Survey Cover Letter to Families

Dear Family Member,

The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) at the U.S. Department of the Interior is working with your school to build a better online school system for your child. NORC at the University of Chicago is helping BIE make decisions about what that system should be and what it should do and we need your help.

We'd like to ask you a few questions to find out your, and your child's, experience of online school has been in the past year. We're not interested in grades or performance - we just want to know what has worked and what hasn't with online schooling so that we can work together to create something better. We want to create a system that works for everyone, including teachers, families, and children.

How to complete the survey:

To take the survey, go to: [WEBSITE LINK]

To begin, enter the following access code: [6 DIGIT CODE]

Or, you can fill out the enclosed paper survey and return it to us in the postage pre-paid envelope we have provided.

Please respond by [DATE].

Your participation is voluntary. You may choose not to answer any or all questions in this survey, and there are no penalties should you choose not to participate in the survey.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete. Your individual answers will be kept private. They will not be shared with the school but will be combined with answers from other families to help improve the educational system for all of us. If you have any questions about this study, please call 877-777-5332 or email distancelearningsurvey@norc.org.

Thank you in advance for participating in this important study.

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