

2021 Adolescent Behaviors and Experiences Survey

Attachment I9

Parental Permission Form Distribution Language (In Person)

Sample Language to Use When Distributing Permission Forms

Dear Teacher:

You may wish to read this as you distribute the parental permission forms to encourage student participation in the Adolescent Behaviors and Experiences Survey.

Thank you.

- Our class has been selected to participate in the Adolescent Behaviors and Experiences Survey (ABES) conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This survey focuses on health-risk behaviors -- such as smoking or alcohol and drug use -- that affect teens now and into their adulthood.
- By participating in this survey, you are taking part in an extremely important effort to understand the health of the Nation's teens, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. **CDC needs and values your input.**
- Each of you will receive a parental permission form to take home for a parent or guardian to sign. Please show it to your parent/guardian, have them sign it, and then **bring it back to me the next time our class meets.**
- I would like for you to return the form to me, even if your parent says you cannot participate. Please return the form regardless.