

# School-Based Occupational Therapy: Educational Licensure





# Hello and Welcome!

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## Agenda:

1. Purpose of our work and survey
2. Survey Results
3. YOUR VOICE
  - a. Feedback
  - b. Opinions
  - c. Questions
  - d. Thoughts

# 1. Purpose: Exploration and Learning

- x Research:
  - Current state of school OT licensure
  - Explore the possibility of school OT licensure
- x Survey the profession:
  - Knowledge of the current state
  - Thoughts about changing current state
- x Tonight:
  - Share survey results
  - Seek input from OT practitioners





# 2. Survey Results

What do we know and where can we go?





# Who Are We?

- 164 total respondents
  - 155 have experience working in schools
  - 6 months - 45 years in practice
    - 6 months - 42 years in school-based practice
  - Other practice areas: Academic education, administration and management, early intervention, gerontology, home & community health, mental health, neurorehabilitation, pediatrics, acute care.





# What Leadership Looks Like

- Of those with school-based practice (154 respondents):
  - 28% (43 participants) report having access to leadership roles
  - None of those roles are reflective of state-credentialed leadership positions



# How We Understand PEL



- Of 164 respondents:
  - 29% (47 participants) were unaware that OTs in school settings are ineligible for PEL
  - 42% (69 participants) were unaware that school-based practitioners are ineligible for state-credentialed leadership positions in schools

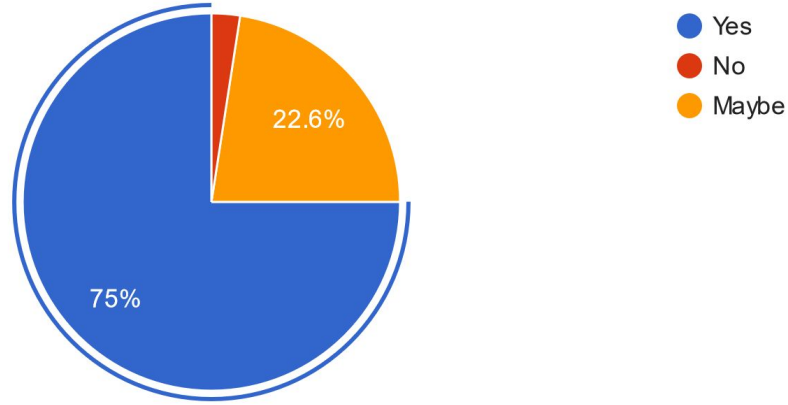




# Should ILOTA Advocate?

Do you believe that the Illinois Occupational Therapy Association (ILOTA) should advocate for providing OTs access to the PEL category and administrative positions?

164 responses



# 3. Your Voice

- a. Feedback
- b. Opinions
- c. Questions
- d. Thoughts



# Town Hall Comment Form

<https://forms.gle/tivu3MMMgr54JAI68>



# Rationale Summary

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oWxkwf0jJ2MPYbiz-hdPv4MJr31okdAqoUtyEimHhR8/edit?usp=sharing>



## Link to Survey

<https://forms.gle/7F19gAaLwgRQ3X9w5>



## Link to Recorded Town Hall

<https://www.ilota.org/school-based-practice-special-interest-section--sis--town-hall>







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