

LEGAL NOTICES

ROCKVILLE CENTRE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Directory Information

The Rockville Centre Union Free School District, pursuant to Sec. 438, Pub. L. 90-247, Title IV, Sub. 99.37 known as the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), designates the following personally identifiable information contained in a student's education record as "directory information," which may be publicly released without prior consent:

Directory Information

1. Student's name
2. Student's address
3. Student's date of birth
4. Major field of study
5. Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
6. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
7. Dates of attendance
8. Degrees, honors and awards received
9. Names of student's parents
10. Most recent educational agency or institution attended by the student
11. Photography or imagery of the student (which may be released and appear to the public via mediums including, but not limited to, print and electronic media, the internet, television, or annual yearbooks published by the District). If the student from whom information is sought by the media does not want to be interviewed, photographed and/or videotaped, or if the parent/guardian of the student denies permission for media access to his/her child, such access will be denied by the building principal/designee and/or the Superintendent of Schools, upon notice of same.

Each year, parents, legal guardians or students who have attained the age of 18, may request that directory information designated above not be publicly released without their consent by writing to the District Clerk at 128 Shepherd Street, Rockville Centre, NY 11570-2298, by September 30th of each school year. The student's name, school and grade level must be included. The request not to publicly release information expires at the end of each school year. A letter must be submitted each year in order to continue non-release.

All student educational records, and records that were created as a result of a student receiving special education services under Part B of IDEA, may also be released to another school or postsecondary institution at which the student seeks or intends to enroll.

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Military Recruiters Access to High School Students and Information on Students

The District will comply with requests from military recruiters and institutions of higher education (IHEs) for access to name, address and telephone listing of each secondary school student, except for any student whose parent (or the student if he or she is at least 18 years of age) has submitted a written request to opt-out of this disclosure, in which case the information will not be released without the parents' (or student's, if her or she is at least 18 years of age) prior written consent. Parents wishing to exercise their option to withhold such information without prior written parental consent may do so by obtaining a form from the South Side High School Main Office, completing the form, and returning it to the Principal's Office at South Side High School by September 30th of each school year.

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Student Education Records

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 ("FERPA") and Rockville Centre School District Policy, parents and students over 18 years of age have the right to inspect and review their child's/their student education records or to request the amendment of records believed to be inaccurate or misleading. Student education records are private unless the parent or student older than 18 consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information. FERPA authorizes disclosure of personally identifiable information without consent in limited circumstances. Procedures for such review process may be obtained from building principals or the District Clerk.

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Non-Discrimination

No staff member in the Rockville Centre Union Free School District shall, on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, veteran status, military status, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, or use of recognized guide dog, hearing dog or service dog, or domestic violence victim status be excluded from, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored or conducted by the school district.

No student in the Rockville Centre Union Free School District shall, on the grounds of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex be excluded from, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored or conducted by the school district.

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Student Privacy Notice

The Rockville Centre Union Free School District adopted Policy 7243, Student Privacy, Parental Access to Information, and Administration of Certain Physical Examinations to Minors. Policy 7243 requires notification to all parents and guardians of specific types of surveys or activities which will be conducted during the school year and/or during the summer program in accordance with law by either individual schools or the School District. If the School District or your child's school principal plans to administer a survey or activity covered by this policy, you will be directly notified in writing prior thereto and then given ten (10) days to opt your child out of participation.

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Identification and Register of Children with Disabilities

In accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), parents who believe their child may have a disability are urged to contact Dr. Noreen Leahy, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education, Rockville Centre UFSD, 128 Shepherd Street, Rockville Centre, NY 11570, telephone 516 255-8928, or Dr. Orly Gadon, Chairperson for the Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education at 255-8942.

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Complaints of Discrimination

In accordance with Title IX/Section 504/ADA, complaints and grievances regarding discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability should be directed to the Title IX Coordinator, Dr. Noreen Leahy, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education, Rockville Centre UFSD, 128 Shepherd Street, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 at 255-8928.

Dignity for All Students Act

Complaints pertaining to student harassment bullying and discrimination, in accordance with the Dignity for All Students Act, may be made to building Dignity Act Coordinators as follows: Covert School/ Darren Raymar, and Maureen Bedell at 255-8916, Hewitt School/Liz Pryke and Lisa Panebianco at 255-8913, Riverside School/Erik Walter and Lisa Panebianco at 255-8902, Watson School/Joan Waldman and Sue Buckheit at 255-8904, Wilson School/Jim Duffy and Maureen Bedell at 255-8910, South Side Middle School/Shelagh McGinn and Jivanna Okolica at 255-8976, South Side High School/Ben Moss and Nicole Knorr at 255-8944.