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Dear Administrator:

This year the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) will survey a representative sample of parents of students with disabilities to determine how well schools throughout the state are involving parents in their children's education. The survey results are a required component of ISBE's Annual Performance Report (APR) to the U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs.

- **Your district or districts within your cooperative will be included in the parent survey sample in early 2023.**

The purpose of this letter is to notify districts and cooperatives that will be surveyed well in advance of the distribution of the 2022-2023 Indicator 8 Parent Involvement Survey. **Parents of students with disabilities in your district will receive a survey in the mail early in 2023.** It is suggested that districts and cooperatives provide information about the survey to parents prior to that time.

Districts and cooperatives can do the following to prepare parents who will be receiving the survey:

- **Continue to update parent address data in the ISBE Student Information System (SIS) regularly to ensure that parents will receive the survey in the mail. ISBE will extract the address data in October 2022.**
- Utilize teachers, counselors, and special education staff to promote parent awareness of the survey during parent-teacher conferences.
- Provide survey awareness to parents during Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings.
- Send out reminders to parents of students with disabilities via text and/or email listservs in December 2022 as well as the first weeks in January 2023.

Please visit the ISBE [Indicator 8: Parent Involvement](#) webpage to find resources and information that was utilized in previous survey cycles. ISBE will be providing more information, resources, and reminders regarding the 2022-23 Indicator 8 Parent Involvement Survey to districts and cooperatives in December 2022.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Paula Powers at 312-814-5560 or ppowers@isbe.net. ISBE would like to thank you for helping our improvement efforts.

Sincerely,

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