

APPENDIX L

AI/AN FACES 2019 RESPONDENT MATERIALS

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## AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL PARENT-TEACHER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE HEAD START FAMILY AND CHILD EXPERIENCES SURVEY 2019 (AI/AN FACES 2019) FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS OF CHILDREN SELECTED FOR THE STUDY**

**1) What is AI/AN FACES 2019 about?**

AI/AN FACES 2019 is the second national study of children and families served by Head Start programs in American Indian and Alaska Native communities. AI/AN FACES 2019 will help us learn more about children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs and the services Head Start provides to them. It will allow Head Start to better serve the needs of children and families attending programs in Native communities.

**2) Who is conducting the study?**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, sponsors the study. The study is being conducted by Mathematica, a respected, independent research organization whose studies of Head Start and other early childhood and education programs have been used to improve services to children and families for 50 years. Mathematica is working with directors of Head Start programs in AI/AN communities, Office of Head Start leadership, and child development researchers to make sure that the study meets the needs of AI/AN Head Start programs.

**3) When will the study take place?**

The AI/AN FACES study begins in fall 2019 and ends in spring 2020.

**4) Who will collect data for the study?**

This fall, a team of four Mathematica data collectors will visit your Head Start center for two to three days to do one-on-one assessments with children who were randomly picked to be part of the study and whose parents have given permission for them to be in the study. Mathematica data collectors will come back in spring 2020 to do assessments with the same group of children and to observe their classrooms. Where possible, we have partnered with Native field staff to help carry out data collection efforts. The spring visit will last about three days. Our classroom observers will be trained in AI/AN Head Start programs, and all Mathematica data collectors have completed cross-cultural understanding training.

**5) What is an AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment?**

Children whose parents gave permission will meet one-on-one with a Mathematica data collector. All Mathematica data collectors have completed cross-cultural understanding training and are trained to work with Native children and do assessments of their early math, language, and reading skills. Children will be asked to look at pictures, copy drawings, and answer some simple math questions. For example, children will be asked to name the letters of the alphabet and the sounds that go along with those letters, to point to pictures that go along with words they hear, and to name numbers and add two numbers or objects. Their height and weight will also be recorded.

**6) Will children get anything for taking part in the AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment?**

Yes, they will receive a children's book for taking part.



**7) Where will the AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment be done?**

To not disrupt classroom activities, the child activities will take place outside the classroom in a space provided to us by the center director. The AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment will be done within eye and earshot of Head Start center staff.

**8) How long does an AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment take?**

Each AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment will take about 60 minutes. It will take a little longer for some children and less time for others. Children will be given breaks when needed.

**9) Will children’s AI/AN FACES 2019 assessment results be shared with parents, teachers, or their programs?**

No. Individual children’s assessment results will not be shared. We will only report results for groups of children across all AI/AN Head Start programs. No individuals or programs will ever be identified in the reporting of results.

**10) Will taking part in the study affect the Head Start services the child and family receive?**

No. Taking part in the AI/AN FACES 2019 study, or declining to participate will not affect any Head Start services the child or family receives.

**11) How did you pick classrooms and children for the study?**

Classrooms were randomly picked from all classrooms in this Head Start center. Children in those selected classrooms were then randomly picked and, along with their parents, were invited to be in the study. Only children whose parents gave permission are in the study.

**12) What will you ask teachers to do?**

In fall 2019 and spring 2020, we will ask teachers who have children participating in AI/AN FACES 2019 in their classrooms to complete a brief form. This form will ask questions about the behavior and skills of each child in AI/AN FACES 2019. It will also ask if a child has been diagnosed with a disability by a professional, what services or Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) are in place, or if there are any special concerns the teacher has about each child in AI/AN FACES 2019. Each form will take about 10 minutes to complete. Teachers can fill out the forms online or on paper. In spring 2020, we will also ask teachers to fill out a survey about their training and background, classroom activities, and their Head Start program. The survey will take about 35 minutes. In spring 2020, we will observe the teacher’s classroom for about four hours to get an idea of classroom activities and children’s interactions with the teacher and each other. Teachers will receive a \$10 gift card for every form they complete about each child in AI/AN FACES 2019 and a gift for participating in the classroom observation.

**13) Do parents need to do anything besides signing the consent?**

On the consent forms, parents should include their email address, phone number, and mailing address so we can contact them about filling out the parent survey.



**14) What will you ask parents to do?**

We will ask parents to fill out a survey in fall 2019 and spring 2020. Parents may fill out the survey online or answer the questions over the phone. Each will last about 30 minutes. In both the fall and spring, parents will be mailed a \$30 gift card after they finish the survey.

**15) Do parents need to be there for the AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessment?**

No, parents do not need to be there. The AI/AN FACES 2019 child assessments will be done during the Head Start day.

**16) Is there a phone number or email parents and teachers can use if they have questions?**

Parents can call Sarah Forrestal, the survey director, at 800-xxx-xxxx, toll-free, to ask questions. Teachers can call Sarah Forrestal, the survey director, at 800-xxx-xxxx, toll-free, to ask questions. Parents and teachers can also email the AI/AN FACES 2019 study team at [AIANFACES@mathematica-mpr.com](mailto:AIANFACES@mathematica-mpr.com).

**17) How will my privacy be protected?**

Mathematica agrees to protect the privacy of all study participants to the extent permitted by law. All staff working on the study are required to sign a privacy agreement. The importance of protecting the privacy of each participant and the consequences of violating the agreement, including dismissal from the study, is part of the agreement and an important part of all study staff trainings. All information collected as part of AI/AN FACES 2019 will be kept private unless we learn that a child has been hurt or is in danger or you tell us that you plan to seriously hurt yourself or someone else—then by law, we must make a report to the appropriate legal authorities. The information we collect will be electronically and securely stored at the Mathematica offices, and will not be shared with anyone outside of the study team. Your personal information, including email address, phone number, and mailing address will be destroyed once the study is completed in 2020. Your survey responses will be stripped of any identifying features of you and your family and will be securely shared only with qualified individuals for additional learning purposes to better understand the strengths and needs of children and families served by Region XI Head Start.

We have also obtained a Certificate of Confidentiality from the National Institutes of Health. The Certificate helps us protect your privacy. This means no one can force the study team to give out information that identifies you, even in court. However, we may need to share your information if it shows a serious threat to you or to others, including reporting to authorities when required by law. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) may ask for data for an audit or evaluation. If they do, we will need to provide it. However, only DHHS staff involved in the review will see it.

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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL BROCHURE

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If you have any questions about **AI/AN FACES 2019**, you may call Mathematica's toll-free number, 800-XXX-XXXX, between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern time Monday through Saturday or between 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. Eastern time Sunday. After these hours, you may leave a message, and we will return your call. You can find out more about **AI/AN FACES 2019** at the **AI/AN FACES** website, <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/research/project/american-indian-and-alaska-native-head-start-family-and-child-experiences-survey-faces>.



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## Thank you for your participation!

Your help is valuable to us  
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children and families!



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## American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019



American Indian and  
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family and child experiences survey

**AI/AN FACES  
2019**



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We invite you and your child to take part in the **American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019**, known as **AI/AN FACES 2019**. Starting in 2015, the **AI/AN FACES** study began to collect in-depth information about the characteristics and experiences of children and families served by Head Start programs in American Indian and Alaska Native communities. This study allows Head Start to better serve the needs of these children and their families.

**AI/AN FACES 2019** is part of the **Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019 (FACES 2019)**, the largest national study of Head Start. It collects information about the children and families served by Head Start and lets the national Head Start program and your local Head Start program learn how the program is doing.

The **AI/AN FACES 2019** study team collects information in many different ways to understand Head Start in Native communities better. We will invite you to complete a survey at two time points: the fall of 2019 and the spring of 2020. The survey will ask you questions about yourself, your family, your experience with Head Start, and your child's experience. You will be mailed a \$30 gift card after you complete the survey.

We will also do a set of activities with your child at your child's Head Start center. These activities will help us learn about children's development. The activities we will ask your child to do are the kinds of things children typically do at Head Start. Your child will receive a book for participating.



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All the answers you and your child give are private to the extent permitted by law. They will never be shared with anyone from Head Start. You do not have to take part in the study. If you decide not to be part of **AI/AN FACES 2019** (even though we hope you will), it will not affect your or your child's Head Start services.

**AI/AN FACES 2019** is sponsored by the Administration for Children and Families, the government agency overseeing Head Start. Mathematica is conducting the study. All staff members working on **AI/AN FACES 2019** have a lot of experience working with young children and their families and have been fully trained for this project.

AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL PARENT SURVEY INVITATION EMAIL

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TO: [RESPONDENT EMAIL ADDRESS]  
FROM: AI/AN FACES 2019 STUDY TEAM  
SUBJECT: AI/AN FACES 2019 STUDY INVITATION

**AI/AN FACES 2019: IMPORTANT PARENT SURVEY**

Dear [First name] [Last name],

Thank you for taking part in the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019 (AI/AN FACES 2019). This email serves as confirmation that you have provided consent for your child to participate in the study. Below is a link to a blank copy of the consent form that you completed.

The purpose of AI/AN FACES 2019 is to provide details about the characteristics, experiences, and outcomes of children and families whom AI/AN Head Start programs serve. The information collected will help Head Start improve its services to children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs. The study is funded by the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Mathematica, an independent research firm, is conducting the study. Mathematica has worked with directors of Head Start programs in AI/AN communities, Office of Head Start leadership, and child development researchers to make sure it meets the unique needs of AI/AN Head Start programs.

We invite you to be a part of this study by filling out a survey about you, your family, and your child. **The survey will take about 30 minutes to finish. After you finish the survey, we will send you a \$30 gift card to thank you for your participation.** You can complete the survey online or by phone. If you would like to complete the survey online but do not have internet access, you can fill out the survey at your child's Head Start center during the week the AI/AN FACES 2019 data collection team is visiting. The AI/AN FACES 2019 team will have computers you can use. To complete the survey by phone, or if you need to complete the survey in a language other than English, please call 800-xxx-xxxx toll-free.

**We encourage you to complete the survey online at:  
[WEBSITE].**

**Use the log-in ID and password shown.  
LOG-IN ID: [LOG-IN ID]  
PASSWORD: [PASSWORD]**

Please finish the survey as soon as you can. Here are some points to keep in mind:

- Taking part in AI/AN FACES 2019 is up to you. There is no penalty if you decide not to participate. Taking part in the study, or deciding not to participate, will not affect any Head Start services you or your child receive. There are no risks from taking part in the

study. However, you may be asked a few sensitive questions. You may choose not to answer those questions or any questions.

- Study results will only be reported for groups. Study results will never be reported in a way that identifies you, your child, any other individuals in your family, or your child's Head Start program. No one from your Head Start program will see or hear your individual responses, and your name and your program's name will not be shared with the Office of Head Start. We are, however, required to identify participants if they tell us something that suggests that they are very likely to harm themselves, that they are planning to hurt another person or child, or that someone is likely to harm them. In the future, survey responses from the study (with nothing identifying individuals, programs, or communities) may be securely shared with qualified individuals for additional learning purposes to better understand the strengths and needs of children and families in AI/AN Head Start and the programs that serve them.

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Thanks again for taking part in AI/AN FACES 2019.

Sincerely,



Sarah Forrestal

AI/AN FACES 2019 Survey Director

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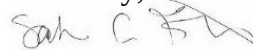
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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING PARENT SURVEY INVITATION EMAIL



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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING PARENT SURVEY INVITATION LETTER

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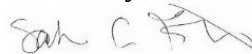
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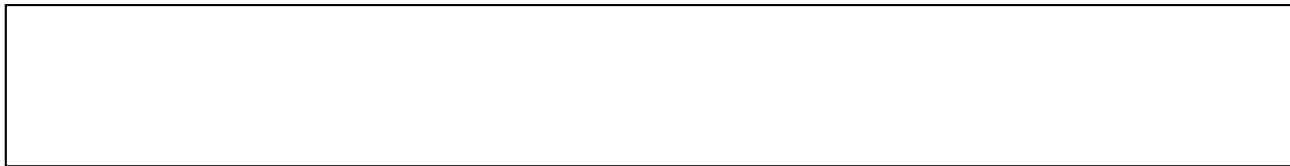


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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL/SPRING PARENT SURVEY REMINDER EMAIL

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FROM: AI/AN FACES 2019 STUDY TEAM  
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We hope you will finish the survey as soon as you can. Here are some points to keep in mind:

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- Study results will only be reported for groups. Study results will never be reported in a way that identifies you, your child, any other individuals in your family, or your child’s Head Start program. No one from your Head Start program will see or hear your individual responses, and your name and your program’s name will not be shared with the Office of Head Start. We are, however, required to identify participants if they tell us something that suggests that they are very likely to harm themselves, that they are planning to hurt another person or child, or that someone

is likely to harm them. In the future, survey responses from the study (with nothing identifying individuals, programs, or communities) may be securely shared with qualified individuals for additional learning purposes to better understand the strengths and needs of children and families in AI/AN Head Start and the programs that serve them.

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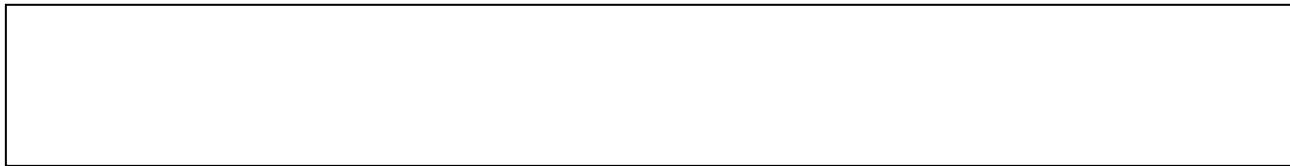


AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL/SPRING PARENT SURVEY REMINDER LETTER

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AI/AN FACES 2019 Survey Director



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[DATE]

[PARENT NAME]  
[PARENT ADDRESS]

Dear [PARENT]:

Thank you for taking part in the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (AI/AN FACES 2019). As a reminder, the purpose of AI/AN FACES 2019 is to provide details about the characteristics, experiences, and outcomes of children and families whom AI/AN Head Start programs serve.

Recently, we invited you to complete a survey online or by phone about you and your child. **The survey will take about 30 minutes to finish. After you finish the survey, we will send you a \$30 gift card to thank you for your participation.** If you want to fill out the survey online but do not have internet access, you can fill out the survey at a computer at your child’s Head Start center during the week the AI/AN FACES 2019 data collection team is visiting. To complete it by phone, or if you need to complete the survey in a language other than English, please call 800-xxx-xxxx toll-free.

The information collected will help Head Start improve its services to children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs. The study is funded by the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Mathematica, an independent research firm, is conducting the study. Mathematica has worked with directors of Head Start programs in AI/AN communities, Office of Head Start leadership, and child development researchers to help make sure it meets the unique needs of AI/AN Head Start programs.

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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL/SPRING POSTED FLYERS



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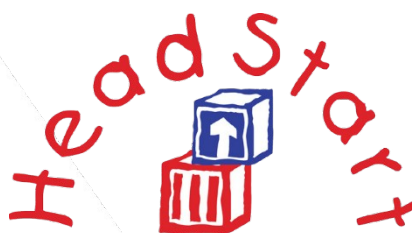
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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL/SPRING CHILD ASSESSMENT REMINDER NOTICE

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NAME OF CHILD:

## REMINDER

The **AI/AN FACES 2019** team will be visiting your child's Head Start center soon to conduct activities with your child. If you haven't already done so, please sign your permission form and return it to your child's teacher right away. If you do not have a permission form, please notify your child's teacher. Thank you for participating in this important study!



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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL TEACHER CHILD REPORT INVITATION LETTER

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[DATE]

Dear [TEACHER]:

Welcome to the American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019, known as AI/AN FACES 2019. In 2015, AI/AN FACES was the first study to collect descriptive information on children's skills and the experiences families attending Head Start in Region XI to help inform policies and practices. The study is being conducted again to provide details about the characteristics, experiences, and outcomes of children and families whom Region XI AI/AN Head Start programs serve. The information collected will help Head Start improve its services to children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs.

[ENTER PROGRAM NAME] has been selected to take part in this important study. Mathematica, an independent research company, is conducting AI/AN FACES 2019. The Administration for Children and Families, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, funds the study. Mathematica worked with a group of directors and leaders of Head Start programs in AI/AN communities, federal officials, and early childhood researchers with experience with Native communities to design the study and to guide how the study is being carried out.

This fall, we will ask about 800 3- and 4-year-old children and their families as well as 80 teachers from 22 Head Start programs to take part in AI/AN FACES 2019. We are excited about the study and hope you will be too. As one of only 80 teachers taking part, your help is vital to the study's success.

Your program director has selected [OSC NAME] to work with us. [OSC NAME] will help us gain consent from the parents of children who were chosen to take part in the study and schedule the data collection visits to your center. We appreciate any help with obtaining consents from parents that you can offer [OSC NAME] or our team.

In fall 2019 and spring 2020, our staff will spend two to three days in your center. Staff will give a 60-minute one-on-one assessment to children whose parents have agreed to take part in the study. We will also ask these children's parents to take a short survey.

To enhance this information, **we will ask you to complete a short form, the Teacher Child Report (TCR), for each child participating in AI/AN FACES 2019 in your class.** The form asks about the skills, behaviors, and approaches to learning that you have seen these children use. Each report should only take about 10 minutes to finish. **As a thank you, we will send you a \$10 gift card for each TCR you complete and return.** We think you will enjoy completing these forms online. If you do not have internet access or prefer to fill out these forms on paper, you may use paper copies. Please return them in the envelope provided.

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FROM: Sarah Forrestal  
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[IF TEACHER HAS MORE THAN ONE CLASS SELECTED FOR AI/AN FACES 2019]  
Because you have more than one classroom participating in AI/AN FACES 2019, you will find separate log-in IDs and passwords below for each class. When you log in to the AI/AN FACES 2019 teacher website for the first classroom listed below, you will be asked to complete this survey and the TCRs for children in the first classroom. Then you will log in to the website using the second ID and password to complete just the TCRs for the second classroom.

In spring 2020, we will also ask you, your program director, and your center director to each fill out a short survey. Your survey will ask about children's classroom activities, the materials used in the classroom, Native culture and language experiences that happen in the classroom, and the ways that you involve and interact with children's parents. It will also ask about your feelings, education and training, and about any professional development you may have taken part in over the past year. A member of Mathematica's AI/AN FACES data collection staff will also observe your classroom for about four hours. We will work with [OSC NAME] to schedule the observation. You should not make special preparations for this visit. **Your classroom will receive a gift for taking part in the study.**

Taking part in AI/AN FACES 2019 is voluntary. You do not have to take part in this study. If you choose to take part in the study but then decide you want to leave the study at any point, that is okay. Study results will only be reported for groups. No one from your Head Start program will see or hear your individual responses, and your name and your program's name will not be shared with the Office of Head Start. In the future, survey responses from the study (with nothing identifying individuals, programs, or communities) may be securely shared with qualified individuals for additional learning purposes to better understand the strengths and needs of children and families in Region XI Head Start and the programs that serve them. We have a Certificate of Confidentiality from the National Institutes of Health. The Certificate helps us protect your privacy. This means no one can force the study team to give out information that identifies you, even in court. However, we may need to share your information if it shows a serious threat to you or to others, including reporting to authorities when required by law. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) may ask for data for an audit or evaluation. If they do, we will need to provide it. However, only DHHS staff involved in the review will see it. If you choose to fill out the TCR online, please use the log-in ID and password below. The website, your log-in ID and password are secure and will not be shared with anyone. All information you provide will be kept private to the extent permitted by law. Only selected members of the study team will see your responses. Using the log-in ID and password ensures that your responses will be protected.

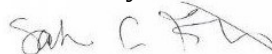
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**We encourage you to complete the Teacher Child Reports online at:  
[WEBSITE].**

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We have enclosed a list of frequently asked questions and some helpful tips for completing your survey online. Mathematica staff will be happy to answer any questions about AI/AN FACES 2019 and to assist you in any way you need. You can contact Sarah Forrestal, the survey director, toll-free at 800-xxx-xxxx or email us at [AIANFACES@mathematica-mpr.com](mailto:AIANFACES@mathematica-mpr.com). To learn more about AI/AN FACES 2019, visit the study website at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/opre/research/project/american-indian-and-alaska-native-head-start-family-and-child-experiences-survey-faces>. Thank you in advance for your help with this important study.

Sincerely,



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AI/AN FACES 2019 FALL TEACHER CHILD REPORT  
REMINDER EMAIL

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TO: [RESPONDENT EMAIL ADDRESS]  
FROM: AI/AN FACES 2019 STUDY TEAM  
SUBJECT: AI/AN FACES 2019 STUDY REMINDER

Dear [TEACHER FNAME TEACHER LNAME]:

Thank you for taking part in the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019, known as AI/AN FACES 2019. As a reminder, the purpose of AI/AN FACES 2019 is to provide details about the characteristics, experiences, and outcomes of children and families whom Region XI AI/AN Head Start programs serve. The information collected will help Head Start improve its services to children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs. It is funded by the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Mathematica, an independent research firm, is conducting the study.

A few weeks ago, you were invited to **complete a Teacher Child Report (TCR)** for each child participating in AI/AN FACES 2019 in your class. Each TCR should take only about 10 minutes to complete. According to our records, you have [XX] TCRs left to complete. **As a thank you gesture, when you have completed all of your TCRs, we will send you a \$10 gift card for each TCR you completed.**

**We encourage you to complete the Teacher Child Reports online at:  
[WEBSITE].**

**Use the log-in ID and password shown.  
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If you have questions about AI/AN FACES 2019 or you prefer to complete the TCRs on paper, please call Sarah Forrestal, the survey director, toll-free at 800-xxx-xxxx. To learn more about AI/AN FACES 2019, visit the AI/AN FACES website at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/research/project/american-indian-and-alaska-native-head-start-family-and-child-experiences-survey-faces>.

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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING TEACHER SURVEY AND  
TEACHER CHILD REPORT INVITATION LETTER

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[DATE]

Dear [TEACHER]:

Thank you for taking part in the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019 (AI/AN FACES 2019). This past fall [ENTER PROGRAM NAME] was selected to participate in AI/AN FACES 2019. The purpose of AI/AN FACES 2019 is to provide details about the characteristics, experiences, and outcomes of children and families whom Region XI AI/AN Head Start programs serve. The information collected will help Head Start improve its services to children and families in AI/AN Head Start programs. This spring, you are one of about 80 teachers who are being invited to take part in this important study. Participation by teachers like you is vital to the study's success. The Administration for Children and Families, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is funding the study. Mathematica, an independent research company, is conducting AI/AN FACES 2019.

[OSC NAME] will be working with us again this spring to help coordinate our data collection visit to your program. This spring, our staff will spend about one week in your center. Just as in the fall, Mathematica staff will give a 60-minute one-on-one assessment to children whose parents gave permission and will ask these children's parents to complete a short survey.

You will be asked to do three things this spring:

1. **Complete the Teacher Child Report (TCR)**, a short form for each child participating in AI/AN FACES 2019 in your class that asks about social skills, problem behaviors, and approaches to learning that you have observed or seen these children use. Each TCR should only take about 10 minutes to complete. **As a thank you, we will send you a \$10 gift card for each TCR you complete. It can be completed online or on paper.** If you decide to answer the questions using the paper copies, you will be asked to return them to the Mathematica staff, or in the envelope provided.
2. **Answer a short Teacher Survey** that should take about 35 minutes to complete. The survey will ask about children's classroom activities, the materials used in the classroom, Native culture and language experiences that happen in the classroom, and the ways that you involve and interact with children's parents. It will also ask about your feelings, education and training, and any professional development you may have taken part in over the past year.

[IF TEACHER HAS MORE THAN ONE CLASS SELECTED FOR AI/AN FACES 2019]  
Because you have more than one classroom participating in AI/AN FACES 2019, you will find a separate log-in ID and password below for each class. When you log in to the AI/AN FACES 2019 teacher website for the first classroom listed below, you will be asked to complete the Teacher Survey and a set of TCRs for children in the first classroom. Please complete the survey and TCRs for this classroom first. Then you will log in to the website using the second ID and password to complete just the TCRs for the second classroom. You will only complete the Teacher Survey once.

3. **Have an AI/AN FACES 2019 study team member observe your classroom once for about four hours.** We will work with [OSC NAME] to schedule the observation. You



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We have enclosed a list of frequently asked questions and some helpful tips for completing your Teacher Survey and the TCRs online. When you visit the website, you should use the log-in ID and password below. These are secure and will not be shared with anyone. Using the log-in ID and password ensures that your responses will be protected.

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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING TEACHER CHILD REPORT AND TEACHER SURVEY  
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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING PROGRAM DIRECTOR  
SURVEY INVITATION LETTER

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We understand that in addition to being the program director, you are also the center director for the center selected for this study. After you have completed the program director survey on the web, you will be prompted to answer an abbreviated set of questions about staffing and recruitment at your center.

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AI/AN FACES 2019 SPRING PROGRAM DIRECTOR SURVEY REMINDER EMAIL



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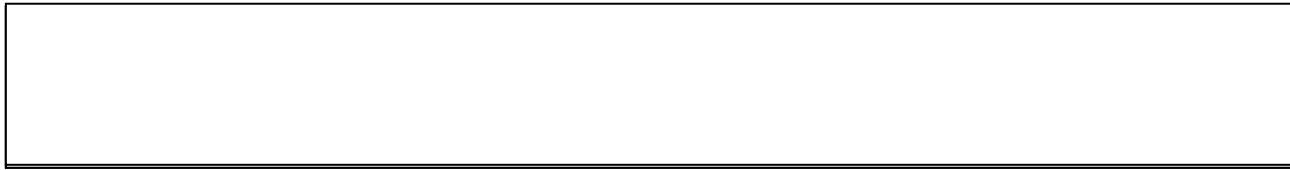
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