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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We need your help! Please don't let your child miss this opportunity to contribute to building a healthy community. Your signature is required in order for your child to participate in this important survey.

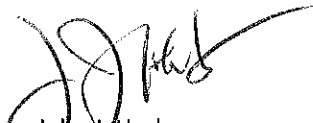
The Rutherford Community Prevention, a federally funded project of the Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute, will be conducting a community-wide youth survey of students in grades eight, ten and twelve. The purpose of this study is to develop an accurate picture of current drug use, attitudes and trends. It is administered by trained personnel who already work in your child's school at a time that least interferes with your child's academic time. No personal identifying questions or data will be associated with the survey.

The collected data will be analyzed by outside evaluators who will use methods that *guarantee the confidentiality and anonymity* of individual students and schools. The results will be made available to Coalition members and school representatives *for planning purposes only*. This information will help us better be able to create plans and implement initiatives that are geared towards making our town a safe and healthy place for all of our children.


The Rutherford Public School District supports this survey and asks for your help by agreeing to have your child participate. The survey is voluntary, but we ask that those students who do take part in the survey answer truthfully. *Students do not have to respond to any question they choose not to answer*. Also, there will be no action taken against the school, you, or your child if you choose not to partake in the survey.

If you wish to view a copy of the survey, you may contact the Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute at 201-696-0368. Thank you in advance for your support in the completion of this important survey. Please complete the enclosed form and return to your child's school by September 5, 2014.

Sincerely,



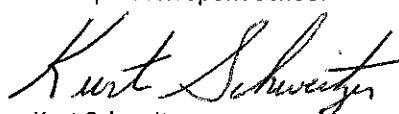
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PLEASE READ AND SIGN THE SECTION BELOW AND RETURN THE FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BY
SEPTEMBER __5,2014_____. THANK YOU.

_____ I give permission for my child to take part in the Rutherford Community Prevention Coalition Student
Survey 2014, which will be conducted at my child's school.

Student Name: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____