EGUSD Student Opt-Out Form 2026-2027

This form provides parents the opportunity to opt their student out of public media coverage, posting of student images and names through EGUSD digital communication tools, release of student directory information, and viewing of PG-13 or R-rated films. Please read each section of the form carefully.

If you would like to opt your child out of any of the following sections, please fill out your child's information (one form per child), check the associated box, and sign the form.

Please note: This is an OPTIONAL form. The form should be returned to the school only if you wish to opt your child out of one of these areas.

If you have questions about completing this form, please contact your school.

Student Name:		Student ID#:	
Address:		Phone:	
School:		Grade:	

Multimedia Withhold Form

There are occasions when news media are on school campuses to interview, photograph and videotape students for print and broadcast stories. Many of these stories are positive and highlight the good things happening in EGUSD schools. However, there are times when the media seeks access to our schools on more controversial issues. At all times, our goal is to maintain student security and privacy.

If you want your child to be excluded from media stories, please check the box below and sign the form. Please know that there are times when the media will interview or photograph students off campus or without checking in with the front office. This form only acts as a guide to media coverage. It does not guarantee that your child will not be interviewed or photographed.

☐ I **DO NOT** want media representatives to publish/broadcast interviews with or photographs/video identifying my child.

Posting of Student Images and Names on EGUSD Digital Communication Tools

EGUSD offers a number of opportunities to publicize positive school and student events and accomplishments through district and school digital communication tools. Parents have the choice to withhold their student's images (photos and video) and name from being posted by checking the area below. The publication of student image(s), along with both first and last name, requires prior written consent of the student's parent/guardian.

The only exception to this rule is the posting of student photos with first and last name into an EGUSD administrative system such as the student information system (Synergy) or the library system. These are closed systems that only EGUSD teachers, administrators and limited support staff have access to through password-protected logons. There is no opt-out of these closed systems.

Please be aware that images (photos and videos) and student work posted on EGUSD websites and social media are publicly accessible and may be collected, shared, or used by third parties, including companies that use this content for artificial intelligence (AI) purposes.

By checking the box below you are choosing **NOT** to allow the posting of your student's name or image through digital communication tools. Please know that this will result in your student's name not being published electronically for recognitions, student honor roll, awards, events, contests, school newspaper articles and clubs.

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☐ I **DO NOT** want my student's image and name posted through any Elk Grove Unified digital communication tools.

Release of Directory Information/Yearbook Information

Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the California Education Code, the District may release directory information to certain persons or organizations, as specified in this handbook, when it is requested. Directory information may include a student's name, photograph, address, telephone information, email address, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of the athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received and the most recent previous public or private school attended. In the case of students who have been identified as having special needs or homeless, no material can be released without parent or guardian consent. Parents and guardians can opt-out of having their child's directory information released by checking the box below and signing the form. Directory information does not include citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin (the District will not disclose such information without parent/guardian consent or a court order.)

If you do not want your child's directory information released, choose one of the following two options:

☐ **Option A: NO student directory information released at all, including NO yearbook and award listings.**

☐ **Option B: NO student directory information released generally; YES include in yearbook and awards listings.**

Movies and Videos – Grades 6-12

The District has a policy limiting the types of movies shown in classrooms. PG-13 rated movies that are District approved may be shown only to grades 6-12. If you do not want your child to view PG-13 rated movies during the 2026-2027 school year, please check the box below:

☐ I **DO NOT** want my child to view approved PG-13 rated movies. I prefer that my child be given alternative assignments.

R rated movies that are district-approved may only be shown to grades 9-12. If you do not want your child to view R rated movies during the 2026-2027 school year, please check the box below:

☐ I **DO NOT** want my secondary student to view approved R rated movies. I prefer that my child be given alternative assignments.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	**X**_____	**Date:**	