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# **AdvancED Perception Survey Administration Schedule**

## **INTRODUCTION**

AdvancED is the accrediting agency for all school districts in North Dakota. Once every five years an on-site accreditation visitation is conducted. As part of the visitation school districts are required to administer perception surveys to students, parents and faculty members. The perception surveys are intended to provide information for school districts about areas of strength and concern. As part of its process of continuous improvement the Dickinson Public Schools has established the following schedule to utilize perception surveys between visitations. The following information is intended to provide an organized approach to the administration of AdvancED student, parent and faculty perception surveys. Additionally, it is intended to clarify the schedule for administration of the perception surveys for the visitation team and other interested parties.

## **SURVEY ADMINISTRATION SCHEDULE**

- Year 0- Visitation by the accreditation team. Survey results from the previous year are compiled and provided to the visitation team. Information is also provided about administration and utilization of the surveys between accreditation visitations. (2013-2014)
- Year 1- Student perception surveys are administered. (2014-2015)
- Year 2- Student, parent and faculty surveys are administered. (2015-2016)
- Year 3- Student perception surveys are administered. (2016-2017)
- Year 4- Student, parent and faculty perception surveys are administered. (2017-2018)
- Year 5- Visitation by the accreditation team. Survey results from the previous year are compiled and provided to the visitation team. Information is also provided about administration and utilization of the surveys between accreditation visitations. (2018-2019)

## **PERCEPTION SURVEY GUIDELINES**

This perception survey administration schedule has been reviewed and approved by the District-wide School Improvement Leadership Team. The Leadership Team understands that, during an accreditation review cycle, the Stakeholder Feedback Diagnostic must be administered and analyzed. Additionally, the required stakeholder participation levels established by AdvancED (parents 20%; students 40% and faculty 60%) must be achieved. Finally, the Leadership Team has established the following guidelines regarding when and how the surveys will be administered for each of the stakeholder groups.

- Students in grades K-2 will not be asked to complete the Stakeholder Perception Surveys. The Leadership Team felt the time required for testing in these grades would be more appropriately spent on learning activities.
- During each year parent and faculty perception surveys are given they will be administered in the latter part of the first semester. This is defined as November through early December.
- During each year the student perception surveys they will be administered in January. (Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year)