

Indicator 8 Survey Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. I have two children who receive special education services in a Virginia public school. Do I need to complete a survey for each child?
Yes, you are asked to complete a survey for each child with a disability who receives special education services.
2. I would like to complete the online survey, but how do I ensure my feedback is reflected in my school's data?
The survey has a question about your child's school and you will select the appropriate school division from the drop down menu.
3. Will I have access to my school division's data?
Yes, the Indicator 8 data for each school division, as well as the Commonwealth, will be released and accessible on the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) website in the future.
4. My son has a 504 Plan. Do I complete this survey?
No, you will not need to complete this survey. This survey provides the information required by *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)* to report statewide and school-level data on select indicators.
5. My child has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), but is in an Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Program. Do I need to complete the survey for my young child?
Yes, please complete the survey. The survey has a question about your child's age and you will be able to select the answer from a drop-down menu.
6. How do I access the Indicator 8 survey?
You can submit the survey via paper and mail it directly to the Virginia Department of Education or complete it online using a URL or QR Code. Contact your local Special Education Director for additional information on accessing the survey.
7. Is the Indicator 8 survey available in Spanish?
Yes, the Indicator 8 survey is available in English and Spanish. The VDOE distributes the paper copies to each Virginia school division. Contact your local Special Education Director for additional information.
8. What is the deadline for submitting the Indicator 8 Survey?
Indicator 8 surveys should be submitted by December 16, 2022.
9. Is the survey designed to allow comments?
Yes, there is an optional comment box at the end of the survey.
10. Will I have to complete another survey next year?

If your child continues to receive special education services, you will be asked to complete the Indicator 8 survey annually. Your feedback provides valuable information for your school division, as well as the state.