

Welcome to the Solutions in Sustainability (SCIESCIE16206GD) “Sustainability: Current Practices” Survey for Students. The purpose of this survey is to gain knowledge of current sustainable habits and practices in college students, while on campus and off, as a way to identify the key factors needed to better educate students through a sustainability campaign.

Please note that participation in this survey is completely voluntary and at no time will you be asked or required to provide any information that could identify yourself.

The survey should take no longer than 5 to 10 minutes to complete and you may withdraw from the survey at any time. Should you withdraw, please know that none of the data you provided up to the point of withdrawing will be retained.

After completion, if you have questions or concerns regarding the survey, including wanting to withdraw your responses, or you wish to see the results of the study, then you may contact:

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## Sustainability: Current Practices Survey

**Answer the following questions. Fill in/choose the option(s) below that most apply to you.**

1. What is your occupation?
  - a) Student.
  - b) Professor.
  - c) Staff.
  - d) Visitor.
  - e) Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. On a scale of 1 - 10 (1 being not often, and 10 being all the time) how often do you eat out?  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10
  
3. On a scale of 1 - 10 (1 being not often, and 10 being all the time) how often do you eat at home?  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10
  
4. Do you bring a lunch to school/work?
  - a) Yes, all the time! (5 - 6 days/week)
  - b) Sometimes (2-4 days/week)
  - c) Almost never (0-1 days/week)
  
5. On a scale of 1-10 (1 being I don't care at all, and 10 being I care a lot), how much do you care about waste management and littering?  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10
  
6. When you're at a restaurant/café that has an organized waste program (a bin for recycling, a bin for compost, a bin for waste, etc.), how often do you take advantage of it?
  - a) Yes, I always use the organized waste programs
  - b) Sometimes, when I have time
  - c) I don't know which bin to put waste in
  - d) I don't care.
  
7. At home do you participate in the compost, recycling and/or waste programs (run by the city)?
  - a) Yes
  - b) I have the bins, but sometimes I don't want to organize my waste.
  - c) No, I don't care
  - d) No, I don't have the bins

8. Do you tend to buy a lot of prepackaged foods/drinks?
- a) Yes
  - b) Sometimes
  - c) Never. I make everything from scratch.
9. In your current occupation, what are the materials that you use most? You can choose more than one if it applies.
- a) Paper
  - b) Wood
  - c) Metals
  - d) Clay
  - e) Glass
  - f) Plastic
  - g) Textiles
  - h) Adhesives
  - i) None of the above, everything I do is digital.
  - j) Other \_\_\_\_\_
10. Do you reuse the excess material you have left over from a project?
- a) Always
  - b) Sometimes.
  - c) Never
11. Do you prefer public washrooms where you can dry your hands with:
- a) Paper towel.
  - b) Automated hand sensor.
  - c) Neither, I wipe my hands on my clothes, or let them air dry.
12. Do you prefer public washrooms where you can wash your hands with:
- a) A sink with an automatic hand sensor
  - b) A manual sink that I can push on and off
13. Do you bring a water bottle everywhere you go?
- a) Yes
  - b) No, I either buy water or drink from the water fountain
14. If you answered yes to the previous question above, is your water bottle:
- a) A plastic disposable bottle.
  - b) A reusable water bottle.

15. Do you often buy plastic disposable water bottles?
- a) Always
  - b) Sometimes
  - c) Never
16. How often do you place your plastic disposable water bottles in the recycling bin?
- a) Always
  - b) Sometimes
  - c) Never
17. Do you consider yourself a big energy saver?
- a) Yes
  - b) Sometimes
  - c) No
18. How many hours a day do you use a power outlet?
- a) 1-2
  - b) 3-5
  - c) 6-8
  - d) 9-10
  - e) 10+
19. How many hours a day do you use indoor lighting?
- a) 1-2
  - b) 3-5
  - c) 6-8
  - d) 9-10
  - e) 10+
20. Are you aware of what the Sheridan Mission Zero waste program is?
- a) Yes.
  - b) I've seen posters around school, but I'm not entirely sure of what it entails.
  - c) No.
21. Do you find posters an effective way to learn about things that are happening around school?
- a) Yes, I always read the posters around school.
  - b) I only read the ones that look interesting, fun, and colourful.
  - c) No, I don't care for posters.

22. To make a poster interesting, what do you look for? You can select more than one option if it applies.

- a) Informative
- b) A lot of words
- c) Minimal wording
- d) Good use of graphics and photos
- e) Very basic
- f) Bright, fun, engaging colours
- g) Black, white, and grey scale shades/tints only
- h) Straight to the point

26. Is there anything else you would like to see in an advertising poster to make you more interested?

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