

# Virginia Teacher Survey 2000

**Your participation in this survey will provide valuable information in the effort to improve the level of support for SOL teachers.**

Certain conditions are necessary for effective instruction in the Standards of Learning to take place in the school in which you teach. The Virginia Board of Education is providing every teacher in Virginia with a direct, anonymous opportunity to share his/her perceptions regarding the degree to which these conditions are present through the Virginia Teacher Survey 2000.

On February 23, 2000, Virginia Board of Education President Kirk T. Schroder and Acting Superintendent of Public Instruction Jo Lynne DeMary announced a proposal to create a School Based Profile, which will be included on the School Performance Report Card for each school in the Commonwealth. The Profile will include a teacher survey which will provide a context for reviewing student performance data on the Report Card and will not affect a school's accreditation status. The survey responses will be reported in broad categories, rather than by each item.

Every effort has been made to ensure your anonymity during this process. Random PIN numbers have been generated by a third-party consulting firm and have been delivered to you via this sealed message. Your PIN number (noted below) is a one-time recognition code that allows access to the survey web site. It may not be reused. Please understand that neither the third-party consulting firm, the Department of Education nor principals know to whom each PIN number was issued. The first few digits of your PIN number represent the school code to enable data to be compiled and reported by school but the remaining digits are random.

To participate in the survey, you will need to use a computer that has access to the World Wide Web using a browser like Netscape or Internet Explorer. You may access the survey using a computer at your school, the public library or via your home Internet account. All you need to do is access the following Web site: [www.secure-survey.com](http://www.secure-survey.com), seven days a week, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., from May 8 through June 2, 2000.

When you access the Web site, you will be asked to enter a PIN number and password. Your unique PIN number and password are printed in the space below. Once you have entered your PIN number and password, the survey and instructions will appear on your screen. Respond to each statement by clicking on the button that corresponds to your answer. Once you have responded to all of the statements, click on the "Submit" button to complete your survey. Please note that you must respond to all of the applicable statements, or your submission will not be accepted.

Should you be unable to access the survey Web site or have another technical difficulty with your computer, please contact the technology support personnel at your school or library, or your Internet Service provider help line. On-screen instructions and messages will guide you through the survey pages. Thank you for taking the time to participate in the Virginia Teacher Survey 2000.

Example Elementary School

Your Unique PIN Number is:

01234567890

Your Password is:

23XAMPL

Itinerant teachers: Please report only once, using the PIN for your home school or the school where you spend the most time.