



## HEALTH SERVICES

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

The Alabama State Department of Education and Alabama Department of Public Health requires that school districts in Alabama offer and provide scoliosis screening for male and female students in grades 5 through 9.

Screening is performed by observing the uncovered spine, viewing the student from the back, side, and front from all sides with the student bending forward. If a spinal problem is suspected, the child may be rechecked at a second screening. Parents/Guardians of students found to have signs of a possible spinal abnormality will be asked to see their own healthcare provider for further evaluation.

Girls and boys will be screened separately to ensure privacy. They can wear gym clothes, bathing suits, or other clothing that may be removed easily. Girls should wear a halter top or bra and shorts. Screening for your child will take place within the next two (2) weeks. If your child is currently under treatment for a spinal deformity, please let us know and your child will be exempt from the screening process.

Please complete the consent form below. **Note: forms not returned will result in student not being screened.**

I consent for my student to be included in scoliosis screening:

_____ Student Name	_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Date
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I do NOT consent for my student to be included in scoliosis screening:

_____ Student Name	_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Date
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