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Dear School and District Coordinators,

Thank you for participating in the 2016-2017 SurveyWorks program! This letter provides you with an overview of this year’s survey program that is supported by our vendor, Panorama Education.

Who will be surveyed?

- **Students** in grades 3-12
- **Teachers** in all schools that have students in grades 3-12
- **Support Professionals** in all schools
- **Parents/Guardians** of students in grades 3-12

What topics will be on the surveys?

Each survey is tailored to the stakeholder group. The survey topics were selected by a broad cross section of focus groups across Rhode Island including teachers, school counselors, parents, and students.

Teachers	Support Professionals
Professional Learning School Climate Resources School Leadership Educating All Students Teaching Efficacy Future Plans	Professional Learning School Climate Resources School Leadership Educating All Students Roles and Responsibilities Future Plans
Students	Parents/Guardians
School Safety School Climate Learning Strategies Valuing of School Rigorous Expectations School Engagement Teacher-Student Relationships	School Safety School Climate Learning Behaviors Family Support Family Engagement Barriers to Engagement

What languages will be available?

All student and parent/guardian surveys will be available in English and Spanish.



How will the survey be administered?

All surveys will be available online; some parent/guardian surveys will be available on paper in addition to online. See the table below for more details.

For online surveys: the survey is accessible via any Internet connection and will run on any web browser (Safari, Chrome, etc.). Survey-takers may use desktops, laptops, netbooks, Chromebooks, tablets and/or mobile devices to access the survey.

Available online only	Available online and on paper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student Surveys ● Teacher Surveys ● Support Professional Surveys <p>An access code will be required to access the survey for your school. This access code will be provided by RIDE at least 1 week prior to the survey administration window.</p>	<p>Parent/Guardian Surveys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If a valid/correct email address is on record with the school/district, parents/guardians will receive an online link to a survey. ● If a valid/correct email address is <i>not</i> on record with the school/district: Paper surveys can be requested at your school and letters with instructions to access the online survey will be sent home with students.

For parent/guardian surveys, what if I have multiple children in the same school or in different schools?

Please refer to the **Parent/Guardian FAQ Document**.

When will the surveys be available?

- Student, Teacher, and Support Professional surveys: **Monday January 16th – Wednesday March 31th**
- Family Survey: **Monday February 6th - Friday March 31st**

Who should I reach out to if I have questions?

- **Before the survey window begins:** reach out to Peg Votta (Research Specialist, Data Analysis and Research, Margaret.Votta@ride.ri.gov (401-222-8412))
- **During the survey window:** reach out to support+ride@panoramaed.com
- **Any questions about the Special Education Parent Survey:** please contact the Resource Center at the RI Parent Information Network (RIPIN) at 401-270-0101 or 800-464-3399.

Where do I go for additional resources?

- RIDE Resource Center:

<http://ride.ri.gov/InformationAccountability/RIEducationData/SurveyWorks.aspx>