

6800.1: PARENTAL ACCESS

I. Access to Educational Practices. Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers will be provided the following access to the District's educational practices as required by law:

A. Textbooks, tests, and materials: Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may obtain access to textbooks, tests, activities information, digital materials, websites and/or applications used for learning, training materials for teachers, administrators, and staff, procedures for the review and approval of training materials, learning materials, and activities and other curriculum materials used by the District by making a request to the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services or his/her designee. Such request shall be reasonably specific in order that the District may comply with the request.

1. Courses, assemblies, and other instructional activities: Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may request to attend courses, assemblies, and other instructional activities by contacting the school principal or principal's designee reasonably in advance of the course, assembly, or instructional activity the parent desires to attend. The District will comply with such request if the request:

a. Does not materially interfere with the educational process; and/or

b. Is not contrary to the best interests of the student.

If the parent's request is denied or qualified, the District will so notify the requesting parent, and will provide an explanation of the grounds for the denial or qualification.

If the parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers dispute the denial or qualification, the parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may submit a written request for review to the District's Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services. Upon receipt of a written request for review, theAssistant Superintendent for Educational Services will review all relevant documents and undertake such investigation as appropriate. Thereafter, the Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services will review all relevant for Educational Services will render a written disposition of the matter within ten (10) school days of his/her receipt of the written request for review.

Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may request that a child be excluded from specific instruction or activities including testing, classroom instruction, learning materials, activities, guest speaker events, or other school experiences. Board Rule 8810.2 outlines the process for requesting exclusion.

2. **Counseling sessions:** Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may request to attend counseling sessions by submitting a written request to the Executive Director of Student Services or said director's designee reasonably in advance of the counseling session the parent desires to attend. The District will comply with such request if the request:

a. Does not materially interfere with the educational process; and/or

b. Is not contrary to the best interests of the student.

If the parent's request is denied or qualified, the District will so notify the requesting parent, and will provide an explanation of the grounds for the denial or qualification.

If the parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers dispute the denial or qualification, the parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers may submit a written request for review to the District's Associate Superintendent for Human Resources. Upon receipt of a written request for review, the Associate Superintendent for Human Resources will review all relevant documents and undertake such investigation as he/she determines to be appropriate. Thereafter, the Associate Superintendent for Human Resources of the matter within ten (10) school days of his/her receipt of the written request for review.

B. Access to records: The District will permit access to student records pursuant to applicable law, District Policy 5710, and Rule 5710.1. Non-custodial parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers will be permitted access to student records pursuant to applicable law, District Policy 5730, and Rule 5730.1.

C. District testing policy: The District's administration and use of tests will be in accordance with established and recognized testing procedures for tests of scholastic, academic, and intellectual development and status. Testing pursuant to statutory requirements will be in compliance with recognized testing procedures and reasonable objectives. Drug, alcohol, and tobacco testing will be in compliance with District Policy and Rule.

D. Surveys:

1. **District participation in surveys.** The District will conduct all surveys of students required by law. The District will also participate in surveys of students conducted for educational purposes or which are reasonably related to the same.

2. Protections of personal information and student privacy. No surveys shall be conducted which require the disclosure of personally identifiable information unless the survey is required by law, District Policy, or Board authorization. Survey results shall not disclose personally identifiable information unless such disclosure is required by law, District Policy, or Board authorization.

3. Notification and consent. LB428 (2025) requires that if the District administers a survey requesting that students provide sexual information, mental health information, medical information, information on health-risk behaviors, religious information, information of political affiliation, or any other information that the school board deems to be sensitive in nature or a non-anonymous survey requesting students provide information relating to drug, vape, alcohol, or tobacco use, the District shall, at least fifteen days prior to the administration of the survey, notify parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers of students that are to receive such survey. Such notice shall be made through the school's electronic notification system or by physical mail to the address on file for the student. Such notice shall describe the nature and types of questions included in the survey, the purposes and age-appropriateness of the survey, how information collected by the survey will be used, who will have access to such information, the steps that will be taken to protect student privacy, and whether and how any findings or results of such survey will be disclosed.

In Millard Public Schools, no student shall be required to submit to a survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information concerning political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent; mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family; sex behavior or attitudes; illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior; critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships; legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers; religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent; income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program); or which originates outside the District, without the prior written consent of the parent or without the prior consent of the student if the student is an adult or an emancipated minor. No survey requesting sexual information of a student shall be administered to any student in kindergarten through grade six.

4. Right to inspect surveys and to opt out. Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers have the right to:

a. Request that a copy of the survey be sent through the school's electronic notification system or physical mail to the address on file for the student,

b. review the survey in person at the school, and

c. exempt their child from participating in the survey.

The parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers of district students have the right to inspect all instructional materials, teacher materials, and other supplementary materials which will be used in connection with any such survey. A parent shall be provided reasonable access to a survey within a reasonable period of time after a request to inspect is received. Parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers, adult students, and emancipated students, may opt out of participation in any such survey by not providing the required prior consent or by revoking any previously provided consent.

5. Personal information for marketing or sale. Unless required by federal or state law or regulation, school personnel administering any such survey shall not disclose personally identifiable information of a child. The The District does not collect, disclose, or use personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information or otherwise providing that information to others for that purpose. The District may engage in the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to:

a. Students;

b. Educational institutions such as college or other post-secondary education recruitment, book clubs, magazines, and programs providing access to low-cost literary products;

c. Curriculum and instructional materials used by elementary and secondary schools.

d. Tests and assessments;

e. The sale by students of products or services to raise funds for school-related or education-related activities, or student recognition programs.

II. Annual Review. This Rule shall be reviewed annually and either altered and adopted as altered, or reaffirmed by the Board, following a public hearing.

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Related Policies and Rules

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Legal Reference

Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 79-530 through 79-533, 79-2, 104; 20 U.S.C. § 1232h