



2025-2026 Parent Survey

This survey is for parents of Alabama children who receive services through an Individualized Education Program (IEP). In this survey, “special education” refers to services provided to children with disabilities through an IEP.

Instructions: Select only one response for each item. Your survey response is confidential and will be used to improve services to children with IEPs across the state. Please complete one survey per child using only a pencil or a black or blue pen.

1. School District/System Name: (Please select the appropriate county, city, or charter school system where your child attends school.)

☐ Alabama Aerospace & Aviation ☐ Alabama Institute for Deaf/Blind ☐ Alabaster City ☐ Albertville City ☐ Alexander City ☐ Andalusia City ☐ Anniston City ☐ Arab City ☐ Athens City ☐ Attalla City ☐ Auburn City ☐ Autauga County ☐ Baldwin County ☐ Barbour County ☐ Bessemer City ☐ Bibb County ☐ Birmingham City ☐ Blount County ☐ Boaz City ☐ Breakthrough Charter ☐ Brewton City ☐ Bullock County ☐ Butler County ☐ Calhoun County ☐ Chambers County ☐ Cherokee County ☐ Chickasaw City ☐ Chilton County ☐ Choctaw County ☐ Clarke County ☐ Clay County ☐ Cleburne County ☐ Coffee County ☐ Colbert County ☐ Conecuh County ☐ Coosa County ☐ Covenant Academy ☐ Covington County ☐ Crenshaw County ☐ Cullman City ☐ Cullman County	☐ Dale County ☐ Daleville City ☐ Dallas County ☐ Decatur City ☐ DeKalb County ☐ Demopolis City ☐ Dothan City ☐ Elba City ☐ Elmore County ☐ Empower Community School ☐ Enterprise City ☐ Escambia County ☐ Etowah County ☐ Eufaula City ☐ Fairfield City ☐ Fayette County ☐ Florence City ☐ Floretta P. Carson ☐ Fort Payne City ☐ Franklin County ☐ Freedom Preparatory Academy ☐ Gadsden City ☐ Geneva City ☐ Geneva County ☐ Greene County ☐ Gulf Shores City ☐ Guntersville City ☐ Hale County ☐ Haleyville City ☐ Hartselle City ☐ Henry County ☐ Homewood City ☐ Hoover City ☐ Houston County ☐ Huntsville City ☐ i3 Academy ☐ I Dream Big Academy ☐ Independence Preparatory Academy ☐ Ivy Classical Academy ☐ Jackson County	☐ Jacksonville City ☐ Jasper City ☐ Jefferson County ☐ Lamar County ☐ Lanett City ☐ Lauderdale County ☐ Lawrence County ☐ LEAD Academy ☐ Lee County ☐ Leeds City ☐ Legacy Preparatory ☐ Life Academy ☐ Limestone County ☐ Linden City ☐ Lowndes County ☐ MAEF Public Charter ☐ Macon County ☐ Madison City ☐ Madison County ☐ Magic City Acceptance ☐ Marengo County ☐ Marion County ☐ Marshall County ☐ Midfield City ☐ Mobile County ☐ Monroe County ☐ Montgomery County ☐ Morgan County ☐ Mountain Brook City ☐ Muscle Shoals City ☐ Oneonta City ☐ Opelika City ☐ Opp City ☐ Orange Beach City ☐ Oxford City ☐ Ozark City ☐ Pelham City ☐ Pell City ☐ Perry County ☐ Phenix City ☐ Pickens County	☐ Piedmont City ☐ Pike County ☐ Pike Road City ☐ Randolph County ☐ Roanoke City ☐ Russell County ☐ Russellville City ☐ Saraland City ☐ Satsuma City ☐ Scottsboro City ☐ Selma City ☐ Sheffield City ☐ Shelby County ☐ St. Clair County ☐ Sumter County ☐ Sylacauga City ☐ Talladega City ☐ Talladega County ☐ Tallapoosa County ☐ Tallassee City ☐ Tarrant City ☐ Thomasville City ☐ Troy City ☐ Trussville City ☐ Tuscaloosa City ☐ Tuscaloosa County ☐ Tuscumbia City ☐ University Charter ☐ Vestavia Hills City ☐ Walker County ☐ Washington County ☐ Wilcox County ☐ Winfield City ☐ Winston County
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2. **My Child's Gender:** ☐ Female ☐ Male

3. **My Child's Race/Ethnicity:**

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| ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native | ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| ☐ Asian | ☐ White |
| ☐ Black or African American | ☐ Middle Eastern or North African |
| ☐ Hispanic/Latino | |

4. **My child receives IEP services primarily because of his/her: (Please select only one.)**

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| ☐ Autism | ☐ Orthopedic Impairment |
| ☐ Deaf-Blindness | ☐ Other Health Impairment |
| ☐ Developmental Delay | ☐ Specific Learning Disability |
| ☐ Emotional Disability | ☐ Speech or Language Impairment |
| ☐ Hearing Impairment | ☐ Traumatic Brain Injury |
| ☐ Intellectual Disability | ☐ Visual Impairment |
| ☐ Multiple Disabilities | |

5. **My Child's Grade: (Please select only one.)**

- ☐ Preschool ☐ Grades K-6 ☐ Grades 7-8 ☐ Grades 9-12

6. **My Race/Ethnicity:**

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| ☐ Hispanic/Latino | |

7. My Child's Special Education Program:

For each of the following statements, select your level of agreement. Please check one option on the right.		Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Agree (3)	Strongly Agree (4)	No opinion or Not applicable (NA)
		▼	▼	▼	▼	▼
a.	The school offers parent training about special education issues.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b.	The school sends me information about activities and workshops for parents.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c.	Teachers and administrators ensure that I have fully understood the Procedural Safeguards (<i>the rules in the federal law that protect the rights of parents</i>).	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d.	The school offers me a variety of ways to communicate with teachers.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e.	Teachers show a willingness to learn more about my child's needs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f.	IEP meetings are scheduled at a time and place that are convenient for me.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g.	Teachers and administrators encourage me to participate in the decision-making process.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h.	I am considered an equal partner with teachers and other professionals in planning my child's program.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i.	The school communicates regularly with me regarding my child's progress on IEP goals and other important issues.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j.	Written information I receive is provided to me in an understandable way.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k.	The principal sets a positive and welcoming tone in the school.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

The next item should be **ONLY** answered by parents of students with a secondary transition plan (usually age 16 and older, or in grades 9-12, but may be younger):

8. My Child's IEP Attendance/Participation:

a. My child attended his/her last IEP meeting:

☐ Yes ☐ No

b. If "yes," did your child actively participate in his/her last IEP meeting (e.g., communicated about his/her teachers, learning, goals, plans for after graduation, etc.)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Additional Comments: (Please **do not** include any names [your name, child's name, teacher's name, etc.] in your comment. Comments will be provided to local special education coordinators in order to improve services.)

Thank you for your participation.