

FAIRFIELD LUDLOWE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

During the weeks of May 9 - 20, 2016, Fairfield Ludlowe High School will conduct a very important study on the needs, attitudes, and behaviors of our students in grades nine, ten, eleven and twelve. We will only be surveying about 25% of our students, and it will take place during select English courses.

The survey is titled Search Institute Profiles of Student Life: Attitudes and Behaviors. The survey will be done in conjunction with RYASAP, or the Regional Youth Adult Social Action Partnership, as we have done in past years. It will provide our school and community with a wide range of information, such as how students spend their time, their perceptions of school and community life, and their participation in a wide range of risk behaviors. Most important, the survey will tell us the extent to which our students are experiencing Developmental Assets. Developmental Assets are the "building blocks" of positive relationships, opportunities, skills and values that young people need to grow into healthy, caring, and responsible adults. The survey results will help all of us as we seek to address the developmental needs of our youth.

Additional information

- Students will be given about 30 minutes in which to complete the survey. The surveys are completed anonymously. No one will know how individual students respond to the questions.
- All students within each classroom complete an online version of the survey. All results are sent electronically to Search Institute (Minneapolis) for processing. No one at our school will review any of the completed surveys. Survey results will be securely stored in Minneapolis for 90 days, at which point they will be destroyed.
- The final research report will present findings by the total group, by grade, and by gender. No individual student data are reported.
- Students are told that their participation is voluntary and that they may skip items or withdraw their participation at any time if they so choose.
- The survey is not a test they take for school grades, and their grades will not be affected if they choose not to participate.

Please give serious consideration for your child to participate in this study. A copy of the survey is available for your review in the Deputy Superintendent's Office. The value of a study of this kind depends upon the participation of every student.

If you do not want your child to participate, you must return the form at the bottom of this letter to your child's English teacher. If no form is received, your child will participate in the study.

Sincerely,



Greg C. Hatzis, Headmaster

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Please withdraw my child from participation in the Attitudes and Behaviors survey.

Child's name (please print) _____

Grade level _____

School _____

Parent Name _____

Parent's signature _____

Date _____