, 2010): 4-72

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Adapted: AddHealth (Johnson, Crosnoe & Elder 2001) in Toolkit for Evaluating Service-Learning Programs (Abt Associates, 2010): 4-72

These questions are about your experiences with your pod. Think about **all of your experiences** with your pod over the last year

**10.** How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? (mark only one response for each statement)<sup>11</sup>

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	Strongly agree	Agree	Slightly agree	Slightly disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I liked being in this pod	0	0	0	0	0	0
My pod chose interesting work	0	0	0	0	0	0
I felt that the work our pod chose was meaningful	0	0	0	0	0	0
I thought that the things I learned when working with my pod will be important for my future	0	0	0	0	0	0
I felt that the work we did as a pod was worthwhile	0	0	0	0	0	0
I felt supported by my pod	0	0	0	0	0	0
I feel like I belong in my pod	0	0	0	0	0	0
I contribute to my pod	0	0	0	0	0	0
I am viewed by the other members of my pod as a valued member	0	0	0	0	0	0
I feel proud of my pod	0	0	0	0	0	0
I will continue to talk to my pod now that we are finished NOISE	0	0	0	0	0	0

# This is the end of the Post-participation Survey.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the survey. Please make sure you return the survey to the researcher before you leave.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> These questions have been adapted and modified from a number of measurement scales and do not have the reliability/validity of the other questions. They have been included to allow NOISE to conduct an informal internal evaluation