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TO: Superintendents
Directors of Student Support Services
Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance
Directors of Alternative Education
Los Angeles County School Districts

FROM: Debra Duardo, M.S.W., Ed.D.
Superintendent

SUBJECT: AB922 - Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Students 2021

Your assistance is requested in meeting the mandates of Education Code (EC) 48926, which requires school districts and county offices of education to develop a countywide plan to provide educational services to expelled students. This plan was last developed in 2018, and your input is sought in developing a triennial update that will be submitted to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

To address the mandates of EC Section 48926, we are requesting that you complete the online survey (see link below). This survey will support us in addressing the following:

- For each of the gaps in educational services to expelled students, were the strategies for filling those gaps successful? If not, what were the obstacles?
- Were additional strategies implemented? If so, were they successful?
- List the educational services you currently have available for expelled students (alternative programs and rehabilitation services) With the current pandemic, how are you providing distance learning and rehabilitation services to expelled students?
- How can LACOE best support you in improving educational services to expelled students and/or in filling identified service gaps during the next three years?
- What are your best practices, at the site and district levels, of behavioral intervention approaches and options used to minimize the number of suspensions leading to expulsions, of expulsions being ordered, and to support students returning from expulsions? (Other means of correction, alternatives to suspension, PBIS, restorative practices, and others)
- In particular, how do these best practices relate to any disproportionate representation of student subgroups in such interventions? (Ethnicity, gender, students with disabilities)

Please complete the online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YQLJ7GW> by Friday, December 4, 2020. Upon updating the plan based on your input, a copy of the plan and our request to present the plan to your local governing board for approval as a basic plan to address the needs of students in Los Angeles County, as required by EC 48926 will be available electronically by Friday, February 5, 2021. Verification of approval by your governing board should take place no later than Friday, March 12, 2021.

Information regarding the AB922 mandate will be updated triennially on our website. Please review the previous plan at: <http://www.lacoe.edu/StudentServices/SchoolSafety/StudentDiscipline.aspx>

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dr. Victor Thompson's office at (562) 922-6233.

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