Student and family questionnaires or interest surveys are another way to collect useful information for all students and families in your class. It’s essential to make clear to families that you value them, and gathering this information will help you best communicate with them and support their child. These sample prompts can get you started on building your own family or student questionnaires. Additional Trust Building Questions can be found in the Supporting Materials. No matter which questions you choose to include in a questionnaire, be sure to ask in the simplest and most direct way possible.

☐ Name

☐ Age/Birthday

☐ Who is in your family?

☐ Tell me about last school year. What did you like? What did you dislike?

☐ What is your favorite book?

☐ What did you do this summer that you enjoyed?

☐ How do you feel about the new school year? What are you most excited about?

☐ What are you most worried about?

☐ What else do you think is important for me to know about you/ how you learn?

Note: consider calling out “distance learning” as appropriate in questions to differentiate between experiences and feelings about in-person learning vs. distance learning.