

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO: Superintendents of Schools

Superintendents of Unified School Districts

Directors of Public Charter Schools

Executive Directors of Regional Educational Service Centers Directors of Approved Private Special Education Programs

FROM: Dr. Sarah J. Barzee, Chief Talent Officer

DATE: January 25, 2018

SUBJECT: New Administrator and Employer Survey Regarding Administrator Preparation Quality

In spring 2017, the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) initiated a survey of new teachers and their employers (the primary supervisor/administrator) to elicit feedback about the quality of their teacher preparation and their readiness to teach.

This year, we will launch a survey of new administrators and their employers (the primary supervisor/administrator) to elicit their feedback about the quality of their administrator preparation program and their readiness to serve in a school or district leadership role. Information collected from these surveys will be included as one of multiple indicators about educator preparation quality to be publicly reported in the new Educator Preparation Data Dashboard currently under development.

Previously you received a memo, dated September 15, 2017, requesting you to identify one individual to be assigned the specific role of *EdPrep Survey LEA Admin* in the Directory Manager, and who will serve as the point of contact for the district. This person was asked to electronically confirm the match between your new teachers and their primary supervisors in your district. Similarly, in order for new administrators and their supervisors to complete the survey, the *EdPrep Survey LEA Admin* will need to confirm the match between the new administrator(s) and the primary supervisor(s) in your district by February 28, 2018.

A reminder will go out to superintendents in March 2018, prior to commencing the survey administration for both new teacher/employers and new administrators/employers. All communications regarding the survey will be sent from Edprepfeedback.survey@ct.gov to the email on file for survey recipients.

We sincerely appreciate your support of our ongoing efforts, in collaboration with Connecticut educator preparation programs, to continuously improve the quality of educator preparation in Connecticut. If you or your staff have additional questions, please contact Claudine Primack at 860-713-6826 or Edprepfeedback.survey@ct.gov.

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