



# DeRuyter Central School

*Home of the Rockets*

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## DeRuyter Central School 2023-2024

### Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) applies to the programs and activities of a state education agency (SEA), local education agency (LEA), or other recipient of funds under any program funded by the U.S. Department of Education. It governs the administration to students of a survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight protected areas:

1. political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent;
2. mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
3. sex behavior or attitudes;
4. illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
5. critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
7. religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent; or
8. income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

Parent/guardians will also receive notice and an opportunity to opt out of:

- Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding
- Activities involving the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or selling or otherwise providing that information to others for marketing or sales purposes
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or of other students.

These rights under PPRA transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under state law.

Parents and eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with: Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202