

MINGO COUNTY SCHOOLS

FERPA - RELEASE OF STUDENT DIRECTORY INFORMATION

TO: All Parents, Guardians, and Eligible Students (eligible students are those who are eighteen or older)

Federal, state, and local policies allow schools to release certain types of student information without prior consent of the parent, guardian, or eligible student. The information is called "directory information" and consists of the student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, diplomas and awards received, the most previous educational institution/agency attended by the student, the student's grade level, and photograph.

The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the school to include this type of information in publications such as the honor roll or other recognition announcements, yearbook, graduation programs, sports activity sheets, newspapers, and school newsletters. The information may also be released to other organizations if the school principal deems it appropriate. In addition, federal laws require schools to release the names, addresses, and phone numbers of students to military recruiters who request the information, unless the parent, guardian or eligible student has advised school officials not to disclose the information without prior written consent.

If there is any category of directory information that you do **NOT** want the school to release, you must notify the school officials by **September 12, 2012**. It will be assumed that the information listed below may be released until September 12, 2013, unless you notify school officials that you do not want it released. If you have questions, please feel free to call the school.

SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM IF YOU DO NOT WANT INFORMATION RELEASED.

Student's Name: _____ Grade _____

The areas marked with an "X" are information that **I do not want released** for the student named above.

_____ name	_____ participation in officially recognized activities and sports
_____ address	_____ weight and height of members of athletic teams
_____ telephone number	_____ dates of attendance
_____ date/place of birth	_____ diplomas and awards received
_____ major field of study	_____ most recent previous educational
institution/agency attended by the student	
_____ grade level	

____photograph

Your child's school directory information will be shared with AmberVision, a secure database which assists in locating missing children. AmberVision can only be accessed by you or by law enforcement if your child is reported missing. AmberVision does not share student information with any other parties. To learn more about AmberVision, please visit <http://wvde.state.wv.us/ambervision>. If you desire that your child should not be registered with AmberVision, you may check this box to opt out of the program.

By marking the box at the left, I am indicating that I do not want my child to be registered with AmberVision.

Signature of Parent, Guardian, or Eligible Student (eighteen or older)

Date