BEFORE AND AFTER PICTURE REFLECTION

Combat survey-fatigue by asking for feedback in picture format. Providing a visual option for people to share their ideas ensures more voices will be heard.

Where and When to Use It: Consider using a picture reflection to gauge people’s feelings on infrastructure changes or safety interventions in the community. You can also ask workshop participants to complete picture reflections to demonstrate what they knew before the session and what they knew by the end of it. Great for young students or individuals who prefer expressing

MATERIALS

• White drawing paper
• Pencils
• Colored pencils, pastels, crayons, markers
• Optional: Magazines, glue, scissors to create a collage piece

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Before your activity/workshop: Distribute reflection templates to participants and ask them to write/draw how they feel or what they know about the topic of the event. For example, if you are leading a workshop on starting a Walking School Bus program, you can ask participants what they already know about these kinds of programs. This will be your pre-assessment. Have participants hold on to their reflection template or collect them.

2. Lead your activity/workshop.

3. After your activity/workshop: Re-distribute reflection templates. As participants to write/draw how they are feeling or what they learned after your activity/workshop. This will be your post-assessment.

4. Give participants ample time to complete their reflections. Once pieces are complete, have participants share their work with a partner. Ask them to explain what they drew and their feelings behind the piece.

5. If time allows, have a small gallery walk so participants can view each other’s work.

Tip: Not an artist? Not a problem! If people are not into drawing, have pre-made pictures they can paste onto their reflection sheets. Emoji pictures are great for this. If someone prefers not to draw and wants to give written or verbal feedback, that is fine. Their response is what’s important.

NEXT STEPS

• If space is available, display reflections on a bulletin board or send to funders to complement quantitative evaluation. Reflections may be completed anonymously, but try to collect demographic information from responders in order to disaggregate data.

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