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Dear Colleague,

PSAYDN and the Philadelphia Out-of-School Time Professional Development Project (OST PD Project) are invested in the professional growth of child/youth workers in the state of Pennsylvania. Staff working directly with K-12 children and youth are requested to complete the [Child/Youth Worker Survey](#), which will increase understanding of the profession. The survey will take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete.

If you are a direct service worker, please [click here](#) to fill out our survey.

Hard copies are available for distribution. To order, please contact Kacy Conley, PSAYDN Director, at kconley@csc.csiu.org.

As a way of saying thank you for taking the time to complete the survey, there will be a **raffle drawing to receive an Apple iPad** courtesy of the Philadelphia Out-of-School Time Professional Development Project. At the end of the survey, you will be prompted to enter your contact information. Your name will not be connected to your survey answers during data analysis. The contact information will only be used for the purpose of the raffle and will not be shared with or distributed to other organizations.

Your response matters! It will assist us in making the case for increased funding and in developing career pathways, so that, ultimately, staff *can earn a living wage, receive stable benefits, and be recognized as professionals for the valuable work that they do*. If you do not work directly with youth, please forward this email to encourage your staff, colleagues and friends to complete this survey.

The survey is being administered by the OST PD Project under the direction of United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania's Center for Youth Development, the Out-of-School Time Resource Center at the University of Pennsylvania, and PSAYDN.

Survey needs to be completed no later than **Tuesday, February 15, 2011**.

Thank you for your assistance.