



**CONSENT FOR THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHY KIDS SURVEY
2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Dear Roseville City School District Parent or Guardian:

Your seventh grade child is being asked to be a part of our school’s California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) sponsored by the California Department of Education. This is a very important survey that will help promote better health and well-being among our youth, improve the school learning environment and combat problems such as drug abuse and violence. *Your child does not have to take the survey. **If you do not want your child to complete the survey, you must return the attached withdrawal form to your student’s school front office by March 7, 2018.***

Survey Content. The survey gathers information on developmental supports provided to youth; school connectedness and barriers to learning; school safety; health-related concerns such as physical activity and nutritional habits; alcohol, tobacco and other drug use; and risk of depression and perceived sexual orientation.

You may view a copy of the survey in your child’s school front office or on the district website at www.rcsdk8.org

The results from this survey are compiled into district and county-level CHKS Reports. To view a copy of your district’s Report go to <http://chks.wested.org/reports/search> and type in the county and district name.

It is Voluntary. Students who, with your permission, agree to participate do not have to answer any questions they do not want to answer, and may stop taking the survey at any time.

It is Anonymous. No names are recorded or attached to the survey forms or data. The results will be made available for analysis only under strict confidentiality controls.

Administration. The survey will be administered **March 12-23, 2018.** It will take about one class period to complete (about 30 minutes.)

Potential Risks. There are no known risks of physical harm to your child. Risks of psychological or social harm are very small. None have been reported in 14 years of survey administration. Rarely, some discomfort might be experienced from the questions. The school’s counseling services will be available to answer any personal questions that may materialize.

For Further Information. The survey was developed by WestEd, a public, non-profit educational institution. If you have any questions about this survey, or about your rights, please contact:

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CHKS Withdrawal Form

I **do not give permission** for my child to participate in the California Healthy Kids Survey.

(Please Print) My child’s name is: _____ Grade: _____

My child’s homeroom teacher is: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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