



Dear Parent or Guardian:

Have you been asked to complete the Impact Aid survey card, but aren't sure why? Do you wonder how the information you provide will be used? See below for frequently asked questions about the Impact Aid survey.

1. What is Impact Aid?

Impact Aid is a Federal Education Program that reimburses school districts for the lost revenue and additional costs associated with the presence of nontaxable Federal property, including military installations, Federal low-rent housing facilities; and other Federal buildings or lands.

2. How does CCS use Impact Aid funds?

Impact Aid can be used for any general fund purpose, such as instructional materials, teacher salaries, transportation, technology, social-emotional supports, or buildings. All decisions on how funds are spent are made by school district leaders and the Board of Education.

3. Does CCS receive all the Impact Aid funding it is due?

No. Impact Aid funding is voted on each year by Congress. Because of limited Federal funding and competing interests, the program has not been fully funded since 1969.

4. Why do I need to fill out a survey form?

For CCS to receive Impact Aid basic support funding, the Federal Government requires CCS to collect information from parents and guardians after the start of the school year. The amount of Impact Aid CCS receives is determined by a formula that includes the number of students who have a parent or guardian on active duty in the military; live in Federal low-income housing or on federally owned property; or live with a parent or guardian who works on Federal property.

5. What information does CCS need to collect from parents/guardians?

Basic demographic and previously provided federal-connection information is pre-populated on the survey. Corrections and/or additions can be made to the federal-connected sections of the survey. Simply strike through information that no longer applies and/or write any updated information. Please initial by the corrections. The form must be signed and by the parent/guardian. All required information must be provided or the survey cannot be counted.

6. Why do I have to complete these forms every year? Didn't CCS collect this information at enrollment?

The U.S. Department of Education requires school districts to count students annually. All required information on the survey card must be verified by parents/guardians annually on or after the count date.

7. How is this information shared and protected?

Information on the survey form is used only for purposes of submitting the Impact Aid application. It is subject to the district's student private policy, as well as Federal and State laws protecting the privacy of students and families.

8. What can I do to support Impact Aid and ensure CCS gets the funding it is eligible to receive?

Be sure to complete the Impact Aid survey in its entirety. If you hear other parents questioning why they need to fill out the form, let them know how important Impact Aid Funding is to the District. **Contact Maria Pierce Ford, Executive Director, Federal Programs @ (910) 678-2637 if you have any additional questions.**

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