

1/5/2018

Dear Parent(s),

This school and its teachers use several online tools to engage students and drive their learning. On the webpage <http://dpsk12.info/412> is a list of online tools that one or more of your student's teacher(s) would like to utilize as an online learning tool at Merrill. Before using any of the tools, we wanted to make you aware of federal laws and regulations that apply to the use of technology to support classrooms, and require parent consent in order to be most effective.

FERPA

In order for a teacher to use an online tool with student records or other information that could be personally identifiable, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requires that we obtain your consent to disclose your student's information to the website's operator or to other participants for the limited purpose of accessing the online tool.

COPPA

In order for students to use these programs/services, certain personal information must be provided to the web site operator. Under the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), these websites must provide parental notification and obtain parental consent before collecting personal information from children under the age of 13. For more information on COPPA, please visit <http://www.ftc.gov/privacy/coppafaqs.shtm>.

Please take a moment to look at the website above to view the online tools we will be using. Please visit any of the websites to see what personal information the site collects. When an email address is needed, we will have your student use his or her District-provided email account when using these sites.

After reviewing these sites, please sign and return this form to Merrill by 1/11/2018. This will serve as your permission for your student to have access to the sites listed at <http://dpsk12.info/412> as well as your permission for us to upload your student's information into the application so that we can make the most of its functions.

The school or your student's teacher may add online tools to this list during the course of the year. When new online tools are added, parents will be notified in standard school or classroom communications.

At this time, consent is applicable to all tools and so if you choose not to sign this permission form, your student will not participate in any of the online tools listed. This permission will expire at the end of this school year, and can be revoked any time.

Sincerely,

Christina Sylvester

PRINCIPAL, MIDDLE SCHOOL

Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____