

## 441 STUDENT SURVEYS

The School Board respects the privacy rights of parents and their children. No student shall be required to participate in any survey associated with a school program or the District's curriculum, or which is administered by a third party in the schools, if the survey includes one or more of the following items:

- political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent;
- mental and psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
- sex behavior or attitudes;
- illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
- critical appraisals of other individuals with whom students have close family relationships;
- legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers;
- religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student's parent; or
- income other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program.

The building principal shall notify parents/guardians at the beginning of each year of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when such survey activities are scheduled involving their children. Parents/guardians shall be given the opportunity to request that their child not participate in a survey containing the above information. If a survey containing any of the above information is funded in whole or in part by a program administered by the U.S. Department of Education, written consent shall be obtained from the student or, in the case of a minor student, the student's parent/guardian before the student participates in the survey.

Parents/guardians may, upon request, inspect a survey containing any of the above information and any survey created by a third party before the survey is administered or distributed to a student. They may also request to inspect any instructional materials used in connection with the survey or any instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum for the student. Requests to inspect a survey or instructional materials should be made to the building principal or his/her designee. Survey inspection requests should be made prior to the date in which the survey is scheduled to be administered to students. The principal or designee shall respond to such requests without delay.

This policy shall be published annually in student handbooks. The policy must also be distributed to parents/guardians and employees in the District.

LEGAL REF.: No Child Left Behind Act of 2001  
Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment

CROSS REF.: 333-Parent Rights in the Curriculum  
347-Student Records  
347-Rule(1)-Guidelines for the Control and Maintenance of Student Records  
347-Rule(2)-Student Record Files  
348-Research and Surveys in the Schools  
349-Parent Rights and District Programs/Activities  
491-Photographing of Students  
850-Public Solicitations in the Schools

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