

PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents and eligible students (those who are 18 or “emancipated minors”) certain rights regarding the school district’s conduct of surveys, the collection and use of information for marketing purposes and certain physical exams. These include the right to:

- Consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns “protected information” such as political affiliation, sexual behavior or attitudes, religious practices, etc., if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education.
- Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of any “protected information” survey, any non-emergency invasive physical exam or any screening required as a condition of attendance, and activities involving the collection, disclosure or use of personal information for marketing purposes.
- Inspect, upon request and before administration, “protected information” surveys of students, instruments used to collect information from students and instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

Parents and eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave SW, Washington, D.C., 20202-5901.