

School-Wide Survey of Student Health

Notice to Parents:

A school-wide survey of students is planned for all youth in grades 6 through 12. The purpose of the school-wide survey is to “take the pulse” of student health. The survey has questions about behaviors that help keep students healthy and behaviors that hurt student health, including:

- Bullying
- Feelings of sadness or hopelessness
- Tobacco, alcohol and other drug use

Your student will be asked about his or her attitudes and behaviors. Your student will not have to answer any questions unless he or she wants to. Your student's answers to these questions will be completely anonymous—nowhere on the survey is the child asked to identify him or herself by name. The survey does not ask for identifying information like date of birth or address.

The survey is web-based, and the database is managed by an independent, third-party survey research company. Each student will take the survey on a computer, and no one will be allowed to read the answers when the student is taking the survey. No individual students will be identified by name and no individual student responses will be shared or released to any agency or to the public. Survey results will be reported by grade level. Anonymity is guaranteed. The survey effort is being conducted by Trylon Associates Inc., an independent research firm.

Your student's participation in the survey is **voluntary**. You or your student may decide not to participate, or if he or she does participate, to answer only specific questions, without penalty.

If You Have Questions: Call Scherri Greene at 208-621-4611 or email scherrig@nezperce.org if you have any questions.

If You Do Not Want Your Child to Participate: You do not need to return this form.

If You Want Your Child to Participate: Check the box next to the statement below, and sign in the space provided. If you return this signed form to the school by [*date to be filled in*], your student will be allowed to participate in the survey.

[] My student is allowed to participate in the survey described above.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Print Name of Student