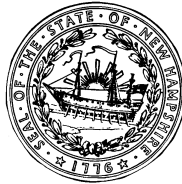


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Date: December 14, 2011

To: Superintendents of Schools
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From: Office of the Commissioner of Education

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Re: **2010-2011 Parent Involvement Survey Statewide Results**

The New Hampshire Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education is pleased to announce the release of the **2010-2011 Parent Involvement Statewide Survey Results**. The results have been posted on the NHDOE website:

http://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/parent_involv.htm

The fourth Parent Involvement Survey was distributed in March 2011. The survey measured the percent of parents with a child receiving special education services who report that the schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving special education services and results.

Highlights from the 2010-2011 Parent Involvement Statewide Survey Results Report:

- In 2011 there was an increase in the percentage of parents who indicated that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving special education services and results for children with disabilities:
 - from 60% to 62% among preschool parents;
 - from 46% to 49 %among school age parents, and
 - from 47% to 50% among preschool and school age parents combined.
- Over the last four years, the results of the parent surveys administered in the 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011 school year have included the following :
 - The overall survey response rate has increased from 16% to 19%, and
 - The survey response rate at or above the standard has increased from 32% to 50% for preschool and school age combined.

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Attached for your use is a sample letter to thank school staff and families for their work and efforts in completing the 2010-2011 Parent Survey.

The Department of Education supports you in your efforts to promote parent and school partnerships necessary to support children receiving special education. During the 2011-2012 school year, the NHDOE will be offering targeted technical assistance to school and families through the NH Connections project funded by the Bureau of Special Education.

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