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BULLETIN NO. 053-22 ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, EARLY LEARNING AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY/ SECONDARY EDUCATION AND PATHWAY PREPARATION

TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
School District Superintendents
School District Business Managers

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Civics Education Survey

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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5092](#), Sec. 501 (4)(q), directs OSPI to, “assess the learning outcomes related to civic education curriculum and to support related assessments that gauge the degree to which high quality civic education is taking place in school districts throughout the state.” To support this work National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago is partnering with the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to administer a K–5 civics education survey to district representatives throughout Washington. The survey was developed after a series of interviews with district representatives. Both the interview data and the data collected on the survey will help inform OSPI about how K–5 civics education is taking place in Washington school districts.

While the survey is voluntary, your participation is incredibly important. We want as many viewpoints and as many districts represented in the survey as feasible. Your responses will inform OSPI about new ways we can support district implementation of elementary civics education.

What to Expect

During the week of September 5, districts will receive an email from ospi-civics-survey@norc.org. The email from NORC will supply districts with more details about the survey and will provide an opportunity to ask questions about its administration.

The survey should take approximately 15 minutes and is voluntary. Responses will be de-identified and protected in a secure site.

Follow Up

NORC will send a survey invitation link to the individual(s) identified as Social Studies content leads and/or the district's elementary general content leads. The survey will close on September 30, 2022. If you do not receive this communication, please email ospi-civics-survey@norc.org to request access to the Elementary Civics Survey.

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

For questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Jerry Price, Associate Director - Content, Social Studies, at 360-480-0186 or email jerry.price@k12.wa.us. The OSPI TTY number is 360-664-3631.

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