

2020-2021

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:
<https://survey.gadoe.org/SPEDParentSurvey>
 - Link to the GaDOE Webpage where the survey appears under Resource Links section:
<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services>
and
The survey link can be accessed on the following websites:
Ga Parent Mentor Partnership www.parentmentors.org
Parent to Parent of Ga 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. January 19, 2021.
4. When does the online survey close?
 - a. On or around May 31, 2021.
5. Is the Parent Surveys available in Spanish?
 - a. Yes
6. 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.
7. 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 that the responses will be more accurate.
 - ii. Remember that all surveys are anonymous.
 - c. Make the survey link available on your district and school websites.

8. Why is this survey administered and how will the results be used?
 - a. This survey helps the state to 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.

9. 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 or Sharon Jones at sjones@doe.k12.ga.us.
 - c. Questions about Parent Survey Dashboard data? Contact Linda Castellanos at LCastellanos@doe.k12.ga.us
 - d. Questions related to the Parent Survey or special education generally? Contact SPED Help Desk 404-657-9968 or spedhelpdesk@doe.k12.ga.us