Vallivue School District No. 139
Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)
Annual Notice of Rights

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232h, requires Vallivue School District No.139 to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include student surveys, analysis, or evaluation (“protected information surveys”); the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes (“marketing surveys”); and certain physical exams and screenings.

Under PPRA, parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") have the right to:

1. Consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education:

   - 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 the student’s parents.
   - Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

2. Receive notice and opportunity to opt a student out of:

   - Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
   - 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; and
   - Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.

3. Inspect, upon request and before administration or use:
• Protected information surveys of students;
• Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and
• Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

These rights transfer from the parent to a student who is 18 years of age or an emancipated minor under state law.

This school district has developed and adopted policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. This school district will directly notify parents of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. Currently, these policies include:

• Policy No. 680.50, Student Privacy and Parental Access to Information
• Policy No. 681, Student Records

The district will also directly notify parents of students and eligible students who are scheduled to participate in specific activities or surveys involving the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales or other distribution; administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Education; or any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening, and will provide an opportunity for the parent to opt his or her child out of participation of the specific activity or survey.

The district will make this notification to parents at the beginning of the school year if the district has identified the specific or approximate dates of the activities or surveys at that time. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents will be provided with reasonable notification of the planned activities and surveys listed below and an opportunity to opt their child out of such activities and surveys. Parents may review any pertinent surveys.

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, DC  20202-5901