

# Passive Consent Notice to Parents

## School District Plan to Survey Students

### 2019 Minnesota Student Survey

Our school district is asking students in grades 5, 8, 9 and 11 to participate in the 2019 Minnesota Student Survey (MSS). Federal law requires us to notify parents of this school activity. The MSS is conducted in schools across our state every three years.

Questions on the survey are about many topics relating to young people's lives. The survey asks about how well school is going, future plans, out-of-school activities, physical and mental health, relationships, substance use and more. High school students are asked about sexual behavior. This useful information about their thoughts and behaviors helps communities and schools develop effective programs and provide better services.

Date(s) the Minnesota Student Survey (MSS) will be administered: February 26, 2019

If you have questions about the survey, please contact: Brian Loer, [bloer@egf.k12.mn.us](mailto:bloer@egf.k12.mn.us), 218-773-2405

You have the right to review a copy of the survey. For details on how to do this, please contact: Brian Loer, [bloer@egf.k12.mn.us](mailto:bloer@egf.k12.mn.us), 218-773-2405

This survey is anonymous. To prevent individuals or families from being identified, students do not provide their names, student identification numbers or other personal information.

This survey is voluntary. You may choose to have your child not take the survey by completing and returning the form below. Students may also decline to take any part of the survey or the whole survey. They are informed of that option by staff.

***If you do not want your child to take the Minnesota Student Survey, please return this form to :Brian Loer by:***  
February 19, 2019

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# YouthTruth

— STUDENT SURVEY —

A NATIONAL NONPROFIT

## **"OVERALL SCHOOL EXPERIENCE" STUDENT SURVEY**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are writing to let you know that we are asking your child to participate in the YouthTruth Student Survey in the coming weeks. The YouthTruth Student Survey is a nationally recognized survey used in hundreds of schools and districts across the country, surveying hundreds of thousands of students. The survey asks students about their experiences in the school and with their teachers, including how engaged they are at school, the rigor of their coursework, and their preparedness for the future. Our school, other schools, and researchers may use such information for developing plans to help schools and teachers improve. For information about this survey, please visit <http://youthtruthsurvey.org>, or speak to a school administrator.

It will be given at SH February 13, 2019. Grades 9-12 take the survey. If you have questions please contact Mr. Loer at 218-773-2405, [bloer@egf.k12.mn.us](mailto:bloer@egf.k12.mn.us).

Although we want to hear from all students, participation in this survey is voluntary.

Your child's ratings will not be identified in any reports because results are shared at the group level. Personally identifiable information will not be released to any third party.

Please be aware that under federal law, you have the right to review a copy of the questions asked of your child. If you would like to do so, you can view a copy of the survey at school.

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### **Opt-Out**

**Please complete this form only if you would like your child to be excluded from the survey.**

**I do not give my permission for my child to participate in this survey.**

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_