

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM AND EVALUATION CONSENT
[SCHOOL YEAR] SCHOOL YEAR

Dear Parent or Guardian,

[INSERT NAME OF AGENCY] will be implementing a substance abuse prevention program called [NAME OF PROGRAM] at [INSERT SCHOOL NAME] during the XXXX-XXXX school year. The purpose of this program is to [INSERT PROGRAM GOAL OR PUPOSE]. As a part of the overall program, there will be an evaluation that consists of pre- and post-program surveys. *The child/adolescent does not have to take the evaluation surveys to participate in the program. Participation in the evaluation surveys is voluntary and requires your permission.*

Survey Content. The surveys will gather information on attitudes, thoughts, and behaviors around use of substances such as alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. A copy of the actual surveys used to evaluate this program will be provided to you upon request.

The Evaluation is Voluntary. The child/adolescent participation in the evaluation of this program is voluntary. The child/adolescent who agrees to participate with your permission only has to answer the survey questions they want to answer and they may stop taking the survey at any time. Refusal to participate in the evaluation survey involves no penalty and the child/adolescent will still be permitted to participate in the program. The child/adolescent may stop work on the evaluation survey at any time or not answer a question, for whatever reason, without penalty or consequence.

The Evaluation is Confidential. All personal information collected in the surveys will be kept private. The only place in which the child/adolescent name will appear will be on this consent form. Only the staff personnel conducting this evaluation will see the consent form. The overall results from this evaluation will be used to inform the Arizona Department of Health Services/Division of Behavioral Health (ADHS/DBHS) about the effectiveness of the substance abuse prevention program. Names of individual students **will not** be shared with ADHS/DBHS.

For Further Information. If you have any questions or concerns about the child/adolescent participation in this program or the evaluation, please contact [NAME OF PREVENTION PROGRAM DIRECTOR] at [PHONE AND E-MAIL ADDRESS].

Substance Abuse Prevention Program- Parent/Guardian Consent Form

Please check the appropriate box below, sign, and return this form to [NAME OF TEACHER] by [DUE DATE].

- Yes, I *give my consent* for the child/adolescent to complete the evaluation survey
- No, I *do not give my consent* for the child/adolescent to complete the evaluation survey

Name of student (Please print)

Signature of parent or guardian

Date

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING AND RETURNING THIS CONSENT FORM!!!