Dear Valued Parents,

Our elementary school has been awarded a grant by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) called <u>Connect for</u> <u>Success</u>. Last year, CDE identified five high achieving schools and identified common practices used by those schools. The purpose of the Connect for Success grant is to increase the academic achievement of our students by replicating the procedures, strategies, and practices used by those high performing Colorado schools. As a grant recipient, we will be collaborating with CDE to identify strategies to implement in our school over the next two years.

One of the grant requirements is that our school participates in a survey. The survey responses will be anonymous and confidential. Responses will be sent directly to CDE but there is no identifying information (no parent or student names, etc.) will be associated with the survey responses; only our school's name.

You are being invited to participate in the survey to share information with CDE.

Your participation is completely **voluntary**. If you choose to participate, your honest and open responses will help CDE gain a deeper understanding about our school. You may choose not to respond to specific questions or indicate that you do not know the answer to specific questions if that is the case. There is no penalty for not responding or indicating that you do not know the answer to a question.

Survey responses will be summarized by CDE staff and shared with the school in summary form only. No individual's responses will be identified. Exact responses will be confidential and only available to the CDE team.

You may withdraw from the survey at any time without any penalty.

If you would be willing to voluntarily participate in the survey, **please use the link below to go to the survey.** It should take approximately 35 minutes to respond to all of the questions. However, there is not a time limit and you may take as long as you need.

If you have questions about the survey, you may contact Nazanin Mohajeri-Nelson, Ph.D. at the Colorado Department of Education via telephone (303-866-6205) or email (<u>mohajeri-nelson_n@cde.state.co.us</u>).

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