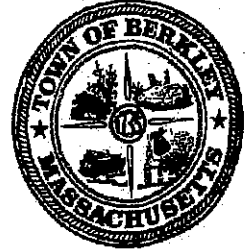


SOMERSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SOMERSET-BERKLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The annual **Postural Screening**, as required by Chapter III of the Massachusetts General Laws, will take place during Physical Education class.

The purpose of this screening is to find early signs of possible spinal problems in children in grades 5-9. It is not a diagnostic service but rather a program to identify young people who should have further medical evaluation.

If your child has any unusual findings, you will be notified and asked to take the child to a physician as a precaution. The majority of students exhibit no findings. If nothing unusual is found, you will not be notified.

This screening will be performed on an individual basis with careful attention paid to ensure each student's privacy. **Shirts are removed in order to properly view the spine.** Girls may wear a bathing suit top or halter top if desired.

If you have any questions regarding this screening, please contact the school nurse. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD TO BE SCREENED.

If a form is not returned, the screening will be performed as required by law.

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

I do not give permission for my child to participate in the Postural Screening Program.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____