

2018-2019 District 742 PPRA Notice

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232h, requires The St. Cloud Area School District to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas (“protected information surveys”):

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 parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure or use of student information for marketing purposes (“marketing surveys”), and certain physical exams and screenings.

Following is a schedule of activities requiring parental notice and consent or opt-out for the upcoming school year. This list is not exhaustive and, for surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, District 742 will provide parents, within a reasonable period of time prior to the administration of the surveys and activities, notification of the surveys and activities and be provided an opportunity to opt their child out, as well as an opportunity to review the surveys. (Please note that this notice and consent/opt-out transfers from parents to any student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.)

Date: Spring 2019

Grades: 3rd-12th

Activity: Annual School Climate Survey

Summary: This is an anonymous survey administered annually by District 742 that asks students questions related to engagement, environment and safety within their school.

Date: Spring 2019

Grades: 5th, 8th, 9th, 11th

Activity: Minnesota Student Survey

Summary: This is one of the longest running youth surveys in the nation. It is administered every three years. Students respond anonymously to questions about school climate, bullying, out-of-school activities, health and nutrition, emotional and mental health, relationships, and more.
