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MEMORANDUM

TO: Select Directors and Charter School Administrators

- **FROM:** Dr. Carol Ann M. Hudgens, Senior Director Call Nicole Sinclair, Assistant Director ^{NS}
- **DATE:** March 18, 2024

RE: INDICATOR 8 SURVEY

Indicator 8 of the State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) measures the percentage of parents who report that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for children with disabilities. Each year, parents in the five largest public-school units (PSUs) and select PSUs across the state are surveyed. Statewide results will be reported in the APR and PSU results will be reported in PSU performance reports.

This year the Office of Exceptional Children has developed a single survey for parents/guardians of students with disabilities ages 3-21. To better serve families, the survey allows the respondent to select one of eleven languages. If the PSU would like to request any additional languages for the survey, please contact Johanna Lynch, Parent Liaison, johanna.lynch@dpi.nc.gov.

We understand that some students with disabilities will have matriculated to another school, moved away from your PSU, graduated, dropped out, or are no longer eligible for special education services. However, please distribute to the parents/guardians of children who were on your December 1, 2023, Child Count, unless a child has passed away. Please disseminate the information by April 1, 2024, and emphasize the importance of parents completing the survey by July 1, 2024.

The Office of Exceptional Children invites all districts in the 2023-24 Indicator 8 sample to participate in a training and information webinar. The goal of this training is to provide updates to the process and provide helpful tips and resources to increase the response rate and engagement of parents of students with disabilities. The webinar will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 10:00 AM with a repeat session at 2:00 PM. The webinar will be recorded and posted on the Office of Exceptional Children website for those unable to attend. To attend either webinar, click the shortlink or scan the QR code below:

Webinar Link



If you have any questions, please contact Johanna Lynch, johanna.lynch@dpi.nc.gov, or (984) 236-2570.

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