

**ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS UNDER
THE PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (PPRA)**

August 2007

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Adult Students:

The following annual notice information is required by federal law. We ask that you read this notice in the context of District practices.

The practices of the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District are opt-in as to student surveys which ask questions of a personal nature and which may fall within any of the categories below. Further, the District does not collect or use information obtained from students for marketing purposes and the District does not require physical exams for anything other than participation in the athletic program. Lastly, the District only screens for hearing, and vision.

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents, guardians, and adult students certain right regarding the manner in which the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District conducts student surveys, collects and uses information for marketing purposes, and conducts certain physical exams and screenings. This letter communicates notice of those rights to you. They are as follows:

- A. **Consent** before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas (“protected information survey”) if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED):
1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parents.
 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 lawyers, doctors, or ministers.
 7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents.
 8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.
- B. **Receive** notices and an opportunity to opt a student out of:
1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding.
 2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law.
 3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.
- C. **Inspect** upon request and before administration or use:
1. Protected information surveys of students.
 2. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes.
 3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.

In closing, please recall that the practices of the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District avoid the situations described above. However, we are required by law to notify you of your rights.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202-5901

Sincerely,

Mary M. Vagner
Superintendent