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TO: School District Superintendents

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FROM: Carole L. Clancy, Director

**Bureau of Special Education** 

SUBJECT: Survey of Parents of Students with Disabilities

Pennsylvania's State Performance Plan requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 include collecting and reporting data on the involvement of families in special education programs. Specifically, states must report annually to the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) and the public on State Performance Plan Indicator 8 which is the: "percent of parents with a child receiving special education services who report that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for children with disabilities."

Like many other states, Pennsylvania is collecting this data through a large-scale survey. Pennsylvania reports results of the survey to OSEP in its State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report. This report is posted on the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) and the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) websites. Reporting on local educational agency (LEA) performance is done through the Special Education Data Reports on the PennData website.

To ensure that parents from every LEA in the commonwealth are included in the survey, PDE developed a sampling plan that was approved by OSEP. Under this sampling, each year PDE collects data from a representative sample of parents in approximately one-fifth of the LEAs in the Commonwealth. In addition, not all parents will receive the survey as it is a sample within each LEA. The LEAs in this year's sample are listed below. Parents receiving the survey were selected from PA Special Education Data using a stratified random sample of school age students in each LEA. Surveys will be mailed directly to the parents from Leader Services in the next few weeks.

The survey being used was developed by the National Center for Special Education Accountability Monitoring under a grant awarded to that center by OSEP. The survey can be viewed at <u>Leader Services-Parent Survey</u>. Additional information about the survey can be found on the PaTTAN website at <u>PA Indicator 8 Information</u>.

A letter that accompanies the survey assures parents that their responses will be confidential. Parents may direct questions about the survey to the Special Education Consult Line at 800-879-2301. Should parents contact LEA personnel about the survey, we ask that your staff encourage them to participate in the survey process.

At this point, LEAs do not need to take any specific action. However, if you wish to alert your families to watch out for the surveys, this may serve to facilitate and encourage participation. Please keep in mind that questions regarding this PENN\*LINK may be addressed to Barbara Mozina, Special Education Adviser, at <a href="mailto:bmozina@pa.gov">bmozina@pa.gov</a>.

## Intermediate Unit Local Educational Agency

- 1 Southeastern Greene SD
- 1 Canon-McMillan SD
- 1 Brownsville Area SD
- 1 Ringgold SD
- 2 Catalyst Academy CS
- 2 Propel CS Northside
- 2 Urban Pathways K-5 College CS
- 3 Deer Lakes SD
- 3 Propel CS McKeesport
- 3 Moon Area SD Young Scholars of Greater Allegheny
- 3 CS
- 3 Duquesne City SD
- 3 Keystone Oaks SD
- 3 Woodland Hills SD
- 3 Plum Borough SD
- 3 Riverview SD
- 3 Shaler Area SD
- 3 Carlynton SD
- 3 McKeesport Area SD
- 3 Allegheny Valley SD
- 3 South Allegheny SD
- 3 Life Male STEAM Academy CS
- 4 Butler Area SD
- 4 Laurel SD
- 4 Union Area SD
- 4 Hermitage SD
- 5 Erie City SD
- 5 General McLane SD
- 5 Girard SD
- 5 Millcreek Township SD

- 5 Northwestern SD
- 5 Montessori Regional CS
- 5 Crawford Central SD
- 6 Dubois Area SD
- 6 Forest Area SD
- 6 Brookville Area SD
- 6 Punxsutawney Area SD
- 6 Franklin Area SD
- 7 Franklin Regional SD
- 7 Greater Latrobe SD
- 7 Yough SD
- 8 Everett Area SD
- 8 Northern Bedford County SD
- 8 Bellwood-Antis SD
- 8 Spring Cove SD
- 8 Blacklick Valley SD
- 8 Berlin Brothersvalley SD
- 8 Conemaugh Township Area SD Central PA Digital Learning
- 8 Foundation CS
- 9 Cameron County SD
- 9 Galeton Area SD
- 9 Northern Potter SD
- 10 Bellefonte Area SD
- 10 Nittany Valley CS
- 10 Sugar Valley Rural CS
- 11 Mount Union Area SD
- 11 Mifflin County SD
- 11 New Day CS
- 12 Gettysburg Area SD
- 12 West York Area SD
- 12 Gettysburg Montessori CS
- 13 Conestoga Valley SD
- 13 Donegal SD
- 13 Hempfield SD
- 13 Lancaster SD
- 13 Manheim Central SD
- 13 Northern Lebanon SD
- 14 Boyertown Area SD
- 14 Hamburg Area SD
- 14 Muhlenberg SD
- 14 Tulpehocken Area SD
- 14 Wyomissing Area SD
- 15 Shippensburg Area SD
- 15 South Middleton SD
- 15 West Shore SD

- 15 Harrisburg City SD
- 15 Lower Dauphin SD
- 15 Pennsylvania STEAM Academy CS
- 15 Infinity CS
- 15 Premier Arts and Science CS
- 16 Bloomsburg Area SD
- 16 Shamokin Area SD
- 16 Midd-West SD
- 16 Susq-Cyber CS
- 17 Northern Tioga SD
- 17 Southern Tioga SD
- 18 Greater Nanticoke Area SD
- 18 Hazleton Area SD
- 18 Northwest Area SD
- 18 Bear Creek Community CS
- 19 Mid Valley SD
- 19 North Pocono SD
- 19 Forest City Regional SD
- 19 Susquehanna Community SD
- 19 Wallenpaupack Area SD
- 20 Stroudsburg Area SD
- 20 Nazareth Area SD
- 20 Delaware Valley SD
- 20 Evergreen Community CS
- 21 Palmerton Area SD
- 21 Southern Lehigh SD
- 21 Arts Academy CS
- 21 Executive Education Academy CS
- 22 Morrisville Borough SD
- 22 School Lane CS
- 23 Bryn Athyn SD
- 23 Colonial SD
- 23 Methacton SD
- 23 Springfield Township SD
- 24 Avon Grove SD
- 24 Kennett Consolidated SD
- 24 Oxford Area SD
- 24 West Chester Area SD
- 24 Insight PA Cyber CS
- 25 Chester-Upland SD
- 25 Rose Tree Media SD
- 25 Upper Darby SD
- 25 Widener Partnership CS
- 26 MaST Community CS III
- 26 Philadelphia City SD
- 26 Imhotep Institute CHS

- 26 Philadelphia Performing Arts CS
- 26 Mastery CS Thomas Campus
- 26 Pan American Academy CS
- 26 Universal Daroff CS
- 26 Frederick Douglass Mastery CS
- 26 Mastery CS John Wister Elementary
- 26 MaST Community CS II
- 26 Mastery Prep Elementary CS
- 27 Aliquippa SD
- 27 Midland Borough SD
- 27 South Side Area SD
- 27 Lincoln Park Performing Arts CS
- 28 Apollo-Ridge SD
- 28 Freeport Area SD
- 28 Blairsville-Saltsburg SD
- 28 Homer-Center SD
- 28 Marion Center Area SD
- 28 United SD
- 29 Tri-Valley SD
- 29 Saint Clair Area SD

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