Dear Graduates:

As a graduate since 1994, we want to gather your perspectives about your teacher preparation program here at UCONN. Please provide very candid results as all results will be handled confidentially. Only group results will be provided. The survey should take 10-20 minutes to complete. You can use this or go on-line to enter your survey. (http://survey.tne.uconn.edu/survey/graduatesurvey/) Those who submit it electronically will receive five chances at winning one of 10 Amazon gift cards! Those who submit it on hard copy will have three chances at winning the gift cards! All responses MUST be received by **February 15.** We will have results available at our Neag School of Education website in June. Thank you for completing this survey. Please use the self addressed stamped envelope enclosed for returning this survey.

Sincerely,

Richard Schwab, Ph.D.

Dean of Neag School of Education
### Section A. Reflections on Your Teacher Education Program

1. Please answer two questions for each of the following statements.

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4. Please complete the following open-ended questions.

   a. What did you find most valuable about your teacher education program?

      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
      ________________________________________________________________________________________________

   b. What did you find least valuable about your teacher education program?

      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
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   c. What, if anything, was missing from your teacher education program?

      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
      ________________________________________________________________________________________________
      ________________________________________________________________________________________________

   d. If you could start over again, would you go to the same institution to become a teacher?

      ○ Yes ○ No

      Why or why not?

      ________________________________________________________________________________________________

5. Overall, how would you “grade” your satisfaction with the overall quality of the Neag School of Education teacher preparation program?

   A  B  C  D  F
Section B. Reflections on You as a Teacher

1. From which Neag School of Education program did you graduate?
   - IB/M
   - Bilingual Education
   - TCPCG
   - Other (Please specify): ______________________________

2. Are you currently working in the field of education?
   - Yes (Please indicate which district and state.): _________________________________
   - No

3. Which of the following best describes you?
   - Elementary school teacher
   - Secondary grade level teacher—Math
   - Secondary grade level teacher—Science
   - Secondary grade level teacher—Social Studies
   - Secondary grade level teacher—Reading
   - Secondary grade level teacher—Foreign Language
   - Secondary grade level teacher—English
   - Special education teacher
   - Music teacher
   - Substitute teacher
   - Administrator
   - Other teacher (Please specify): _________________________________
   - Other – not in education (Please specify.): __________________________________

4. What grade(s) do you currently teach? (Circle all that apply.)
   - Pre-K
   - K
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   - 10
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   - 12
   - N/A

5. For what reasons are you still involved in the field of education? (Fill in all that apply.)
   - I enjoy working with the students.
   - I enjoy being in a diverse student population.
   - I like the schedule.
   - It is rewarding for me when my students learn.
   - I work in a supportive and challenging atmosphere.
   - I like the building leaders.
   - Other (please specify): _________________________________
   - Not Applicable

6. If currently working in the field of education, in what three professional development opportunities would you be interested?
   1. _________________________________
   2. _________________________________
   3. _________________________________
7. If you are not currently working in the field of education, did any of these reasons play a part in your decision to leave the education field? (Fill in that apply.)

- I had unrealistic expectations about what an education career would be like
- My career interests changed
- There was a lack of opportunity for advancement
- Family obligations
- I wanted a better salary
- Lack of status
- Demands of the job led to burnout
- Other (please specify):
  __________________________________________________________
- My employer did not provide the mentoring or additional training I needed
- Not Applicable
Section C. Background Information

1. What is your gender?
   - Female
   - Male

2. What race/ethnicity best describes you?
   - White/Caucasian
   - Asian / Pacific Islander
   - Black or African American
   - Native American
   - Hispanic American
   - Other (please specify): ________________________

3. What was the primary language(s) spoken in your childhood home?
   - English
   - Spanish
   - Other (please specify):__________________________

4. What is the highest level of education attained by each of your parents?

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5. What year did you graduate from the Neag School of Education at UConn? __________

6. In what state do you currently work? ______________

7. In what community do you currently work? ______________________

8. Have you earned an additional degree since the completion of your degree in education?
   - Yes (Please specify the type of degree):_________________________________________
   - No
9. Are you considering or currently enrolled in an advanced degree program?
   - Yes (Please specify the school and what you are going for): _________________________________
   - No

10. What is your Peoplesoft ID? (Optional): _________________________________

    If you do not know your Peoplesoft ID, what are the last 4 numbers of your social security number?
    (Optional): _________________________________

11. Please tell us anything else tied to your teacher preparation program or your career that is relevant that you
    would like to share.

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    Thank you for submitting this survey!

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For entry into the drawing only for the Amazon cards, please complete the following information.
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Neag School of Education Graduate Survey 8