

# EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

**STEP SIX** in the school search process is to narrow down your list of schools to two or three finalists. You can do this by filling out this Evaluation Questionnaire. To fill out this questionnaire, you should rely on the research you have already conducted about each school, your notes from your school visits, and your Priorities Worksheet.

What school or learning environment will best inspire and motivate my child to be the person that I hope he or she will be?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment best reflects my family's overall values, goals, and principles?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment best meets my expectations for what a school should be able to do for my child?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment would do the most to alleviate my biggest worries or concerns for my child's future?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment will do the most to help my child learn and succeed academically?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment do I think is the safest environment for my child?

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What school or learning environment best embraces the importance of mutual respect?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

What school or learning environment will best maximize, maintain, or improve my child's happiness?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

What school or learning environment will best promote my child's overall success?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

What school or learning environment best meets my needs in regard to the other top priorities that I identified as mattering most to me?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

What school or learning environment best meets my needs in regard to the other specific priorities that I identified as mattering most to me?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you notice a trend? Are there schools that consistently appear as your first answer to these questions? Use your answers here to narrow down your list to **three finalists**. Remember, your gut reaction matters, too. If, for any reason, your intuition tells you that a school might not work for your child, strike it off the list and stop considering it. Even if it might technically meet a lot of the criteria for you, if it doesn't feel right, it isn't right.

Your finalists: ① \_\_\_\_\_ ② \_\_\_\_\_ ③ \_\_\_\_\_