

## Countdown to Kindergarten Teacher Survey Summer 2021

### Survey Administration

The Countdown to Kindergarten Teacher Survey was administered online to 248 participating teachers, of which 248 (100%) responded, from May 10<sup>th</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. These teachers were from 28 counties across the state.

### Teacher Demographics and Experience

**57%**

were first time  
Countdown teachers

**20%**

had 4+ years of  
experience as a  
Countdown teacher

**75%**

plan to be the child's  
kindergarten teacher

**11%**

plan to be the child's  
kindergarten teaching  
assistant

### Program Delivery

**5.5**

average number of  
families served per  
teacher

**94%**

sessions conducted  
in English

**77%**

sessions conducted  
face-to-face

**10%**

sessions conducted  
using a hybrid of  
virtual & face-to-face

### Countdown to Kindergarten Experience

Overall, 99% of Countdown to Kindergarten teachers said the Countdown to Kindergarten program has met or exceeded their goals:

**1**

Increase family awareness  
of kindergarten  
expectations

**2**

Ensure a smooth transition  
to school

**3**

Create a positive  
relationship between the  
family and child's school

### Countdown to Kindergarten Support

Overall, over 90% of Countdown to Kindergarten teachers felt the Countdown to Kindergarten program provided adequate support

**96%**

had the information  
and tools needed to  
be a good Countdown  
teacher

**94%**

felt the  
communications met  
their needs

## Because of Countdown to Kindergarten...

**98%**

believe they made a positive difference for the children and their families

**96%**

saw the program as dedicated to diversity and inclusiveness

**92%**

were excited to work as Countdown teachers

**97%**

felt respected by their First Steps Local Partnership

**89%**

felt respected by South Carolina First Steps