

SURVEYING, ANALYZING OR EVALUATING STUDENTS
(Model Notification of Rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment)

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents certain rights pertaining to the district's collection and use of information for marketing purposes as well as how the district conducts surveys and certain physical exams. These include the right to:

1. Give consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one (1) or more of the following protected areas (Aprotected information survey@) if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education:
 - a. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student=s parent.
 - b. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student=s family.
 - c. Sex behavior or attitudes.
 - d. Illegal, antisocial, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior.
 - e. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships.
 - f. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers.
 - g. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student=s parent.
 - h. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.
2. Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of:
 - a. Any other protected information survey, regardless of the funding source.
 - b. Any nonemergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under state law, except for hearing, vision or scoliosis screenings.
 - c. Activities involving collection, disclosure or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing, selling or otherwise distributing the information to others.

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3. Inspect, upon request and before administration or use:
 - a. Protected information surveys of students.
 - b. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales or other distribution purposes.
 - c. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor.

The Boonville R-I School District has adopted policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights and has made arrangements to protect the privacy of student records. The district will directly notify parents of students who are scheduled to participate in the specific activities or surveys noted below and will provide an opportunity for the parent to opt his or her child out of participation in the specific activity or survey. The district will make this notification to parents at the beginning of the school year if the district has identified the specific or approximate dates of the activities or surveys at that time. Parents will also be provided notification of surveys and activities scheduled after the start of the school year.

If you wish to review any survey instrument or instructional material used in connection with any protected information or marketing survey, please contact the following school official:

Director of Curriculum
660-882-7474

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202-5901

The district must first obtain parental consent prior to administering the following scheduled surveys. You will receive a consent form from the teacher or administrator involved.

[List ALL surveys requiring consent.]

Date or Month Scheduled to Be Given: _____

Grades/Classes Involved: _____

Description of Survey: _____

Parents may opt their students out of the following surveys and activities. To opt your student out of these surveys or activities, please notify the school contact listed above.

[List ALL surveys and activities that require the district to give notification and an opt-out opportunity.]

Date or Month Scheduled to Be Given: _____

Grades/Classes Involved: _____

Description of Survey or Activity: _____

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Note: The reader is encouraged to review policies and/or procedures for related information in this administrative area.

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