

	MURFREESBORO CITY SCHOOL BOARD POLICY		
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	DEFINING STUDENT RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA	STU 56	6/10
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The collection of student data is associated with the disbursement of Federal funds. Murfreesboro City Schools will follow U.S. Department of Education guidelines on the use of a format to collect data on ethnicity and race. There are two different parts to the question, requiring two distinct responses. The ethnicity question must come first, followed by the question on race. The race question must ask respondents to select one or more of five racial groups.

The ethnicity question is:
 What is the student's ethnicity?
 Hispanic or Latino
 Not Hispanic or Latino

The race question is:
 What is this student's race? Mark one or more races to indicate what this person considers herself or himself to be.
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Asian
 Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 White

If a respondent does not respond to the question, Murfreesboro City Schools policy is to use observer identification. If only one part of the two-part question is unanswered, Murfreesboro City Schools will take steps to ensure that the respondent has intentionally refused to complete both parts of the question, before using observer identification.

