

## SPP Indicator 8

Dear Superintendent/CEO/ Director,

Pennsylvania's State Performance Plan requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 include collecting and reporting data on the involvement of families in special education programs. Specifically, states must report annually to the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) and the public on State Performance Plan Indicator 8, which is 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."

Your school is scheduled to participate in the **2024-2025 State Performance Plan (SPP) Indicator 8 Parent Survey**. Feedback from parents of students receiving special education services measures how effectively schools engage families in their children's education. To learn more about Indicator 8, visit the [PaTTAN website](#). A video explaining your role in the survey along with resources pertaining to Indicator 8 and the State Performance Plan are located on the website.

Beginning February 2025, **selected families** in your LEA who have children receiving special education services will receive a **postcard** from Leader Services asking them to complete a brief, **five-question survey**. The survey window will close June 30, 2025. All survey responses will remain anonymous, to ensure that schools will not be aware of individual submissions.

We encourage you to inform your families of the postcard mailing. As part of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education efforts to increase participation rates in this survey, a sample letter has been prepared for your use. The attached letter could be printed on your school letterhead and sent to your families of students with disabilities (via mail or by email), explaining the survey and encouraging their response.

Sincerely,