

CLAYSBURG-KIMMEL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Notice to Parents: Student Health Exams, Privacy, and Surveys

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents and students who are 18 years old or emancipated minors (i.e., "eligible students") certain rights regarding our conduct of surveys, collection, and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include the right to:

- <u>Consent</u> before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas (i.e. "protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U. S. Department of Education (USDOE):
 - 1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parents;
 - 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 student's parents;
 - 8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

• Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of:

- 1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
- 2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening as a required condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under state law; and
- 3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.

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

The Claysburg-Kimmel School District has developed policies regarding these rights as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. The Claysburg-Kimmel School District will directly notify parents and eligible students of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. The school district will also *directly* notify parents and eligible students, such as through U.S. mail or email, at least annually at the start of each school year of the specific or approximate dates of the following activities and provide an opportunity to opt a student out of participating in:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution;
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by the USDOE.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening described above.

Parents and/or eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with the:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202-4605

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Darren McLaurin, Superintendent.

Sincerely,

Mark Loucks
Superintendent