



Wissahickon School District Handbook/Board Policy/Computer Access Form

Complete and return this form to school by **Friday, September 6, 2019.**

Student Name _____ Grade/Teacher _____

Please review the Student/Parent Handbook for your child’s school on the School Resources and Forms webpage: <https://www.wsdweb.org/departments/communications/school-resources-forms>

Student/Parent Handbook

I/We have reviewed the Student/Parent Handbook.

Parent/Guardian (Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Board Policies

I/We are aware that school board policies are available to view at www.wsdweb.org under the School Board tab. On the other side of this flyer, we draw your attention to recently approved policies and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Parent/Guardian (Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Electronic Communication

The majority of communication regarding news, events, etc. in Wissahickon schools will be sent via electronic communication. Please indicate below **only if you do not have access to a computer or other device to receive information electronically.**

I do not have access to a computer or other device to receive information electronically.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Notice and School Directory Notice – 216.1

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a federal law, requires that Wissahickon School District, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child’s educational records. However, Wissahickon School District may disclose appropriately designated “directory information” without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. “Directory information” is defined as information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released. The Wissahickon School District has designated the following information as directory information:

- Child’s Name
- Addresses
- Telephone listing
- Class/Grade
- Date and place of birth
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Weight & height of members of athletic teams
- Degrees, honors and awards received

The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the Wissahickon School District to include certain information from your child’s educational records in certain school publications (e.g. school event programs, annual yearbook, honor roll/recognition lists, graduation programs). Under FERPA, directory information can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent’s prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws required local educational agencies (LEAs) receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with three directory information categories – names, addresses and telephone listings – unless parents have advised the LEA that they do not want their child’s information disclosed without their prior written consent.

Right to Opt Out: If you do not want Wissahickon School District to disclose “directory information” from your child’s education records as listed above, you must notify your child (ren)’s School Principal in writing.

Bullying/Cyberbullying – 249.1

Board Policy 249.1 specifies the District’s policy for providing a safe, positive learning environment for District students. The Board recognizes that bullying creates an atmosphere of fear and intimidation, detracts from the safe environment necessary for student learning, and may lead to violence that is more serious. Therefore, the Board prohibits bullying by District students.

Video/Audio Recording In School Vehicles - 810.1

Board Policy 810.1 specifies the District’s use of video and audio recording in District school vehicles to assist the District administration, school principals and other District employees and contractors in observing behavior and events which occur in school vehicles, preventing the violation of District policies, rules and regulations and in properly implementing discipline.