

Dear Parents,

On November 20th (8) and 24th (6), our school will again be conducting, in cooperation with Newburyport Youth Services, the Profiles of Student Life Survey in grades 6 & 8. The survey will ask questions about their thoughts on school climate, parent and school boundaries and expectations, their structured time use, and their behaviors.

Information from the survey will enable adults to better understand the youth voice in our community. It also informs our wellness curriculum helping us to improve school health education programs aimed at preventing and reducing health risk behaviors.

This computerized survey consists of multiple choice questions and will take 40 minutes to an hour to complete. Your child's participation is voluntary and anonymous; no names will ever be collected, used, or reported. The survey will ask about tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use activity, behaviors related to intentional and unintentional injuries, eating habits and physical activity.

Valid results depend on high participation rates among student, but participation is entirely voluntary. Please read the form below. If you do NOT want your son/daughter to participate in the survey please fill out the form below and send it back in to our office.

Thank you for your cooperation with this important research effort. Data from the survey will be presented to the community at a future School Committee meeting. We will announce the date once we have it.

Thank you,

Beth Raucci

Andi Egmont

Jay Murphy

My son/daughter _____, May not complete the Profiles in Student Life Survey.

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