**Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) Notice and Consent/Opt-Out for Specific Activities**

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. §1232h, requires the school district to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas (“protected information surveys”):

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parent;
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student’s family;
3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure or use of student information for marketing purposes (“marketing surveys”), and certain physical exams and screenings.

The following list of activities requiring parental notice and consent or opt-out for the upcoming school year is not exhaustive. If surveys and activities are scheduled after the school year starts, the school district will provide parents, within a reasonable period of time prior to the administration of the surveys and activities.

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This is a sample dealing with a survey requesting protected information. You will need to complete the form using information for your district’s specific activities.

***Date:*** On or about October 31, 2005

***Grades:*** 7th and 8th

***Activity:*** Survey of At-Risk Behaviors

***Summary:*** This is an anonymous survey that asks students questions about behaviors such as drug and alcohol use, sexual conduct, violence, and other at-risk behaviors. The survey also asks questions of a demographic nature concerning family make-up, the relationship between parents and children and use of alcohol in the home.

If a survey of this nature is funded, in whole or in part, by a program administered by the U.S. Department of Education, the school district must obtain the written consent of a student’s parent(s) before the student participates in the survey.

***Consent:*** A parent must sign and return the attached consent form no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_ so that your child may participate in this survey.

If a survey of this nature is funded by any source other than the U.S. Department of Education, the school district must simply provide parents the opportunity to opt out of the survey.

***Opt-out:*** Contact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if you do not want your child to participate in this survey.

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If you wish to review any survey instrument or instructional material used in connection with any protected information or marketing survey, please submit a request to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He/she will notify you of the time and place where you may review these materials. You have the right to review a survey and/or instructional materials before they are administered to your student.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, give my consent for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to take the Survey of At-Risk Behaviors on or about October 31, 2016.

Please return this form no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the school.

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This is a sample notifying parents of physical exams and health screenings. You will need to complete the form using information for your district’s specific activities.

***Date:*** On or about October 31, 2016

***Grades:*** 9- 12

***Activity:*** Flu Shots

***Summary:*** The county health department will administer flu shots for influenza types A and B. Students will be examined for evidence of illness before administration of the immunizations.

***Opt-out:*** Contact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if you do not want your child to participate in this survey.

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We have not included a sample notifying parents of marketing because most school districts only provide vendors with directory information about students. If your school district provides vendors with additional information (for example, student social security numbers), please contact us and we will assist you in drafting a PPRA notice for that activity.