Welcome

GEEARS: Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students is interested in hearing about families’ experiences during the COVID-19 crisis. If you are a Georgia parent/caregiver of a child 5 years of age or younger, we invite you to participate in this survey about your experiences with parenting and child care in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. At the end of the survey, you will have an opportunity to provide your email address to be entered into a lottery for a chance to win 1 of 10 $50 Visa gift cards.

* 1. Are you a resident of the State of Georgia?
   - Yes
   - No

* 2. Are you the parent, step-parent, or legal guardian of at least one child five years old or younger who lives with you?
   - Yes
   - No
Past and Current Experiences

* 3. Have you or an adult member of your household experienced job loss, furlough, or reduction of pay or hours because of the COVID-19 pandemic?
   - Yes
   - No

* 4. Have you or an adult member of your household had to quit or reduce credit hours at a school or work training program because of the COVID-19 pandemic?
   - N/A (i.e., not enrolled)
   - Yes
   - No

* 5. How concerned are you about the potential of job loss, furlough, or reduction of hours for you or an adult member of your household?
   - not at all concerned
   - slightly concerned
   - somewhat concerned
   - moderately concerned
   - very concerned

* 6. Please indicate how much you agree with the following statements:

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<th>strongly disagree</th>
<th>disagree</th>
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<td>The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted my home and family life</td>
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<td>I worry that my child(ren)'s social, emotional, and/or cognitive development will suffer as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic</td>
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<td>I worry about the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on my own mental health</td>
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* 7. Would you say your current level of stress as a parent is:
   - much lower than usual
   - somewhat lower than usual
   - about the same as usual
   - somewhat higher than usual
   - much higher than usual
Child Care

Please answer the following questions for your child(ren) age(s) 5 or younger.

* 8. What was your **primary** child care arrangement **before March 13th, 2020**?
   - [ ] child(ren) stayed at home with parent/step-parent/guardian
   - [ ] child(ren) stayed with another family member, friend, or neighbor
   - [ ] child(ren) attended a child care program in a center
   - [ ] child(ren) attended a family child care program in another person's home
   - [ ] child(ren) attended a pre-K program in a public school
   - [ ] nanny/ babysitter
   - [ ] Other (please specify)

* 9. What is your primary child care arrangement **currently**?
   - [ ] child(ren) stay(s) at home with parent/step-parent/guardian
   - [ ] child(ren) stay(s) with another family member, friend, or neighbor
   - [ ] child(ren) attend(s) a child care program in a center
   - [ ] child(ren) attend(s) a family child care program in another person's home
   - [ ] nanny/ babysitter
   - [ ] Other (please specify)

* 10. Have you or another parent/caregiver in your household experienced any of the following **since March 13, 2020**? **Please select all that apply.**
   - [ ] Alternating work hours with someone in my household in order to provide child care
   - [ ] Working outside of normal business hours in order to provide child care
   - [ ] Working fewer hours in order to provide child care
   - [ ] Taking paid leave in order to provide child care
   - [ ] Taking unpaid leave in order to provide child care
   - [ ] None of the above
**11.** How manageable do you feel your current child care situation is?
- [ ] not manageable
- [ ] somewhat manageable
- [ ] manageable

12. Why do you feel this way?

**13.** If your current child care arrangement differs from your arrangement prior to March 13th, 2020, do you anticipate returning to your original arrangement?
- [ ] N/A (i.e., it is the same arrangement as before)
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] I'm not sure

14. Why or why not?

**15.** When thinking about your child care needs for the near future, how concerned are you about the following:

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<td>My family won't be able to afford child care</td>
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<td>Our work hours or schedule will not be compatible with available child care options</td>
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<td>My child and family will be more likely to be exposed to COVID-19</td>
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Demographic Information
The information you submit in this section will be used in aggregate and will not be used to individually identify you or members of your family.

* 16. In which Georgia county do you reside?

* 17. In what ZIP code is your residence located? (enter numeric 5-digit ZIP code; for example, 00544 or 94305)

* 18. Please indicate your gender.

19. Please indicate the race with which you identify:
   - American Indian or Alaska Native
   - Asian/Asian-American
   - Black/African American
   - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
   - White/Caucasian
   - Multi-Race
   - Prefer not to answer

20. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Prefer not to answer

* 21. What is your age?

* 22. How many children of the following ages reside with you in your home?
   - 0-5 years
   - 6-12 years
   - 13-17 years
23. What is your current employment status?

- Employed full-time
- Employed part-time
- Stay-at-home parent
- Other (please specify)

- Retired
- Not employed and looking for work
- Not employed and not looking for work

24. What is your current marital status?

- Single (never married)
- Married or Domestic Partnership
- Separated

- Divorced
- Widowed

25. What is the highest level of education you've completed?

- Less than 9th grade
- Some high school
- High school graduate
- Vocational/trade school or some college but no degree

- 2-year college degree
- 4-year college degree
- Advanced degree (e.g., MBA, MA, PhD, MD, JD, etc.)
26. If you would like to be entered into a raffle for one of ten $50 Visa gift cards as a thank-you for your participation in this survey, please provide your email below.

27. We are currently recruiting parents/caregivers with children ages 0-5 to participate in a future focus group. A small number of individuals will be selected to participate in these virtual focus group sessions, and each participant will receive a $50 gift card.

If you are interested in being considered for participation, please share your email below.