# Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, 

 Kindergarten Class of 2023-24(ECLS-K:2024)
Kindergarten and First-Grade Field Test Data Collection, National Sampling, and National Recruitment

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## Attachment C-6

# Spring First-Grade Teacher-Level 

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Completing this survey will help us learn more about teachers and their classrooms.

Thank you for your time!
Please return the survey to your school coordinator or an ECLS staff member.
The survey should be sealed in the envelope we provided you. Do not mail this survey unless you are provided with an additional mailing envelope.

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# Early Childhood Longitudinal Study General Education Teacher Survey (Teacher Level) Fall 2022 - Form TQA1A-FT 

Dear Teacher,

Your school has agreed to participate in the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study (ECLS), a nationwide study of elementary-aged children, their schools, teachers, and parents. As part of the study, we are asking teachers at your school to complete surveys. The teacher survey contains questions about you and your classroom practices. There are also brief surveys for each of the sampled children that you teach. Those surveys contain questions about the children's skills and abilities.

The ECLS collects information from teachers of children who are in the study to investigate the relationship between children's academic progress and various school, classroom, teacher, and home characteristics. Taking part in the study is voluntary. You may stop at any time or choose not to answer a question you do not want to answer. However, only you can provide this information. Although we realize you are very busy, we urge you to complete these surveys as completely and accurately as possible.

Please record your answers directly on the survey by writing your responses in the space provided. Your best estimates are acceptable answers.

DEFINING "YOUR CLASS": Most of the items in this survey ask you to provide information about "your class." By the term "your class," we generally mean the group of students who spend the majority of their school day with you or your homeroom - though some or all of them may leave your classroom for certain activities, including some academic instruction. If you are not sure what group of children to think about when answering questions about "your class," please ask for assistance from the ECLS-K study representatives when they visit your school.

## DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this study, the following definitions apply.

- Kindergarten: Traditional year of school primarily for 5-year-olds prior to first grade.
- Transitional (or readiness) kindergarten (TK): A transitional kindergarten (TK) program is an extra year of school before kindergarten starts. It is different from preschool, Head Start, and prekindergarten. TK may be for children who are too young to start kindergarten or need more time to be ready for kindergarten. Schools have different names for these programs (for example, early transitional kindergarten (ETK), readiness kindergarten, or a kindergarten equivalent in a classroom without grades or one with multiple grades), but all are types of kindergarten. The program may be in a public or private school, or an early childhood setting such as a nursery school, early childhood learning center, or day care center. It may be a full- or part-day program and have regular and/or special education.
- Transitional first (or pre-first) grade: Transitional first (or pre-first) grade is a school program between kindergarten and the first grade. The name of this program may vary by school (for example, a K-1 class or placement). It is for children who have attended kindergarten, but need more time to be ready for the first grade. Children in this program may be part of a regular first-grade classroom or in a separate classroom.
- English language learner (ELL): A student whose native language is other than English and whose skills in listening to, speaking, reading, or writing English are such that he/she derives little benefit from school instruction in English.
- English as a Second Lanquage (ESL) program: An instructional program designed to teach listening, speaking, reading, and writing English language skills to students with limited proficiency in English.
- Bilingual education program: A program in which native language is used to varying degrees in instructing students with limited proficiency in English.
- Dual language program: Also known as two-way immersion, the goal of these programs is for students to develop language proficiency in two languages by receiving instruction in English and another language in a classroom that is usually composed of half native English speakers and half native speakers of the other language.
- ESL Instruction: A program of techniques, methodology, and special curriculum designed to teach ELL students English language skills, which may include listening, speaking, reading, writing, study skills, content vocabulary, and cultural orientation. ESL instruction is usually in English with little use of native language.
- Bilingual Instruction: Instruction in all courses and subjects given in English and the native language of the child of limited English proficiency to the extent necessary to allow the child to achieve competence.


## THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP.

## MARKING DIRECTIONS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND USE A BLACK OR BLUE BALL POINT PEN TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY. DO NOT USE PENCIL OR FELT-TIP PEN.

## MARKING BOXES

It is important that you mark an " $X$ " in the box next to your answers and print clearly.
Shown below is the correct way to mark your answers, along with examples of incorrect ways.

## Correct Mark:



## Incorrect Marks:

Light and thin, outside the box, thick or scrawled.


How to Change an Answer:
Completely black out the box of the incorrect answer and mark an " X " in the box next to the correct answer.


## PRINTING ANSWERS IN BOXES:

Answers should be printed clearly and should not touch or cross any of the box lines. Do not cross zeroes or sevens. That is, do not write a zero with a line through it like this $-\theta$, and do not write a seven with a line through it like this -7 .

Write one number per box like this:


Write words like this:

## SECTION B. CLASS ORGANIZATION AND RESOURCES

B1. Which of the following best describes the mode of instruction that you use in your class? MARK ALL THAT APPLY.

(In blended instruction, students
are taught with online educational
materials in addition to traditional
face-to-face teaching.)

B2. During this school year, approximately what percentage of blended instruction that you provide is in-person? WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NO STUDENTS EXPERIENCED THIS, WRITE " 0 ." In blended instruction, students are taught with online educational materials in addition to traditional face-to-face teaching.


B3. The next group of questions asks about classroom practices. In a typical day, how much time does a child in your class spend in the following activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW. DO NOT INCLUDE LUNCH OR RECESS BREAKS.

|  |  | No time | Half hour or less | About one hour | About two hours | About three hours | Four hours or more |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Working independently | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Working on individual tasks under teacher direction | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Working with peers under teacher direction |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |  |
|  | Working in small groups with teacher | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Teacher lecture with large group and/or large group discussion led by teacher |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

B4. How often does disruptive student behavior interfere with your instruction? MARK ONE RESPONSE.Never

Seldom
UsuallyAlways

B5. How much time per day would you estimate that you spend handling disruptive student behavior? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
$\square$ Less than $1 / 2$ hour
$\square$ $1 / 2$ hour to less than 1 hour
$\square$ 1 to less than $11 / 2$ hours
$\square$ $11 / 2$ to less than 2 hours
2 to less than $21 / 2$ hours
$21 / 2$ to less than 3 hours
3 hours or more

B6. How often does the typical child in your class usually work on lessons or projects in the following general subject areas, whether as a whole class, in small groups, or in individualized arrangements? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  | Never | Less than once a week | 1 day a week | 2 days a week | 3 days a week | 4 days a week | 5 days a week |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Reading and language arts | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| b. Mathematics | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. Social studies | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| d. Science | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| e. Music | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| f. Art | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| g. Physical education | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| h. Dance/creative movement |  | $\square$ | , | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| i. Theater/creative dramatics | $\square$ |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| j. Foreign language (excluding English for ELL students) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| k. Computer science (including coding) |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square$ |  | $\square$ |

B7. On the days children work in these areas, how much time does the typical child in your class usually work on lessons or projects in the following general subject areas? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  |  | Not applicable/ Never | Less than $1 / 2$ hour a day | $1 / 2$ hour to less than 1 hour | 1 to less than $11 / 2$ hours | $11 / 2$ to less than 2 hours | ```2 to less than 21/2 hours``` | $21 / 2$ to less than 3 hours | 3 hours or more |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Reading and language arts | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Mathematics | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square$ |  |  |
|  | Social studies | $\square$ |  | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. | Science |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| e. | Music |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. | Art |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. | Physical education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| h. | Dance/creative movement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Theater/creative dramatics | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |  |  |  | $\square$ |
|  | Foreign language (excluding English for ELL students) | $19$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Computer science (including coding) | $\mathrm{g}$ | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ |

B8a. In an average week, how often do you divide your class or classes into achievement groups for reading activities or lessons? MARK ONE RESPONSE.


B8b. When you use achievement groups for reading, how many groups do you typically have? IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CLASS, ENTER THE AVERAGE FOR YOUR CLASSES. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "0."


B8c. On days when you divide your class into achievement groups for reading, how many minutes do the groups usually stay together? IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CLASS, ENTER THE AVERAGE FOR YOUR CLASSES. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "0."


B9a. In an average week, how often do you divide your class or classes into achievement groups for math activities or lessons? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
$\square$ Never GO TO B10 on page 6Less than once a week1 day a week2 days a week3 days a week4 days a week5 days a week

B9b. When you use achievement groups for math, how many groups do you typically have? IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CLASS, ENTER THE AVERAGE FOR YOUR CLASSES. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "0."


Number of groups

B9c. On days when you divide your class into achievement groups for math, how many minutes do the groups usually stay together? IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CLASS, ENTER THE AVERAGE FOR YOUR CLASSES. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "O."
$\square$

B10. How often do the children in your class or classes do the following activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  | No library or media center in this school |  | Two or three times a month | Once or twice a week | Three or four times a week | Daily |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Go to school library or media center |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. Borrow materials from the library or media center |  | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |

B11. How many days a week do children have recess? WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE " 0 ."


Number of days

B12. In a typical day, how much time does your class spend in the following activities? IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CLASS, ENTER THE AVERAGE FOR YOUR CLASSES. MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

| No time | $1-15$ <br> minutes | 16-30 <br> minutes | 31-45 <br> minutes | Longer <br> than 45 <br> minutes |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Lunch | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| b. Free play indoors | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. Free play outdoors |  |  |  |  |  |
| (including recess) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

B13. Do any of the following staff members provide direct instruction to students in your class who are struggling or at risk of failure in reading or math? INCLUDE STAFF OTHER THAN YOURSELF WHO PROVIDE DIRECT INSTRUCTION EITHER IN YOUR CLASS OR IN A PULL-OUT SETTING. EXCLUDE PARAPROFESSIONALS/AIDES. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.
$\square$ A reading specialist/interventionist who has specialized training in reading instructionA math specialist/interventionist who has specialized training in math instruction
$\square$ A special education teacher

B14. How many hours a week do different types of paid professionals/aides or volunteers usually work directly with children on instructional tasks either in your classroom or in a pull-out setting? WRITE THE NUMBER OF HOURS IN THE APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW. IF NONE, WRITE "O."

Hours per
week
a. General paraprofessionals/aides

b. Special education paraprofessionals/aides

c. ESL or bilingual education paraprofessionals or aides
d. Volunteers (for example, parents, high school students, community members)


B15. Please report the following about the computers located in your classroom every day. PLEASE INCLUDE ANY DESKTOP, LAPTOP, OR OTHER COMPUTER-TYPE DEVICE (FOR EXAMPLE, TABLETS) USED FOR INSTRUCTIONAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES. IF YOUR SCHOOL PROVIDES EACH STUDENT WITH A DEVICE, BUT THOSE DEVICES MUST STAY AT SCHOOL, PLEASE REPORT THOSE DEVICES HERE. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "O."

|  | Number of Devices |
| :---: | :---: |
| a. Total number of devices |  |
| b. Number with internet access |  |

B16. Please report the following about the computers that can be brought into your classroom (for example, laptops on carts, or school-provided student computers if students are allowed to take their computers home). PLEASE INCLUDE ANY DESKTOP, LAPTOP, OR OTHER COMPUTER-TYPE DEVICE (FOR EXAMPLE, TABLETS) USED FOR INSTRUCTIONAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES. WRITE NUMBER IN BOX. IF NONE, WRITE "O."


B17. How frequently do you or your students use computers (desktop, laptop, or other computer-type devices such as a Chrome Book) in the following instructional activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  |  | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Often | Not available |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | Daily assignments | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| b. | Internet research | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. | Special projects | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| d. | Presentations | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| e. | Homework | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Accessing digital resources available through the district (intranet) |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

B18. How frequently do you or your students use an interactive whiteboard (for example, SMART Board, Activboard) in the following instructional activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  |  | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Often | Not available |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Daily assignments | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Internet research | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. | Special projects | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| d. | Presentations | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| e. | Homework | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Accessing digital resources available through the district (intranet) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

B19. How frequently do you or your students use digital cameras (still or video) in the following instructional activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  |  | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Often | Not available |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | Daily assignments | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| b. | Internet research | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. | Special projects | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| d. | Presentations | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| e. | Homework | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| f. | Accessing digital resources available through the district (intranet) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

B20. How frequently do your students use digital tablets (such as an iPad) in the following instructional activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.


B21. Which of the following statements is true about how well your school system provides you with the instructional materials and other resources you need to teach your class in the following subject areas? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  | I get all the <br> resources I <br> need | I get most <br> of the <br> resources I <br> need | I get some <br> of the <br> resources I <br> need | I don't get <br> any of the <br> resources I <br> need |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. English language arts | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| b. Mathematics | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| c. Science | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

## SECTION D. PARENT INVOLVEMENT

D1. Now we would like to ask you about family involvement. How many regularly scheduled conferences do you have with a parent or guardian of each child in your class during the school year? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
$\square$ No conferencesOne conference
$\square$ Two conferences
$\square$ Three or more conferences

D2. What percentage of children in your class have parents who participate in the following activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

|  | None | 1-25\% | 26-50\% | 51-75\% | 76\% or more |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Attend teacher-parent conferences | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| b. Volunteer regularly to help in your classroom or another part of the school | $\square$ |  | $\square$ |  |  |
| c. Attend open houses or parties | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | ] |
| d. Attend art/music events or demonstrations | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |

D3. During this school year, how often have you made contacts with parents in the following ways? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.
a. Sent home letters, newsletters, or
other notices addressed to all parents
and guardians

## SECTION F. SCHOOL AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

F1. The next set of questions pertains to school-related activities. Have you participated in the following activities since the beginning of the academic year? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.


F2. In the past 12 months, did you participate in any professional development activities pertaining to the use of evidence-based practices tied to your teaching assignment? MARK ONE RESPONSE.

$\square$ No $\rightarrow$ GO TO F5 on page 14

F3. In the past 12 months, how many hours did you spend on these activities? MARK ONE RESPONSE.


F4. To what extent was the professional development you received in the past $\mathbf{1 2}$ months relevant to your role as a teacher? MARK ONE RESPONSE.Not relevant

Somewhat relevant

Relevant
$\square$ Very relevant

F5. In which of the following staff development and training activities have you participated in during the current academic year? MARK ALL THAT APPLY.
$\square$ Workshops involving study groups or small-group problem solvingDirect instruction from an outside consultant on a specific topicPeer observation and feedbackVisits to, or observations of, other schools

Release time for attending professional conferences
Enrollment in college or university courses related to your profession

Professional development via distance learning (web-based, etc)Workshops on using computers and technology in the classroom
$\square$ None of the these

F6. How often did you participate in professional development activities covering the following topics in the last 12 months? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.
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a. How to use assessment data to identify
students who are struggling or at risk
of failure in reading

F7. Have you received support from any of the following staff members during the current academic year? IF THE RESOURCE IS NOT AVAILABLE TO YOU, MARK THE LAST COLUMN. MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.


F8. How often have you been observed by a peer for the purposes of receiving instructional feedback during the current academic year? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
$\square$ Never

Once2 times
$\square$ 3 or 4 times
$\square$ More than 4 times

H19. Please fill in the boxes below with the date the survey was completed.


Thank you very much for answering these questions and for taking the time to participate in the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study.


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