

Oneida Special School District
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**Annual Notification of Parent Rights under the
Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

At the Oneida Special School District (OSSD), we are committed to keeping families informed and involved in their child's educational experience. As part of that commitment, we are providing you with this annual notice of your rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA).

PPRA is a federal law that affords parents certain rights regarding surveys, the collection and use of student information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These rights transfer from the parent to the student once the student turns 18 or becomes an emancipated minor under state law.

Your Rights Under PPRA Include the Ability to:

- Inspect any third-party survey before it is distributed to students.
- Opt your child out of the administration of any survey that includes one or more of the following protected topics:
 1. Political affiliations or beliefs,
 2. Mental or psychological concerns,
 3. Sexual behavior or attitudes,
 4. Illegal, anti-social, or self-incriminating behavior,
 5. Critical appraisals of close family relationships,
 6. Legally recognized privileged relationships (e.g., with doctors or lawyers),
 7. Religious practices or beliefs,
 8. Income (unless required to determine eligibility for a program).
- Review any instructional material used in connection with these surveys.
- Be notified and consent or opt out of:
 - Certain physical exams or screenings are not required by state law,
 - The collection, disclosure, or use of personal information from students for marketing purposes.

Planned Surveys or Activities for This School Year

At this time, OSSD may administer surveys throughout the year for the purpose of improving school climate, student wellness, and instructional planning. You will be notified in advance of any specific activity that falls under PPRA guidelines and will have the opportunity to inspect materials and opt your child out, if desired.

Have Questions or Want to Review Materials?

Please feel free to contact us any time. If you wish to review survey materials or opt your child out of a future activity, please contact your child's school.

We value your partnership in maintaining a safe, respectful, and supportive learning environment for all students. Thank you for your continued support of the Oneida Special School District.

Warm regards,

Dr. Jeanny Phillips
Director of Schools
Oneida Special School District