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School District of Washington Missouri Student Survey Information & Opt-In Letter

To School District of Washington Parents/Guardians:

The School District of Washington will be participating in the Missouri Student Survey. The survey will be administered to students in grades 6, 8, 10 and 12.

The Missouri Student Survey helps decision makers at the state, community and school level understand the challenges students face. The survey provides useful information, guiding service and resource development for the School District of Washington and the Franklin County Community Resource Board. The survey asks a variety of questions including those on substance use, mental health, suicidal ideation and bullying. Also included are questions identifying risk and protective factors.

The results of the survey indicate the extent of alcohol, marijuana, and other substance use, as well as, incidences of violence experienced by students. Here is a sample of two questions from the survey that your child would answer:

During the past 30 days, how many whole days have you missed school because you skipped or cut?

How many times in the past 3 months have you been suspended from school?

The Missouri Student Survey is anonymous for every student participant. Individual student responses are NOT reported or maintained. Student participation is optional.

Visit this website to learn more about the Missouri Student Survey:
<https://dmh.mo.gov/alcohol-drug/missouri-student-survey>.

Please contact your school's office now if you have questions or would like more information about the survey.

Please complete the OPT-IN form below, selecting your student's participation in the Missouri Student Survey:

_____ I would like to **OPT-IN** my student to participate in the Missouri Student Survey.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Please return to your school office.