

Release of Student Photos, Information, Directory Info

During the course of a school year, individual students and student groups are occasionally videotaped and/or photographed in classroom situations, during fine arts performances, on field trips, while participating in athletics, etc. The resulting photo and/or videotape may be used in a variety of ways; to promote the school; to instruct students or staff members; or to orient new parents, staff, and students. The final product could also take a variety of forms: photo displays, slide-presentations, newspaper articles, pamphlets, video programs, and the school yearbook.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act allows any parent/guardian or eligible student the right to inform the school of their desire that their child not be photographed or videotaped.

The educational interests of students require the collection, retention, and use of information about individual students and groups of students. At the same time, a student's right of privacy under Federal and State law mandates careful custodianship and limitations on access to student records.

The School District of Chilton has designated the information below as directory information. Unless a parent denies permission in writing, this may appear in news releases and may be released to the public under the open records law.

A student's name; address; telephone number; date and place of birth; major field of study; participation in officially-recognized activities and sports; height and weight, if a member of an athletic team; dates of attendance; dates of graduation; degrees and awards received and name of school most recently previously attended.

Parents and eligible students may refuse to allow the Board to disclose any or all of such "directory information" upon written notification to the Board within fourteen (14) days after receipt of this public notice.