

# Home Learning Center

On Thursday, April 11th & Friday, April 12th, we will conduct a Scoliosis Screening for 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. The purpose of the screening is to find students with signs of an abnormal curvature of the spine. Two out of 100 children may have scoliosis. If this condition is found and treated early, worsening spine deformity can usually be prevented.

The screening procedure is simple. The school nurse will look at your child's back in the standing position while bending forward. Boys and girls are screened separately. **Girls should wear a camisole, sports bra, bathing suit, or tight tank top under their clothes on the day of the screening.** If your child has a suspected spinal curve, you will be asked to follow up with your child's physician or with the local health department.

**The State of Georgia requires that all children be screened unless the parent has requested in writing that the child not be screened at school.**

If you **DO NOT** want your child to be screened, please complete the requested information below.

Please return the **DO NOT SCREEN** portion of this form by **Friday, March 29th.**

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**\*Your child will be screened if this portion is not completed.**

I **DO NOT** want my child to be screened for scoliosis.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_