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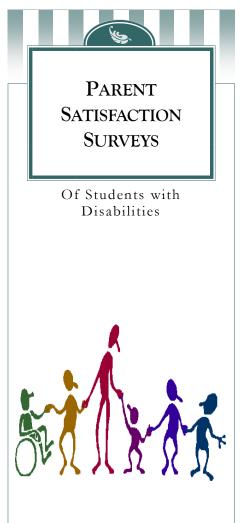
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Frequently Asked Questions

Why is my school asking me to fill out this survey?

In order for all students to graduate prepared to achieve a lifetime of success, families need to be an important part of the school team. To raise success rates for students with disabilities, the Georgia Department of Education asks parents to answer questions to help assist with helping local schools find ways to partner with families.

Do I have to answer all the questions, even if one doesn't apply to my child?

No. If a question doesn't apply, just leave it blank. This will help the researchers gather more accurate information about the services your child receives.

Why do they want to know about my child's disability?

Data is being collected on geographic area, ethnicity and disability group to ensure the results are valid and reflect the overall demographics of the state.

What if I don't understand a question or a term used in a question?

Ask your child's teacher or contact Cherokee Country School District Parent Mentors, Sharon Jones & Jo Ellen Hancock at 770-721-8503.

What if I have more than one child receiving services? Do I fill out more than one survey?

If you have more than one child at a school which is being surveyed or, if you have children in different schools and those schools have all been selected for the survey, you will receive one survey for each child. Because your opinions about the services your children receive at school matter, please fill out all the surveys you receive.

Who fills out the survey if parents are divorced and have shared custody?

Most families decide which parent will fill out the survey. Because the surveys go out one to a child, families only get one survey per child.

The entire survey must be completed in order for it to be scored; including all demographic information.

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What do I do if my child doesn't receive a survey or if we lost it?

Contact your child's teacher and he/she will provide a replacement survey.

Does my child's teacher see the survey answers?

No. That is why the postage paid envelopes are included. However, many teachers ask you to return the sealed envelopes to them so that they can get a count on how many surveys are returned. Since parents' names do not appear on the survey, your answers will be parents' names do not appear on the survey, your answers will be anonymous.