PARENTS’ RIGHTS TO KNOW

As a parent of a student in the Lincoln Parish School System, you have the right to know the following information which should be provided to you upon request in a timely manner:

- You have a right to view any instructional material used in your child’s
- You have the right to view any 3rd party surveys before they are administered to their child, and to opt out of participation for surveys that delve into sensitive subjects identified by the Protection of Children’s Rights of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- You have the right to view student privacy guidelines that are provided by the School Board in the event of collection, disclosure, or use and their right to opt their child out of participation.
- You have the right to know of non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is: required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school and scheduled in advance; and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, and/or the right to opt out of participation in these exams or screenings.
- You have rights under FERPA, including giving notice to the parent of the categories of information which the School Board has designated as directory information with respect to students, and allowing a reasonable period of time after such notice for the parent to inform the School Board that any or all of the information so designated should not be released without the parent’s prior consent.

In addition, if your child attends a federal Title 1 school, ESSA (Every Child Succeeds Act) provides you the right to know the following information which should be provided to you in a timely manner upon the initial request:

- You have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child’s classroom teachers, including the following:
  - Whether your child’s teacher has met state licensing criteria for the grade level and subject taught.
  - Whether your child’s teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status whereby state licensing criteria have been waived.
  - Whether your child’s teacher is teaching in the field of certification
  - Whether your child is provided services by a paraprofessional and, if so, their qualifications.
- You have the right to know the achievement level and academic growth of your child on each of the state academic assessments.
- You have the right to know if your child has been assigned, or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet state certification requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.