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To: Superintendents of Schools  
Administrators of Special Education

From: Bureau of Student Support  
Division of Learner Support

RE: 2021 Parent Involvement Survey in Special Education Administration Process Change

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE), Bureau of Student Support (Bureau) is launching the 2021 Parent Involvement Survey in Special Education as part of the **603 Bright Futures Survey**. The NHDOE is required by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), in the Part B State Performance Plan (SPP) and the Annual Performance Report (APR), to report the percent of parents with a child receiving special education services who report that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for children with disabilities.

This year, all districts are required to administer the survey, we will not administer the survey in cohorts as we have in the past. School districts will be administering the Indicator 8 Parent Involvement as part of the **603 Bright Futures Survey**. The first part of the survey will be for all families to complete and so you should distribute the survey link widely. If parents select in question 1 that they are responding on behalf of a student with an IEP, they will see additional questions on page 2 which is the Indicator 8 content. **All family surveys are available at: [bit.ly/nhdoefamily](https://bit.ly/nhdoefamily)**. If you would like access to monitor response rates for your school(s) **[please complete this form](#)** and Panorama will configure your account.

With this new approach, your responsibility will be to share an online survey link with **all families** across your district. This means the link can be e-mailed, texted, placed on your website or any other approach that brings visibility to it. To ensure districts are providing the survey to families of students with disabilities and for ease of electronic distribution, districts can access a parent email report in the New Hampshire Special Education System (NHSEIS). This year's parent email report is accessible via the main page of their individual NHSEIS account. The email report will be password protected. This password will be sent separately. Moving forward, the report will be available through advanced reporting in each district's NHSEIS account. For any questions regarding your NHSEIS account, please contact Brandy Pappas at [Brandy.A.Pappas@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Brandy.A.Pappas@doe.nh.gov) or 603 271-2178.

The Panorama Education's Project Support team is available to families and school staff. Please direct inquiries to [support+NHDOE@panoramaed.com](mailto:support+NHDOE@panoramaed.com). Panorama will also rely on school and district staff to help parents' complete surveys as needed (e.g., assisted by district translators or sign language interpreters).

If you have any questions regarding the Indicator 8 Parent Survey, please feel free to contact Mary Lane at [Mary.Lane@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Mary.Lane@doe.nh.gov) or (603) 271-3740.

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