

Southside Middle School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Alabama State Department of Education and the Alabama Department of Public Health requires that school districts in Alabama offer and provide scoliosis screenings for male and female students in grades 5 through 9, ages 11-14.

Screening is performed by observing the uncovered spine, viewing the student from the back, side, and front, and from all sides with the student bending forward. Parents of students found to have signs of a possible spinal abnormality will be asked to see their own physicians for further evaluation.

Girls and boys will be screened separately to ensure privacy. They can wear gym clothes, bathing suits, or other clothing that may be removed easily. Screening for your child will take place on Tuesday April 4, 2023. The screenings will be conducted by Dr.Caroline Herring. If your child is currently under treatment for a spinal deformity, please let us know and your child will be exempt from the screening process.

Please complete the consent form below; indicating your wishes for screening. Please note; forms not returned will result in the student not being screened.

I do wish for my son/daughter to be included in the scoliosis screening.	
Student Name	Parent/Guardian Signature
I do not wish for my son/daughter to be inc	luded in the scoliosis screening.
Student Name	Parent/Guardian Signature

Please call the school nurse, Jennifer Osborne, RN at 334-283-2151 if you have any questions.

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