

## Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools

The Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools is growing our coalition across Pennsylvania. The PCPCS sign-up form for our Newsletter at: <http://eepurl.com/gAMxQ9>

The National Alliance for Public Charter Schools needs your assistance. On September 20, a subset of charter schools in Pennsylvania received an email (included below) from Bellwether Education Partners about a survey on behalf of the National Alliance and Charter School Growth Fund about your use of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) COVID relief funds. The federal government provided resources to public schools, including charter schools, through the ESSER fund to address the numerous COVID-related obstacles, including staffing shortages, learning loss, and access to high-quality instruction and materials. The schools were selected based on whether or not we had a valid email for them.

For your information, the content of the survey is attached. It takes about 10 minutes to complete online through a unique link.

The National Alliance for Public Charter Schools and the Charter School Growth Fund have engaged Bellwether to survey how charter schools and networks use their ESSER funds to support student and school community outcomes and how leaders' priorities may have shifted over the last year. The National Alliance and the Charter School Growth Fund hope this information can be used to understand better how charter networks could meet the needs of students and families during and coming out of the pandemic. )

*Why should you fill it out?* **Because knowing this information will improve the ability of the National Alliance to advocate on behalf of charter schools at the federal level.**

If you did not receive a unique survey link and would like to participate, you can contact Kelly Foster at Bellwether Education Partners ([kelly.foster@bellwether.org](mailto:kelly.foster@bellwether.org)), and she will have one sent to them (each link is unique).

Thank you,

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