

Dear Parents,

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

Schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):

- School officials with legitimate educational interest;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies

\*\*\*While many are interested in student's personal health information, few may access it. Please continue to complete all pertinent medical information on the white Medical Alert Card that is sent home the first week of school for the health team to care for your student. Only with your permission and medical confirmation, will your child's medical information be given to his/her teachers and other staff members as deemed necessary for their health in the educational setting. \*\*\*

Please contact the district school nurse with any questions or concerns.