

Wyoming 21st Century Community Learning Centers
Passive Parental Consent Form

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Your child is taking part in out-of-school time programming funded by the U.S. Department of Education and the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program. The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) requests your permission to collect classroom behavior information from your child's teacher(s).

In past years, the WDE also collected grade reports from your child's teacher(s). This year, the WDE is utilizing a new database system that will aggregate data which is already collected by the WDE. Data will include PAWS scores, MAP scores, Statewide Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) results, and 636 data.

The classroom behavior data the WDE will be requesting from your child's teacher will be tracked using WISERID numbers. This data will be aggregated at the state level to protect your child's identification. Only researchers and the Wyoming Department of Education will have access to these data. If you do not give WDE permission to collect data from your child's teacher, it will not affect your child's participation in the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program.

Data is collected so that the out-of-school time program your child is attending can be evaluated by researchers as well as state and federal policy makers. Your child's data will help researchers and policy makers evaluate Wyoming 21st Century Community Learning Centers' effectiveness. In order for policy makers to spend your tax dollars wisely, they need to know which programs are successful and which are not. The out-of-school time program your child attends needs to be able to provide evidence of its effectiveness if it is to continue to receive state and federal funding. Teacher reports documenting your child's academic achievement are critical to this process.

A copy of the teacher report can be obtained from and questions or concerns can be directed to:

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Please let us know only if you do not wish to have your child's teacher(s) complete a report and return this form to program providers.

Child's Name: _____

I have read this form and understand that my child's teacher(s) will be completing reports on my child's grades and classroom behavior. I understand that my child's participation in the evaluation of the programming is voluntary and that my refusal to allow my child's teacher(s) to complete the report will not involve penalty or the loss of benefits to my child of any kind.

___ My child's teacher(s) may not complete a report.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____