To: Superintendents of Schools  
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Subject: Statewide Student Information System Survey

Public Act No.17-220 expects the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) to study the feasibility of implementing a statewide student information system for all school districts in Connecticut. The statute specifically requires the CSDE to conduct a survey of the student information systems currently utilized by districts.

Therefore, after consulting with several districts, the CSDE has created a survey and requests your input. The survey is available online. Please submit one response per district by midnight on Wednesday, January 17, 2018.

In developing this survey, the CSDE met with twenty district-level Public School Information System (PSIS) coordinators from across the state who report, analyze, and use student data. These individuals came from districts of various enrollment sizes and types, and used a variety of local student information systems. They provided the CSDE with meaningful feedback in the design of the survey; we are most appreciative of their input.

Please feel free to seek the input of staff who are most knowledgeable about your local information systems. A blank copy of the survey to help with the preparation of responses is attached. However, the survey itself must be submitted online using the link above. We expect that it should take no longer than 30 minutes to prepare and submit the responses to the survey questions.

In addition to the district survey, the CSDE will also be connecting with other states who have successfully implemented a statewide student information system. All information that is gathered from these conversations and the district survey will be compiled into a report to the Connecticut General Assembly in early spring 2018.

Should you have any questions about this process, please do not hesitate to contact Marquelle Middleton at Marquelle.Middleton@ct.gov or 860-713-6877.

Thank you.