

Bernards Township School District
Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
Annual Notice for Release of School Directory Information
Elementary or Middle School

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that requires the school district, with certain exceptions, to obtain your written consent prior to the release of personally identifiable information from your child's educational records. The exception is that the school may release some student information without written consent when the information is designated "Directory Information". The school may not release "Directory Information" if you have advised the district in a way that follows school district procedures that you do not want this information released. Using this form to make this request follows school district procedures.

The primary use for Directory Information by the district is to include this type of information in certain school publications. It is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released. Examples of school publications are:

- a performance program, showing your child's role in a school production
- honor roll or other recognition lists published at school or in newspapers
- school or student directory
- the school or district website

Directory Information can also be released to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to:

- other schools the student is seeking to attend (transcripts, etc.)
- state or federal authorities auditing programs, evaluating programs, or enforcing state or federal laws
- a court by order of a subpoena (legal request)

The school district has designated the following as Directory Information:

Student name	Dates of attendance
Telephone number	Grade level
Photograph	Awards or recognition received
Participation in school activities	Weight and height of athletic team members

If you do not want our school or district to release directory information about your child without your prior written consent, you must complete the attached form "Parent Request to Refuse Release of School Directory Information" by 10/15/2023 to let us know which type of directory information you do not want released or request prior written consent prior to release.

We ask that you complete one form for each child and return the form(s) to your child's school. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Hudock

Name

908-204-2610 x101

Phone

Principal of William Annin Middle School

Title

khudock@bernardsboe.com

Email Address

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Name of Student: _____ Date: _____

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____ School: William Annin Middle School

Use a separate form for each child you are requesting that school directory information not be released. Please return this form to:

School Name: William Annin Middle School

Attention: Ms. Karen Hudock

Address: 70 Quincy Road

City, State, Zip: Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

Parent or Guardian: Please complete the section below and return the entire form to your child's school
Please mark either 1, 2 or 3 from the list below

I am requesting that my child's school take one of the following actions regarding the release of school directory information.

1. ☐ Do not release ANY information about my child, including name, telephone number, grade level, etc.
- or
2. ☐ Do not release the following information about my child (select one or more):

<input type="checkbox"/> Student Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Phone number
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade level	<input type="checkbox"/> Awards or school recognition
<input type="checkbox"/> Dates of attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> Photograph
<input type="checkbox"/> Participation in school activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight and height of athletic team members
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

or

3. ☐ Notify me for my prior written consent before any directory information is released about my child.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Address _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred method for school to communicate with parent: ☐ Phone ☐ Email