

Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley Community Unit School District #5

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are writing to inform you about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey which will be administered to GCMS students in four through twelve. The Illinois State Board of Education requires schools across the state to administer this survey. The survey is based on 20 years of research at the University of Chicago. It asks students about their experiences in school, giving school leaders critical student input to help develop school improvement plans.

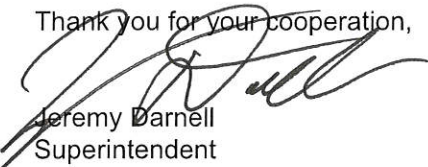
Student participants will be required to log-in using their student ID and birth date in order to complete the survey. Students' identities will be completely confidential. Teachers or administrators will never see individual responses to survey questions and will only receive aggregated information, such as the total percentage of students who agree homework assignments help them learn the course material.

Parents are also invited to complete the parent version of the survey. Please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/> to take the parent survey.

Please be aware that under the Protection of Pupil Rights Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232(c) (1) (A), you have the right to review a copy of the questions asked of your student(s). Survey questions can be found on the Illinois 5Essentials [website](#).

If you do not want your son or daughter to participate, fill out the information below and ask your child to return this sheet to his or her teacher.

Thank you for your cooperation,



Jeremy Darnell
Superintendent

School Name: _____
(Please Print)

I **DO NOT** want my child, _____, to take part in the 2018-2019 Illinois
5Essentials Survey.
CHILD'S NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

DATE

“GCMS Growth, Commitment, Motivation, Success”

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