



Questions to Ask Your Child's School

Middle & High School Letter Template

How to use this template: Select the questions most relevant to your child, school, and activities. Copy, paste, and customize the letter to start a conversation. You do not need to ask every question.

Hi [Teacher/Administrator Name],

As we prepare for the new school year, I wanted to learn more about the policies and practices your school has in place to help protect students and promote healthy, appropriate boundaries.

As students become more independent and participate in activities beyond the classroom, I think it's important for families to understand how these expectations are applied across the school community.

Would you mind sharing more about the following?

- What expectations are in place for appropriate boundaries between students and teachers, coaches, advisors, volunteers, and other adults?
- What policies govern one-on-one meetings or interactions between an adult and a student?
- What guidelines are in place for texting, direct messaging, social media, email, or other communication between school personnel and students?
- How are students supervised in settings such as locker rooms, athletic activities, rehearsals, clubs, transportation, field trips, and overnight travel?
- How are staff, coaches, volunteers, and other adults trained to recognize concerning behaviors, boundary violations, or signs that a student may need help?
- Are students taught about healthy boundaries, consent, grooming behaviors, and how to seek help for themselves or a friend?
- How does the school prevent and respond to concerning or harmful behavior between students, including sexual harassment, boundary violations, or inappropriate sexual behavior?
- What should a parent or caregiver do if they have a concern about an adult's behavior or a student's safety?

I appreciate the work that goes into creating an environment where students can learn, participate, and build relationships while knowing that their safety and well-being are taken seriously.

Best,
[Your Name]