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HELP YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL TO BE A GOOD PARTNER: YOUR FEEDBACK COUNTS!

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (ESE) invites you to complete an online parent survey and share your feedback with your child's school. We want to know about the efforts made by your child's school to help you feel welcome as a partner in your child's education.

You have received this letter because you have a child in a selected Massachusetts school district. The purpose of the survey is to see how well your child's school communicates with you and promotes your engagement in your child's learning. The survey should take ten minutes to complete. Survey results will provide your child's school with answers about parent-school partnership, transition, and family training. Research shows that schools that are good partners with families have better outcomes for the students they serve. Your feedback will allow us to learn how effectively schools partner with parents.

ESE is working with an outside contractor to conduct this web-based parent survey. We will not collect any personal information regarding your child on this survey. Your survey answers will remain anonymous.

To begin the survey, you will be asked for your child's school district, and school name. If more than one child in your family attends school in the district during the current school year, please fill out one survey per child.

You can complete the survey by going to: http://www.maparentcohort2.com.

Please complete the survey and submit it by Friday, March 21, 2014.

If you are a parent/guardian needing assistance reading and interpreting this survey in a language other than English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian/Creole, or Vietnamese please seek assistance from your school district.

If you have any questions on this survey, please call Martha Daigle at: 781-338-3366.

Thank you very much in advance for your help with the survey.