

2017-2018

Parent Survey

Common Questions & Answers for Parent Mentors and Administrators

1. How is the IDEA Parent Survey distributed?
 - a. The survey will be available to *all* families of students with disabilities. The survey will be administered through an online link.
Direct link to the parent survey:
<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services/Pages/Parent-Survey.aspx>
or
The survey can be accessed in the following locations:
http://www.gadoe.org/ci_exceptional.aspx or www.parentmentors.org or www.p2pga.org
2. What schools will be surveyed?
 - a. The online survey will be available to *all* families of students with disabilities in *all* Georgia public schools.
3. When will the survey open?
 - a. No later than January 15, 2018.
4. When does the online survey close and when are the paper surveys due back to Georgia Center for Assessment?
 - a. No later than May 15, 2018.
5. What is the procedure for requesting paper surveys?
 - a. To request a paper survey form, email Lisa Ward, Georgia Center for Assessment lisaward@uga.edu.
6. Are the Parent Surveys available in Spanish?
 - a. Yes. Both the online survey and the paper survey forms are available in Spanish.
 - b. For paper surveys in Spanish, contact Lisa Ward at the Georgia Center for Assessment.
7. Does a parent who has more than one child receiving special education services through an IEP complete a survey for each child?
 - a. A parent can complete a survey for each of their children who receives special education services.
8. What can I do to make each survey count and get the best results?
 - a. Share with teachers and principals the importance of the Parent Survey and that the information gathered is reported in the Annual Performance Report for each district.

- b. Remind families to:
 - i. Complete demographic information so the responses will be more accurate.
 - ii. Remember, all surveys are anonymous.
 - c. Make the survey link available on your district and school websites.
9. Why is this survey administered and how will the results be used?
 - a. This survey helps the state determine parents' perception of the success of parent engagement between them and schools. Each state is required to conduct a parent survey collection process to measure parent/family perceptions. The information is gathered as a component of the State Performance Plan, Indicator 8: Percent of parents with a student receiving special education services who report that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving results for children with disabilities. The data collected is reported as a percentage of parental involvement in the Annual Performance Report for each district.
10. Questions?
 - a. Problems with the online survey? Submit a dticket@doe.k12.ga.us or call 800-869-1011.
 - b. Questions about the Parent Survey? Contact Anne Ladd at aladd@doe.k12.ga.us
 - c. Questions about Parent Survey Dashboard data? Contact Carol Seay at cseay@doe.k12.ga.us