

Special Education and Section 504

The School District is required, by law, to locate, identify and evaluate all children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools located within the School District, as well as homeless children. The process of locating, identifying, and evaluating children with disabilities is known as child find.

Child find extends both to children who may be eligible for special education under the federal [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#) (IDEA) and those who may be eligible under [Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973](#) (Section 504).

If you believe your child may qualify under either the IDEA or Section 504, please contact the District's Director of Special Services.

Personal Curriculum

The Personal Curriculum (PC) is a Michigan Department of Education (MDE) endorsed process, permitting modification of specific credit requirements and/or content expectations based on the individual learning needs of a student. It is designed to serve students who want to accelerate or go beyond the Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) requirements and students who need to individualize learning requirements to meet the MMC requirements. For more information from MDE about personal curriculums, please [click here](#).

Student Privacy and Parental Access to Information

Under the federal [Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment](#) (PPRA), no student will be required as a part of the school program or the School District's curriculum, without prior parental consent, to submit to or participate in any survey, analysis or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

- Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her parents;
- Mental or psychological problems of the student or his/her family;
- Sexual behavior or attitudes;
- Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom students have close family relationships;
- Legally-recognized privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or his/her parents; or
- Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program).

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes ("marketing surveys"), and certain physical examinations and screenings.

Parents have the right to inspect, upon request, a survey or evaluation created by a third party before the survey/evaluation is administered or distributed by the school to the student. The parent will be given access to the survey/evaluation within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

Title I Funds: Parent Involvement

Lakeview schools receive Title I funding. Prairieview Elementary School receives school wide funding, while all other schools receives targeted funding. In accordance with law, the Board of Education has adopted a parent involvement policy (also known as a parental and family engagement policy). The School District is committed to establishing and maintaining positive relationships with families and the community. To that end, the School District will provide a variety of opportunities for families and other members of the community to become involved in children's education.

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers in writing submitted to the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. The request may include:

- Whether the teacher has met Michigan qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which s/he provides instruction;
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- The teacher's baccalaureate degree(s), major, any other graduate certification or degree(s) held, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
- Whether the student is provided services by a paraprofessional and, if so, the paraprofessional's qualifications.

Programs for English Language Learner Students

Parents of limited English proficient (LEP) students participating in a language instruction program will be notified, no later than 30 days after the beginning of the school year, of the following:

- Placement and reason why their child was identified as LEP;
- The student's academic achievement level and level of English proficiency (including method of measurement);
- The methods used for language instruction;
- How the language program will meet the student's instructional needs;
- How the program will help the child to learn English and meet the academic standards required for promotion or graduation;
- The exit requirements for the language program; and
- An explanation of parental rights, including the parent's right to enroll or remove a child from the language instruction program.

Child Nutrition Program

The School District participates in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and Special Milk Program. The participation policy for families unable to pay the full price of meals served under the School Lunch Program may be found in the office of each school building, as well as in the School District's main office. The corresponding policy and/or administrative regulation may be reviewed by any interested party and can be found by visiting www.lakeviewspartans.org.

To apply for reduced-price or full-price meals at any time during the school year, please visit www.lakeviewspartans.org and fill out and submit an application to the Director of Food Service at 300 S. 28th Street, Battle Creek, MI. Please be sure to include all required information; the School District cannot approve incomplete applications. Households receiving benefits from SNAP, FDPIR, and TANF may submit an application which contains only each Student's name, appropriate SNAP or TANF case number, or FDPIR case number or other FDPIR identifier, and the signature of an adult household member.

Students are eligible for reduced-price or full-priced meals during the 2019-2020 school year if their households receive SNAP, FDPIR, or TANF, or if the total household income falls at or below the following:

Reduced-Price Meals

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$23,107	\$1,926	\$963	\$889	\$445
2	\$31,284	\$2,607	\$1,304	\$1,204	\$602
3	\$39,461	\$3,289	\$1,645	\$1,518	\$759
4	\$47,638	\$3,970	\$1,985	\$1,833	\$917
5	\$55,815	\$4,652	\$2,326	\$2,147	\$1,074
6	\$63,992	\$5,333	\$2,667	\$2,462	\$1,231
7	\$72,169	\$6,015	\$3,008	\$2,776	\$1,388
8	\$80,346	\$6,696	\$3,348	\$3,091	\$1,546
For each additional family member, add . . .	\$8,177	\$682	\$341	\$315	\$158

Full-Price/Free Meals

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$16,237	\$1,354	\$677	\$625	\$313
2	\$21,983	\$1,832	\$916	\$846	\$423
3	\$27,729	\$2,311	\$1,156	\$1,067	\$534
4	\$33,475	\$2,790	\$1,395	\$1,288	\$644
5	\$39,221	\$3,269	\$1,635	\$1,509	\$755
6	\$44,967	\$3,748	\$1,874	\$1,730	\$865
7	\$50,713	\$4,227	\$2,114	\$1,951	\$976
8	\$56,459	\$4,705	\$2,353	\$2,172	\$1,086
For each additional family member, add . . .	\$5,746	\$479	\$240	\$221	\$111

Students whose parents become unemployed during the school year are eligible for reduced-price or full-price meals during the period of unemployment, provided the household income during that period is within the income eligibility range. Students in households participating in WIC may be eligible for reduced-price or full-price meals. Please fill out an application for eligibility determination. Head Start enrollees and foster, homeless, migrant, and runaway children are categorically eligible for free meals. Please contact your student's school for additional information. Any information included on the application may be verified by the School District at any time.

If you disagree with the School District's decision about your application, you may ask for a hearing by contacting the Director of Food Service at 269-565-3786.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability.

Wellness Policy

The School District is committed to creating a school environment that enhances lifelong wellness practices. As required by law, the Board has adopted a Wellness Policy, which is periodically reviewed. The Board's policies and/or administrative regulations can be found at: www.lakeviewspartans.org.

Physical Examinations and Screenings

In the absence of an emergency or an IEP or Section 504 plan, the School District does not provide physical examinations and screenings on school premises. In the event the School District does provide physical examinations and screenings, parents may opt-out their student from participation by sending the request, in writing, to their student's building principal, or by submitting the attached *Physical Examinations and Screenings Opt-Out Form*.

FERPA OPT-OUT FORM

Lakeview School District
2020-2021 School Year

Pursuant to the [Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974](#) (FERPA) and [Section 1136 of the Revised School Code, MCL 380.1136](#), a student’s education records and the personally identifiable information contained therein are maintained as confidential. Except for a limited number of circumstances permitted by law, a student’s education records will not be released to a third party without the parent’s or student’s (if the student is over the age of 18) prior written consent.

One of these exceptions allows schools to release a student’s “directory information” without obtaining the prior consent of the parent or student. “Directory information” is defined as:

- A student’s name;
- A student’s photograph;
- A student’s birth date and age;
- A student’s participation in School District related programs and extracurricular activities;
- A student’s awards and honors;
- A student’s height and weight, if a member of an athletic team;
- A student’s contact information;
- A student’s dates of attendance and date of graduation.

The School District has compiled a list of typical instances under which a student’s directory information is likely to be used, including: district and school newsletters and publications, district and school websites and social media pages. If you do not want the School District to release your or your student’s directory information, you may choose to “opt-out” of this FERPA exception by filling out and submitting this form to the student’s building principal.

I request the School District withhold the above-referenced “directory information.” I understand that by submitting this form, this information cannot be released to third parties without my written consent or unless the School District is required by law or permitted under FERPA to release such information without my prior written consent. I further understand that if directory information is released prior to the School District receiving this opt-out request, the School District may not be able to stop the disclosure of my directory information.

Name of Student

Name of Parent/Student Signing Form

Signature

Date

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS AND SCREENINGS OPT-OUT FORM

Lakeview School District
2020-2021 School Year

At this time, the School District **does not** provide physical examinations and screenings, including non-emergency, invasive physical examinations or screenings that are not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student or the school district community, to School District students as a condition of attendance or for any other reason.

In the event the School District does require such examinations or screenings and you do not want your student to participate, please sign and submit this form to the student's building principal.

I understand that by signing this, I am requesting the student named below not undergo any physical examinations or screenings by the School District and/or its employees, agents, or third-party contractors.

Name of Student

Name of Parent Signing Form

Signature of Parent

Date