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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school has been a The Leader in Me school Since 2011, a school wide program that teaches 21st century leadership and life skills to students and creates a culture of student empowerment based on the idea that every child can be a leader. Starting March 26 our school will be conducting surveys to learn more about key areas of strength and areas of needed growth in our school. The data from these surveys will also help us track the impacts of The Leader in Me process and implement key practices more fully. In order for us to have a holistic picture of what is going on in our school we are asking all full-time staff members, parents/guardians, and all students in grades 4 and up to participate. Below is additional information about the process and content of the surveys.

## Parent/Guardian Participation

If you decide participate, you will be asked to complete a survey (without sharing your name or other identifying information) that will be available through a web link we will send out at the beginning of next week. The survey is completely voluntary, but we do hope to get feedback from one member of every household. If you do not have access to internet or a computer, we will have computers available during parent teacher interviews. The parent/guardian survey takes about 12 minutes to complete and will ask questions about your child and about his/her experience in our school. If you have more than one child attending the school, you will be asked to think about the oldest child's experiences as you answer questions related to their growth. A listing of all survey questions can be e-mailed upon request or can be viewed in the front office before or after school. Parents can complete the survey using the fololwing link: <a href="https://theleaderinmeonline.org/assessments/assessment/a5ea13dc2658b9cd">https://theleaderinmeonline.org/assessments/assessment/a5ea13dc2658b9cd</a>

## **Student Participation** (For students in grades 4 and above only.)

Division 2 students will be asked to complete a 20-minute multiple-choice assessment (no identifying information will be requested or collected) that will be confidentially administered by their classroom teachers. Students will privately answer questions about their attitudes and behaviors on a computer at school. They will be able to skip questions and stop at anytime they choose. Results will be summarized by grade level and available to the leadership of our school through a password protected, data-encrypted website. Some group-level results from the MRA may be shared at public meetings like the monthly PTA meeting or with stakeholders like district administrators or community groups that support our school.

Sincerely,

Paul Smith Principal