



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

South Carolina Families:

The COVID-19 pandemic has made the 2020–21 school year the most challenging year our education system has faced in my lifetime. It has required students, families, and educators to go above and beyond to ensure our schools are safe and the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of our students are being met. Most of all it has required patience, understanding, and strong communication between schools and the students and families they serve.

A strong partnership with families is instrumental in making our education system successful. To make sure that you have a voice in our public education system, the South Carolina Department of Education is conducting this survey. The results will be included in the school's annual report card and will be used to inform decision making in your school, district, and by state leaders. Your answers will be anonymous and confidential. School administrators will receive only a summary of the answers provided. If you are uncomfortable responding to any items on the survey, you may omit those items.

The survey will take about ten to fifteen minutes to complete. Please read each statement and choose the best response from the choices given. As you read each statement, try to focus on the entire year and not just on recent or isolated events.

Thank you for taking time to give us your honest opinions and feedback. Only by working together can we ensure that we have better schools and brighter futures for every student.

Most Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Molly M. Spearman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Molly M. Spearman
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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Section 59-18-900 of the Education Accountability Act requires that annual school report cards include "evaluations of the school by parents, teachers, and students." Parent perceptions as collected in the Parent Opinion Survey appear on our school report card and provide school staff with insight to issues within our school. Additionally, results from the Parent Opinion Survey are used by the Education Oversight Committee to meet the requirements of Section 59-28-190 of the Parental Involvement in Their Children's Education Act.

Although the Parent Opinion Survey has been administered for many years, only parents of students in the highest grade in elementary and middle schools and parents of 11th graders in high schools previously were afforded the opportunity to respond to the paper survey. This year the survey has been moved to an online platform and is accessible via computer and mobile device. All parents of students in grades K-12 may now participate.

Please complete the Parent Opinion Survey by: **June 1, 2021**

To access the Parent Opinion Survey click on this link: <https://ed.sc.gov/surveys/parent-survey/>

Once at the survey, choose either the English or Spanish version of the survey to complete. Families should complete only one survey for each of their children enrolled in public school.

Next, enter the seven-digit ID of our school. The ID for our school is **1703019**.

Before opening the survey, the name of the school will appear, and you will be asked to confirm that you are completing the survey for the correct school.

Each school where your children are enrolled will provide you with their school ID.

Attached is a letter from the State Superintendent of Education with additional information. Please read that letter before completing the survey.

The survey is anonymous, but if you feel uncomfortable in responding to any question you may skip that question. The survey will note that a question has been left unanswered, but you can click continue to proceed without answering the question.

Your time and effort in completing this survey is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Nanette Carmichael, Principal