



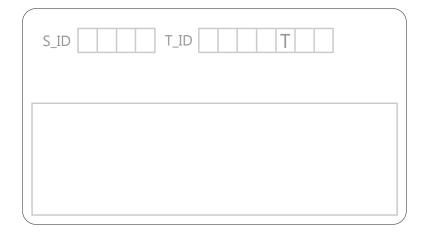
# Spring 2015 Teacher Questionnaire

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Use a black or blue ball point pen to complete this questionnaire.

RETURN THIS COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE IN THE SEALED TYVEK® ENVELOPE DIRECTLY TO YOUR SCHOOL COORDINATOR OR AN ECLS-K:2011 STAFF MEMBER. <u>DO NOT MAIL</u> THIS QUESTIONNAIRE UNLESS YOU ARE ASKED TO DO SO BY STUDY STAFF AND ARE PROVIDED WITH AN ENVELOPE FOR MAILING.



According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this voluntary survey is 1850-0750. Approval expires 11/30/2017. The time required to complete this survey is estimated to average 13 minutes per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the survey. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate or suggestions for improving this survey, or any comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this survey, please write to: Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, National Center for Education Statistics, 1990 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006-

The collection of information in this survey is authorized by 20 U.S. Code, Section 9543. Participation is voluntary. You may skip questions you do not wish to answer; however, we hope that you will answer as many questions as you can. Your responses are protected from disclosure by federal statute (20 U.S. Code, Section 9573). All responses that relate to or describe identifiable characteristics of individuals may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law. Data will be combined to produce statistical reports. No individual data that links your name, address, telephone number, or identification number with your responses will be included in the statistical reports.





### Dear Teacher,

This questionnaire is an important part of a major longitudinal study of children's early educational experiences beginning with kindergarten and continuing through grade 5. You have received this questionnaire because you teach one or more of the children who are participants in this study.

The Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, Kindergarten Class of 2010-2011 (ECLS-K:2011) is collecting 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 this questionnaire as completely and accurately as possible. The information you provide is being collected for research purposes only and will be protected from disclosure to the fullest extent allowable by law (Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, 20 U.S.C. § 9573). Information from multiple individuals will be combined to produce statistical reports; no information that identifies you will be included in any reports or provided to students, their parents, or other school staff.

Please record your answers directly on the questionnaire by marking the appropriate answer (as instructed on page 4) or by writing your responses in the space provided. Your best estimates are acceptable answers.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this study, the following definition applies:

<u>English language learner (ELL)</u>: A student whose native language is one other than
 English and whose skills in listening, speaking, reading, or writing English are such that he or she has difficulty understanding school instruction in English.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP.



#### MARKING DIRECTIONS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND USE A BLACK OR BLUE BALL POINT PEN TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. 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:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Write words like this:

John Smith



# SECTION A. STUDENT, SCHOOL, AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

	ich of the following subjects H ROW.	do you t	each durin	g this sch	ool year?	MARK ON	E RESPONS	SE ON
						Yes	1	No
a.	Reading/language arts						[	
b.	Mathematics						[	
C.	Science						[	
d.	Social studies						[	
	v <u>often</u> does the typical child	•		•				
	owing general subject areas, ingements? MARK ONE RESP				small grou	ıps, or in i	ndividuali	ized
			Less than					
	_	Never	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							
b.	Mathematics							
C.	Social studies							
d.	Science							
e.	Music							
f.	Art							
g.	Physical education							
h.	Dance/creative movement							
i.	Theater/creative dramatics							
j.	Foreign language (excluding English for ELL students)							



**A4**.

A3. On the days children work in these areas, how much time does the typical child in your class(es) usually work on lessons or projects in the following general subject areas? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

		Not applicable/ never	Less than ½ hour a day	½ hour to less than 1 hour	1 to less than 1 ½ hours	1 ½ to less than 2 hours	2 to less than 2 ½ hours	2 ½ to less than 3 hours	3 hours
a.	Reading and language arts								
b.	Mathematics								
c.	Social studies								
d.	Science								
e.	Music								
f.	Art								
g.	Physical education	n 🗌							
h.	Dance/creative movement								
i.	Theater/creative dramatics								
j.	Foreign language (excluding Englis for ELL students)								
How many days a week do children have recess? MARK ONE RESPONSE.									
Н	Zero (no recess or	n any day) <b>(</b> S	SKIP TO C	Q A6)					
	One Two								
	Three								
	Four								
	Five								
	Other/Varies by w	eek							



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	One					
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一	Four					
司	Five					
	Other/Varies by day					
	at percentage of children in your class(e	•	ts who parti	cipate in t	he follow	ing
acti	vities? MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH R	POW.				760/
		0%	1-25%	26-50%	51-75%	76% o
a.	Attend teacher-parent conferences					
b.	Volunteer regularly to help in your classroom or another part of the school					
C.	Attend open houses or parties			П	П	
	Attend art/music events or demonstration with the following in experience of the following in		children in y	your class	(es) for re	porting
Hov	Attend art/music events or demonstration with the following in examples of	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme
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low p	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme importa
a.	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress over past performance	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme
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a. b.	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress over past performance	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme
a. b. d.	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress over past performance	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme
a. b. c. d.	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress over past performance  Effort  Class participation	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme
a. b. c. f.	Individual child's achievement relative to the rest of the class  Individual child's achievement relative to local, state, or professional standards  Individual improvement or progress over past performance  Effort  Class participation  Daily attendance	evaluating the ROW.	Somewhat	Ve	ry	Extreme



B2.

# SECTION B. VIEWS ON SCHOOL CLIMATE AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

**B1.** Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about your school. MARK ONE RESPONSE ON EACH ROW.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a.	The level of child misbehavior (for example, noise, horseplay, or fighting in the halls or cafeteria) in this school interferes with my teaching.					
b.	Many of the children I teach are not capable of learning the material I am supposed to teach them.					
c.	Parents are supportive of school staff.					
d.	There is a great deal of cooperative effort among the staff members.					
e.	There is a consensus among administrators and teachers on goals and expectations.					
f.	The academic standards at this school are too low.					
g.	The school administrator sets priorities, makes plans, and sees that they are carried out.					
h.	The school administration's behavior toward the staff is supportive and encouraging.					
	hat extent do you agree or disagree wi	th each of t	he following	g statements:	? MARK ON	NE .
RESP	ONSE ON EACH ROW.			Neither		
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a.	The attitudes and habits students bring to my class(es) greatly reduce their chances for academic success.					
b.	My success or failure in teaching is due primarily to factors beyond my control rather than to my own effort or ability.					
C.	The amount a student can learn is primarily related to family background.					
d.	I really enjoy my present teaching job.					
e.	If I could start over, I would choose teaching again as my career.					



# **SECTION C. TEACHER BACKGROUND**

<b>C1</b> .	What is your gender? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
	Male Male
	Female
C2.	In what year were you born? WRITE IN YEAR BELOW.
	1 9 YEAR
C3.	Are you Hispanic or Latino? MARK ONE RESPONSE.
	Yes
	□ No
C4.	Which best describes your race? MARK ONE OR MORE RESPONSES TO INDICATE WHAT YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO BE.
	American Indian or Alaska Native
	Asian
	Black or African American
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
	White



**C**6.

**C7**.

C5. Counting this school year, how many years have you taught each of the following grades and programs, including years in which you taught part time?

WRITE THE NUMBER OF YEARS TO THE NEAREST FULL SCHOOL YEAR. IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST YEAR TEACHING, WRITE "1." WRITE "0" IF YOU HAVE NEVER TAUGHT THE GRADE OR PROGRAM LISTED.

		Total years
		grade or program taught
a.	Preschool or kindergarten	
b.	First grade	
C.	Second grade	
d.	Third grade	
e.	Fourth grade	
f.	Fifth grade	
g.	Sixth grade or higher	
h.	English as a Second Language (ESL), bilingual education, and/or dual language program	
i.	Special education program	
j.	Program for gifted children	
whi	nting this school year, how many total years have you been ch you taught part time? WRITE THE NUMBER OF YEARS TO TO SEE YOUR FIRST YEAR, WRITE "1."  Year(s)	
Is t	nis school year the first year you have taught in this school? Yes No	MARK ONE RESPONSE.



C8.	What is the highest level of education you have completed? MARK ONE	RESPONSE.							
	Did not complete high school (SKIP TO Q C11)								
	High school diploma or equivalent/GED (SKIP TO Q C11)								
	Some college or technical or vocational school (SKIP TO Q C11)								
	Associate's degree								
	Bachelor's degree								
	Master's degree								
	An advanced professional degree beyond a master's degree (for example)	le, Ph.D., MD)							
C9.	If you have an associate's or bachelor's degree, indicate your undergrad MARK YES OR NO ON EACH ROW.	•	•						
	a. Early childhood education	Yes	No						
	b. Elementary education								
	·								
	c. English								
	d. Reading and/or language arts								
	e. Curriculum and instruction								
	f. Mathematics education								
	g. Mathematics								
	h. Science education								
	i. Life science								
	j. Physical science								
	k. Earth science								
	I. Special education								
	m. Other education-related major (for example, secondary education, educational psychology, administration, music education, etc.)								
	n. Non-education major (for example, history, etc.)								



C11.

# C10. If you have a graduate degree, indicate the major field of study of your highest level graduate degree. MARK YES OR NO ON EACH ROW.

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
a.	Early childhood education		
b.	Elementary education		
C.	English		
d.	Reading and/or language arts		
e.	Curriculum and instruction		
f.	Mathematics education		
g.	Mathematics		
h.	Science education		
i.	Life science		
j.	Physical science		
k.	Earth science		
l.	Special education		
m.	Other education-related major (for example, secondary education, educational psychology, administration, music education, etc.)		
n.	Non-education major (for example, history, etc.)		
	e you ever taken a college course that addressed issues related to the food on EACH ROW.	ollowing? MA	RK YES OR <u>No</u>
a.	Using published research evidence to identify and select effective interventions and supports for students		
b.	Using formal assessment data to inform the choice of READING interventions and supports for students		
C.	Using formal assessment data to inform the choice of MATH interventions and supports for students		
d.	Using data to inform the choice of behavioral interventions and supports for students		



C12.	Which of the following describes the teaching certificate you currently hold in THIS state? MARK ONE RESPONSE.							
	Regular or standard state certificate or advanced professional certificate							
	Certificate issued after satisfying all requirements except the completion of a probationary period							
	Certificate that requires some additional coursework, student teaching, or passage of a test before regular certification can be obtained							
	Certificate issued to persons who must complete a certification program in order to continue teaching							
	I do not hold any of the above certifications in THIS state.							
C13.	Date Questionnaire Completed:							
	MONTH DAY YEAR							

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!





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C - No DR	C - DR Comp	
C - DR Ref	Ref	

