

## Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) and School Readiness Parent Questionnaire

**General Information:** Please help us learn about your child and family. Neither you nor your child will be identified in any published report. If you do not wish to participate in the parent questionnaire, it will not prevent you or your child from participating in any program or service. All data provided are protected by state and federal data privacy standards.

If you choose to voluntarily answer the questions, your information will be used by your local school district and the Minnesota Department of Education for program planning and evaluation in line with state and federal data privacy practices. Again, only aggregated information will be published. Thank you for your help in improving public services!

**1. Please indicate whether you are this child's**

☐ Mother      ☐ Father      ☐ Grandmother      ☐ Grandfather  
☐ Foster Mother      ☐ Foster Father      ☐ Guardian      ☐ Other Relative

**2. Your highest level of school completed. Mark only one.**

☐ Eighth grade      ☐ Associate's Degree  
☐ 12th grade      ☐ Bachelor's Degree  
☐ High School Diploma      ☐ Master's degree  
☐ Some college but no degree      ☐ Ph. D.

**3. Your Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) \_\_\_\_\_**

**4. Your current job status, mark only one.**

☐ Employed > 25 hours per week, employed more than 25 hours per week  
☐ Employed < 25 hours per week, employed less than 25 hours per week  
☐ Unemployed, seeking employment  
☐ Unemployed, not seeking employment

**5. What is the race/ethnicity of your child(ren) (circle all that apply)**

White      Black/African/African American      Hispanic or Latino  
Asian      Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander      American Indian/Alaskan Native  
Other, single race      Other, two or more races

**6. What are your primary home languages? (circle all that apply)**

English      Spanish      Hmong      Somali      Vietnamese      Karen      Arabic  
Russian      Mandarin      Laotian      Oromo      Cambodian      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. What was your household's total yearly income, before taxes last year, rounding to the nearest thousand? \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**8. How many people were in your household last year? Circle one.**

2      3      4      5      6      7      8

**For School Use Only – SSID Number \_\_\_\_\_**

## Minnesota Language Survey

Minnesota is home to speakers of more than 100 different languages. The ability to speak and understand multiple languages is valued. The information you provide will be used by the school district to see if your student is multilingual. In Minnesota, students who are multilingual may qualify for a Multilingual Seal upon further assessment. Additionally, the information you provide will determine if your student should take an English proficiency test. Based upon the results of the test, your student may be entitled to English language development instruction. **Access to instruction is required by federal and state law. As a parent or guardian, you have the right to decline English Learner instruction at any time.** Every enrolling student must be provided with the Minnesota Language Survey during enrollment. Information requested on this form is important to us to be able to serve your student. Your assistance in completing the Minnesota Language Survey is greatly appreciated.

Student Information	
Student's Full Name: (Last, First, Middle)	Birthdate or Student ID:

	Check the phrase that best describes your student:	Indicate the language(s) other than English in space provided:
1. My student first learned:	<input type="checkbox"/> language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> English and language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> only English.	
2. My student speaks:	<input type="checkbox"/> language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> English and language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> only English.	
3. My student understands:	<input type="checkbox"/> language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> English and language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> only English.	
4. My student has consistent interaction in:	<input type="checkbox"/> language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> English and language(s) other than English. <input type="checkbox"/> only English.	

**Language use alone does not identify your student as an English learner. If a language other than English is indicated, your student will be screened for English language proficiency.**

Parent/ Guardian Information	
Parent/Guardian Name (printed):	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:

\* All data on this form is private. It will only be shared with district staff who need the information to best serve your student and for legally required reporting about home language and service eligibility to the Minnesota Department of Education. At the district and at the Minnesota Department of Education, this information will not be shared with other individuals or entities, except if they are authorized by state or federal law to access the information. Compliance with this request for information is voluntary.

## Ethnic and Racial Demographic Designation Form

Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name/Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools are required to report ethnicity and race to the state and to the U.S. Department of Education. Because of recent changes to Minnesota state law, Minnesota disaggregates each category into detailed groups to further represent our student populations.

Parents or guardians are not required to answer the federal questions (**in bold**) for their children. If you choose not to answer the federal questions (**in bold**), federal law requires schools to choose for you. This is a last resort—we prefer if parents or guardians complete the form. State questions are labeled as “Optional” and schools will not fill in this information for you.

This information helps improve teaching and learning for everyone and helps us accurately identify and advocate for students currently underserved. The information this form collects is considered private information. You can review the privacy notice to learn more about the purpose of collecting this information, how it will be used and not used, and how the detailed groups were identified. The privacy notice can be found in our [Frequently Asked Questions: Ethnic and Racial Designation Form](#).

**Is the student Hispanic/Latino as defined by the federal government?** The federal definition includes persons of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.<sup>1</sup>

*[You must select “yes” or “no” to this question.]*

☐ **Yes** *[If yes, go to Question A.]*

☐ **No** *[If no, go to Question 1.]*

Optional Question A: If yes was chosen above, select all that apply from the list below (*this question will not be answered by school staff*):

- |  |                                       |  |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to indicate | <input type="checkbox"/> Guatemalan   | <input type="checkbox"/> Salvadoran                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Hispanic/Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colombian           | <input type="checkbox"/> Mexican      | <input type="checkbox"/> Spaniard/Spanish/<br>Spanish-American | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ecuadorian          | <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican |  |  |

*Go to Question 1.*

*[Select “yes” to at least one of the Questions (1-6) below.]*

**Question 1: Does the student identify as American Indian or Alaska Native as defined by the state of Minnesota?** The state of Minnesota definition includes persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition. [This question is needed to calculate state aid/funding.]

☐ **Yes** *[If yes, go to Question 1a.]*

☐ **No** *[If no, go to Question 2.]*

Optional Question 1a: If yes was chosen above, select all that apply from the list below (*this question will not be answered by school staff*):

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to indicate | <input type="checkbox"/> Cherokee      | <input type="checkbox"/> Other North American Indian Tribal Affiliation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anishinaabe/Ojibwe  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dakota/Lakota | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown  |

*Go to Question 2.*

<sup>1</sup>Federal Register, Vol. 72, No. 202/Friday, October 19, 2007/Notices/59274

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**Question 2. Is the student American Indian from South or Central America?**

☐ **Yes** [Go to Question 3.]

☐ **No** [Go to Question 3.]

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**Question 3. Is the student Asian as defined by the federal government?** The federal definition includes persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.<sup>1</sup>

☐ **Yes** [If yes, go to Question 3a.]

☐ **No** [If no, go to Question 4.]

Optional Question 3a. If yes was chosen above, select all that apply from the list below (*this question will not be answered by school staff*):

☐ Decline to indicate

☐ Chinese

☐ Karen

☐ Other Asian

☐ Asian Indian

☐ Filipino

☐ Korean

☐ Unknown

☐ Burmese

☐ Hmong

☐ Vietnamese

Go to Question 4.

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**Question 4. Is the student black or African American as defined by the federal government?** The federal definition includes persons having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.<sup>1</sup>

☐ **Yes** [If yes, go to Question 4a.]

☐ **No** [If no, go to Question 5.]

Optional Question 4a. If yes was chosen above, select all that apply from the list below (*this question will not be answered by school staff*):

☐ Decline to indicate

☐ Ethiopian-Other

☐ Somali

☐ African-American

☐ Liberian

☐ Other black

☐ Ethiopian-Oromo

☐ Nigerian

☐ Unknown

Go to Question 5.

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**Question 5. Is the student Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander as defined by the federal government?** The federal definition includes persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.<sup>1</sup>

☐ **Yes** [Go to Question 6.]

☐ **No** [Go to Question 6.]

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**Question 6. Is the student white as defined by the federal government?** The federal definition includes persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.<sup>1</sup>

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

Parent(s)/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Students experiencing homelessness may be eligible for additional educational services. The federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act defines a homeless student as; *one who lacks a fixed and adequate nighttime residence*

Please select one of the following:

- ☐ Yes, this student is homeless
- ☐ No, this student is not homeless

If yes, please select the option that best represents the student's current housing situation.

- ☐ Shared housing
- ☐ Motel, hotel, trailer park or camp ground due to lack of alternative accommodations
- ☐ In emergency or transitional shelter
- ☐ Awaiting foster care placement
- ☐ Primary nighttime residence is not ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation
- ☐ Living in car, park, public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station