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Dear Principals,

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This letter is on behalf of our collaborative, “Bridging the Gap”. Bridging the Gap is a group of system partners whose interest and initiative is to raise awareness of the various services available to children and their families. The goal of “Bridging the Gap” is to ensure that referrals are sent to the correct system partner or program. Our efforts can help to ensure that children and their families receive the appropriate services in the most effective manner. Our mission statement is as follows:

**Bridging the Gap**

The mission of “Bridging the Gap” Collaborative is to develop and enhance service delivery between the school, mental health, juvenile justice, behavioral health, child protective services, and parents/guardians to improve the well being of the children in Salem County.

As the principal, the Collaborative requests that you identify a liaison(s) to participate in trainings and information sharing on the systems and services. The liaison or liaisons may be a School Nurse, Social Worker, SAC, Guidance Counselor, Child Study Team Representative and/or those who have an interest in these types of services.

Attached is a brief two page survey that we are requesting the identified liaison or liaisons complete. The returned surveys can help us determine the level of awareness of systems and services schools have throughout Salem County and the extent of knowledge needed about services available to children and their families. Our next step will be to invite the liaisons from each school to a presentation on our services and programs.

Thank-you for taking the time to read this letter and to complete the survey. If you have any questions, please contact me at 856-935-7510/ext. 8314

Respectfully,  
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Chairperson/Program Specialist

