

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Middletown, NJ 07748

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

New Jersey State Law N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2 (F); N.J.S.A. 18A:40 – 4.3 to 4.5 & A – 1183 Pamphlet Law 2000c. 9-21-00 requires that schools offer a biennial screening program for the detection of scoliosis or curvature of the spine, for students between 10 and 18 years of age. Similar screening programs in other states have shown that 7 to 10 children in every 100 may develop scoliosis and 1 to 3 will require treatment. With early detection, through screening programs, severe spine deformity can be prevented.

The screening is carried out by the school nurse. It is simple and takes less than 20 seconds per student. The examiner looks at the child's back as he or she stands and bends forward. If your child is found to have a possible curvature, you will be notified.

Bayshore School is scheduled to have 7th students screened on **3/17/2017**. It will be necessary on the day of examination for girls to wear a bra or sports top, so that the spinal column is visible. Boys may dress as they normally would for physical education class. If for any reason you do not want your child to participate in the program, please complete the bottom half of this letter and return to the school nurse before **3/10/2017**.

Very truly yours,

School Nurse
Frances Taylor, RN, BSN, CSN
732-291-1380 ext 2707

SCOLIOSIS SCREENING

I do not wish my child _____, to
(Full Name)

participate in the spinal screening program. Please return this form to the School Nurse before

3/10/2017. Forms received after this date will not be accepted and your child will be screened.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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