

2017
Rapid City Area School District
Student Survey
Parent/Guardian Permission Form
Middle & High School Students

The Rapid City Area School District is once again participating in an annual survey of students. The survey of Middle & High School students will take place in February 2017.

The Middle & High School Student Survey was developed by the non-profit, non-partisan Chiesman Center for Democracy with input from parents, community members and school personnel. It has been approved for use by the Rapid City Area School District and is supported by many community organizations such as Youth & Family Services, The Club for Boys, Lifeways and others. These local non-profits rely on the information gathered in order to provide critical after school programs.

The Middle & High School Student Survey asks about health/safety behaviors that are directly related to the leading causes of health and social problems among our young people. The multiple-choice questions ask about safety - before, during and after school, nutrition, physical activity, drug and alcohol use, tobacco use and other health-related practices. The survey results supply important information that cannot be collected in any other way. The overall combined results of the survey will be used to help your student and others in the future by evaluating the effectiveness of in-school and after-school programs in Rapid City.

Survey procedures protect your student's privacy and allow for anonymous participation.
Students will not put their names or any other identifying information on the survey.
Students are allowed to skip any questions they do not wish to answer.
Reporting procedures also assure that student anonymity is protected.

You are encouraged to obtain a copy of the Middle & High School Student Survey at your school or you may go to www.chiesman.org and click the *Survey* button and download a copy. If you have any questions regarding the content or administration of the surveys, please contact your school principal.

We would like all students to participate, but it is your decision. Your written consent is required for your student's participation. There will be no actions against you or your student if your student does not participate.

Please read the section below, check the appropriate box and
return this form to your school by Monday, February 6th.

Thank you!

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YES, my student may participate in the survey.

NO, my student may not participate in the survey.

Student's Name: _____
Please Print

Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____