

## Kansas Parent and Student Opt-Out Notice

Please take notice that my child is to be excused and exempted for the current school year from the following school instruction, programs, and/or activities (this opt-out applies to all checked boxes below):

**Health and Human Sexuality Education** – This serves as notice that my child is to be exempted from participation in health and human sexuality instruction. (**Note:** While Kansas state law has no provision allowing parents and guardians to opt their children out of health and human sexuality courses, most Kansas school districts do have opt-out policies. Confirm with your child’s district whether it has such a policy.)

**Private Information** – Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. § 1232h, absent my written consent, none of the following may be undertaken regarding my child. The administration of any survey, analysis or evaluation that reveals: (1) political affiliations or beliefs of my child or me, (2) mental or psychological problems of my child or his or her family, (3) sexual behavior or attitudes, (4) illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior, (5) critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships, (6) legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers, (7) religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of my child or me, or (8) income (other than required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

**Dental inspection** – Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5201, please take notice that my child is exempt from dental inspection on the grounds that my child has a certificate from a legally qualified dentist showing that this examination has been made within three months.

**Basic vision screening** – Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5205, please take notice that my child is exempt from basic vision screening on the grounds that my child had a basic vision screening examination within six months prior to the provision of basic vision screening in the school in which the child is enrolled.

**Results of a health assessment** – Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5214, please take notice that my child is exempt from presenting to the school board the results of health assessment on the following grounds:

[ ] The child is over the age of nine or has been previously enrolled in a school in Kansas. Kan. Stat. § 72-5214(b).

[ ] Such assessment will be scheduled and completed within 90 days after admission to school.

(**Note:** Provide a written statement signed by one parent or guardian that such assessment will be scheduled and completed within 90 days after admission to school.)

[ ] The child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such assessments. (**Note:** Sign the statement below stating that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such assessments.)

### **Statement**

Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5214, please take notice that my child \_\_\_\_\_ is exempt from presenting to the school board the results of health assessment on the grounds that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such assessments.

Parent/Guardian’s Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification of immunization, tests, and inoculations** – Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5209 please take notice that my child is exempt from certification of immunization, tests, and inoculations on the following grounds:

[ ] The physical condition of the child is such that the tests or inoculations would seriously endanger the life or health of the child. (**Note:** Provide an annual written statement signed by a licensed physician stating the physical condition of the child to be such that the tests or inoculations would seriously endanger the life or health of the child.)

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[ ] The child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such tests or inoculations. (**Note:** sign the statement signed that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such tests or inoculations.)

**Statement**

Pursuant to Kan. Stat. § 72-5209, please take notice that my child \_\_\_\_\_ is exempt from certification of immunization, tests and inoculations on the grounds that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such tests or inoculations.

Parent/Guardian's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Keep this signed, written notice on file in my child's cumulative folder. This notice supersedes all prior Opt-Out notices.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime/Evening Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ School District \_\_\_\_\_

Received By (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Received By (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Instructions and Information on Using the Kansas Parent and Student Opt-Out Notice**

### **What to Do**

#### **THE OPT-OUT NOTICE MUST BE SUBMITTED EVERY YEAR**

Note: These instructions are designed to assist you as a parent in completing the foregoing notice. These instructions should not be given to the school.

- 1) Make copies and share this Kansas Parent and Student Opt-Out Notice with other parents.
- 2) This notice allows you to check each box that applies to your concerns. You can check all of the boxes, only one box, or a few boxes, depending on your particular beliefs.
- 3) Make two copies of the completed notice. Then, sign and date each copy in ink.
- 4) Send the Opt-Out Notice to the school Principal by Certified Mail, email, fax, or any other method whereby delivery can be confirmed. You do not need nor are you asking for “agreement” or “authorization.” You only need proof that you delivered the Opt-Out Notice to the school.
- 5) Keep one copy (with the proof of receipt) for your family and ask that the school keep a copy in your child’s school records (the cumulative file). Keep a signed copy for yourself.
- 6) Educate your children to report to you attempts to compel them to participate in classes or activities for which you have requested them to be opted-out.
- 7) Resubmit a copy of this Opt-Out Notice for each child when you enroll them for the next school year.