

Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents of elementary and secondary students certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include, but are not limited to, the right to:

- *Consent* before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas (“protected information survey”) if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED) –
 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 student’s parent; or
 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 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, 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 collected from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others. (This does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to, students or educational institutions.)
- *Inspect*, upon request and before administration or use –
 1. Protected information surveys of students and surveys created by a third party;
 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.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State and Federal law.

Provo City School District has developed and adopted policies, in consultation with parents/guardians, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. **Provo City School District** will directly notify parents/guardians, eligible students of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. **Provo City School District** will also directly notify, such as through U.S. Mail or email, parents/guardians, eligible students who are scheduled to participate in the specific activities or surveys noted below and will provide an opportunity for parents/guardians, eligible students to opt out of participation of the specific activity or survey. **Provo City School District** will make this notification to parents/guardians, eligible students 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. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents/guardians, eligible students will be provided reasonable notification of the planned activities and surveys listed below and be provided an opportunity to opt out of such activities and surveys. Parents/guardians, eligible students will also be provided an opportunity to review any pertinent surveys. For any of the following specific activities and surveys, parents/guardians, eligible students will be given specifics of the date/times, and formats of such activities and surveys. Adequate time will be provided to inspect the activities and surveys and opt-out/opt-in notices will be provided that will ensure all parents/guardians, eligible students are provided with adequate information regarding the reasons for the activities and/or surveys. Following is a list of the specific activities and surveys covered under this direct notification requirement:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing, sales, or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.
- SHARP- PNA is the Student Health and Risk Prevention (SHARP) Survey- Prevention Needs Assessment: Grades 6, 8, 10, and 12
- YRBS- Youth Risk Behavior Survey: Grades 9 and 12

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