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Dear colleagues:

With this letter, the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) supports the National Survey of Public Education's Response to COVID-19. Our organization encourages the school district leaders that are invited to participate to respond to this survey.

This project is led and funded by the American Institutes for Research (AIR).

The purpose of the survey is to capture nationally representative data about school district responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. Findings will highlight innovative approaches, identify promising practices, and share knowledge about the challenges that schools are facing in the pandemic. Learn more on the [project website](#).

As the sole nationwide, nonpartisan, nonprofit membership organization representing the 58 public officials who head state departments of elementary and secondary education across the nation, the District of Columbia, the Department of Defense Education Activity, the Bureau of Indian Education, and the U.S. extra-state jurisdictions, the Council is uniquely positioned to work with states to improve student outcomes.

CCSSO recognizes the importance of the National Survey of Public Education's Response to COVID-19 and its goal to provide actionable information to educators, policy makers, and researchers to inform future education practices beyond the initial public health crisis.

If you would like further information about the project, email the team at perc@air.org.

Sincerely,



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