

Anchorage School District
Important Rights for Parents Concerning Student Surveys
Grades 6-8 ONLY

2019-20

The Anchorage School District participates in a limited number of student surveys. Most surveys administered by ASD do not require parent permission. However, federal and state laws, and School Board policy, have requirements for parent consent for surveys that inquire into personal or private family affairs. For those surveys, an annual Parent Consent for Student Survey(s) form is required.

Annual Parent Consent for the ANCIS Student Survey

I understand that the Anchorage School District, with my consent, may administer this anonymous survey that inquires into personal or private family affairs of my student (see description below). As the parent or legal guardian of this student, I will receive advance notice of the survey, at which time I may review the survey to determine its appropriateness for my student. If I grant permission now, I can revoke my consent prior to administration of the survey.

Printed name of student: _____

School: _____

Student ID: _____

Printed name of parent/legal guardian: _____

Signature of parent/legal guardian: _____

☐ Yes, I give consent to administer the ANCIS anonymous survey(s) that inquire into personal or private family affairs. I understand that a notice will be provided at least two weeks prior to administration with an opportunity to revoke my permission at any time.

☐ No, I do not give my consent to administer the ANCIS anonymous survey(s) to my student that inquire into personal or private family affairs.

The Alaska Native Cultural Identity and School Success Survey (ANCIS) Students in grades 6-8

This is an online survey given to Alaska Native students to help the district understand the impact of U.S. Department of Education funded cultural enrichment programs. The survey results will be used by the ASD's Title VII Indian Education program to support a positive cultural identity for Alaska Native students and increase success in school. After the results are analyzed, reports are provided to the director of the ASD's Indian Education program and used in annual reports to the U.S. Department of Education to track success of the ASD programs it funds. Results for individual students are never reported.

ASD surveys are administered in compliance with federal and state laws and School Board policy:

The Federal Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C § 1232h, requires ASD to notify you and obtain consent to allow your student to participate in a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas:

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
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 the student has close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

Under Alaska law, AS 14.03.110, and School Board policy:

Parental permission is required for surveys that inquire into personal or private family affairs of the student not a matter of public record or subject to public observation.

- Parents/guardians may provide annual permission for their student to participate in anonymous surveys requiring parental consent.
- For all surveys requiring permission, parents will be provided notice and an opportunity to review the survey at least two weeks in advance of the administration of the survey.