

BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
234 SOMERVILLE ROAD
BEDMINSTER, NEW JERSEY

February 01, 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

New Jersey Department of Education requires that all students aged 10 through 18 have an examination for scoliosis every two years. Scoliosis is defined as a condition of the spine in which the growth pattern of the spine curves to the left or right. It is most commonly identified during early adolescence, the time of rapid growth, and may progress, if not treated. The purpose of the screening program is to recognize scoliosis in its earliest stages and to make referrals to the student's healthcare provider when a problem is identified.

Scoliosis checks will be conducted in the Health Office, by the school nurses, on students in grade 5 and grade 7 during the month of March 2018. Students with a suspected problem will be referred to their primary health care provider for further evaluation.

Scoliosis screening for boys and girls will be held separately. Screening will take place during scheduled physical education/ health class time.

All students will be examined unless a written request for exemption is received from a parent or guardian. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Health Office at 908-234-0768 extension 229 or 225.

*****PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU ARE REQUESTING AN EXEMPTION FROM SCOLIOSIS SCREENING. Forms are due no later than March 2, 2019.***

Name of student

Homeroom teacher

I do not wish to have my child participate in the screening program. I will have my child checked by my private physician and request that the results be sent to the health office. _____

My child is currently undergoing active treatment for a spinal curvature _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date