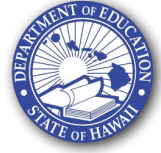


Parent Involvement Survey Handout

Special Education

School Year 2022 - 2023



The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) values your involvement in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings and other school activities/events relating to your child's education and would like to hear about your experience with your school's efforts to partner with you.

To meet the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA), the Department is required to annually report to the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) 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 enrolled in Hawaii public schools in the provision of a free appropriate public education (20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A)).

Like many other states, the Department collects this data through a large-scale survey. The Department is using the Schools' Efforts to Partner with Parents Scale (SEPPS) that consists of a 25-item rating scale and was developed and validated by the National Center for Special Education and Accountability Monitoring (NCSEAM). The statewide data is reported in the Hawaii's State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report, Indicator 8.

Your participation in the Parent Involvement Survey will help the Department to improve parental involvement in the special education process and increase positive outcomes for our students with disabilities and their families.

The Parent Involvement Survey:

- Is multiple choice and takes less than ten (10) minutes to complete.
- Collects responses that are reported anonymously and cannot be personally linked to you or your child.
- Is available either online **or** from your child's public school in a paper copy to be submitted using the provided postage-paid envelope.
- Ensures objectivity by being collated, aggregated, and analyzed independently outside of the Department by the current contractor, *Piedra Data Services LLC*.
- Provides you with the opportunity to complete one (1) survey per child receiving special education and related services.
- Is offered by your child's public school after the initial or annual IEP meeting.
- Is available to be completed from July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS

If you do not have access to a device, ask your child's school if a device is available for use at the campus.

On a computer, smart phone, or tablet, open an Internet browser, and go to:
<https://www.hiparentsurvey.com/> and complete the survey.

If you have a Quick Response (QR) reader on your device, you can access the survey using the this QR code.

If you would like to complete the survey via a paper copy, please contact your child's school.

This handout can also be found on the Department's website under **Parent Involvement Survey**:
<https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/SpecializedPrograms/SpecialEducation/Pages/Family-Involvement.aspx>



Questions and Answers

Why participate in the Parent Involvement Survey?

You are an important member of the IEP team. By completing the survey, you can tell us how your child's school partners with you.

How is the data from the survey used by the Department?

The results in this survey will help us plan improvements in our special education system and enrich school and parent partnerships to increase outcomes for students with disabilities.

Are my responses kept confidential?

Yes. Individual responses are reported anonymously and are not connected to you or your child.

Am I required to do the survey?

No. Participation is voluntary. We appreciate your time to complete the survey as the information that is gathered provides feedback for the Department to enhance parent involvement.

Do I have to answer all the questions on the survey?

No. Please try to answer all questions that apply to you and your child. If the question does not apply, please skip and proceed to the next question.

Can I take both the online and paper survey?

No. To ensure accurate data, please select one (1) method, online or paper.

When is the survey provided?

The opportunity to participate is offered to you every year, after your child's initial or annual IEP meeting.

I have a paper survey and have more than one child receiving special education, should I make a copy?

No. Please ask your child's school for another copy of the paper survey for your other child. Surveys are individually coded for data purposes, but are not linked to a specific student.

What do I do if I need the Parent Involvement Survey in a different language or mode?

The Parent Involvement Survey is translated in 16 different languages. Please go to <https://www.hiparentsurvey.com/hawaii/translations.php> to access the appropriate language and use while completing the English version. For a Braille version of the survey, please contact your school.

Who do I contact on questions on how to complete the survey?

Contact the Monitoring and Compliance Branch at macb@k12.hi.us or (808) 307-3600.



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