

Dyer County Board of Education

Descriptor Term:

Student Surveys

Descriptor Code:

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Board Approved:

4/1/14

Rescinds:

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1 As required by Tennessee law¹ and the federal Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment², the Board
2 hereby establishes this policy setting forth the rights of parents and students and guidelines for
3 teachers and principals with respect to the administration of surveys, analyses or evaluations of
4 students.

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6 This policy affords certain rights to the students who are at least eighteen (18) years old or an
7 emancipated minor under state law and the parents of un-emancipated minors. These include the
8 rights to:

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10 1. Consent before the student is required to submit to a survey, analysis or evaluation that
11 concerns one (1) or more of the following protected areas (“Protected Information Survey”) if the
12 survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education:
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14 * Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student’s parent;
15 * Mental or psychological problems of the student or the student’s family;
16 * Sex behavior or attitudes;
17 * Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
18 * Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
19 * Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
20 * Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents, or
21 * Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility:
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23 2. Inspect upon request and before administration or use of Protected Information Surveys of
24 students; and
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26 3. Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of any other informational survey,
27 regardless of funding.
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Legal References

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39 1. T.C.A. § 49-2-211
40 2. 20 U.S.C. § 1232h; 34 CFR Part 98
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