

November 20, 2018

Dear Families,

On November 12, York Region District School Board invited all students to participate in the Every Student Counts Survey (ESCS). Thank you to all of the families who have completed the survey so far. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

This is a friendly reminder for families with child(ren) in **Kindergarten to Grade 6** to please complete the online survey at home with your child **by November 30**. Earlier this month, you should have received a school letter with a link to the online survey. Families with more than one child in Kindergarten to Grade 6 were asked to complete one survey per child.

The online survey is available in English, Arabic, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese.

If you have misplaced your letter, please contact the school office. If you have already completed the survey, please disregard this letter.

The ESCS is voluntary and confidential. Survey results will be used to help improve our schools and to:

- Identify and eliminate systemic barriers to student success;
- Create more equitable and inclusive school environments; and,
- Improve student achievement and well-being.

A summary of the results (grouped data only) will be available at schools and on the Board's website in Spring 2019.

If you have any questions about the survey, please feel free to contact me. Additional information about the survey (i.e., FAQs and survey questions), is available at www.yrdsb.ca/escs.

This important initiative will help us work together to create equitable and inclusive school environments. Parents and guardians are our strongest partners in education and we thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



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Principal
Ventura Park P.S.



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