

## MINI GUIDE

#### School Series

## **School Immunization Survey**

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Elementary and
secondary school
nurses that are
allowed to access the
MIIS per the state
legislation (M.G.L c.
111, Section 24M) can
use the School module
to submit their annual
childcare/preschool,
kindergarten, grade 7,
grade 12

**Immunization Surveys** 

& Flu Surveys to the

MDPH.

## Step 1 Navigation

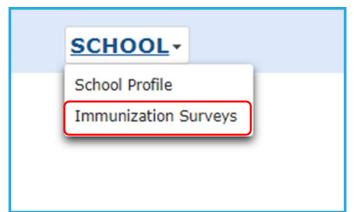
There are two ways to access the School Survey in the MIIS:

 $\Rightarrow$  To start, log in to the MIIS.

## Option A:

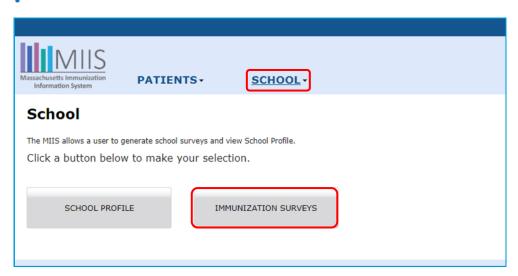


⇒ Log in to the MIIS and hover your mouse over SCHOOL then select Immunization Surveys from the Menu.





## Option B:

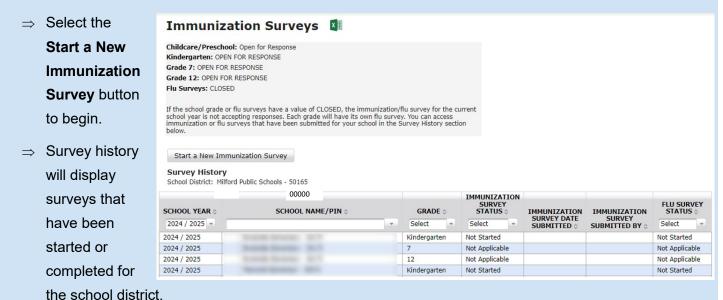


⇒ Click SCHOOL, then select Immunization Surveys button from the page display.

The School Profile option allows users to update school details, such as contact information, in the MIIS.

## Step 2 Start a New Survey

- ⇒ At the top of the Immunization Surveys page is the grade survey status box. This will display the open/close status of each survey.
  - ⇒ **OPEN FOR RESPONSE** means you may complete and submit the survey to the MDPH.
  - ⇒ **CLOSED** means that the survey cannot be accepted by the MDPH at this time.



⇒ The school survey history display can be sorted by any column or filtered by school year, school name, grade or status.



## Step 3 Before You Start

- ⇒ It is recommended that you collect student immunization data *before* you start the survey.
- ⇒ MIIS users may utilize the patient search function to search for student immunization records. <u>Search/create immunization</u> <u>records</u>.
- $\Rightarrow$  Read/follow the recommended instructions before starting the survey.
- ⇒ Click the **Next** button when you are ready to start the survey.

School Nurses have "Read Only" access to patient records in the MIIS.



Only primary & secondary
schools with joint
childcares/ preschools may
access and submit a
childcare/preschool survey
through the MIIS.

All independent childcare/preschools will be sent an email to access the survey outside of the MIIS.

### 2024 / 2025 Immunization Survey

#### **Before You Start:**

The immunization survey typically takes about 15 minutes to complete. Kindergarten, Grade 7 and Grade 12 surveys must be submitted by <u>January 26, 2024</u>.

#### We recommend doing the following before you start:

- 1. Collect all student immunization records for the survey grade.
- 2. Search MIIS for students with missing immunization records.
- 3. If this is your first time, review this mini guide and training video.
- Refer to this <u>webpage</u> for survey-specific instructions and worksheets for generating totals to answer the questions.
- 5. Refer to the school requirements table as necessary.

Note: Students on a catch-up schedule do not meet school requirements unless they are up to date at the time you are completing this survey.

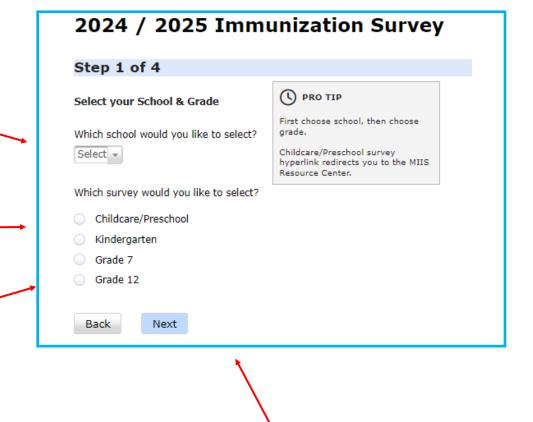
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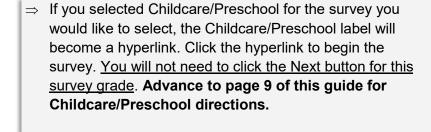


## Step 4 Begin Survey

Step 1 of 4

- ⇒ Select the school to complete the survey
- ⇒ Select the grade to complete the survey
- ⇒ If you selected grade 7 or grade 12, a 3rd question will appear asking if your school provides student housing for this grade.
- ⇒ Once all the questions have been answered, select the Next button







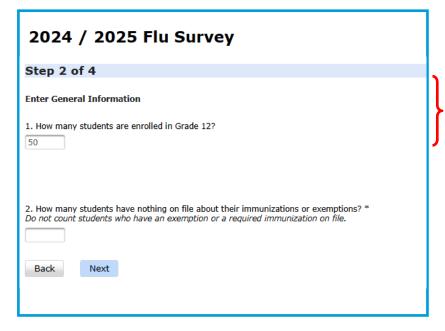
If your school is not listed in the drop down, please call the

Assessment Unit at (617) 983-4330, or email at

immassessmentunit@mass.gov



### Step 2 of 4 (excluding Childcare/Preschool)

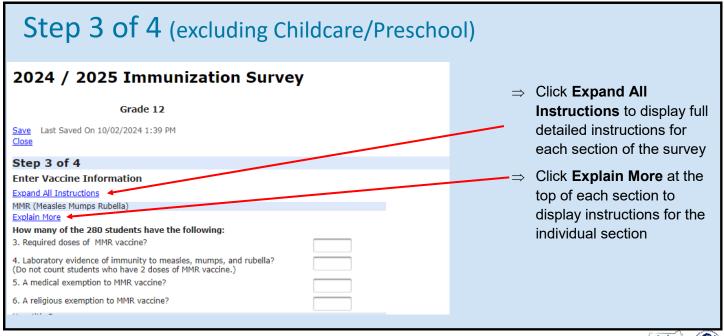


⇒ Entering 0 for the first question will result in supplemental questions to gather more information about the specified grade

Enter General Information
How many students are enrolled in Grade 12?
Please note the immunization questions in this survey only apply to the selected grade.
*You entered that you have 0 students. Please verify:
☐ Merged with another program
☐ No students for Grade 12 this year
Program is temporarily closed to students in person
Program is permanently closed to students in person
☐ Other

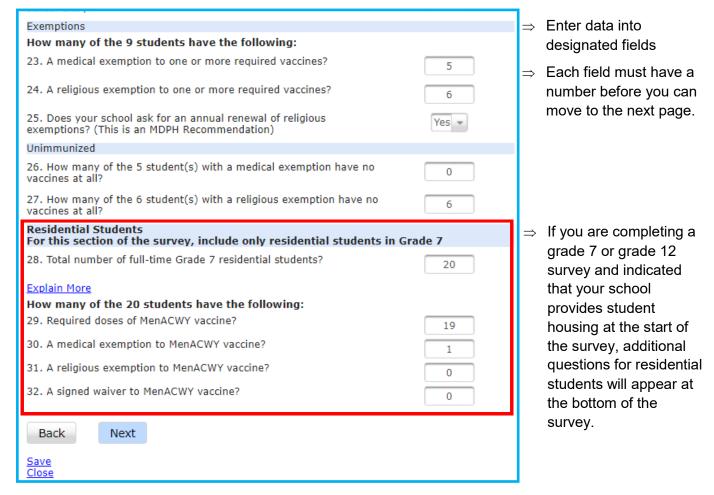
#### Enter General Information:

- ⇒ Enter the number of students enrolled in the grade for which you are reporting.
- ⇒ Enter the number of students in the grade who have no immunization records. Keep in mind that immunization exemptions count as a record (this is the number of students for whom you do not have immunization information at all).
- ⇒ Click the **Next** button to move forward.





### Step 3 of 4 Cont. (excluding Childcare/Preschool)



- ⇒ Once each section has been completed, click the Next button to move forward.
- ⇒ After clicking **Next**, the survey will check for errors.
- ⇒ There are two types of messages that may display after checking the survey data:
  - red errors
  - blue messages

Refer to the next page for further details.



Autosave will activate in your survey as soon as data is entered. If you walk away from a started survey, you can pick up where you left off by accessing the started survey from the History page.



#### **Red Errors**



The number of students for any vaccine must be less than or equal to the total number of students minus the number of students that have no school immunization record.

⇒ At least one of the marked fields must be changed in order to process the survey

### **Blue Messages**



These rates look too low or too high. If you have a small number of students, this may be more likely to happen. Please double check your numbers before moving on to the next step. Once updated, click the 'Next' button to continue. If no changes are needed, click the 'Next' button again to continue.

⇒ Once the appropriate edits have been made, click the **Next** button to continue

- ⇒ Blue messages indicate a possible error based on expected immunization rates. A blue message should trigger a double check for accuracy before advancing to the next page.
- ⇒ If no edits apply, the survey moves to step 4 of 4.



### Step 4 of 4

#### Step 4 of 4 **Review Your School Information** Please confirm your school details. School District: School Name: School Type: Does your school provide student housing for this grade?: No CONTACTS Phone: \*Primary Contact \*Primary Contact First Name: Last Name: Secondary Contact Secondary Contact First Name: Last Name: Principal First Principal Last SCHOOL ADDRESS \*Address: \*City: State: Zip Code: Submit Survey Back

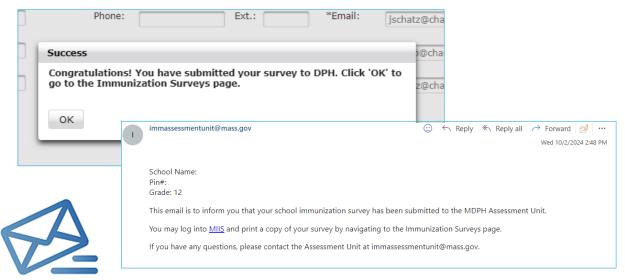
- ⇒ Review your school information. Updates can be made in the "School Profile" found under the School Tab.
- ⇒ A primary contact is required to be listed on the school profile to receive information regarding the school surveys
- ⇒ The secondary and principal fields allow you to provide additional contact information for the school
- ⇒ Select the Submit Survey button once you are ready to submit the survey.

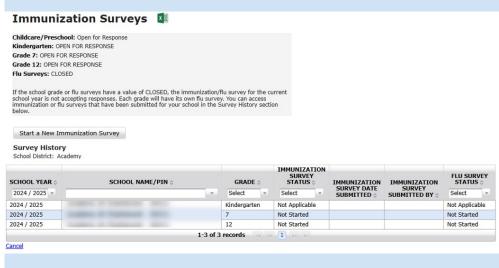
**Note**: Users are able to edit the school address in this section.



## Step 5 Confirm Submission (excluding Childcare/Preschool)

⇒ Once the survey has been successfully submitted, you will receive a popup notification, as well as an email confirmation





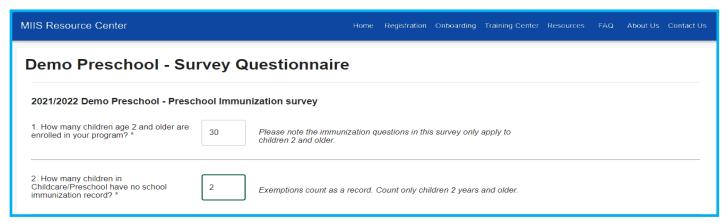
- ⇒ The submitted survey will display in the Survey History of the Immunization Surveys Page.
- ⇒ MIIS users are able to select the submitted status hyperlink and edit the survey submission.
- ⇒ When users choose to edit the survey, they will need to submit it again.

You have now completed the School Survey!



## Step 6 Start New Standard Childcare/Preschool Survey

### Step 1 of 5 (Standard Immunization Survey)

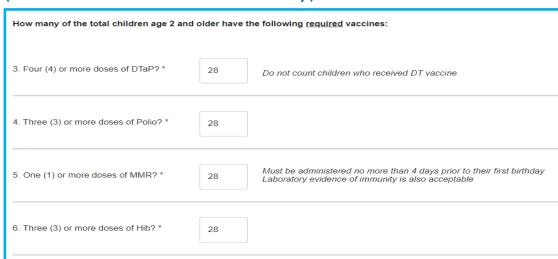


#### **Enter General Information:**

- ⇒ Enter the number of students enrolled in the grade for which you are reporting
- ⇒ Enter the number of students in the grade who have no immunization records. Keep in mind that immunization exemptions count as a record

### Step 2 of 5 (Standard Immunization Survey)

- ⇒ For Questions 3–10, enter the number of students who have received required vaccines into designated fields
- ⇒ Each field must have a number





The Childcare/Preschool Survey will not auto-save as you go; once you close

out of the window or navigate away, you lose anything you entered. This was requested to protect your data in case a link is shared.



### Step 2 of 5 Cont. (Standard Immunization Survey)

7. Three (3) or more doses of Hepatitis B? *	28	Laboratory evidence of immunity is also acceptable
8. One (1) or more doses of Varicella?*	27	Must be administered no more than 4 days prior to their first birthday Laboratory evidence of immunity is also acceptable
The number of children for any vaccine must of children that have no school immunization		or equal to the total number of children minus the number
9. A history of chickenpox disease? *	2	Do not include those with a dose of vaccine.  A reliable history of chickenpox disease requires a diagnosis of chickenpox or interpretation of parent/guardian description of chickenpox by a physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant or designee.
The number of children for any vaccine must of children that have no school immunization		or equal to the total number of children minus the number
10. All required vaccines? *	28	Four (4) or more DTaP and three (3) or more Polio and one (1) or more MMR and three (3) or more Hib and three (3) or more Hep B and one (1) Varicella or history of disease

⇒ Answers to questions 8 and 9 are summed together. If the sum of both answers is not equal or less than the total number of children minus the number of children with no immunization record, you will receive an error message.

How many of the total children age 2 and older have the following recommended (not required) vaccines?

11. Four (4) or more doses of PCV13?

28

12. Two (2) doses of Hepatitis A?

28

13. Three (3) doses of Rotavirus?

 ⇒ Enter the number of students who have received recommended vaccines into designated fields



### Step 2 of 5 Cont. (Standard Immunization Survey)

How many of the total children age 2 and	older have the following.		
14. A medical exemption to one or more vaccines? *	A medical exemption is a statement from a physician stating that a vaccine is medically contraindicated for a student and should be renewed annually at the start of the school year	$\Rightarrow$	Enter the data for students who have
15. A religious exemption to one or more vaccines? *	A religious exemption is a written statement from a student or parent/guardian, if the student is <18 years of age, stating that a vaccine is against sincerely held religious beliefs and should be renewed annually at the start of the school year.		medical and religious exemptions
16. How many of the children with a medical exemption have no vaccines at all? *	This must be less than or equal to the total number of children with a medical exemption from Question 14.	$\Rightarrow$	Each field must have a number
17. How many of the children with a religious exemption have no vaccines at all? *	This must be less than or equal to the total number of children with a religious exemption from Question 15.  This must be less than or equal to the total number of children with a religious exemption from Question 15.		

### There are two types of messages that may display after checking the survey data

### **Red Errors**

3. Four (4) or more doses of DTaP? \*

35

Do not count children who received DT vaccine.

The number of children for any vaccine must be less than or equal to the total number of children minus the number of children that have no school immunization record.

- ⇒ At least one of the marked fields must be changed in order to process the survey
- ⇒ In this example, a number was entered in the field that is greater than the number entered for the total students enrolled in the program for Question 1.

### **Blue Messages**

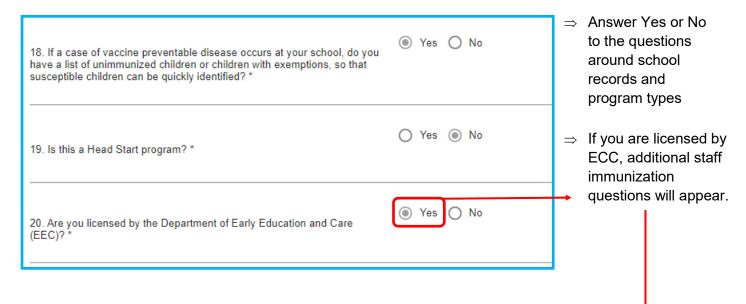
3. Four (4) or more doses of DTaP? \* 20 Do not count children who received DT vaccine.

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- ⇒ If no edits apply, you may continue.



### Step 3 of 5 (Standard Immunization Survey)



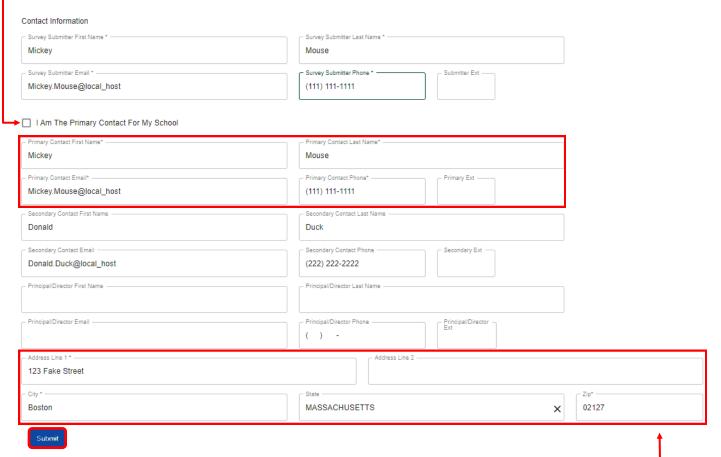
- ⇒ If you are licensed by ECC, answer the additional staff immunization questions
- ⇒ Each field must be completed

EEC Staff Immunization Questions		
21. Total number of staff *	6	
EEC requires staff members to be immune to measles, mumps,  Birth in the US before 1957  Documentation of 2 doses of MMR vaccine  Documentation of 1 dose of MMR vaccine and laboratory evide  Laboratory evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, and rubo	ence of immunity to	
22. How many staff members meet the MMR requirement? *	6	
23. How many staff members have a medical exemption to MMR vaccine? *	0	
24. How many staff members have a religious exemption to MMR vaccine? *	0	
25. If a case of vaccine preventable disease occurs at your school, do you have a list of unimmunized staff or staff with exemptions, so that susceptible staff members can be quickly identified? *	● Yes ○ No	If all staff have documentation of immunity, you may select "Yes".



### Step 4 of 5 (Standard Immunization Survey)

- ⇒ Fill in your (the Survey Submitter's) contact information
- ⇒ If you are also the Primary Contact for your school, you can select "I Am The Primary Contact For My School." The Primary Contact fields will become hidden, and the information you entered for Survey Submitter will be used



- ⇒ You may also fill in the Secondary Contact information and the Principal/Director information.
- ⇒ The address for the school can be updated in this section.
- ⇒ Select the Submit button once you are ready to submit the survey to be taken to the end of the survey.

Thank you for submitting your survey. You will receive an email confirmation.

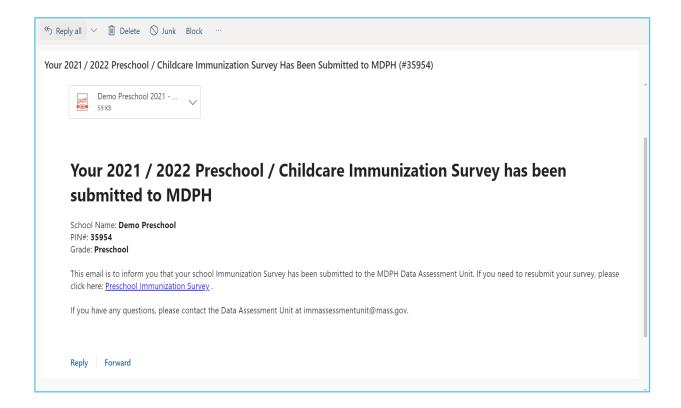
Please see the following link for additional information about school immunization surveys and statewide data from prior years:

**School Immunizations** 



### Step 5 of 5 (Standard Immunization Survey)

⇒ Once the survey has successfully submitted, you will receive an email confirmation.



You have finished the Childcare/Preschool
Standard Immunization Survey!

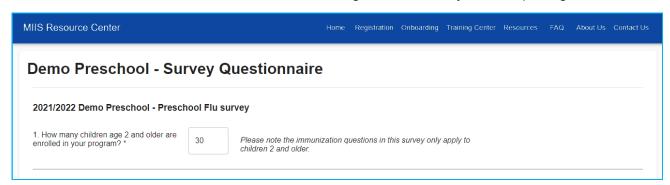
If you have 30 or more students enrolled in your program, you will receive a PDF copy of your survey answers.



## Step 7 Start New Flu Childcare/Preschool Survey

### Step 1 of 4 (Flu Survey)

⇒ Enter the number of students enrolled in the grade for which you are reporting



There are two types of messages that may display after entering the survey data: red errors and blue messages. Please refer to page 5 of this mini guide for additional information.

### Step 2 of 4

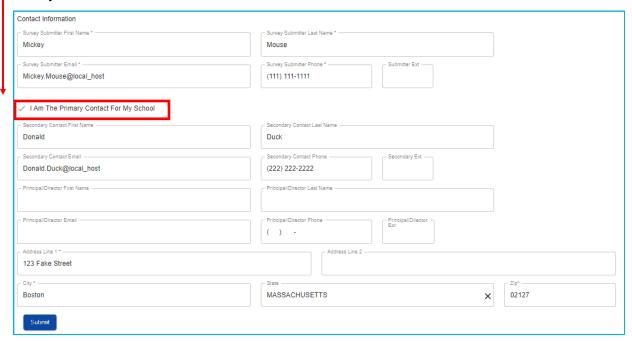
⇒ For Questions 2– 4, enter the number of students who have received a flu vaccine, a medical exemption or religious exemption into designated fields

Flu Requirements:	
1 dose since July of this year.	
Count each child in one category only.	
How many of the Total Children have the	following:
2. Required doses of Flu vaccine? *	28
3. A medical exemption to Flu vaccine? *	1
4. A religious exemption to Flu vaccine? *	1



### Step 3 of 4 (Flu Survey)

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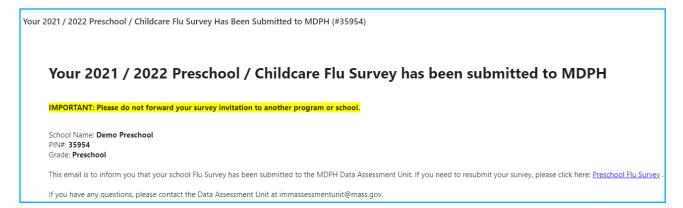
- ⇒ You may also fill in the Secondary Contact information and the Principal/Director information.
- ⇒ The school address is required information to submit the survey successfully.
- ⇒ Once you are ready to submit the survey, select the submit button to be taken to the end of the survey.

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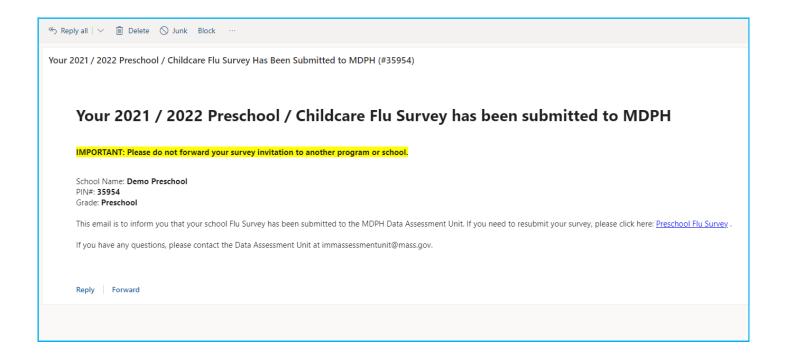




### Step 4 of 4 (Flu Survey)



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# You have finished the Childcare/ Preschool Flu Survey!

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