Opt-out of Youth Risk Behavior Survey & Youth Tobacco Survey

The Maryland Youth Risk Behavior Survey & Youth Tobacco Survey (YRBS/YTS) monitors priority health-risk behaviors, including tobacco use and the prevalence of obesity and asthma among youth and young adults. The YRBS/YTS is conducted by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). In addition, Baltimore City Public Schools conducts a similar survey, the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, in partnership with DHMH, MSDE, and the CDC. Please note that:

- Only students in grades 6 to 12 can participate
- Schools and classrooms are randomly selected to participate
- The survey is completely anonymous; all answers are private
- Student names are not collected on the survey response sheet
- Students will not be asked to complete more than one survey

Additional information about the survey, including a copy of the survey questions, can be obtained at the DHMH website.

☐ As the parent/guardian of the student named on this form, I do not give permission for my child to participate in the survey.

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Parent, guardian, or eligible student signature  Date