

To the Parents of Central ISD students:

The District is required by federal law to notify you and obtain your consent or denial (opt-out) for your child to participate in certain school activities. The activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas, known as "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, antisocial, 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 are activities requiring parental notice and consent or opt-out for the 2006–2007 school year. Please note that this notice and authority to consent transfer from parent to student when the student reaches 18 or is an emancipated minor under state law.

Date: On or about May 2007

Grades: 5

Activity: Search Institute's Me and My World Developmental Assets Survey

Summary: This is an anonymous survey that identifies the developmental strengths present or lacking in students as they prepare for the transition to middle school years. It looks at positive relationships, opportunities, and capacities (Developmental Assets) elementary age youth need. The survey integrates information on elementary school children's assets, thriving indicators, and risk behaviors. It will measure the 40 Developmental Assets, 6 risk-taking behavior patterns, 3 risk behaviors, and 7 thriving behaviors.

Consent: A parent must sign and return this consent form no later than September 1, 2007 so that your child may participate in this survey.

Opt-out: Contact the elementary office at 936-853-9390 no later than September 1, 2007 if you do not want your child to participate in this activity.

I, _____ (parent's name), give my consent for

_____ to participate in the following survey:

- Search Institutes Me and My World Survey on or about May 2007

Parent's Signature