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Dear District 7 Parents,

Teachers, parents, and students across Illinois will have an opportunity to participate in the ninth annual statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey.

On behalf of the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois 5Essentials Survey will be administered online by UChicago Impact at the University of Chicago. The survey gathers data related to five indicators that can predict important student outcomes, including improved attendance and larger test score gains. These five indicators that affect and predict school success are:

- Effective Leaders
- Collaborative Teachers
- Involved Families
- Supportive Environments
- Ambitious Instruction

All teachers and 4th through 12th grade students will be responding to this survey. 5Essentials Reports will be generated for schools if their teachers and/or students meet the response rate threshold of 50 percent. These reports will be sent to schools and districts in May 2021 and will also be included in the State School Report Card.

Additionally, District 7 has chosen to provide the optional 5Essentials parent survey. The parent data will not be reported on the State Report Card.

The Illinois 5Essentials Survey is now open and will be conducted through April 2, 2021. To take the survey please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/> and select the appropriate survey to begin.

For more information about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, or to view previous years' reports, please visit <https://illinois.5-essentials.org>. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the survey, please contact 5Essentials Client Services at 1-866-440-1874 or impact-surveys@uchicago.edu.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jason Henderson, Superintendent