The WV School Climate Index—derived from 20 indicators drawing from student and staff survey data and selected discipline incident data reported in the West Virginia Education Information System (WVEIS)—provides (a) an overall measure of school climate that measures all domains and subdomains in the OSDFS model; (b) a straightforward, easily understood scale that can be readily interpreted by those working to improve school climate; and (c) information about component parts of the index to help schools rapidly identify areas for programmatic interventions.

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