

Tom Horne Superintendent of Public Instruction

TO: All Superintendents, Principals, Charter Holders and Charter Principals

FROM: Dr. Karen Butterfield, Associate Superintendent of Academic Achievement, ADE

RE: Teacher/Principal Evaluation Survey

DATE: July 20, 2010

As stated in Arizona's State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) II, The Arizona Department of Education (ADE), in partnership with the Governor's Office of Economic Recovery (OER), is sending out a survey to gauge the status of teacher and principal evaluations in all school districts and charter schools. This survey is brief and is reflective of the indicators of Arizona's SFSF. Aggregate survey results will be posted on the State Report Card. Since ADE creates the report cards for schools and LEAs, ADE will include these survey results on both district/school report cards.

In addition, please note new legislation:

"The landmark Senate Bill 1040, signed on May 10, 2010, requires SBE to develop a model evaluation system framework for both teachers and principals by December 15, 2011. School districts and charter schools will be required to implement, by the 2012-13 school year, evaluation systems that meet SBE requirements. Under this law, SBE is required to incorporate quantitative measures of student growth into the model evaluation framework. The law requires that this student growth account for 33-50% of the evaluation outcome for both teachers and principals."

The purpose of this survey is to gather baseline data on the teacher and principal evaluations <u>currently</u> used by our LEAs. <u>Your participation in the survey is critical</u> as the aggregate survey results will be compiled by ADE and shared with the State Board of Education's newly formed Teacher/Principal Evaluation Task Force. **The surveys will be "live" beginning 7/26 through 8/31.**

Access to the survey can be found on the Common Logon. The Principal Survey can be accessed at http://www10.ade.az.gov/SelectSurveyNET/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=924L6m7

The Teacher Survey can be accessed at http://www10.ade.az.gov/SelectSurveyNET/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=924L5m7

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