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## PRIVATE SCHOOL SURVEY

## **2001–2002 SCHOOL YEAR**



## **PLEASE NOTE:**

The 2001–2002 Private School Survey is intended to include all private –

## ► SCHOOLS that teach ANY of the following -

- **Any** of grades 1 12
- Ungraded students between 5 and 18 years old
- Kindergarten traditional year of school primarily for 5-year-olds prior to first grade
- Transitional (or readiness) kindergarten extra year of school for kindergarten-age children who are judged not ready for kindergarten
- Transitional first (or prefirst) grade extra year of school for children who have attended kindergarten but have been judged not ready for first grade

## ► EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS AND DAY CARE CENTERS that have ANY of the following –

- Kindergarten
- Transitional (or readiness) kindergarten
- Transitional first (or prefirst) grade

#### For example:

An early childhood center that has a nursery school, a prekindergarten program, and a kindergarten would be eligible for this survey, since it includes a kindergarten.

But an early childhood center that has a nursery school and a prekindergarten program ONLY would NOT be eligible for this survey, since it does not include a kindergarten. You would mark box 2 in item 2d.

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PLEASE CONTINUE WITH ITEM 1 ON PAGE 3.

#### DEAR ADMINISTRATOR:

We are requesting your critical help in an important national data collection that is very valuable to private schools across the country.

## WHO IS CONDUCTING THIS SURVEY?

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) of the U.S. Department of Education requests your participation in the 2001-2002 Private School Survey. The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the survey for NCES as authorized by law (20 USC 9003, 9004, Section 405(b), and 9007, Section 408 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994).

### WHY IS NCES SPONSORING THIS SURVEY?

The purpose of this data collection effort is to obtain current information about private schools, such as type of school, length of school year, number of students and teachers, and number of high school graduates, if any. We will use the data to produce statistical summaries about the providers of private education in the United States.

### WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THIS SURVEY?

The 2001-2002 Private School Survey includes all private schools and early childhood programs that provide educational instruction to students in kindergarten or *any* of grades 1-12.

#### WHY SHOULD YOUR SCHOOL PARTICIPATE IN THIS SURVEY?

Private schools are a significant segment of the nation's educational system. Results from previous surveys show that approximately 24 percent of all elementary and secondary schools in the United States are private; these schools enroll approximately 10 percent of the nation's children and employ 12 percent of the nation's teachers. The National Center for Education Statistics has instituted this survey in recognition of the importance of private education in the United States.

While there is no penalty for not responding, a high response rate is very important to the success of the survey. We encourage you to participate in this voluntary survey.

#### WHERE SHOULD YOU MAIL YOUR COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE?

Please return your completed questionnaire using the enclosed envelope. If you do not have the return envelope, mail your questionnaire to:

U.S. Census Bureau Current Projects Branch 1201 East 10th Street Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT EFFORT.

SINCERELY,

**GARY W. PHILLIPS** 

**ACTING COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION STATISTICS** 

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

We suggest using a pencil or ball point pen to answer this questionnaire.

If you have any questions, please call the Census Bureau at 1–800–221–1204, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time).

Please return this questionnaire within 2 weeks in the enclosed envelope.

4.	At the end of this questionnaire, you are asked to record the amount of time required to complete this form. To help you with this, please record the time you begin.

- 5. How many students were enrolled in each of the following grade levels around the first of October?
  - Report only for the school named on the front of this questionnaire.
  - \*Do NOT include postsecondary or adult education students, or children who are enrolled only in day care at this school/program.
  - Mark the box for each grade level in which students are enrolled, and enter the number enrolled to the right.

	Grade levels	Grades with students enrolled around October 1, 2001	Enrollment around October 1, 2001		
a.	Ungraded (including ungraded special education students)	135 1	140		
b.	Nursery and prekindergarten	145 1	150		
C.	Kindergarten (traditional year of school primarily for 5-year-olds prior to first grade)	155 1	160		
d.	Transitional (or readiness) kindergarten (extra year of school for kindergarten-age children who are judged not ready for kindergarten)	165 1	170		
e.	Transitional first (or prefirst) grade (extra year of school for children who have attended kindergarten but have been judged not ready for first grade)	175 1	180		



## **5.** Continued –

# How many students were enrolled in each of the following grade levels around the first of October?

	Grade levels	Grades with stude enrolled around October 1, 2007	d Coto	ment around ber 1, 2001
f.	1st	185 1	190	
g.	2nd	195 1	200	
h.	3rd	205 1	210	
i.	4th	215 1	220	
j.	5th	225 1	230	
k.	6th	235 1	240	
ı.	7th	245 1	250	
m.	8th	255 1	260	
n.	9th	265 1	270	
0.	10th	275 1	280	
p.	11th	285 1	290	
q.	12th	295 1	300	
6.	What was the total number of stude school/program around the first of 0	nts enrolled in this October?		
	• Please sum lines 5(a) through 5(q).		305	Students

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ITEM 7**

- **Do not** include nursery, prekindergarten, postsecondary, or adult education students, or children who are enrolled only in day care at this school/program.
- 7. Around the first of October, how many students were:

a.	A. Hispanic, regardless of race (Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Hispanic culture or origin)?					
320		Students				
	0 None					
b.	White, not of	f Hispanic origin?				
330		Students				
	0 None					
C.	Black, not of	f Hispanic origin?				
325		Students				
	0 None					
d.	American Inc	lian or Alaska Native (Aleut, Alaska Indian, Yupik, Inupiat)?				
310		Students				
	0 None					
e.		ific Islander (Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Asian Indian, Hawaiian, Guamanian, Samoan, other Asian)?				
315		Students				
	0 None					
8a.	Is this schoo	I coeducational?				
335	•1 Yes	2				
		an all-female school  an all-male school  GO to item 9a on page 7.				
₩ b.		ALE students attended this school around the first of October?				
υ.	-	lude nursery, prekindergarten, postsecondary, or adult education students.				
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340	0 None	Male students				

	Last school year (2000–2001), were any students enrolled in 12th grade?
_	■1 ☐ Yes
	2 ☐ No → GO to item 10a below.
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b.	How many students were enrolled in 12th grade around October 1, 2000?
	12th graders
C.	How many students graduated from the 12th grade last year?
	• Include 2001 summer graduates. Do not include students who received only vocational certificates, certificates of attendance, or certificates of completion.
Γ	Graduates
	0 ☐ None → GO to item 10a below.
ı.	Of those who graduated last year, what PERCENTAGE went to:
	% Four-year colleges?
	% Two-year colleges?
	% Technical or other specialized schools?
a.	How long is the school day for a kindergarten, transitional kindergarten, or transitional first grade student?
	• Mark (X) only one box.
	School does not offer kindergarten, transitional kindergarten, or transitional first grade → GO to instructions for item 11 at top of page 8.
	1 Full day (4 hours or more per day)
Γ<	2 🗌 Half day (less than 4 hours per day)
$\downarrow$	3 Doth offered
b.	How many days per week does a kindergarten, transitional kindergarten, or transitional first grade student attend?
	• If the number of days per week varies (e.g., some students attend 3 days per week and some attend 5 days per week), record the most days that a student would attend in a wee

## **INSTRUCTIONS AND AN EXAMPLE FOR ITEM 11**

In item 11, we ask for the number of teachers for grades K-12 by the amount of time they teach at THIS school.

## Example:

The following is an example to illustrate how to report teachers in this item for a school/program that includes prekindergarten through grade 8.

When recording your answers, please write only one digit in an individual space, e.g.,

0123456789

If this school/program has eight full-time teachers for grades 1–8, one full-time teacher who teaches kindergarten 1/2 time and prekindergarten 1/2 time, a music teacher who teaches two days each week, a physical education teacher who teaches three days each week, and a teaching principal who teaches one 30-minute class each day, you would complete item 11 as follows:

		8	Full-time teachers
0		None	
			Teach at least ¾ time but less than full time
0	X	None	
		2	Teach at least ½ time but less than ¾ time
			This number includes the one full-time teacher who teaches kindergarten ½
			time and prekindergarten ½ time. The time he/she spends teaching prekindergarten is not counted in item 11.
			This number also includes the physical education teacher who teaches
0		None	three days a week.
		1	Teach at least ¼ time but less than ½ time
			This includes the music teacher who teaches two days a week.
0	Ш	None	
		1	
		1	Teach less than ¼ time
			This includes the principal who teaches one 30-minute class each day. The time he/she spends working as a principal is not included in item 11.
0	Ш	None	
		2	
	- 1	L	TOTAL TEACHERS

# 11. Around October 1, 2001, how many persons were teaching in grades K-12 and/or COMPARABLE ungraded levels at this school/program in the following time categories?

• Consider only the amount of time an individual works as a teacher during a typical week at THIS school/program.

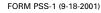
## **♦** INCLUDE:

- · Regular classroom teachers;
- Teachers who teach subjects such as music, art, physical education, and special education;
- Teaching principals/administrators who teach a regularly scheduled class at this school.

## Do NOT include:

- Teachers who teach ONLY nursery, prekindergarten, postsecondary, or adult education;
- Student teachers, teacher aides, day care aides, or short-term substitute teachers;
- Counselors, library media specialists/librarians, speech therapists, social workers, or administrators UNLESS they also teach a regularly scheduled class at THIS school/program.

385	Full-time teachers
	o None
390	Teach at least ¾ time but less than full time
	o None
395	Teach at least ½ time but less than ¾ time
	o None
400	Teach at least ¼ time but less than ½ time
	o None
405	Teach less than ¼ time
	o None
410	TOTAL TEACHERS



12a.	What type of school/program is this?					
415	REGULAR elementary or secondary (e.g., a K – 12 school, a K – 8 school, a 7 – 12 school, a 9 – 12 school, a 1 – 8 school, etc.)					
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	Elementary or secondary with a SPECIAL PROGRAM EMPHASIS – e.g., science/math school, performing arts high school, foreign language immersion school, talented/gifted school, etc.					
	SPECIAL EDUCATION – primarily serves students with disabilities.					
	5 VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL – primarily serves students being trained for occupations.					
	ALTERNATIVE – offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraditional education; does not specifically fall into the categories of regular, special education, or vocational school – Please describe					
	416					
	EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM/DAY CARE CENTER  (e.g., kindergarten only, prekindergarten and kindergarten only, kindergarten and transitional first grade only, day care and transitional kindergarten only, etc.)					
b.	Is a major role of this school/program to support home schooling?					
420	1 Yes					
	2 L No					
13.	Is this school/program located in a private home that is used primarily as a family residence?					
425	1  Yes 2  No					

14a.	Does thi	is school/program have a religious orientation or purpose?
430	<b>_</b> 1  \ Ye	es
J	, 2 N	$\circ \rightarrow GO$ to item 15 on page 12.
b.	ls this so	chool/program affiliated with a religious organization or institution?
435	1 Y	es
	2 N	o
C.	What is	this school's/program's religious orientation or affiliation?
440	1 🗌 Ro	oman Catholic ———— 445 1 Parochial (or inter-parochial)
	2 Af	frican Methodist Episcopal 2 Diocesan
	3 A	mish 3 Private
	4 As	ssembly of God
	5 🗌 Ba	aptist
	6 Br	rethren
	7 🗌 Ca	alvinist
	8 C	hristian (no specific denomination)
	9 Cł	hurch of Christ
	10 C	hurch of God
	11 C	hurch of God in Christ
	12 Di	isciples of Christ
	13 Ep	piscopal
	14 🗌 Fr	riends
	15 G	reek Orthodox
	16 🗌 Isl	lamic
	17 🗌 Je	ewish
	18 🗌 La	atter Day Saints
	19 🗌 Lu	utheran Church Missouri Synod
	20 E	vangelical Lutheran Church in America (formerly AELC, ALC, or LCA)
	21 W	/isconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
	22 O1	ther Lutheran
	23 M	lennonite
	24 M	lethodist
	25 Pe	entecostal
	26 Pr	resbyterian
	27 Se	eventh-Day Adventist
	28 O1	ther – <i>Specify</i>
441		

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# 15. To which of the following associations or organizations does this school/program belong?

	Mark	(X) all that apply.
450	o 🗌	This school/program does NOT belong to ANY associations or organizations.
	RELIGI	ious
455	1 🗌	Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) (or School of Tomorrow)
460	2	American Association of Christian Schools (AACS)
465	3	Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
467	4	Association of Christian Teachers and Schools (ACTS)
470	5	Christian Schools International (CSI)
475	6	Council of Islamic Schools in North America (CISNA)
480	7	Evangelical Lutheran Education Association (ELEA)
485	8	Friends Council on Education (FCE)
490	9	General Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church (GCSDAC)
495	10	Jesuit Secondary Education Association (JSEA)
500	11	National Association of Episcopal Schools (NAES)
505	12	National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA)
510	13	National Christian School Association (NCSA)
515	14	National Society for Hebrew Day Schools (NSHDS)
520	15	Oral Roberts University Educational Fellowship (ORUEF)
525	16	Solomon Schechter Day Schools (SSDS)
530	17	Southern Baptist Association of Christian Schools (SBACS)
535	18	Other religious school association(s) – Specify $\overline{\sl}$
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## 15. Continued –



## To which of the following associations or organizations does this school/program belong?

Mark (X) all that apply.

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540	19	American Montessori Society (AMS)
545	20	Other Montessori association(s)
550	21	Association of Military Colleges and Schools (AMCS)
555	22	Association of Waldorf Schools of North America (AWSNA)
560	23	Bilingual School Association (BSA)
565	24	Council of Bilingual Education (CBE)
570	25	Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
575	26	National Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children (NAPSEC)
580	27	Other association(s) for exceptional children
585	28	European Council for International Schools (ECIS)
590	29	National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
595	30	National Association of Bilingual Education (NABE)
600	31	National Association of Laboratory Schools (NALS)
602	32	National Coalition of Girls' Schools (NCGS)
605	33	Other special emphasis association(s) – Specify –
606		
	OTHER	SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS OR ORGANIZATIONS
610	34	Alternative School Network (ASN)
615	35	Institute for Independent Education (IIE)
620	36	National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)
622	37	State or regional independent school association
625	38	National Coalition of Alternative Community Schools (NCACS)
630	39	National Independent Private Schools Association (NIPSA)
635	40	The Association of Boarding Schools (TABS)
640	41	Other school association(s) – Specify —
641		

16.	How many days are in the school year for students in this school/program?				
645	Days per year				
17.	How long is the school day for students in this school/program?  • Report BOTH hours and minutes, e.g., "5" hours and "45" minutes, "6" hours and "0"				
	minutes, etc. If the length of day varies by grade level, record the longest day. Include the time for lunch and recess.				
650	Hours				
	AND				
655	Minutes				
18.	18. Does this school have a library or library media center? A library media center is an organized collection of printed and/or audiovisual and/or computer resources which is administered as a unit, is located in a designated place or places, and makes resources and services available to students, teachers, and administrators. A library media center may be called a library, media center, resource center, information center, instructional materials center, learning resource center, or some other name.				
660	1 Yes				
	2 No				
19.	Not counting interruptions, how many minutes did it take to complete this questionnaire?				
665	Minutes				
20.	Please record the date you completed this form.				
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370	Month Day Year				



21. Please verify this school's/program's name and mailing address that are printed on the front of this questionnaire.

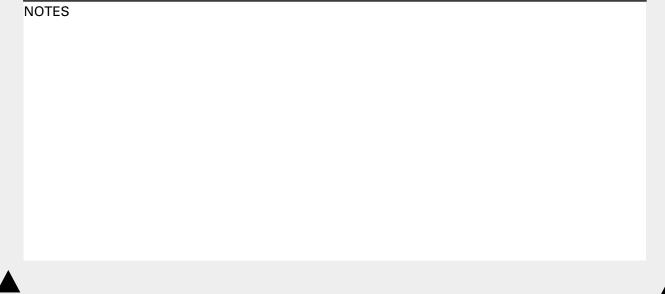
If any part of the name and mailing address is incorrect, enter the correction(s), as necessary, in the appropriate space(s) below.

	School/program name		
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	Mailing address		
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	City	State	ZIP Code
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THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS IMPORTANT SURVEY.
YOUR TIME AND EFFORT ARE APPRECIATED.

PLEASE RETURN THE QUESTIONNAIRE IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE RETURN ENVELOPE, MAIL YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE TO:

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Find out more about the Private School Survey (PSS) and information about private schools that was collected in the last survey. See PSS on the World Wide Web at:

http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/pss

Look for the report "Private School Universe Survey, 1999-2000" (NCES 2001-330).

Additional data collected by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) on a variety of topics in elementary, secondary, postsecondary, and international education are available from NCES's Web site at:

http://nces.ed.gov

For additional data collected by various Federal agencies, including the Department of Education, visit the FedStats site at:

http://www.fedstats.gov